



WASA COUNTRY PUB'S ANNUAL MEMORIAL FISHING DERBY RESULTS (ERV DUECK)

Saturday, February 18th... a beautiful day on the lakes. Thanks to all 52 participants for making the Memorial Fishing Derby a success.

1st Place David Durogidi 6 lb fish

2nd Place Gary Pearson 3.5 lb fish

3rd Place Tammy Valin 3 lb fish

Hidden Weight Joyce Davis 2.5 lb fish



A very special thank you to Erv's family and friends
for making the trip from Saskatchewan again.

Thank you for helping raise \$260.00 for Cancer research.

Upgrades to Wasa Memorial Garden

Since the October dedication of the Columbarium the energetic sponsors of the Memorial garden have added some extras. The first is a simple plaque:

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The other is a second memorial wall, twin to one which already holds the names of many who were loved but not forgotten.

The Wasa and District Historical Association worked first to write and publish the local history book KOOTENAY RIPPLES which was launched in 2002. The proceeds of that book have been reinvested in the community. The RDEK has given permission for full use of this pleasant area of calm behind the Community Hall. Now the Association offers locals the choice of remembering a departed loved one with a plaque on the wall or a safe resting place for cremains/ashes in a niche in the columbarium. Each niche is of a size to hold the ashes of two people with both names engraved on the door.

Anyone wishing further information about these options in the attractive Wasa Memorial Garden can contact Bev Rauch at 250-422 3335.

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Page 8 for stories by Clay Tippet
and Savannah Flegel.



Who are the new faces of major league sports and where are they coming from?

With escalating salaries and free agency running abundant in sports, it's clearly difficult for the average fan to follow his favorite team anymore. Every major league sport needs a player to be their focal point on selling their product. In the past these choices were clear and the fan could readily identify the player to the sport. For examples, boxing had champions like Mohammed Ali, Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran. All these faces were worldly renown and easily recognizable. At one time Ali was the most recognized face in the world, even more so than the Pope. After Ali's retirement, Leonard and Duran were passed the throne to boxings pinnacle. All these athletes were charismatic, entertaining and always ready with a quick quip or two and deserving champions. I beg you now to name me one champion in ANY of the weight classes. Boxing has lost the lustre of its past and cannot promote its sport to the extent of their glory years.

The National Basketball Association had the fortunate opportunity to land one of the most exciting players of all time in the 80's and 90's. Michael Jordan carried the league on his shoulders and the league prospered with its greatest popularity ever. Jordan was the perfect example of what every league cherishes; great player, great personality and a face that could sell ice to eskimos. Upon the recent retirement of Shaquille O'Neal and the declining talent of one Kobe Bryant, the NBA is trying to find that one enigmatic persona to resurrect it's waning popularity. LeBron James is trying to sell himself but apparently nobody is buying it. The flaky James left the city of Cleveland for greener pastures in Miami but until he can boast championship rings on his fingers, he toils in the obscurity of the sport. There are names like Rose, Howard, and Westbrook floating around, but they too have to rise above the norm to have mass fan appeal.

The NHL too had their glory years when they marketed Gretzky versus Lemieux in the 80's. Never before were 2 superstars appreciated more for their talent and marketability. The sport needed these athletes to sell their sport to the American populace. Their faces donned the covers of every hockey magazine and the average fan could relate to their accomplishments. Recently the league has tried to sell the Crosby versus Ovechkin duel as their primary selling feature, but that too has vanished. Crosby hasn't played in months and Alexander The Great has become Alexander The Not So Great.

With the influx of all the good young players to have entered the league recently, I cannot see any of these players stepping into NHL stardom. We need somebody that the NHL can promote to either hate or love.

I look at the NHL scoring leaders and see names like Giroux and Spezza near or at the top of the list. It's highly unlikely that you can tell me the numbers that these players wear. Steven Stamkos has the looks and skills to be the NHL's poster boy but he toils in the obscurity of Tampa Bay where hockey is as popular as polar bear watching in the Atlantic Ocean.

All major league sports need to promote and sell their product and hang their moniker on an identifiable face. Baseball too have had their glory years with the likes of Ruth, Mantle, Mays and Aaron. Now the league has had to deal with steroid scandals to Mark MacGuire, Barry Bonds and to some lesser extent Alex Rodriguez. The faces of the sport seem to be one All-American Derek Jeter and the fore mentioned Rodriguez. Unfortunately these men play on the same team- the love em or hate em New York Yankees. With players circumventing the country to find new riches, the faces of the new modern era of baseball will never find their nouveau riche to satisfy the masses. It's really tough to identify with players who treat loyal supporters with disdain.

