

JUST A THOUGHT

(FOR OLDER KIDS THAT ARE
YOUNG AT HEART)

How many of you have younger nieces, nephews, brothers, sisters or friends of the family that love to have a story read? I think that includes just about everyone!

Wouldn't it be a nice idea to sign some books out from the library and surprise one of your little friends by showing up to visit them just to read some new stories. Our library has a wonderful selection of children's books that is continually being updated, including Canadian authors and illustrators that I think would surprise a lot of you with their talents. You don't have to be under 10 to enjoy children's literature!

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BROWNIE NEWS

by Holly Reeves, Brown Owl

February 5 saw an excellent turnout of parents to watch the joint enrollment and flying up ceremonies of Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders.

The ceremony started in our Brownie ring with the enrollment of Heather Campbell and Emmelia Warren McConkey into Brownies.

After the Brownie enrollment six girls who have all earned their Brownie wings flew up to guides.

Kristin Grabowski, Harmony Hunter, Laine Bowers, Marliisa Mann, Melissa Flynn and Sarah Winton all looked wonderful in full uniform complete with the many badges that they have earned over the past three years.

The girls made their way from our Fairy Ring to be welcomed into the Guide Horseshoe through a lovely archway which the Guides had decorated with red hearts in a Valentines Day theme.

Once these Brownies had been welcomed into Guiding, Onica Sprockreeff, Bonnie Rear, Meredith Couture, Amanda Montgomery, Kim Jenkins and Paula Farr were enrolled into Guides.

Samantha Jenkins and Jessica Montgomery were enrolled into the Pathfinder program.

After the ceremonies we were all served tea, juice, and goodies by the above mentioned Guides and Pathfinders as well as Girl Guide Frances Kormendy, who all earned their hostess badges with much help and support by Atlin Bowie, Junior Leader. Thanks to Chris Hunter for the lovely cake and also to John and Madeleine Gould for recording this event for us on video.

Sparks, Brownies, Cub Guides and Pathfinders all got together to celebrate thinking day on Monday, February 19.

Thinking Day, which falls on February 22, makes the birthday of Lord and Lady Baden-Powell the Founders of Scouting and Guiding.

We opened our event by singing "O Canada", hearing a little about the Scout and Guide movements, and placing pennies which everyone had saved on a map of the world. The pennies will be donated to the World Heritage Fund which among other things helps to support the four World Centers for Guiding which exist in England, Mexico, Switzerland and India for the use of Guides all over the world. After the opening, we enjoyed ourselves with games, songs and cupcakes.

KLONDIKE LIFE

COLOUR ME



A WEE CONTEST FOR KIDS 12 AND UNDER

Using the letters in the word

LEPRECHAUN

See how many smaller words
you can make up from it!

Team up with a younger friend if you like,
and try to win our prize --
a scrumptious small pizza donated by MARINAS.

Get out your dictionary, wear lots of green, have
some fun, and see how many words you can make.
The person or team with the most words will win!

Address your entries to POOKA
and put them in Maximilians drop box or
mail to Box 841, Dawson City, by March 16, 1990.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY
and a special Thank-You to MARINAS.

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A Bit o'the Irish

Ireland - An island that is part of the British Isles, about one-sixth the size of the Yukon.

St. Patrick - Ireland's Patron Saint who isn't even Irish. He was believed to have been born in Scotland. Stories tell that he chased all the snakes out of Ireland.

Shamrock - A small three-leafed plant that is similar to clover. The Irish emblem.

Leprechaun - These cute green men pictured joyfully everywhere for the St. Patrick's festivities really are bad-tempered little fairies who do anything to avoid sharing their pot o'gold.

