Trout Lake molybdenum mine hosts open house and mine tours

by Jan McMurray

The MAX molybdenum mine near Trout Lake will have its first open house this weekend. It is one of the largest molybdenum mines in North America and is located near the community of Trout Lake. The mine has been in operation since 1987 and produces molybdenum concentrates for the steel industry.

The open house will be held on Saturday and Sunday, with guided tours of the mine available. The tours will provide an opportunity for the public to learn about the mining process and the environmental impact of the mine.

The mine has been controversial in the past, with concerns about water quality and the impact on the local community. However, the mine has taken steps to mitigate these issues, including a water treatment facility and a reclamation program.

The open house is a chance for the public to learn more about the mine and its operations, and to ask questions of company officials.

For more information, please contact Roca Mines Inc. at 604-684-2900 or sbroughton@rocamines.com; Friends of the Lardeau at 250-366-4275 or kathy.eichenberger@gov.bc.ca; or the Ministry of Environment at 354-6462.

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Molybdenum currently trades in the US$25/b range and is a key alloy in the manufacture of stainless and specialty steel, including pipelines and other energy-related steel infrastructure.

Ron Trower, the president of Roca Mines Inc., said the first open house was a success and that the company was looking forward to holding more in the future.

The mine has been in production since 1987 and produces molybdenum concentrates for the steel industry. The company is required to advertise that it has the authority to order the work to be done and that the company will be responsible for the environmental effects of releasing mine tailing contaminants into the wetland headwaters of Trout Lake.

The company, FortyTwo Metals Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Roca Mines Inc., which owns 100% of the mine. Roca Mines Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Roca Mines Inc. at 604-684-2900 or sbroughton@rocamines.com; Friends of the Lardeau at 250-366-4275 or kathy.eichenberger@gov.bc.ca; or the Ministry of Environment at 354-6462.

Minister of State for Mines Bill Bennett and crew members at the portal of the molybdenum mine near Trout Lake.

Harry Manx played a wonderful variety of string instruments on the Saturday of the 15th annual Kaslo Jazz Etc. Festival on the August long weekend. More photos inside on page 9.

Mousetrap roars through the mud at the Nakusp Mud Bogs on the August long weekend. Coverage on page 8.
The future of Incomappleux's ancient forest remains uncertain

by Art Joyce

Imagine hiking into a ‘land that time forgot,’ where the still-living ‘dinosaur[s] are ancient groves of western red cedar and the black locust. The Incomappleux River valley, stretching roughly north-south from the upper reaches of Arrow Lakes near Beaver, is that land. Tree cores show these giants as ranging in age from 400 to 1800 years.

Over the past four decades, about three quarters of the valley—an area roughly 15 square kilometres—has been logged, leaving about 1,000 hectares of operable intact old-growth forest cradled by the confine in the steep valleys of the Battle Brook and Incomappleux Rivers. This moist terrain is a well-watered ecosystem known to biologists as the world’s solely inland temperate rainforest. Some biologists have discovered rare or endangered species of flora and fauna have been found in our oldest rainforest. One of these, a phorophore-sapling green moss, called ‘Goblin’s Gold’ is found only under fallen root stumps in very moist coniferous forests. Scientifically, this area of the Incomappleux valley is one of the few well-preserved examples of the PDO’s rarest west coast ecosystems. This forest is currently under consideration by the BC government for inclusion in the PDO.

The Incomappleux River valley, the valley of the Naknek People, almost 400 to 1800 years. It is roughly 35 square kilometres—has three quarters of the valley—an area about 1000 hectares, or roughly 1000 acres. All we are talking about is 1000 hectares of old-growth forest containing some trees up to 4m in diameter and sensitive wetlands. ‘Our position is, we want to see the whole area set aside and protected, not broken up into fragments. All we are asking about is 1000 hectares of old-growth forest that has been left intact for 30 years of logging this valley. The majority of this forest by Potlach and Talbot’s own definition is inoperable. Any logging of the old growth forest, he warns, will open up the forest canopy, allowing more wind and drying that will destroy the most forest's health.

