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Fire Safety...the time to prepare is NOW!



If a fire starts in your home, or your neighbours home, or if you're burning and the fire "gets away on you"; there will be no red fire trucks screaming down the road to come to your rescue. There will not be miles of hose readily available to extinguish the flames and there will not be trained firemen ready to save you and your property. You will be solely at the mercy of your friends and neighbours (unless the fire spreads and BC Wildfire Management becomes involved). It will be a chaotic and devastating experience that will put not only your home and life at risk but also that of everyone in our community... **THINK BEFORE YOU BURN AND PREPARE YOURSELF AND YOUR PROPERTY.**

Respect Fire Bans and Fireworks Bans. The decision when or where to implement a fire ban is made by the regional fire centres, depending on local fire hazards or dangers and the type of weather conditions forecasted. Campfire bans can be implemented in anticipation of an increase in lightning -caused fires. During critical fire situations, the Wildfire Management Branch can't afford to risk having human-caused fires divert resources from naturally-

caused ones. Through the *Wildfire Act*, BC Wildfire Management has jurisdiction over all public and private land, except in areas where a local government has and enforces burning bylaws that can limit open fires. To determine if you are in an area where a campfire ban has been enforced or removed visit bcwildfire.ca

The number of escaped fires resulting from backyard burning can be reduced by adhering to safe burning practices. People doing backyard burning must have hand tools, water and enough people on hand to keep the fire in check. Fires must not be lit or allowed to continue to burn when the wind is strong enough to cause sparks to be carried to other combustible material or when a notice banning or restricting the use of open fire is in effect.

Grass fires that get out of control can cause serious damage. People must remember to place a firebreak around the perimeter of the fire area. Fires can escape easily if a wind picks up. Fires that get away can quickly engulf fences, power poles and buildings and can also spread to neighbouring property or forested areas.

Excerpts from bc.wildfire.ca - Large wildfires in BC include:

On September 17, 1868, Barkerville was destroyed by fire and 116 homes were destroyed. The fire was caused by a miner trying to kiss one of the girls in a saloon. The ensuing struggle dislodged a stove pipe, setting the canvas ceiling on fire.

The Okanagan Mountain Park fire, during the 2003 fire season, was the most significant interface wildfire

event in BC history. The fire's final size was 25,600 hectares. Much of BC was affected by the fire but the communities of Naramata and Kelowna suffered the largest effect when the blaze caused the evacuation of 33,050 people (4,050 of these people were also evacuated for a second time) and 238 homes were lost or damaged. The fire also claimed 12 wooden trestles and damaged two other steel trestles in the historic Myra Canyon.

In 2014, the Chelasie River wildfire, 7 kilometres south of the Chelasie River burned an area of 133,098 hectares (1,331 square kilometres), including sections of Entiako Provincial Park. This fire resulted in several evacuation alerts and orders.

Wasa Fun Day

Saturday,
May 30th

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Adopt-a-Highway Highway Clean-up

May 9th
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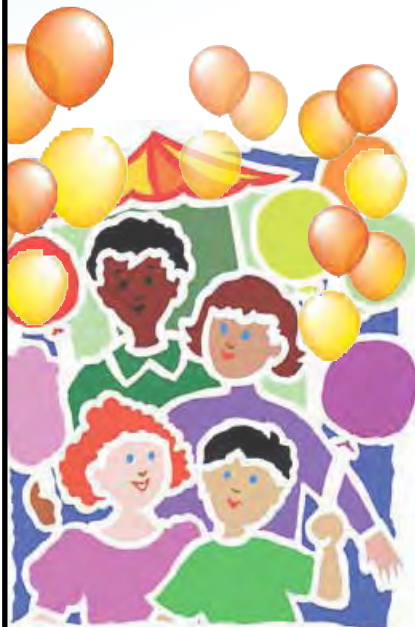
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Wasa Lions Annual



Wasa Fun Day

Saturday, May 30th



- ☺ Pancake Breakfast (8:30 to 11 am)
- ☺ Garage Sale
- ☺ Parade (11 am)
- ☺ Concession Stand (1-5 pm)
- ☺ Old Fashioned Bingo in the Hall (1-3 pm)
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- ☺ Planter Draws & 250 Draw

NEW THIS YEAR!!

Spaghetti Dinner for \$10.00

Includes Spaghetti, salad, bun and desert



GARAGE SALE



Saturday, May 30th

Garage Sale at the Lions Grounds
During Wasa Fun Day

Spring is here! Clean out your attic, clean out your
basement, clean out your garage!