Shillelagh - A stout club or walking stick used by Irishmen, originally carved out of oak.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Mark McDowell
aged 4
on March 11



Alister Hunston
aged 2
on February 27



Robert Reeves
aged 4
on March 12



BROWNIES

"Brown Owl" Holly Reeves with L to R: Heather Campbell, Crystal Kearn, Clarissa Reeves, Emmelia Warren McConkey, Jennie Reeves, Austin Gavin, Lyndsey Thompson, Allie Winton, Samantha Taylor, Joanna Davidson & Nora Besharah

photo by Madeleine Gould

KLONDIKE LIFE



PERCY DEWOLFE MAIL RACE 1990

Dawson's 14th annual dog race begins Thursday, March 15 at 10 am at the corner of King St. and 3rd Avenue, in front of the Old Post Office.

The race honours the former mail carrier, Percy DeWolfe who ran the route between Dawson and Eagle, Alaska for 35 continuous years. For a round distance of 210 miles, the race follows along the Yukon River to Eagle and back again to

Dawson. At Eagle, mushers have a mandatory 4 hour lay over.

This year race organizers have decided to change the dog limit which is now a minimum of 6 dogs and a maximum of 9.

Prize money, totalling \$5,000 will be awarded to the first 5 places. Entry fee is the same as last year, \$100.

For further information please phone Elaine Behn at 993-6507.

FROM A TREADLE TO THE "CADDY"

by Sourdough Sue Ward

In the winter of 1975 JACKIE DELLEMAN was entranced by the Call of the North. She was seventeen. Jackie earned her way up the Klondike Trail via the Rancherio, then Whitehorse, ultimately calling a log cabin HOME, up the lonely Dempster Highway. The Dempster adjoins the Klondike Highway twenty-six miles southeast of Dawson City and, thanks to John Deifenbaker's Dream of the Canadian North, one can travel the whole 425 miles to Inuvik, N.W.T. with a stop-over at Eagle Plains. It is the ultimate wilderness experience.

Jackie is a creative seamstress, sewing is her greatest talent. Yet, as many others have discovered, "It's hard to get a job in Dawson if YOU'RE NEW!" But in the winter of 1976-77, Dawson's innovative Museum Director, Kathy Jones-Gates, herself a newly recognized Canadian talent, promoted a fund-raiser honoring Dawson City's Diamond Jubilee. The project involved the making of 300 Jubilee Dolls. The first 50 were numbered

as collectors' items and sold for \$25 each, the remainder being sold to the public through the newly opened Museum Shoppe. Talent was recruited among the women of the area. Arms, legs, bodies, wigs, dresses and bonnets, were cut from new materials, then dispersed piecemeal to seamstresses throughout the area, hourly wages being paid from a government Local Initiative Grant. Jackie worked at her treadle sewing machine by lamplight on what became her initial contribution to Dawson's Turn of the Century Restoration Project.

In 1980, Parks Canada advertised a Contract for the making of authentic costumes to be worn by Tour Guides. Jackie won that competition and travelled to Ottawa to learn the "ins and outs" of the challenge. Her quality of work and her professionalism brought more and more customers, and in 1983 she bought a house in town and opened a shop to supply the needs of the area, which, by this time, were no longer being met. Parkas and jackets needed new zippers, men had pants to be shortened, garments required alterations, sewing mothers looked for materials, trimmings, laces, needles, elastic, etc., and The Dawson City Sewing



photo by Sue Ward

Centre was born out of the needs of the community.

When business exploded CHARLAINE FARR joined the hectic happenings as machines roared twelve hours a day, seven days a week.

Ten years have flown by and Jackie is bowing out. To re-energize. To rest tired eyes. To spend time with her children, Naomi 13, Jessica 10, and Luke 4.

And, says Jackie, "Be sure to recognize and thank the seamstresses who have added so much color, beauty, and pizzazz to Dawson City."

"JANE OLYNYK and CHRIS OLSEN were the first 'locals' to sew for Parks Canada. Then came DEBBY WINSTON with her exciting and glamorous costumes worn in the Palace Grand Theatre and Diamond Tooth Gerties and the many original gorgeous gowns created for the Commissioner's Ball each year.