The NFL is the one pro sports league that has maintained its ever growing popularity. Star players seem to stay in one city more readily than other sports. Every team can nominate one star player as its franchise player and pay them accordingly. Tom Brady of the New England Patriots and Aaron Rodgers of the Green Bay Packers have picked up the torch handed to them from the likes of Dan Marino, Joe Montana and Jerry Rice. This is one sport that seems to understand marketing, selling its product and promoting its sport. Every other sport should take notice and work harder in its attempts for the almighty fan base.

Dynamiters Dynamics

The Nitros finished 2nd in the Eddie Mountain division of the KIJHL and are in the midst of their playoffs. At press time they are currently playing Creston in round one. Congrats goes out to Richard Hubscher who won the league scoring title with 106 points. Rylan Duley was 7th and injured Senate Patton was 10th. Hopefully Patton will be healthy enough to see action in the playoffs. Goalie Breaden Ostepchuk was 3rd in league stats with 21 wins, a GAA of 2.58 and a save percentage of .909. On Sunday Feb. 19 the Nitros trounced Fernie 7-2 to complete the

regular season and hopefully set the tone for their meeting in the playoffs. Stay tuned to The Drive FM 102.9 for future home playoff games. !Go Nitros!

Ice Shavings

At Press time the Ice sit in 5th place in the Eastern conference. They are solidly entrenched in a playoff spot due to some stellar defence. Goalie Nathan Lieuwen continues to lead the league with 24 wins, a GAA of 2.29 and a save percentage of .921. Goal scoring is at a premium right now with captain Drew Czerwonka on the shelf with an injury. The team must find ways to win those close 2-1 and 3-2 games. Max Reinhart continues to shoulder the bulk of the offense while younger brother Sam sits 2nd on the team in scoring and 3rd in league rookie scoring. Sam has recently set a new team mark for goals by a 16 year old (23) while goalie Lieuwen has tied a franchise record with 82 wins by a goalie held by Taylor Dakers. The Ice need only 5 more victories to reach 600 in franchise history. 2012 playoff ticket packages are available at the box office starting at \$72.00 for youth, \$96.00 for students, \$122.00 for seniors and \$136.00 for adults. Playoffs start week of the 19th. !Go Ice Go!

Kootenay Ice March Home Games

Sat. Mar 3	vs. Calgary
Fri. Mar 9	vs. Med Hat
Wed Mar 14	vs. Edmonton
Fri Mar 16	vs. Calgary

In curling news, the provincial schedule for the Masters has been released. **The provincials will be held at the Kimberley Curling Club March 6-9.** The event will have a local flavour with the Jim Hill rink from Kimberley representing the East Kootenays. Yours truly is on the squad, so come cheer us on, watch some great curling

Provincial Schedule Masters Curling

Opening Ceremony Tue Mar 6 @ 12:30 pm

Tue Mar 6	9:30 am
Wed Mar 7	8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Thur Mar 8	10:30 am - 2:30 pm
Fri Mar 9	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

and enjoy our well priced beverages.

In local news, the Cranbrook Bandits and the Kimberley high school baseball team is looking for players for the upcoming season. For more information, please contact Murray Blackburn at mblackburn@shaw.ca

Remember, local sports is our passion. If you have any anecdotes or sports stories that you need promoted, please contact me at mcarelli@



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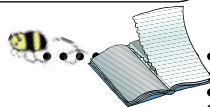
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Editor's Corner

Hope everybody had a chance
to check out the website:
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Remember we're always open
to ideas and suggestions,
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Thanks again to everybody
for the support and words of
encouragement.

Have a great month everybody
and Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

Wendy

Wasa What's It?

**Can you guess what
this item was used for?**



*Thanks to Melinda Howard and
Jack and Jeannette Howard for
providing the image.*

Answer in March Edition



February
Answer:
Blow Torch

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(Entries submitted to the Writing Contest, will appear randomly in future editions of the Newsletter. If you wish for your story to be included, please ensure you have replied to the email requesting permission.)

Be Vewy Vewy Afwaid

by Clay Tippet

My former Wasa neighbours Elaine and Pete Pelletier were cleaning up their yard. This was nothing new; they were always fussing with their yard. It seemed nothing annoyed Pete more than grass more than two inches high. Or perhaps it was that nothing annoyed Elaine more than to see Pete not in motion. Pete mowed a lot. He wore out at least three riding mowers that I know of.