VWS is currently working on a proposal to have the Incomappleux added to the Glaciers National Park, whose boundary lies some 10-15 kilometres to the north of Battle Brook. Due to jurisdiction issues, Parks Canada is unable to act unless the BC government approves the proposal to remove the Incomappleux from TLC.

The Naknek and District Museum Society is also doing its bit to educate people about the valley. Society member Tonya Montgomery from the society says that 90% of his guests have no idea the forest contains some trees up to 4m in diameter and sensitive wetlands. This fire is very visible from Revelstoke. The camp at Trout Lake was set up on July 31 and housed 74 firefighters, three officers and 12 support staff at its peak. Crews were working on six fires from August 6 to 16. The next step for the society is to engage the services of an Internet Service Provider, and then to install single point radios on clients' properties. Society directors report that the service should have uploaded and downloaded speeds that are higher than 12MB/s. Monthly prices have also been finalized, as follows: business - $70/month; private house (higher data rate) - $55/month; private house (lower data rate) - $40/month. The Valley Voice August 16, 2006

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Most forest fires extinguished

by Jan McMurray

Fire activity has slowed right down with the recent rain and cooler temperatures. Almost all fires are now contained and the mop-up stage. We have almost all of the additional resources that were imported to help in the Southeast Fire Centre are still asking for help.

The Fry Creek Canyon Trail was closed out. Rain on August 10 significantly slowed fire activity. This fire is very visible from Revelstoke. The camp at Trout Lake was set up on July 31 and housed 74 firefighters, three officers and 12 support staff at its peak. Crews were working on six fires from August 6 to 16. The next step for the society is to engage the services of an Internet Service Provider, and then to install single point radios on clients’ properties. Society directors report that the service should have uploaded and downloaded speeds that are higher than 12MB/s. Monthly prices have also been finalized, as follows: business - $70/month; private house (higher data rate) - $95/month; private house (lower data rate) - $40/month.

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Summit Lake Ski Hill worth some investment

by Jan McMurray

The little ski hill that could’ in Summit Lake is still struggling along after a year of operation, thanks to the superhuman volunteer effort of many, many people over the years.

However, the Summit Lake Ski Club is finding it more and more difficult to cover the ever increasing costs of operating the hill. Insurance has jumped from $6,000 to $22,000; inspections, increased from $100 to $500. The number of volunteers has been static, and staffing has gone up from $200 to $2,000 per year. The hill hires three full-time employees, from December to March.

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Edgewater, Burton, Nakusp and New Denver get three ski days every winter, and one hour of instruction on each of the three days.

The hill also has a race program, which attracted about 70 ski and snowboarders in March. The Summit Lake Nancy Greene racers, aged 6-12, were guaranteed income that would open a guaranteed source of money through the Regional District would ensure a dependable budget,” he said.

The race program takes the most volunteer hours, with the 12 coaches clocking a total of about 1,400 hours in a season. The Summit Lake Ski Club’s 5-10 members put in a total of about 900 hours in a season. The hill hires three full-time employees, from December to March.

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Strange encounters in the night

I had a strange experience the other night. I had just pulled into my driveway when a vehicle pulled in behind me. That’s not unusual. Lots of folks manage to pull into my yard, looking for the Roseberry Park campground. So I got out of the car, and prepare to give directions.

Suddenly a voice rings out, “Are you Dan Nicholson? I hesitate for a moment, wondering who might be asking this question, or why. Eventually I decide to admit it, after all, what’s the worst that this person is going to do? I answer, “Yes.”

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“I conceed. I’m a little concerned by this point, because I remember the same conversation with my student newspaper days that ended with me getting beaten up. I resolve to run very fast if he asks me whether I’m the same guy he read about in 1976.

I get out of the car, and prepare to give directions.

“Goodnight” is the stranger’s shout. I open the bag inside. No pot of destinant here. In fact, it’s a bottle of rare old single malt, ten-year-old Glennmangie, to be precise. My father’s favorite, and certainly among my top three Scotch whiskies (at least at the time of writing). I’m not sure what I’d deserve the whisky, but I must caution my readers not emulate the example of Mr. Lamb. It only encourages even the very worst of my readers.