The 4th annual Wasa Lions Garage sale looking
for gently used items you no longer have space
for or use!

Call: Sharon (250)422-3227 or Val (250)422-3499.

No Election Needed at AGM - Three Positions filled by Acclamation

The closing date, as set out in the WLLID by laws, for nominations for WLLID trustee positions to be elected at an Annual General Meeting is two weeks before the date of the AGM. This deadline was advertised in The Advertiser, several recent editions of The Tri Village Buzz, the WLLID website and the WLLID Newsletters.

Accordingly the deadline for nominations for the 3 trustees to be elected at the April 29th WLLID, AGM was Wednesday, April 15th.

Three nominations for the three upcoming positions were received prior to the April 15th closing date. All three candidates meet the eligibility requirements. They were nominated in writing and they accepted their nominations in writing.

Three Year Terms

Cliff Youngs and Sharon Prinz - Congratulations! It's pleasing to see these two valuable, outgoing trustees willing to continue their volunteer services for another term.

One Year Term

Paul Dixon - Congratulations!

We welcome Paul to The WLLID. Paul, his wife Robyn and family have lived in Kimberley since 1993 and Paul has been spending time at Wasa since his childhood.

The Dixon family have had lake front property at Wasa since the 1930's. Paul's brothers and sister currently own 5 properties.

Paul has good background knowledge of the Wasa area. His family has always been supportive of the WLLID. Paul would like to see Wasa Lake continue to be a healthy, safe, inviting, respected and well cared for lake to be enjoyed by all for years to come.

Lake Testing, Milfoil and Invasive Plants

Two tests for temperature and dissolved oxygen were taken in April with our new convenient, handheld meter. Both numbers are in line with past numbers at this time, which is good.

As of April 19th the lake level is still dropping ever so slowly. With the low snow pack and a dry start to spring we could see low lake levels this summer, but who knows. As such flood mitigation is still an important issue.

We have meetings arranged with Interior Health to discuss sharing costs for some more E coli testing this summer.

East Kootenay Invasive Plant Council

I attended a meeting in April of The East Kootenay Invasive Plant Council as a session on Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) was also available. As reported in 2014 we have patches of Native Aquatic Milfoil in the lake. It is not the dangerous, Invasive Eurasian Milfoil but it can cross with Eurasian Milfoil if that species enters the lake and produce a very difficult invasive species. Wasa Lake is on a list of East Kootenay lakes to be checked for aquatic invasive species this year under a AIS monitoring programme. Much discussion took place on the possible danger of zebra and quagga mussels entering B C lakes. These are bad boys! There is a great need for awareness, responsibility and border boat and lake entry inspection stations so boaters can "Clean Drain and Dry".

Todd Larson will address the WLLID April, 29th AGM on Invasive plants and aquatic invasive species and will have printed information available. Thank you Todd.

We are still planning a shoreline clean up and a community knapweed pull followed by a BBQ. Stay in touch.

St. Mary Valley Rural Residents Association Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, May 16th, 2015

Wasa Lions Grounds

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

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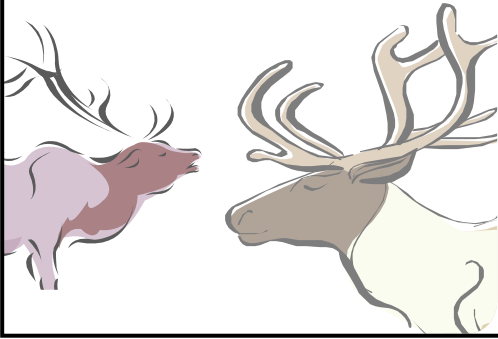
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WELCOME TO THE TRI VILLAGE BUZZ NEWSLETTER TEAM - TOSH LEBLANC!

Tosh answered our call for help and will be our new Item Coordinator. She will be sending the monthly reminders to our column submitters and she'll be doing it all the way from Shediac, New Brunswick! Thank you Tosh!

Antler BUYER

Contact: Rick Stanyer
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Did you know...

"Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt"

The words 'racecar,' 'kayak' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left (palindromes).

The **WASA RECREATION SOCIETY'S** main objective is to generate funds to keep the Wasa Hall running. Wasa Recreation Society members meet in the basement of the Wasa Hall in the Quilters Room on the last Tuesday of each month. Everyone is invited to attend.

Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information
Karen Markus 250.422.3514
Lorraine Colton 250.422.3640
- 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 6:30 pm and regular at 6:45 pm.