I was away the day that Elaine decided she and Pete should clean out everything underneath their lakeside deck. Rather than depositing an old bicycle they found in the semi-darkness at the WW Mart, like any normal Wasa resident would, she had a better idea. She dragooned a more than willing Terry Marvel, who was helping me with our house construction, (no doubt bribing him with cinnamon buns) to take the bicycle to the far side of our house and lean it up against the wall.

I've never considered myself the sharpest tack in the box, but I should have guessed something was up when a few days later Elaine came over and said she and Pete wanted to tour the new pea gravel path we had just finished around the house. (I am smart enough to figure out that you don't have to mow pea gravel, in case Elaine became an inspiration to my wife Mitsu – so I've used lots of it)

As we came around to the far side of the house (Elaine was in the lead) she said: "What's that bicycle doing there?" I was stuck for an answer. Over a beer, Elaine was very helpful in speculating about some of the possible circumstances that might have lead to the sudden appearance of a bicycle. Had a dastardly skulking prowler been sneaking around the house and abandoned it or was it simply a neighbour kid who had been at the beach for a swim and forgotten his bike? I don't remember Pete saying much other than "It's strange, a bicycle"

I wouldn't have been right for me to take the bike to the WW Mart because it clearly belonged to somebody. Like any good citizen should, I put the bike in a shed out of the rain. I also took a digital picture of the bike and printed it off with a notice "Is this your bike?" which Marvin Schwartz, the grocer, kindly posted for me on his bulletin board. Nobody replied to the notice.

At least once a week for the next month or two Elaine would ask me if anyone had called about the bike and engage Mitsu and me once again in speculation as to whose bike it might be. Eventually she confessed, chortling, very pleased with herself.

Pete and Elaine sold their Wasa house and moved into Cranbrook. To the unsuspecting residents of 2nd Avenue South in Cranbrook, as Elmer Fudd used to say: "Be vewy, vewy afwaid – a twixter is amongst you."

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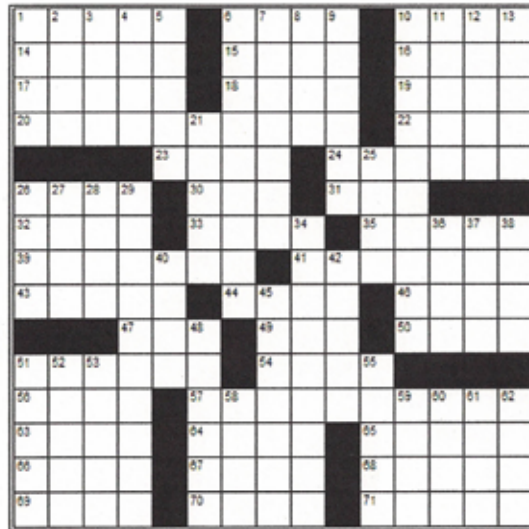
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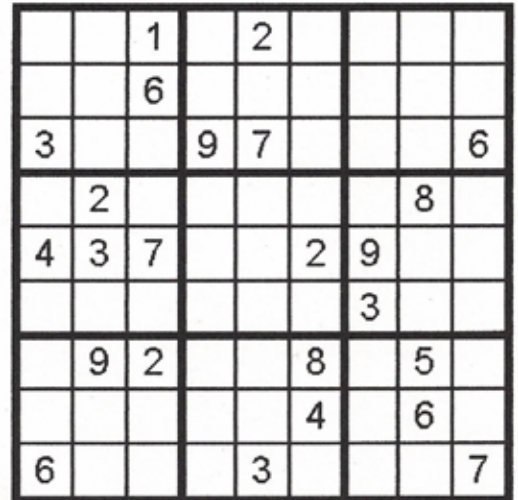
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1. Hinder
6. Equipment
10. An aquatic bird
14. Burdened
15. Unusual
16. Novice
17. Sheeplike
18. Largest continent
19. Poems
20. 100th anniversary
22. Not a single one
23. Prospector's find
24. Wiggle room
26. Use a beeper
30. "___ the season to be jolly"
31. Sweet potato
32. Nameless
33. Camp beds
35. Speedy
39. Durations
41. Ductile
43. Affirm
44. Distinctive flair
46. Not closed
47. Governor (abbrev.)
49. French for "Summer"
50. Following
51. Ebb
54. Precious stones
56. Biblical kingdom
57. Found on cave ceilings
63. Formally surrender
64. Carry
65. Eagerness
66. Ends a prayer
67. How old we are
68. Streamlets
69. Long ago
70. Young girl
71. Refine metal