"And there's SUSAN EARL, though now sharing her talents with a movie company in Vancouver, finds time to

create stunning new creations for Diamond Tooth Gertie."

But most of all--"THANKS to the Customers who made it necessary to 'just be there'. Yes, be there, at fifty below, when one woman drove the eight miles from Bear Creek to get the makings for a special handicraft creation which shook off an ATTACK OF CABIN FEVER! There's a special bouquet to those gals who served themselves and put the correct coins on the counter, when every minute on the machines was vital."

So what is JACKIE'S WISH FOR DAWSON CITY? "To have the right person come forth to take over this special need. Perhaps a CO-OP SEWING CENTRE is the answer."

As for Jackie's bargains at her CLOSING OUT SALE--she is sharing her winnings and happiness with the people who brought it about. But don't try to buy her personal machines--from the TREADLE TO THE "CADDYS OF THE TRADE"! BRAVO JACKIE!

COMMUNITY CAMPUS NEWS

Upcoming courses:

Air Brakes April 6, 7, 8
Instructional Skills May 27 - 30

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will be held in mid - April

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GOLD CITY TRAVEL TIPS

By Ella Patay

Ten years ago, booking a flight to Vancouver would have been a simple process, as there were only two fares: full fare and a discount return fare (Excursion fare). Since then airfares have changed dramatically.

For instance, presently there are 18 different fare levels between Whitehorse and Vancouver. Unless one deals with these fares on a regular basis, the general rules of booking can become somewhat confusing. In this article, we will deal with domestic fares (North America). International fares change the ballgame again.

Excursion and seat sale fares are based on return travel. As a rule of thumb, the longer in advance you book and pay, the cheaper the fare. This is subject to availability, as all airlines will open a limited amount of seats in each fare level. However the cheaper the fare, the more restrictions involved; therefore the

less freedom to make any changes or obtain a refund. Cancellation insurance may be purchased.

Most seat sales throughout Canada and the U.S. allow a maximum stay of one month. Different times of the year (seasonality) has an effect on the fare as well. High Season, generally June 16 - Sept 7, and Christmas. Airfares during High Season can be brought down in some cases by travelling on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday in both directions.

Applicable adult seat sales are often a lesser fare than a children's/seniors discount. Age is not a factor when purchasing a seat sale; the theory being that because the fare is so deeply discounted, the airline is not concerned whether the passenger is 6, 65 or somewhere between.

****HOT TIP****

Vancouver/Sydney Australia

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SEPT - NOV 30 1339.00

NEXT ISSUE

MORE ON DISCOUNT FARES

WOLVES ATTACK ON HUNKER ROAD

A pack of three large wolves attacked and killed a Border Collie and a moose on Hunker Road some 8 kilometers from the Klondike Highway cut-off. Dr. GERRARD PARSONS tried for several hours to save GINGER but she was too badly mauled. The dead moose was found not far from PETER and GWEN GOULD'S home. Many thought the peak year for rabbits would spare other game. Not this time.



DUMP SCAVENGING GETTING BAD?
- TRY A SUN CLASSIFIED AD!



SCHOLARSHIPS NOTED

Dennis Montgomery (not the fire chief) has received his second Northwestel scholarship of \$500.00. Montgomery, who graduated from R.S.S. in 1988, is a second year engineering student at the University of Victoria. He also receives the annual Canada Scholarship.

Tarie MacKenzie has been awarded the Order of the Eastern Star scholarship for 1990. MacKenzie, who is a 1989 graduate of R.S.S., is currently studying design in Vancouver and plans to attend Yukon College in September.

HUMAN RESOURCES NEWS

Within the busy Human Resources office is one small office set aside for addictions counselling. One might wonder what the entrance requirements are. Counselling in the addictions field is like counselling in other areas. That is, a person has the opportunity to talk with someone who has knowledge and skills in a certain area. When we go to friends with a problem, they may give advice or tell their story, but a counsellor works through your concerns about something or someone to ease those concerns and achieve some degree of comfort or progress. So if a person has questions or worries in the area of alcohol or drugs or other compulsive behaviours, it's easy to make an appointment to talk with the counsellor about them.