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Silvertown gets grants for Memorial Hall

by Jan McMurray

The Village of Silvertown has recently received two pieces of good news. New Denver welcomes new cops

New Denver has recently budgeted funds to Constables Oster and Jones to join the Slocan Lake Detachment in New Denver.

Local kids learn about bears

Evelyn Kirkaldy, chair of Get Bear Smart Society, Kootenay chapter, came to New Denver to talk to the children’s gardening group, GRUBS, on August 12.

Kirkaldy relayed lots of interesting information about bears, but her main message was that people must remove attractants from their property so that bears and humans can live in the same area harmoniously. “Proactive policy is to kill bears that are doing damage to people’s property because there are not enough conservation officers to relocate them. They also say relocation doesn’t work. It works, but it doesn’t solve the big picture. If you relocate a bear, another will come if attractants aren’t removed,” she explained.

She told the kids not to litter, as garbage is a major bear attractant. She also explained to parents that compost piles should not be a problem if they are done properly—the compost should be aerated regularly, kitchen waste should be layered with garden waste, and there should be no animal products whatsoever in the compost.

A surprise for most was that bird feed is also a major attractant. Kirkaldy said that bears really like to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bears really liked to eat Mountain Ash, garden vegetables, dandelions and clover, as well as berries, of course. She said that bear
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14th Annual Hills Garlic Festival to run September 10, 2006

Momma – that’s what that intoxicating aroma in the air! It’s time for 14th Annual Hills Garlic Festival, September 10th from 10 am – 4 pm at Centennial Park in New Denver.

More than 100 vendors will be selling organic garlic, garlic wreaths, and other organic produce, plants and plant products.

The festival’s well known slogan, “where culture meets agriculture” is reflected in the wide array of quality crafts, toiletry products and herbal remedies available. Festival goers will also be able to sample the usual variety of delicious food from vendors.

Prizes will be awarded the year for the best garlic food, the heaviest garlic and the best braid and garlic-themed remedies available.

Festival-goers will have the opportunity to explore the many Garlic-related crafts, toiletry products and herbal plant products.

“Where culture meets agriculture” is really about the garlic. More than 100 vendors will be selling organic garlic, garlic wreaths, and other organic produce, plants and plant products.

The Kootenay Grass Band will perform throughout the day with their lively fiddle tunes. Stilt-walker Angela Starfire will likely keep the kids enthralled.

The Hills Garlic Festival is a community project hosted by the volunteers of the Hills Recreation Society. Funds raised are used for the maintenance and enhancement of local basketball and tennis courts and cross-country ski trails. The festival is also a supporter of the Hills community fire hall fund.

From small seeds come great growth. What started as a gathering of friends for a garlic-themed pot-luck supper in the park, has become much-needed venue for local farmers and artisans that attract over 3,000 people! Come join the fun. Admission is only $3.00 (children 12 and under free).

Slocan Lake Dance Camp over for another year

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521 6th Avenue, New Denver

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157 brave the Slocan River to participate in annual poker float

What could be better than floating down the Slocan River on a warm Sunday afternoon in August? Life doesn’t get any better than this, boys.

Is there a better place to enjoy a picnic lunch than during the annual Slocan River Poker Float? We think not.

Sinixt Native Indian Nation hosts Froggy Fest

The Sinixt Native Indian Nation is hosting the first annual Children’s Festival for the Kootenays, at the Sinixt Barter Fair Grounds, 4120 Lower Passmore Road, Vallican, Saturday, August 19. Admission $15 per person, $25 per family.

Froggy Fest is named so because it is within sight of Frog Mountain - one of the most important geographical centres of the Sinixt People. Headlining Froggy Fest is Jack Grunsky, a three-time Juno Award-winning children’s musician. His charismatic stage presence has been a children’s (and parent’s) favorite for many years and we are pleased to have him as our festival’s favorite for many years and we are pleased to have our festival’s stage presence has been a children’s (and parent’s) favorite for many years and we are pleased to have him as our festival’s favorite for many years and we are pleased to have him as our festival’s favorite for many years and we are pleased to have him as our festival’s favorite for many years and we are pleased to have him as our festival’s favorite for many years and we are please...

Also in performance is Bo & Friends. Later in the evening is Big Jack headlining our festival.