DOWN

1. Coalition
2. Wash
3. Norse god
4. 1/100th of a dollar
5. Drop to one's knees
6. Pretentious
7. Least difficult
8. Diva's solo
9. Actually
10. A type of craftsman
11. A woman whose husband is dead
12. Sporting venue
13. Offensively curious
21. Tally mark
25. Acquire deservedly
26. Friends
27. Again
28. Departed
29. Betrothal
34. Without nationality
36. A hollow cylindrical shape
37. Holly
38. Fender blemish
40. Stepped
42. Colonic
45. Emissaries
48. Virginal
51. Summary
52. Swelling under the skin
53. Cyphers
55. Cicatrices
58. Roman robe
59. Snip
60. Doing nothing
61. Fee
62. At one time (archaic)



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Can You Spot 12 Differences?



Hints From Vi

By Vi Cockell



Hello readers! Spring is on its way, Pussy Willows are starting to come out.

1. A tip for you travellers. Store your shoes and slippers inside a shower cap to avoid getting dirt on your clothes inside the suitcase.
2. I received this tip from a friend. Help keep your chimney clean by burning dried potato peelings on the hot coals in your fireplace or wood stove.
3. Running out of time to have potatoes with dinner? Peel only one side of the potato for quick boiling.
4. To remove onion odor from your fingers, simply rub your fingers between a stainless steel spoon while holding under running water. This really works!
5. Limp celery made crisp by placing in cold water and adding a slice of potato and placing in the refrigerator. To keep celery fresh and crisp wrap in tin foil (shiny side in) and refrigerate.

Till next time keep smiling!

All too often an opportunity presents itself disguised as hard work.



the Armchair Traveller

SUBMITTED BY BEV FALKNER

How fortunate we are to have such excellent photographers and narrators willing to share their adventures with us! Sherrin Perrouault took us to great heights in Nepal and showed us what would happen if we suffered from altitude sickness. How would you like to be carried down the mountain in a basket on the back of a porter? The scenery was truly spectacular. Scott and June Owen sailed us through the Panama Canal—the highlight of an interesting journey travelling to the Canal and away from it. Huge ships going through such a narrow waterway showed us that it is a good thing it is being widened. Susan Manahan took us to China and Tibet. The smog was depressing, the gardens were beautiful, the architecture was varied and interesting. People, markets, and many, many means of transportation abounded. Tibet, with its “no photographs of anything Military” and Susan’s description of armed guards everywhere was upsetting.

We appreciate the baking contributed by Judy McPhee, Sibel Robinson, Lorraine Colton, and Rhea Tagg. Our thanks also to the gentleman who donated a box of chocolates.

I will remind you again that Derm and Susanne Kennedy will be out March 7 to show their photos of Haida Gwaii. They will share photos/experiences from three different trips while paddling and touring the Islands. Highlights include visits to old native village

sites in South Moresby Park. March 21 Laurie Kay will entertain us with adventures in Australia. I didn’t get much information from Laurie before he and Sandy went to Cuba but I think there may be a possibility of photos of them both hiking around Ayers Rock when they were still in their youth. Sandy will be supplying all of the treats so you have that to look forward to also! For our last and extra program this year Sharon and Wendy Prinz will be our presenters. In Sharon’s words: Sharon and Wendy are back from their further adventures in Egypt, Jordan, and Dubai. Come hear about their escapades in the Pyramids, a Nile River Cruise, a trek across the Sinai Peninsula, and a climb up to the Monastery in Petra. They will end with a view from Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world.

Join us for fine viewing, a cup of coffee, a glass of juice, a treat and most importantly, a visit with your neighbour. If you are willing to help with refreshments call Brenda (422-3335), Marg (422-3565) or Bev (422-3359)



Mar. 7	Haida Gwaii	Derm and Susanne Kennedy
Mar 21	Australia	Laurie and Sandy Kay
	Egypt, Jordan,	Sharon and Wendy Prinz and Dubai

Hi My Name is Savannah Flegel and here is my story!

A DAY ON THE WAVES

As the bright yellow sun beamed down on our tent, Kaitlin and I laid there watching the dew roll off the roof. As the aroma of pancakes filled the air Kaitlin and I started to rumble. All of a sudden, her cousin ruffled the tent and said "breakfast is ready!" We licked our lips and ran to the kitchen to find a big plate of freshly cooked golden pancakes drizzled with melted butter and maple syrup. After breakfast, Kaitlin's dad asked us if we would like to go water skiing, we immediately said "yes" and ran to her parents' camper and quickly put on our colorful bathing suits. I was super excited, though I had never been up on water skis before.