WASA COMMUNITY LIBRARY



Hours: Tues. 11 am - 1 pm &
Wed. 6:30 pm - 8 pm

SUBMITTED BY JUDY MCPHEE

"There is only one corner of the Universe you can be certain of improving and that is your own self." Aldous Huxley

We certainly learn from books, friends and elders! Wasa Librarians, Dale and Rhea Tagg celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary on April 12th. Congratulations Dale and Rhea!

Do you have trouble remembering history? A new book titled **"THE WHITE PRINCESS"** by Philippa Gregory, PhD in History is a superb historical fiction. The book catapults you back to the years 1485-1500, at the time of Richard 111 and Henry Tudor V11 and his arranged wife, Elizabeth of York who are direct descendants of Queen Elizabeth 11. Philippa's excellent characterization brings insite and a greater understanding of English Monarchy, the life and customs of kings, their wives and families.

Our library has many more treasures waiting to be found. If you'd like to make an appointment outside of the Library's regular hours call Brenda at (250) 422-3335.

Many thanks to Barry Holden for donating a box of "Westerns" to the library.
Books are lighthouses in the sea of time, You will never discover new oceans if you keep your eyes on the shore!

Happy reading from Judy

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

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WASA MEMORIAL GARDEN

Submitted By Sandy Kay



Welcome to Spring! With the onset of Spring things need to move forward ensuring that the Memorial

garden receives all the necessary attention it needs to be at its best for the growing season. March 25th a small but mighty band of supporters attended the annual organizational planning meeting.

We had our first clean up in preparation for the new growing season on April 13th. The temperature outdoors read cool but we generated so much natural heat it ended up really quite lovely. We are certainly ahead of schedule with the garden chores this year simply because the weather has been so grand. Come on in and take a wee peak, it's looking great. I wish

to thank Jeannette Abbott, Sherry Walkley, Rose Smith, Arla Monteith, and John Smith - Mr. Wheelbarrow man. We were few in numbers but accomplished much having lots of laughs, good fun and even got the job done.

It will be awhile until the annuals are in the flower boxes, but who knows when 'Jack Frost' might show up so don't expect to see that colour until perhaps June.

The Friends of the Garden project is on schedule and our expected date for planting the lovely blue spruce trees supplied by Jim and Louise Welsh of Premier Trees will happen in May. Twenty trees were purchased and the names will be on a beautiful plaque supplied by our friendly folks at Kootenay Monument, exciting isn't it! The Wasa Lion's are partnering with us in this project by installing the necessary water supply. We are so

fortunate to have a club such as the local Lion's to help with this venture and so much more. Thank you Wasa Lions!

When everything is completed you will be invited to the unveiling and we hope you will attend. Everyone is welcome to come and see the improvements made for all to enjoy

During the Summer months I need a person to be willing to help at the garden by taking on light duties each week. If you have a little extra time to help to lighten the load please call Sandy Kay @ 250 422 3288. It's not a huge commitment so don't be shy. No need to have any expertise either - just a willingness to help.

Thank you all for the on going support of this precious spot in our community but remember it's yours, so enjoy!

Until we chat again celebrate all the sights and sounds around you.



Be Careful What You Wish For

The word "Karma" means action, and an action corresponds to the production of a certain amount of energy needed to provoke a change in a particular situation in order to achieve a specific goal. It is common to refer to action as occurring only when we move or do something with our hands; but an action is also induced through what we say. When you pronounce certain words, you produce sounds that mean something for those who are listening to them. Therefore, what we say also creates action. If you try to assist someone in parking a big truck into a narrow space by instructing the driver while you are outside the vehicle and if the driver trusts your vocal information, then through the precision of your words you can easily steer a 10-wheeler without moving a muscle. An entire country can enter into war through the simple exchange of words, able to set thousands of soldiers into motion. By the lack of control of your speech, you can alter your own destiny and the destiny of others. In yoga we say that the control of one's tongue is essential to fostering Unity and Harmony.

Now, it is interesting to reflect upon the driving motivations behind what we say. Why do you say what you say? Why do you want your words to be heard, accepted and respected by others? It is because, through your words, you communicate your intentions and hope for others to respect, love and recognize you as a presence representing a certain authority in life. By communicating, you try to avoid falling into oblivion in the minds of others. No matter what you say, you say it because, behind every word that you choose to use, there is a more or less conscious desire, wish or demand that you hope will be fulfilled.

Before saying anything, there is a production of thought, and you think what you think not because you have decided to think about it, but because it has been imposed upon you by a conscious or unconscious desire. You act because you think, and you think because you have emotions and desires. Emotions and desires that are not consciously perceived by you only make you react according to your past and not act according to the present situation.