The whole nature of addiction can be understandable and not so overwhelming with a little information. For example, there is a difference between drug or alcohol abuse and addiction. Very simply

put, abuse is too much too fast or with ulterior motives (that is, to sedate normal emotions or quell anger, etc.). You can quit abusing and go back to normal use. But you can't quit being addicted and go back to normal use. Switching drugs doesn't seem to be much help either.

Addiction is a line that gets crossed somewhere along the way that means a person can never return to normal use.

The use of every drug that affects your mind (Don't forget alcohol is a drug too!) carries with it some risk of addiction. Some drugs are more addicting than others. Our favourite, Nicotine, is the leader in this area. And it is not easy to judge whether someone is caught up in addiction by their outward behaviour. Our community has seen some bizarre behaviour as a result of alcohol and drug abuse, but this is not necessarily addiction.

There is life beyond addiction! Dawson has the resources for recovery to a life of contentment and fulfillment and the little office in Human Resources may be one step in attaining that goal.

ICE-FISHING HUT CONTEST

by Dawne Mitchell

Gene Dubois, organizer for the first annual Ice Fishing Hut Building Contest, was undoubtedly disappointed at the lack of participation for the contest.

There was only one entrant.

That person, on the other hand, was quite pleased to win all the prizes, valued at \$700 total.

Alf Winton, with the assistance of Mel Besharah and Herb Watt, put together an excellent example of the most modern of fish-hut architecture, including a propane stove to keep avid ice-fishing people warm.

Dubois had expected about a dozen entries into the building contest but the cold chased potential contestants away.

Dubbed "the River Rat Hut", Mr. Winton's entry won first prize for best construction, best design and best mobility.

The winning team, being the noble

gentlemen that they are, kept \$200 worth of prizes and turned the rest back to the weekly fishing derby contests.

These will be held every Sunday (weather permitting) until the kid's ice fishing derby in April.

Thanks to the re-donated prizes, for any kids who don't have line or hooks, there are lots of these available. Contact Gene Dubois.

Winton's hut will be well used before the season is finished.

Gene Dubois challenges all ice-fishing people, young and old, to get out each Sunday on the river and win some prizes for that huge fish that's waiting to grab your hook!

How many ice-fishing people can you fit into one ice-fishing hut?

Dubois would like to thank the judge, John Van Every, and the businesses that donated the prizes: Eldorado Hotel, Arctic Drugs, Farmers Market, Downtown Hotel, MacKenzie Petroleum, Monte Carlo Hardware store, General Store, Raven's Nook, Trappers Men's Wear, Maximillions, John Van Every and the Fifth Avenue Boardwalk.

CONSERVATION NEWS

HUMANE TRAPPING AND TRAPPER EDUCATION:

It is the responsibility of both the trapping community and the Department of Renewable Resources to ensure that our furbearers are being harvested in the most humane manner possible. Trappers who are concerned about the future of the fur industry and the welfare of the animals upon which they depend are willing to use the most humane traps available in the most efficient sets.

Trapper training courses, offered each year, demonstrate the more up-to-date humane harvesting techniques, he or she should contact the Fur Harvest Manager (Fish & Wildlife Branch) or the Trapper Education Co-ordinator (Yukon Trappers Association). The training courses also demonstrate proper pelt care and provide information on biologically sound trapline management.

TRAP EXCHANGE PROGRAM:

This Government sponsored program is designed to give trappers an opportunity

to exchange their regular leghold traps for newer, more humane padded leghold and quick-kill traps.

To be eligible an applicant must be an active trapper with a minimum fur production of \$2500.00 for the past five years. Preference will be given to those who have taken a recognized trappers training workshop. Each trapper is limited to a total of \$500.00 in new traps.