I started getting butterflies as I was putting on my life jacket. Kaitlin's turn was first, I was the spotter so I could see how it was done! After Kaitlin went, it was my turn! My butterflies disappeared after watching Kaitlin having so much fun! I put on my water skis and hopped into the water. Kaitlin's dad passed me the rope, told me to get into position and to let him know when I was ready to ski. I counted to three and gave him and Kaitlin thumbs up. The boat started to pull me; I fell back into the water and let the rope go. The boat came back around and Kaitlin passed me the rope again. She said "good try, try it again"!!! I grabbed the rope tight and let the boat pull me up! I was up!!!!!! I was skiing on water!!!!!! It felt like skiing on glass, with sparkling water spraying all over me. I leaned over to my right and skied over the wake. SPLASH! TUMBLE! BANG! OUCH! I had fallen into the water. I popped my head out of the water with a big smile of relief. I survived my first water ski and crash! What a fun day it was! I was so proud of myself and could not wait to tell my family and friends that I can now water ski!

By Savannah Flegel
Age 10

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The Union (CA)

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Wasa Lions Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives Funding Update

To date, applications from The Recreation Society (Wasa Hall), Historical Society (Memorial Garden), Lions Trail, Wasa Quilters and several individuals for educational assistance have been approved. We also know of several other applications ready to be presented.

All 2011-2012 funding has to be distributed by May 31st so don't leave a request to long.

Last summer the Swim Classes were cancelled due to mosquitoes and poor weather.

Water safety and swimming ability are so important in our lake side community so we are hoping that they will run this year.

Keep in mind that educational assistance along with university and college programmes are also available for short self interest courses like first aid, computer skills, photography, languages, art, energy etc. Check out the courses The College of the Rockies offers.

Evidence of registration and acceptance are required with the application.

Applications are available at The Wasa Gas Station. Please make sure you meet the eligibility criteria on the application form.

Contact a committee member, listed on the application for further information.

- Sue McCarthy, Committee Chair 250 422 3550
- Laurie Kay, Committee Member 250 422 3288

FOLLOW-UP AREA E TOWN HALL MEETING

At the Area At the Area E Town Hall Meeting on February 6th, RDEK Manager of Planning & Development Services Andrew McLeod provided an overview of the current regulation which prohibits the placement and occupancy of recreational vehicles on lands that are zoned R1 and R1A in the Wasa area. RDEK staff and I have received feedback from people on all sides of this issue – from those who support the regulation the way it is, to those who would like to see it changed. It is important to me that we hear your opinions and ideas. As a result, I am encouraging written comments on the regulation regarding the placement and occupancy of RV's on R1 and R1A zoned properties. Letters can be emailed to wasarv@rdek.bc.ca or mailed to:

Jean Terpsma

Planning Technician

Regional District of East Kootenay

19 - 24th Avenue South

Cranbrook, BC V1C 3H8

The deadline for submission is: March 31, 2012.

RDEK staff will compile the results and provide them to me for further consideration.

Also discussed at the Town hall Meeting were the following items:

- 2012 budget for Area E
- mosquito control budget

- progress of developing an RDEK Agricultural Plan
- photos were displayed to the public of material that had been illegally dumped at the Wasa transfer station. RDEK staff are presently investigating and request anyone with information of illegal dumping to contact the RDEK.

ZONING AMENDMENT APPLICATION

There was a Public Hearing at the Wasa Recreation Hall on Monday, February 20th on the proposed zoning amendment by Stahl to change the zoning from Commercial to RR1.

WASA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The RDEK Board gave the Wasa Historical Society permission to undertake the maintenance at the Wasa Memorial Garden for the next 10 years,

AREA E VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The RDEK is once again looking for an Area E Volunteer of the Year. The deadline for nominations is March 16th. Please submit your application to: www.rdek.bc.ca

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*May your blessings out
number the Shamrocks that
grow, and may your troubles
avoid you wherever you go!!*

BY NAOMI MILLER

A small group of Registered Nurses was selected to commence "Welfare Field Service" in British Columbia in 1935. The orientation covered the gamut from Tuberculosis Control, Venereal Disease Control, Mental Health, Mother's Pensions, Child Welfare, Adoptions, CNIB and the `DP&S` Destitute, Poor and Sick Funding. On November 27, 1935 Miss Esther Paulson arrived in Cranbrook to serve East Kootenay from the US border in the south, Creston in the west and to Golden and Field in the north. Miss Paulson was assigned a ground floor office, with bars on the window, of the old government building at the foot of Baker Street. Salary was \$125 a month plus mileage on a car. Esther did not have a car so arranged to go out with a Provincial Policeman when convenient or travel by jitney service to Golden on its twice a week schedule. She accessed Fernie by train or Greyhound. At each community the Government Agent might transport her to schools or to visit a sick shut-in.

