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Gas prices around the world...

A snapshot of gasoline prices (for Octane 95) around the world, as of Sept 21, 2026. Per litre, in Canadian dollars:

Norway	\$4.41
Germany	\$3.67
United Kingdom	\$3.29
Ukraine	\$2.86
New Zealand	\$2.56
Mexico	\$2.30
Canada	\$2.10
China	\$1.87
United States	\$1.79
India	\$1.60
Russia	\$1.24
Qatar	\$0.81
Nigeria	\$1.41
Venezuela	\$0.05*
Iran	\$0.04*

(* Monthly average)
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'Wood foam' innovation piloting new industry

A team at the University of British Columbia has developed a product from wood waste that has the potential to replace polystyrene and other plastics.

Made from low-value pulp, wood fibre, and forestry residues, the "wood foam" is pressed into

panels that can be used instead of styrofoam in product packaging.

A pilot plant in Vancouver, owned by the Wet'suwet'en First Nation, has started production. If successful, the band plans to scale up to a 1,000 tons-per-year operation at Burns Lake.

Pro Wrestling coming to PG

For the first time in more than a decade, professional wrestling will return to the CN Centre, produced by Primetime Wrestling.

Taking place on October 16, the event will feature WWE Hall of Famer

Bushwhacker Luke, along with Al Snow, The Bollywood Boyz, Short Sleeve Sampson and Van Bruggen, among others.

Primetime Wrestling events also help raise money for local charities.



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News from Around:

A high school student in Honolulu designed

and built a weave-type ocean filter made of discarded coconut husks that removes sunscreen and microplastics from surface water.

Researching it for a science fair, she discovered further that the coconut husks can actually biodegrade sunscreen and plastic, due to a unique fungus that grows on coconut husks.

Her research has won multiple awards.

Quotes:

“Reason can answer questions, but imagination must ask them.”
-- Ralph Gerard

The Macktown Buzzette

Sept 24 -
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Restart coming soon for Conifex?

After months of uncertainty, Conifex workers could be going back to work soon. The company announced it has secured a Government of Canada loan under the Large Enterprise Tariff Loan program.

The up-to-\$30 million repayable loan will support operations while Conifex "positions itself for a recovery in the lumber market," according to the news release.

"[T]he financing provides us with an opportunity to focus on ... reestablishing normalized two-shift

operations at our Mackenzie sawmill," said CEO Ken Shields in a statement.

The company says it will also receive a reimbursement from its lumber lender up to \$11 million for capital expenditures to improve operating performance and earnings.

Community Forest to expand

The McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest (MLMCF) will see an expansion in the coming year, following a recent announcement by the
See 'Community Forest' →

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1. A Hallmark greeting
2. A large, binational lake
3. Short for Nicholas
4. To seize or grab

DOWN

1. Small unit of currency
2. An air, a melody
3. Stack of hay or straw
4. Sports manoeuvre used to deceive

MISSING NUMBER answer from last issue: 4... the numbers in each circle add up to prime numbers starting at 11.

WORD SCRAMBLE Ice Cream Flavours: Butter Pecan, Neapolitan (yes, that was supposed to be only one word - sorry!), Rocky Road.

Trivia answer: The British pound sterling

One reason why I don't drink is because I wish to know when I am having a good time.

— Nancy Astor



'Community Forest'...

province which includes an expansion for North Island Community Forest as well.

An increase of 20,000 cubic metres of wood to MLMCF's annual allowable cut (AAC) could represent an addition of over 10,000 hectares of timber land base to MLMCF's current 26,302 hectares, according to General Manager Dan Boulianne.

The AAC will increase in volume to 58,500 cubic metres.

While this is still small potatoes compared to larger licensees, Community Forest timber operations do support some local jobs, accord-

ing to Boulianne. He says particularly in timber development and layout work, road building, and through community projects supported by MLMCF's local grants.

Boulianne says the Community Forest ideally likes to sell its timber volume locally but also needs to bring in a good price, which can mean selling to licensees south of Mackenzie.

The MLMCF was established in 2009. Both the District of Mackenzie and the McLeod Lake Indian Band receive a share of revenues from its timber operations.

COMMUNITY NOTES

CO-OP COMMUNITY GAZEBO OPENING Sept 26. Music (Chris Goodwin Band @ 2 pm), BBQ, poetry slam. Starts noon @ the Arts Centre, 9 Laurier Drive. Free.

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY Sept 28 activities @ the Library: *Bluey Craft & Among Us in Real Life*. Check at the Library for times.

JOHN HEWITT TRIO @ the Arts Centre, 9 Laurier Drive. Advance tickets \$30. Door: \$35.

ALL CANDIDATES FORUM (Town Council Election) Sept 29, 6 - 9 pm @ the Rec Centre, Callahan Room. Questions to candidates can be submitted to the Chamber of Commerce.

SENIORS WEEK in Mackenzie kicks off Sept 28. Look for events around town.

Sarah's Scribbles

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CONIFEX

Conifex Mackenzie Forest Products Ltd. Forest Operator Map (FOM) Notice

Mackenzie Natural Resource District

Forest Licence:	A15385
FSP ID:	#488
FOM Name:	CFX-2026-04
Public Review Start Date:	2026-09-24
Public Review End Date:	2026-10-24

The proposed block and road development within this FOM(s) are valid for three years and may be relied upon to apply for cutting permits and road permits, to harvest a cutblock or construct a road.

If you would like to comment on the FOM(s), you can do so during the dates above, and can be accessed at the following link (<https://fom.nrs.gov.bc.ca/public/projects>).

To schedule an in person appointment, contact the forestry department by email or phone with the contact information.

Business Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8 - 4:30

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Legal Notice

Century Mobile Home Park would like to notify any family of the following last known Tenants: Juan Dager Romero, #83 in Century Trailer Court, 25 Mackenzie Blvd, Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0. You have 31 days to make an application to the courts to establish right of possession October 1st - October 31st, 2026. If no application is submitted, the owner of the park will take possession to sell.

The park owner's information is Andrew Wang 46935 Hope River Road, Chilliwack BC, V2P 6H5, 778-996-6698.



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