Froggy Fest has a full day of children’s activities: Arts & Crafts Teepee, Friendship Circle and Smudge, Sinixt Story Teepee, Quiet Teepee, botany treks, music building, theatre, and much more. Free camping and Sunday morning pancake breakfast (by donation). The Sinixt Nation are the original inhabitants of what is now called the Upper Columbia River Drainage Basin. Mistakenly declared extinct by the Canadian government in 1956 they are now asking to have their aboriginal status restored. The Sinixt prefer not to use the nomenclature ‘First Nation’ because of its hierarchical or superior implication in regards to other peoples or nations.

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Kelowna team wins Slo-Pitch tourney

There were 21 teams at Nakusp's annual Slo-Pitch tournament. First place went to Those Guys from Kelowna, who won the final game against second-place team Creston Kokanee. In third was Dusk 'til Dawn Gamecocks from Kelowna. RMG Athletics from Castlegar took fourth place. Tournament MVP went to Larry from Creston Kokanee. Rick Weiss from the First Team Gone got Best Male Pitcher. Best Female Pitcher went to the RMG Athletics pitcher. The Stagulls from Calgary were named Most Sportmanlike.

Two Nakusp teams made it into the playoffs on Monday -- In the Parkers and First Team Gone.

2006 Build, Bail and Sail Contest results

First place: Father and son team Joe and Curtis Desrochers in CUJO. Originally from Nakusp, they now live in Fort McMurray.

Second place: Darin Garnett and Roger Waterfield in FLYING DRAGON.

Third place: Uncle and nephew team Pierre and Kevin Desrochers, the GLAD BAG BOYS, now living in Fort McMurray.

Fourth place: NAKUSP SEALS Dave Wight and Art Olson. Their boat sank on the second run.

Fifth place: Kevin Arbuckle from Alberta and Darwin Frerichs from Saskatchewan in the TITANIC, which sank on the first heat.

2006 Nakusp Sandcastle Contest Results

Kids 7 to 12
First: Treasure Island – Shahram and Seby Kabir (visitors)
Second: Stone Stronghold – Patrick & Devin O'Brien (visitors)
Third: Nakusp-a-lot – Mike Burnst and Hope & Kelti Gore (visitors?)
Youth 13-18
First: The Castle – Grace deWit, Liz Latham, Brandi Witwicki (local)
Second: Mermaid of Nakusp – Sammie, Ashley, Stephanie, Emily, Kinsey, Ryke, Kate, Will, Bailey (visitors)
Family
First: The Man Eater - Spavor family (local)
Second: Saddleback Dribble – Rosie & Cindy Caron et al (visitors)
Third: Nakusp Hot Springs – Kelsie & Kylee Williamson, Ashley Grater (visitors), Laura Kilroy (local)
Honourable Mention: Squirt from Finding Nemo (turtle) – Madison Bothner, Katie & Don Marlowe (visitors)
People’s Choice Award: The Man Eater by the Spavor family - Haley, Avery, Ali, Julian, Diva, Jodi and Abby

Nakusp's first annual sandcastle contest was a great success, with 19 entries. This sandcastle, created by Brandi Witwicki, Grace De Wit and Liz Latham, won first prize in the youth category.
KASLO JAZZFEST

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NAP KUS & THE ARROW LAKES

Horse riders will compete in Nakusp, August 19 & 20

By Jan McMurtry

The Arrow Lakes Saddle Club is hosting its annual gymkhana on August 19-20 at Nakusp Creek Quarter Horses. All horse lovers should plan to attend—spectators are welcome. Admission is free and there will be a concession on site. To get there, turn onto Gensick Road at Canon’s Corner and follow the road right to the end. The riding arena is to the right when you cross the old rail road. Events will include BC Barrel, Bending and Barrels.

Benefits of the gymkhana:

- Offers a fun-filled day of horse-related activities for all ages.
- A great opportunity for horse riders to showcase their skills.
- Provides a venue for spectators to enjoy horse-related activities.
- Funds raised go towards the club's operational activities.