After a few months she acquired a 1936 Chevy Coupe. She had never driven before so was given lessons by Constable John Henry. Then she was given a drivers test by Sergeant Andrew Fairburn. The test was on a narrow, winding bench road near Fort Steele where she was made to drive forward and reverse and around curves until he was satisfied that she would not drive over the bank.

One of her early assignments was to arrange care for elderly Emmy who lived in a shanty at Rock (now Lazy) Lake. Miss Paulson was taken

there by Game Warden Ben Rauch who later helped move the lady, her three legged dog and belongings to a small house on King Street in Cranbrook. This was the height of the Depression. Old timers struggled to get by with what they could hunt or harvest and when illness struck most refused “`relief`”. Esther had to devise ways to get money for necessities for those individuals. One program she was able to implement was a `hot milk` for needy kids at Cranbrook schools. The dairy donated milk and volunteers dispensed it at recess time.

In that early time of Talking Books the record player was on loan from CNIB. One old timer really was not receptive about the books but loved to play his friends records of classical or current music. The CNIB agent was ready to recall the player but Esther defended the alternate use because visitors not only brought records, they also bought loads of firewood or fetched water for the blind indigent.

The WFS nurse sent referrals in for those who could not afford eye examinations or the cost of glasses. These were handled by Dr. Shaw, an eye specialist from Calgary who came in periodically. He would drive in via Crows Nest to Fernie, then north to Cranbrook, Invermere and Golden then return via Field, and Lake Louise. These roads were all gravel with hazards in all seasons—snow and ice in winter, mud, water and deep ruts in spring and thick dust in summer and fall. Paulson's photo album shows cars stuck in the mud, glaring ice on certain routes and the "new" Fernie tunnel.

After her interesting three year term in the East Kootenay Miss Paulson became head of Tuberculosis Control (and boss of this writer), Canadian Representative to the International Congress of Nursing and head of other organizations. Only one other nurse had the WFS title then each successor after that was known as a Public Health Nurse.

Fanny's Favorites

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| 1 cup Mayonnaise | 2 Tbsp chopped stuffed Olives |
| 2 Tbsp chopped Sweet Pickles or Sweet Relish | 1 Tbsp chopped Parsley |
| 2 Tbsp Capers | ½ Tsp grated Onion |

Combine mayonnaise with sweet pickles or relish, capers and olives, add parsley and grated onion. Serve with hot or cold fish.

***Fanny - a true fisherman,
gives this homemade Tarter Sauce recipe
a double thumbs up!!!!***

The Lions Den

SUBMITTED BY KATHY MILES-BOUE

LIONS SWEETHEART'S DANCE

The Sweetheart's Dance held on Saturday, February 11th was a fun evening with lots of great prizes and some very fun games. We would like to thank all those who attended and all the volunteers who made it possible.

LIONS DOG WALK

The annual Lions Dog Walk will be coming up soon. Funds from this are used by Lions Clubs International to train Guide Dogs for people who have vision, hearing and other medical or physically limiting disabilities. It is a unique fund raiser as three local clubs (Wasa, Kimberley and Cranbrook) work together in putting it on. Both the two legged and four legged participants look forward to this as it is a great social event, with a BBQ lunch enjoyed by all at the end of the walk.

Before we know it, it will be May when two of the Lions annual events take place.

WASA COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

When doing your spring cleaning, if you find you have a gently used item you no longer need, please think of our Lions Community Garage Sale. Donations are welcome and we can even arrange pick up of the items. We appreciate all donations but ask that you ensure they are in working condition. We would like to advise that this year we will not be accepting any items of clothing for the sale.

WASA FUN DAYS

Our other big event is Wasa Fun Days. Now is the time to think of working on a costume, getting together with some friends and putting a float in the parade! Perhaps you have some extra time on your hands right now and you would like to build a planter to donate to the Lions for use in their very popular Planter Draw. Maybe you will have some free time during Fun Days and would like to help us by volunteering a couple hours. If any of this applies to you, we would be delighted if you would contact one of our members and let them know of your interest.