When you act, talk or think, you produce an energy of intention. This energy is tinged, as it is oriented according to what you want, wish, hope for, or expect. The production of the energy of intention is called "Vritti" in Yoga. In the

Sanskrit language, "Yoga Chitta Vritti Nirodha" means that 'Yoga is the practice of removing any and all modifications of the mind.' Once the energy of intention (Vritti) is produced through your desires, it will spread all around you, and try to modify the subtle energetic, and physical worlds according to what you deeply wish for.

In other words, thinking is already provoking an action, a transformation in your life. The smallest thought, almost unperceived by you, will have an irreversible impact on your life according to the nature of its emotion or desire of origin. So be careful what you wish for through all the scenarios automatically and unwillingly produced by your mind. Nothing happens by accident; everything that happens to you corresponds to you. You will always find yourself in situations that correspond to your own thought processes.

By being aware of the production of your mind and by verifying whether your thoughts are beneficial to others and to yourself, you can easily change your destiny, the destiny of those you love and in fact, from right where you are, the destiny of the entire world.

May all of you learn to think according to the true reality, in a positive way, fully understanding what is really necessary and what you really want to achieve: the state of true happiness that you deeply seek through everything you do. These elements are essential in the practice of our Integral Yoga leading directly to Self-Realization.

Through our Awareness, we can all become the Artisans of our common human Destiny!

With Blessing and Love to each of you
Warmly with you in the Divine.

OM OM OM

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha

Adi Vajra Shambhasalem Ashram, Wasa, BC Canada

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha published a book entitled, In the Presence of Truth. Discovering the Being Within, which is a roadmap to Self-Realization. To learn more about this wonderful book and its author, visit: www.inthepresenceoftruth.com.

May 3rd & 10th No Teaching at the Ashram
May 17th & 24th Ashram Teaching please call **250-422-9327**

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The Lions Den

SUBMITTED BY KATHY MILES-BOUE

Annual Adopt-A-Highway Clean Up -
Saturday, May 9th

Every spring our Club participates in the annual highway clean up, working to clean up the sides of the highway from Moan Road to the Wasa Community Church. It is hard work and each year we are surprised by the amount of litter that is collected. The collected bags of litter are taken away by Main Roads who also supply our Club with visibility vests, highway warning signs and the garbage bags. If you are driving past our volunteers, a wave or a honk lets us know that our efforts are appreciated. Volunteers must be 19 years of age or older.

Wasa Fun Days - Saturday, May 30th

Come down to the Wasa Lions Grounds on Saturday, May 30th and take in one of our most loved and looked forward to events – Wasa Fun Days!! Things kick off with a pancake breakfast and then the parade. Some of the many other activities include ball games to watch, kids games booths, food and refreshments for the whole family, a huge garage sale and a ride on the Kootenay Kids Train. This is a great way to spend the day while helping the Lions Club raise money. We hope to see you there!

If you or your group wants to put together a float for the parade, the Lions would love to have you join in the fun. The parade route begins on Tamarack Road and we ask all parade participants to meet there by 10:30 a.m.

Annual Dog Walk - Sunday, May 31st

Please watch for our furry four-legged friends and their humans who participate in this event every May. A walk around the lake along Lions Way Trail helps raise money for the Lions International Guide Dog training program. The Dog Walk helps the three local Lions Groups – the Cranbrook Lions, Mark Creek Lions Club from Kimberley and the Wasa Lions – work together to raise money for a cause important to us and to Lions International.

Columbia Basin Trust

Community Initiatives Program

Are you thinking of taking an adult education course? Do you have a course you want to offer the community but need some funding to do it? Are you putting together a community event and extra funds would be helpful? Pick up a CBT CIP application at Slim Pickens and fill it out for the Wasa Lions CBT CIP Committee to review. There may be some funding available to you if your request falls within the guidelines and policies of this program.

The Wasa & District Lions Club can be contacted at
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by e-mail at: wasalions@gmail.com.

Christian & Garry Verigin

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Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP)

The Chapter Launch for the Kootenay Chapter of CARP (Canadian Association of Retired Persons) is set for Monday, May 4th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the College of the Rockies, Cranbrook Campus 2700 College Way. Room TBA.

Are you a current CARP member or interested in learning more about CARP? Come join us for the launch of the Kootenay Chapter of CARP. Learn about the roles of CARP – Advocacy, Benefits and Community. The Kootenay Chapter will provide a voice for individuals as they age, their care givers and other interested supporters.