By At Jarden

Carol’s Garden Cafe is hosting a benefit dinner in Edgewood for a 20-year-old Vancouver dancer, Ja Pace, who suffers from Beta Thalassemia Major, a potentially fatal blood disease. Born on Hornby Island, Ja is the daughter of Francesca and Sally Pace, better known as Pancio and Sal. The couple’s Stirling blend of American folk, gypsy, and flamenco music, with poetry as well known to west coast audiences. Although the songs are sung in Spanish, So’s harmonium and English translations engage listeners in lively sing-alongs.

Ja recently made the cover of Vancity Magazine, featuring songwriting and recording in London. As the rhythm and blues singer, she has been writing for the film industry. The Upset Stumpage Rate was determined in accordance with the Interior Forest District.

Racing Association (BCBCA) barrel races, both days. Thread the Needle, Stakes, Old Reining Race, Two Barrel Cow Horse, Hunter Jump, Speed Barrels, Pole Bending and Barrels. There will also be a Pendant Natural Horseshowmanship demonstration by Fawn Anderson on Saturday.

There will be cash prizes to fourth place in each event, ribbons to sixth place for the Wes and fourth place and her grace as a flamenco and salsa dancer. She was diagnosed with the genetic blood disorder at the age of five. The disease is common among peoples of the Mediterranean Basin, South East Asia and equatorial Africa. Thalassemia is characterized by a reduced production of hemoglobin, with the defect affecting cells in the bone marrow. Hemoglobin is the vital oxygen carrier in the blood and its impairment can lead to anemia and a greatly reduced life expectancy.

The only known cure for the disease is a bone marrow transplant. This procedure is only done in Canada with a perfect match from a sibling. Unfortunately, neither of Ja’s siblings are a match for her. At present she is being treated with monthly blood transfusions and a drug infusion which controls the potentially dangerous buildup of iron toxicity body.

Ironically, the Pace family found hope in the Mediterranean, the very region of the world where the disease originated. A new technique has been developed in Italy using one of the parents as a bone marrow donor. Because Ja’s overall health is good, she has been accepted for the procedure. The older she becomes, the more damage blood transfusions and drug therapy will do, creating more complications for a bone-marrow transplant.

But the cost of the hope isn’t cheap— the operation costs around $325,000. However, the treatment is still considered experimental and therefore ineligible for coverage by the BC Medical Plan. To date nine patients have been treated successfully while another five have had no change in their condition. Ja’s parents have been busy fundraising to help defray the costs. Pancho and the band are back, and the expected for this year, “I thought, my God, this could be MY daughter.”

The benefit dinner will be held Saturday, September 2nd at the Edgewood Legion Hall, featuring bluegrass singer Quin Quinn DeCourney, and Fawn and Sal Anderson, Tribal Funk of Salmon Arm, and of course Pancio and Sal. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. There will be a cash bar for this. "I thought, my God, this could be MY daughter.”

Meanwhile, be sure to check out the reggae dance party with DJ Farley, Kootenay Country, on August 18th. The scheduled menu will be Jamaican. The following Friday the 25th will feature The Evans Sisters, a duo known for their folk, country, and soft rock harmonies. Expect to hear songs by the Beatles, Simon and Garfunkel, and other artists.

The Gala is open to the public, and proceeds will go to the BC Family Services. There will be cash prizes, silent and live auction prizes.

The gallery will be opened by 5 p.m. with hot spring revenue. The Village is paying for the renovations. The Province

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Nakusp, Hot Springs re-opens by Jan McMurtry

The Nakusp Hot Springs m-opened on the Saturday of the long weekend, after a seven-month closure for renovations.

The facility now boasts a new state-of-the-art mechanical and filtration system. The renovation has resurfaced, retiled, and the decks have been resurfaced.

“We have been counting down the days until we could announce the reopening of our hot springs,” said Mayor Karen Hamling. “Now, after many months, I can say — on behalf of the Village of Nakusp and the Hot Springs Advisory Committee — come join us! The Nakusp Hot Springs is open once again.

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• Arrow Creek RV Park & Campground (250) 353-2366


• Nakusp Village Campground (250) 265-1061

Open May to October. 35 shady sites, hot showers, flush toilets, sani-station, fire pit, close to sandy beach, downtown shopping. Pets on leash 2006 $15.00/night, $25 full service.