\$2,000 DONATION TO "A CLEAR VIEW CAMPAIGN"

The community's support at all of the events we put on during the year helps us raise funds which allow us to help others. We would like to thank all the community members and our club members for all their hard work throughout the year. As a result of all these combined efforts, the Wasa & District Lions Club is happy to announce that we will be donating \$2,000 to the "A Clear-View" Campaign! This is the East Kootenay Health for Foundation fund raising campaign for a digital mammography machine for the East Kootenay Regional Hospital. Our Lions club members are proud to be able to support such a worth-while cause and our community members should be proud because without your continued support, this would not have been possible. Way to go everyone!!



We Serve

A Message From Mac Campbell, Trustee School District #6

Since my introduction in the Tri-Village Buzz last November as a candidate for Trustee of the Board of Education of the Rocky Mountain School District #6, the learning curve has been steep and the experience very informative and enjoyable. Thank you for the opportunity to contribute.

As one of four new trustees on a Board of nine, we have received the benefit of extensive orientation sessions from Senior District Management and other Trustees within the District and at two provincial conferences. All have been well organized, paced to our absorption capacity and very constructive.

Surprises? Yes.

The Paperless Board is very refreshing relative to my experience on many other boards, whether corporate, strata, sports or community.

The volume of active associations, boards and related staff existing around K-12 education is very extensive and after three months I expect I've only encountered the tip of the iceberg.

I encourage you all to learn and monitor the progress of your Rocky Mountain School District #6 by checking out www.sd6.bc.ca

Best Regards,
MAC CAMPBELL, Trustee
maccam@rockies.net
250-427-0175
www.sd6.bc.ca/





DON'T SAY 'NO' AND BE HAPPY

From the moment you wake up in the morning until you wake up the next morning, whatever you do or think, I can assure you that you are looking for happiness. The pursuit of happiness for an ordinary mind is always related to things which are outside of you. The more situations or people behave according to what you expect, the happier you are. But as you know, your expectations are rarely met, because most of the time the world does not fulfill your commands or desires. This is when you become frustrated, anxious, nervous, stressed, and angry. When the world does not correspond to what you expect, you are in an inner state of conflict which is made of a feeling of disappointment or injustice. To be in contradiction with what the situations of daily life bring you is very childish. A true adult does not fight the reality of the world, because he understands that the world cannot be otherwise at this moment. You cannot prevent situations which are happening right now. You cannot prevent people from being as they are right now. In other words, you cannot say 'no' to what happens, because it is happening. No matter how frustrated you are, what is happening in your life right now cannot be changed. It will change on the course of time but not now; right now, everything is as it is, that's it! Do not refuse what is!

When you are in conflict with the world, even your very small personal world, you cannot be happy, because happiness is an inner state without conflict or contradiction. When you have no conflicts or contradictions, then you are happy, and it seems to you that the world is beautiful and at peace, as it should always be.

How do you enter in conflict with the world? It is when you do not accept the world anymore, when you don't like a situation and you say 'no' to it. Through this revelation that I'm giving you, happiness is within your reach. The key to everlasting happiness is: stop refusing, stop saying 'no' to the world. In reality you can never say 'no' to what happens; the only choice you have is to fully accept it, while remaining very careful about your old habits of saying 'no' and refusing reality.

Saying 'no' through everything that you dislike is a crime against your own happiness and that of others. Saying 'yes' to what happens, whether you like it or not, protects happiness within yourself and for others. So, remember that each time you say 'no', you are on the verge of being unhappy, and then change your attitude by saying 'yes'. This way, you will be able to improve situations or relationships with people, and you will keep the feeling of freedom brought by the true happiness which resides within you. If you are uncomfortable

and unhappy, it is always because there is something that you refuse; so, don't do it anymore!

Don't say 'no', say 'yes' to what the Divine Force brings you at every moment, and you will be happy forever. Whatever happens, you have the power to overcome it and you will.

May these words of practical Wisdom help you in your daily life: don't say 'no' and be happy.

Warmly yours in the Lord with my best thoughts to each of you.

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Differences:

- 1) Line on boy's pocket missing
- 2) Strap on sandal missing
- 3) Hair at back of ball cap missing
- 4) Elbow patch missing
- 5) Back of seat by girls arm missing
- 6) Hub cap missing
- 7) Collar on girl's top colored in
- 8) Boom box handle colored in
- 9) Patch on pants moved up
- 10) Light on bus moved down
- 11) Musical note moved to right
- 12) Back of skateboard is longer



ARLA MONTEITH.... 10 YEARS AS A KOPS!!!!