For more information, please contact Karen at 250-426-5021 or Brenda 250-489-4033.

We invite you to join the launch of the Kootenay CARP Chapter!

The Cockell family would like to extend a heartfelt Thank You to all our friends and neighbours who sent cards, beautiful flowers and gifts of food and companionship during this difficult time at the passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and friend, Warren.

Your phone calls and continued visits are very comforting. The kindness and thoughtfulness is so appreciated and will not be forgotten. Thank you also to McPherson's Funeral Home for their professional assistance and to Dr. Smith and the Cranbrook hospital for the care given.

Bless you all



VARIANCE APPLICATION - WASA HARDWARE AND BUILDING CENTRE

A Variance Application for the Wasa Hardware and Building Center was approved. The variance will allow the reduction of a minimum setback from a parcel line to a controlled highway from 22 metres to 17.2 metres. The variance is required to enable the construction of an addition to the existing building.

INVASIVE WEEDS

I am organizing an **Invasive Weed Pull Day** for all Area E residents on Sunday, July 19th. The WLLID, The Meadowbrook Association, The St Mary's Rural Residents Association and the RDEK are all working together on this project.

We are hoping that all property owners / residents will participate by getting out and pulling the invasive weeds on their properties and bordering ditches. If we are able to pull the weeds before they start flowering, we won't be required to bag the weeds.

Following the weed pulling at 4:00 p.m., we will all meet at the Wasa Lions Grounds for free hamburgers, hot dogs and (non-alcohol) refreshments. I hope everyone can come out and have some fun after pulling the weeds.

WASA AND AREA OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE: ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS

During the planning process for the Wasa and Area Official Community Plan, we heard area residents were concerned about preserving environmentally sensitive areas. The planning process identified the importance of including these values in the development permit section of the OCP when resources became available.

Resources are now available and on June 24, the RDEK will hold an open house to introduce the proposed environmentally sensitive development permit area; and, provide an opportunity for residents to ask questions and provide feedback. **The open house will be held Wednesday, June 24th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Wasa Community Hall.**

Draft policies for an environmentally sensitive development permit area were originally prepared after a review of the results from the initial OCP planning process survey, open houses and visioning workshop. In cooperation with the Ministry of Environment, environmentally sensitive areas have now been mapped for the Wasa and Area OCP.

I've already received a few questions and I thought I'd share the answers with the community:

Will properties along the Wasa Lake and Cameron Pond Shorelines be affected by the proposed Environmentally Sensitive Area Development Permit Areas?

NO. The Wasa and Area OCP already includes a development permit area for Wasa Lake and Cameron Pond Shoreline. The proposed environmentally sensitive area mapping does not identify lands on the Wasa Lake Shoreline (with the exception of Wasa Lake Park on the west side of the lake) or Cameron Pond.

If there is a development permit area located on my property how will that affect:

Construction?

If construction, addition or alternations to a building, structure or fencing is proposed within an environmentally sensitive area, you will be required to apply for a development permit. You will not require a development permit for interior renovations or alterations or exterior renovations or additions which increase the buildings footprint by less than 25%.

Subdivision?

When the parcel under application contains an environmentally sensitive area, a development permit will be required if one or more new vacant parcels is being created. If the application solely involves a parcel line adjustment and no part of the new parcel line is within an environmentally sensitive area, a development permit is not required.

Agriculture?

Normal agricultural practices, as defined in the Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act or designated as farm use within the Agricultural Land Commission Act and Regulations, do not require an environmentally sensitive area development permit.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy month.

Jane Walter, RDEK Area E Director

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GERICK SPORTS Wasa Lake TRIATHLON



Saturday, June 13 TriKids Races

From 9am to 12:30pm at Horseshoe Bay Parking Lot

Young athletes will be cycling on Wolf Creek Rd and running on the Lions Trail.

Sunday, June 14 Sprint & Standard Triathlons

From 8am to 1pm at Horseshoe Bay Parking Lot

Athletes will be cycling south on Wasa Lake Park Drive, then head north to just shy of the north park entrance, and to Fort Steele and back. They will run on the Lions Trail, with a short portion on the road in front of Main Beach.

Organizers, participants, volunteers and partners appreciate your understanding and patience while the events are occurring in and around the lake.

To participate, volunteer or view course maps, please go to

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If you wish to contact organizer Charlie Cooper, you may direct your email to charlie@rmevents.com or your call to 250-427-0021.