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• Sandon Museum & Visitors’ Centre (250) 358-7920 www.slocanlake.com/sandon

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• Nikkiei Internment Memorial Centre (250) 358-7288

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• Arrow Lake Historical Society Ph/Fax: (250) 265-0110 265-3323 ohls@netidea.com e-mail, ohlserambukahotmail.com Location: 925 Fourth Ave., Westwood Hydro Building. Hours: Monday to Friday 10:00 - 11:00. Archives and publications. Best source for area history and family research.

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Dennis Creek Meadows Rival Idaho Lookout

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Financial forum

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Education ‘Oops-I-Forgot-To-Save’ Plans

With September just around the corner, many parents are making withdrawals from education funds for a child’s post-secondary education costs. As tuition rises and living expenses soar, many parents are looking at different ways to make sure that the money is going to be there when they need it. This is especially true for students who are planning to attend college or university.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
Are you concerned about your community's housing needs and caring housing costs? Ever had to wait a year to find affordable or appropriate rental accommodations in Silverton or New Denver? Then please take the time to fill out the Healthy Housing Society's housing needs survey and help Holdus a mirror into the hot issue of the Valley Voice and the 385 Exchange, or pick one up in Silverton: 

Homeless Chat, On Thursday evenings: New Denver, Contact Fathanna at 265-3674 or nukap@palmercomputerservices.com.

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SLOCAN CITY OUTDOOR MARKET every Sunday 10 am - 1 pm in June. Interested vendors call Ellis at 355-2592 or Email ellis@valleyvoice.com.

SOUTHERN HOTEL: Rooms: Drop at OPEN ARTSTUDIO Adults (14-17) $60 Sat 19 Sept 13-7 pm. (99) Kids (2-13) Thu Oct 31 7-10 pm. Contact CHAKRA’S Expressive Arts Series 7-9:30 pm $18 each. Explore chakra with creative arts and GUI THAO (Aug and Sept), Don & Sonya Sweet. Massage Healing Centre, 202 Lake Ave, Silverton. Schedule: See registration, by emailing or more information at 385-2177 or Soulgardens@articaxa.com.


DANCE FOR KIDS! Express, explore, create, perform at the new dance schoolhouse in South Slocan. Creative modern, ballet, hip hop, funk, Jazz. Register now. 352-2286.

RE-AWAKENING: INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY PLANNING with Carol Stark of the Chonkauk Institute, Monday, August 19th at 7pm. Gallery in New Denver Community Hall. Stark has a lot of experience working with BC communities and can help you deal with the challenges and triumphs of other communities during their planning processes. This should be a great preparatory session for people interested in actively participating in New Denver’s OCP review in the fall. Sponsored by Healthy Housing Society.


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1050 Kildare St., New Denver every Friday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. Offered by the Kootenay Grass Company and the village Angelica Hopkins. CONTESTS: Heaviest Garlic Clove, Largest Garlic bulb, Best Garlic Poem, Best Garlic Bread & Best Bid/ Auction. Admission $2.00, children under 12 years, Amply NO DOGS please. WOVEN SILVER: Slocan Valley Threads Guild 25th Anniversary Show at Silverton Gallery. Opening August 20 at 3 pm to September 4. Friday-Sunday showings, noon to 4 pm. For further info call Sharon at 286-7073.

NAKUSK Fair, Table Reservations: September 16th. Table reservations: 385-0077.

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FOR SALE
MOVING SALE: Swan House B&B, 714 Armstrong St., Silverton. Garage sale will be held on Sundays, Aug 6, 13, and 27 from 10 am to 3 pm. There will be a variety of items for sale. Please contact us for more information.

REF: A Coast to Coast Garage Sale, 226-7100.


LARGEST PRIVATE LAND for sale – 14.5 acres, near the lake. 356-2288.