On February 29th, TOPS B.C. #4999 Wasa held a surprise celebration for Arla Monteith. Arla reached her goal weight on February 25th, 2002. At that time Arla became a KOPS (Keeping Off Pounds Sensibly). For ten years she has maintained her status as a KOPS. This is truly a milestone to celebrate. It is not an easy feat to stay within the guidelines of 3 pounds above or 7 pounds below that goal weight for ten years!

Past and present members of TOPS gathered at the community hall to honour Arla. Arla was presented with a vase of ten yellow roses, a ten year pin and a scrapbook of memories and best wishes. A rousing song of "Oh Dear Arla" was great fun! Arla is an example of what TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) can be as she Keeps Off Pounds Sensibly. Congratulations Arla and thank you for the encouragement and love you have shown your fellow members.



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Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information
Karen Markus 250.422.3514
Sandy Kay 250.422.3288
- Gym
Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201
- TOPS
Susan 250.422.3510
- Library
Brenda Rauch
250.422.3335

In addition, BINGO's are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Wasa Hall. Early bird starts at 6:45 pm and regular at 7:00 pm.

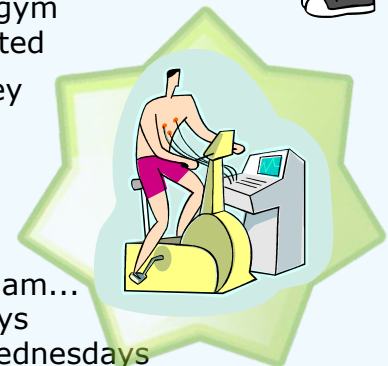
Safety guidelines and things you need to know:

- ☐ Minimum of 2 people in the Gym at all times
- ☐ All users must sign in with date and time
- ☐ All users must sign a Wasa Recreation Programs User Waiver located at the sign-in desk
- ☐ All users are required to wear "gym shoes" - no street shoes permitted
- ☐ All users must use the safety key on the Walking Machines
- ☐ Cost is a loonie or twoonie
- ☐ Have fun and be safe!

In the morning 7:30 am to 8:30 am...
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
10 am to 11 am Mondays and Wednesdays
Contact: Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201



We're open to suggestions, give us a call if you know 2 or more people that would like to attend at a time not indicated.

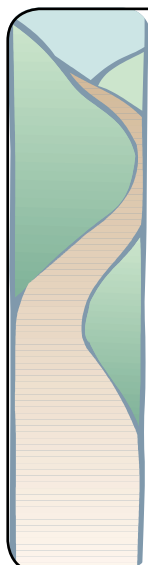


GYM HOURS AND INFO

March 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bible Study	2	3 ICE HOCKEY
4 Church	5	6 Quilters LIONS Library Opening Ceremony 12:30 pm	7 TOPS Library Armchair Traveller- Haida Gwaii	8 Bible Study	9 ICE HOCKEY	10
11 Church Daylight Savings Begins 	12	13 Quilters BINGO Library	14 ICE HOCKEY TOPS Library	15 Bible Study	16 ICE HOCKEY Deadline for RDEK Area E Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations	17 
18 Church Cut-off for April Newsletter	19	20 Spring begins Quilters Library Lions Dinner Meeting	21 TOPS Library Armchair Traveller- Australia	22 Bible Study	23	24
Spring Break Camp at Fort Steele						
25 Church	26	27 Quilters Rec Society Library	28 TOPS Library	29 Bible Study	30	31 Deadline for RDEK RV Regulation Submission

- LEGEND:**
- Church Service 10:30 am • Gym (M,W,F 7:30-8:30am & 10-11 M,W))
 - Quilters 10am-4pm • Bible Study 7pm
 - BINGO 6:45pm • TOPS 6:30 pm
 - Rec Society 7:00 pm
 - Lions 7:00 pm
 - Library Tues 11am - 1pm
 - Library Wed 6:30pm -8:30 pm



Special Events and Days Down the Road

- April 8, 2012
Easter Sunday
- April 18, 2012
May cut-off date
- May 2012
Wasa Lions Garage Sale
- May 26 & 27, 2012
Wasa Fun Days
- Sunday, May 27, 2012
Lions Purina Walk for Dog Guides
- May 31, 2012
Deadline CBT Funding Distribution

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- Chase Saddle and Leather.....250.427.5517
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- Wasa Lions (President).....250.422.3272
- Wasa Lions Ground & Rental Information -
Ernie Kurze.....250.422.3121