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Hints From Vi

By Vi Cockell



Hello Readers! Spring is such a great time of the year. Song birds arriving, flowers coming up and the deer pass by and take a nibble or two - so out comes the BOBBI Spray! Here are a few hints:

1. Wood tick time is here! To remove a tick from yourself or a pet, take a cotton ball and put lots of liquid dish soap on it. Hold the cotton ball over the area where the tick has lodged itself for about 15 to 20 seconds. Remove and the tick will be on the cotton ball - they hate soap and it smothers them.
2. Spring cleaning and you moved the furniture around and now you have dents in your carpet or rug. Take a few ice cubes and place on the carpet where the dents are located, allow to set for about 15 minutes then brush the area with an old toothbrush, lift the nap and allow to dry. The dents are gone!
3. Hate cleaning up messy paint trays? Simply line the trays with aluminum foil and clean up will be a breeze!

Until next time and have a great month.

Wasa Community Church

~ Pastor Gary Semenyina ~
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 Worship Service
 10:30 am

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Representatives for the Wasa and area are: Marilyn Bowen, Kathy Miles-Boue and June Clubley. For questions or inquiries please contact: Marilyn Bowen at 250.422.3210 or Cell 250.489.9586.



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Wasa Memorial Garden

Wasa Memorial Garden has something for every soul who should be remembered or needs a final resting place. There is a Columbarium with Niches large enough to hold two sets of cremains or the option to purchase a memorial plaque in honor of your loved ones. Check out the space at the end of Schoolhouse Road in Wasa. Call Bev Rauch at 250.422.3335 for information

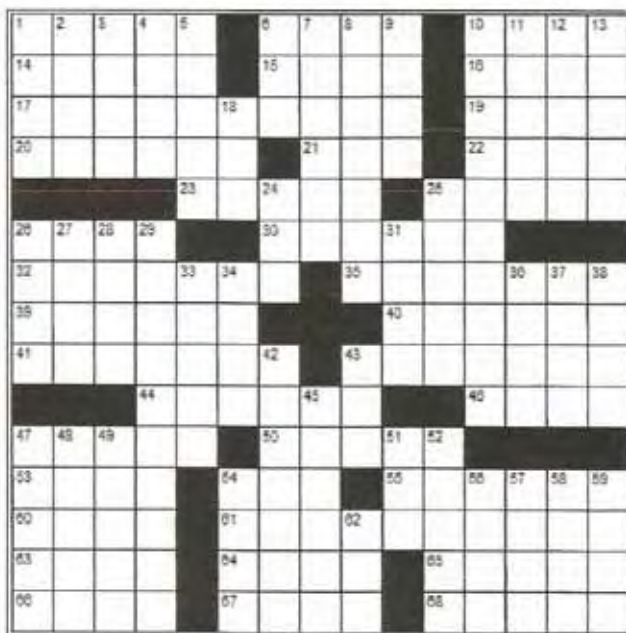


ACROSS

1. Ancient Hebrew vestment
6. Cocoyam
10. Information
14. Exotic jelly flavor
15. Head covering
16. Holly
17. Interlace
19. Achy
20. Record player
21. Chief Executive Officer
22. A basic knitting stitch
23. Style of interior furnishings
25. Soft drinks
26. A style of design
30. Cherubim
32. Supercilium
35. Stretchable
39. Decrease
40. Mountain range
41. Gist
43. Stress
44. Unpleasant odor
46. Male offspring
47. Accumulate
50. Blithely
53. Medium-sized tubular pasta
54. Arrive (abbrev.)
55. Overnight bag
60. "Do ___ others..."
61. Impulsive
63. A soft sheepskin leather
64. Not odd
65. Despises
66. Makes a mistake
67. Bristle
68. Exchange

Crossword

Answers Page 15



1. Auspices
2. Kick
3. Despise
4. Not under
5. Acted presumptuously
6. Night before
7. Church official
8. Deviate
9. Margarine
10. Deprive
11. Not silently
12. Latin name for our planet
13. Skating jumps

DOWN

18. Suffering
24. Bird call
25. Killed
26. Expunge
27. Visual organs
28. To tax or access
29. Fixations
31. If not
33. Leases
34. A single time
36. Threesome
37. Press
38. Tins
42. Etch
43. Your (archaic)
45. Rug
47. Sky-blue
48. Of lesser importance
49. Fragrant oil
51. 56 in Roman numerals
52. Luxury boat
54. Air force heroes
56. Teller of untruths
57. Greek letter
58. Sought damages
59. Being
62. Ribonucleic acid