Nakusp Massage Therapy Clinic: Registered Massage, 226-6488, 226-4010

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New Denver council, August 8: C4 zone made official

by Leah Main

The regular council meeting was preceded by a public hearing, for the purpose of allowing New Denver residents a final opportunity to question or comment on the Official Community Plan (OCP) and Zoning Bylaw amendments to re-establish a C4 (Residential/Commercial) Zone for short-term tourism rental housing. Written submissions already received were listed, and those present (eight people) asked a few clarification questions. All the input from these sources were acknowledged by council. During the regular meeting, OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 605, 2006 and Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 604, 2006 both received third reading and final adoption. The C4 Residential/Commercial Zone is now official.

Mayor Wright informed council that he had met with Nakusp property representatives regarding the trees bordering on the centre that were cut down and/or topped. Kyowakai Society member Mel Swanson accepted responsibility for having ordered the cutting and topping, and now understands that she did not have authority to do this for trees on Village property. A verbal agreement was reached that says the parties who authorized the cutting will be wholly responsible to pay the cutting costs to hire a certified arborist to determine the health and viability of the topped trees; and, if any further pruning or any replanting must be done, to pay these costs. Council approved this, and authorized staff to send a letter outlining the conditions.

A letter will also be sent to Aspenlum and Davey tree cutting companies about this matter, to help prevent a repeat occurrence.

• New Denver will receive an additional $40,513 from the BC Small Community Grant program. Mayor Wright pointed out that a large portion of this money will be used toward policing costs under the new cost sharing agreement which will take effect next year.

• Mayor Wright has continued to attend meetings with BC Ambulance Service and IHA regarding service in this area. With the support of the Village of Nakusp, Regional District endorsed New Denver’s request to transfer dispatch of our ambulance from Kelowna to Castlegar. A further meeting will be held, once a date is determined when all involved parties can attend.

• Final approval was given to the letter of consent for RDCK Bylaw 1829/06 (Summit Lake Area Financial Contributions). This means that New Denver supports the idea of the RDCK collecting taxes up to $20000 annually from the Villages of Nakusp, New Denver and Silverton, Electoral Area K and a portion of Electoral Area H, to go toward the cost of operating the Summit Lake Ski Hill. The RDCK has not yet passed the bylaw authorizing the taxation advertisements notifying the public will appear in local newspapers first.

• Mayor Wright reminded council that the Westbank Treaty Negotiation Table is scheduled to meet in New Denver August 22. Councillor Greenswood will attend.

• Councillor Bunika reported that an application has been sent in to Katimavik, on behalf of a working group she chaired. Although it is doubtful the application will be approved, she and the group remain hopeful.

• A request for 15-minute parking signs in front of the post office was turned down.

• Council received a proposal from the Village of Silverton to jointly own Silverton’s 2002 John Deere backhoe. Council members voted to enter into a three-month period on shared usage; and if this is successful they may agree to enter into a joint ownership contract.

• Council will investigate the pair of geese that nested in the middle of the post office parking lot.

• A vehicle landed in Arrow Lake when it vaulted off the ferry landing at Fauquier on August 6. It came to rest on its roof about 30’ out, submerged under 10-15’ of water. Two females were in the vehicle and had both escaped the vehicle and left the scene by the time police arrived. Officers located the females at the Arrow Lakes Hospital, with no serious injuries. The driver, a 20-year-old Castlegar woman, was served a violation ticket for driving with Undue Care and Attention and a 24-hour driving suspension. The vehicle was pulled from the lake early last week and did not disrupt ferry service.

• RCMP is seeking help from the public in locating a foul that went missing over the night of August 7-8, from the corner of Crescent Bay Road and Billings Road. The horse is two months old, dark brown in colour, with a prominent white star on its forehead. Anyone with information on this should call the Nakusp detachment at 265-3677 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

• A gas theft resulted in arson on Hwy 6 at Nakusp on the night of August 10-11. While gas was being stolen from a Pope & Talbot vehicle parked at 926 Hwy 6, the gasoline ignited, scorching the truck, the asphalt below the truck and likely the culvert(s) stealing the gasoline. A patch of grass near to the building was also burned. The building was not damaged. RCMP is continuing the investigation. Anyone with information should call 265-3677 or 1-800-222-8477.

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When Fat Kat’s finally opened its doors August 9, the crowds lined up for its ice cream cones, sundaes, banana splits and other desserts they had been dreaming about ever since owner Katrine Campbell came up with the idea for such a decadent establishment.

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