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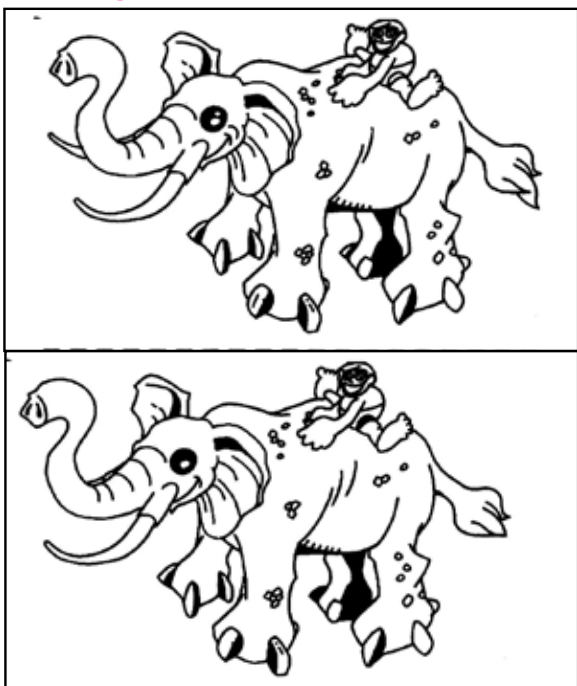
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Maze



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Foundation: Poured concrete

Heat Method: Baseboard

Heat Energy: Electricity, Wood

Zoning: RS1

Lot Size: 2,090,880 sq.ft./48.00 ac (194,243 m²)

Watersource: Natural Resource, Well

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A FRUIT GROWERS COOPERATIVE

Wynndel, near Creston, dreamed of a Cooperative early in the life of that settlement. Nineteen locals became members in February 1910. Members purchased shares, initially 50 shares at \$100. By 1926 a resolution passed to subdivide share capital to make 100 shares at \$50 each. Their objectives were to pack, ship and sell collectively. Initially some fruits shared shipping space with Creston products. In June 1915 a whole CPR carload of strawberries was shipped from Duck Lake in the name of the new co-op. The group had a paid employee to manage finances, arrange shipping times, and keep records. During the winter the group arranged to buy seeds in bulk, fertilizer and a sprayer which was used in rotation by members. They tried sharing with Creston Coop, buying incoming car loads of flour, sugar or animal feed. In 1916 a temporary jam factory took culls and made jam. That made a small profit but following summers culls were sent in large buckets to McDonalds Jam factory in Nelson.

The income earned by the group dictated cautious expansion. The first thing built was an ice shed to hold 4000 tons of ice needed to cool freight cars when a load of berries was being shipped to market. The ice was harvested by volunteers in the winter from a nearby slough or the Kootenay River. Then a simple packing house was created and later enhanced with addition of a grader to separate apples into different sizes. With the packing house the Coop was responsible for adding a railway siding. Locals provided ties at 39 cents each and CPR put down the rails. In 1926 the Dominion Government ruled that fruit must be precooled prior to shipping. That government issued grants for building the pre-cooler operation. The local ice sufficed as far as Edmonton or Regina while properly cooled fruit travelled safely to Port Arthur (now Thunder Bay.) The Wynndel Coop joined the BC Fruit Growers Union in 1914 and the BC Berry Growers Union in 1920. Their manager or president attended meetings which were usually held in Victoria. Each member kicked in a dollar per year to assist a delegate with travel expenses. Each year a few members

withdrew their membership if they disagreed with "the progress" but virtually all ended up reapplying when they could not sell or store their own crop.

Initially all members were responsible for the quality and quantity of all goods shipped. By 1927 their packing house had a cooler. Some of the packing house staff were authorized as inspectors of quality and accuracy of packing. The marketable crops expanded from strawberries to include raspberries, cherries, pears, peaches, plums, tomatoes, apples and potatoes. Family members were the gardeners, harvesters and packers. During the depression prices for fruit dropped so that some participants struggled to pay for the seeds, the spray for fruit trees, and the wooden crates which were purchased as slabs needing to be nailed together.

The 1930s offered great challenges to fruit growers. The Coop held its own by having an agent travel to the city where a carload was destined to supervise distribution. This was needed because prairie dealers were dishonestly reporting "damaged crates" and paying nothing to the shipper. Wynndel still shipped berries and soft fruit. Those sold with mere cents profit per crate. In the fall the price of apples fell to 85 cents per box. Farmers in the Upper West Kootenay and Arrow Lake all reported a loss of 4 Cents per box in 1934. Then WW II arrived. Many men, and a few women, joined the armed forces. Those left at home did their best to pick, pack and sell fruit. In 1939 15 tons of berries were shipped to England in large barrels. Each barrel was packed with 200 lbs. of berries, treated with Sulphur dioxide, sealed and used for jam making. They claim the fruit had a natural flavor and lasted as long as the cap was left sealed. That was only part of the crop: the bulk went on sale here in Canada.

Post war change saw a new cold storage shed built which held 36,000 packed boxes of apples. They also had prewash for fruit specializing in strawberries for freezing. Frozen strawberries in 5 lb packages became a great seller PLUS this saved berries damaged by rain which could not have gone to market otherwise. Lockers were built for

use by members. A Butcher slaughter house with aging and storage lockers came into use for a few years. The Coop offered a potato storage shed starting in 1956 when potatoes fetched \$55 a ton. A few enterprising growers discovered a new crop with a very short season: they speculated that tulips harvested for Mother's Day would be snapped up by buyers in Calgary or nearby communities. This was a crop transported by truck. One year a road closure occurred and they saved their sales by chartering a plane which took 1,400 dozen tulips and 500 dozen narcissi to market. Tourists wishing to take a crate or two of cherries or other fruit home to the prairies were warned to get a permit from the Coop because inspection stations had been set up to intercept non authorized carriers.

Railway transportation was cancelled in 1960. Trucks moved a certain percentage of local produce but members resorted to sales at farm gates. Legislation attempted to enforce waxing of apples to replace the paper wrapped packing. Wyndell growers discovered that most varieties of apple did not need waxing and took only their Rob Roy crop to a waxing plant in Erickson. Insurance companies asked for sprinkler systems to be installed in buildings. The era when a 2 to 10 acre ranch could support a family was gone. Bit by bit the coop buildings were sold to private operators. A handful of members kept the potato shed. Another building was sold to beekeepers to arrange cooperative honey production and sales. The energy of those original settlers was diminishing as they aged. Their kids were able to get well-paying jobs in forestry, mining, and were not inclined to take over the family farm. Those that persisted switched to easier and smaller crops. Also, those with land on the flats were now able to grow grain which required far less attention. The Coop closed down in 1972.

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Where do you take...

YOUR BUZZ?



Hugh and Orlena Campbell remembered to pack "The Buzz" when they went on their yearly winter get-away down south. Pictured in front of the Valley of Fire State Park in Arizona, Hugh and Orlena will be entered in our contest draw in December.

ANSWERS

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
We the volunteers of the Tri-Village Buzz Newsletter reserve the right to refuse to print submissions due to legality, length, good taste or discriminating beliefs.					1 RDEK Board Meeting No teaching at the Ashram	2 Wasa Hardware Customer Appreciation Day 10 am -2 pm Spotted Pot Greenhouse Opens 9am-5pm
3 Church	4 CARP 1-3 pm COTR	5 Lions Meeting 7 p.m.	6	7	8 Ashram Teaching please call the Ashram	9 Adopt-a-Highway Highway Cleanup 9 am -1 pm
10 Church Happy Mother's Day 	11	12 BINGO 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular	13	14	15 No teaching at the Ashram	16 Pancake Breakfast 9-11:30 am 
17 Church	18 Victoria Day	19 Lions Meeting 7 p.m.	20	21	22 No teaching at the Ashram	23
24 Church Lions Dog Walk 	25	26	27 Wasa Rec Society Mtg 7:00 pm	28	29 RDEK Board Meeting Ashram Teaching please call the Ashram	30 Pancake Breakfast  WASA FUNDAY & GARAGE SALE

LEGEND

- Church Service 10:30 am
- Gym (M,W,F 7:30-8:30 am & 10-11 M,W)
- BINGO 6:45 p.m.
- Rec Society 7:00 p.m.
- Lions 7:00 p.m.
- Library Tues. 11 am - 1 pm and Wed 6:30 pm -8:00 pm
- TOPS Wed 6:30 pm
- Quilters Tues. 10 am to 4 pm

Special Events and Days Down the Road

- Saturday, June 13th, 2015
Wasa Triathlon-TriKids Races
- Sunday, June 14th, 2015
Wasa Triathlon-Sprint & Standard Races
- Wednesday, June 24th, 2015
Open House - OCP Update
- Sunday, July 19th, 2015
Invasive Weed Pull Day
- August 2015 No Newsletter -Prepare for "Where do you take your Buzz" contest
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