Presently the Department of Renewable Resources has in stock:

- #3 Soft Catch
- 330 Conibear
- Sauvageau (a beefed-up version of a C-126)
- Fremont Foot Snare

The C-120 and C-126 have not yet arrived because of delays in the order by the manufacturer.

The limited supply of traps presently in stock are not expected to last long, so interested trappers are encouraged to apply soon.

Welcome to Sharon Benjamin; another Conservation Officer for the Dawson District.

Call 993-5492 for assistance.

Reminder of Open Seasons and Areas:

SPECIES	LOCATION	OPEN SEASON
Beaver	a) North of the Arctic Circle b) South of the Arctic Circle	Oct. 1 - June 30 Oct. 1 - June 10
Fisher		Nov. 1 - Feb. 29
Fox (red, cross, silver)		Nov. 1 - Mar. 10
Fox (Arctic)		Nov. 1 - Mar. 31
Lynx		Nov. 1 - Mar. 10
Marten	Check Marten section for quotas in your area	Nov. 1 - Feb. 29 where allowed
Mink		Nov. 1 - Feb. 29
Muskrat	a) North of the Arctic Circle b) South of the Arctic Circle	Oct. 1 - June 10 Oct. 1 - June 15
Otter		Nov. 1 - Mar. 31
Squirrel		Nov. 1 - Mar. 31
Weasel		Nov. 1 - Mar. 31
Wolverine		Nov. 1 - Mar. 10
Wolf		Nov. 1 - Mar. 10
Coyote		Nov. 1 - Mar. 10

ANTI CRUISE MISSILE TEST MEETING

by Brent Morrison

On Monday Feb. 5/90 the Government building was the site of the first meeting in Dawson City to oppose the testing of Cruise missiles in Canada.

Organized by Paul Sopuck it was a poorly attended session. Only three people attended, but it led to an intimate and well-informed discussion on the history of war, nuclear weapons, and the testing of these weapons in our country.

Mr. Sopuck discussed the evolution of war, from the feudal kingdoms sending knights to battle, to the French Revolution, to World War II and its aftermath.

In early wars only the Elite of the kingdoms were sent to war, the General Populace was virtually unaffected. Napoleon created the first "modern" army by mobilizing the entire country into the war process. No longer a fight between the aristocrats, the effects of nationalism and nation building brought the common people into the battle arena.

World War II maximized these characteristics. People working in factories built parts for the weapons, tanks, and aircraft that the military used. The bombings of cities now made civilian victims as well. During this time, Allied and Axis powers raced to develop the atomic bomb, knowing the other side was working towards the same goal. The bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki ended the war. And began the modern arms race.

France, Russia, England and the U.S. began atmospheric testing of these weapons. In the early sixties, after a partial ban on testing (tests could no longer be conducted in the atmosphere, but were allowed underground) China became the fifth country to test the bomb. This broke the monopoly on industrialized nations using these weapons. A Third World country now possessed the same technology.

Since then, between eight or ten other countries have developed the capability of exploding nuclear weapons. These include: India, Israel, South Africa, and both Germanys. Mr. Sopuck pointed out that Canada continually contradicts itself at the U.N. by discouraging these countries' development of these weapons, yet at the same time aids in their development by allowing the U.S. to test their Cruise missiles here.

A native of Winnipeg, Mr. Sopuck is very much against nuclear weapons. He has no affiliation with any peace groups, although he did join in a Winnipeg protest staged by another group. When he discovered there were no groups here, he decided to start his own.

He is quick to point out that treaties signed by the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. recently are not all they seem to be. These treaties are eliminating obsolete weapons, and putting the super powers in an exclusive club for those with the most powerful weapons. They continue to develop more sophisticated weapons, including the Cruise missile.

Mr. Sopuck suggested three principles which should be adopted by all countries: 1) countries agree to a "No First Use" treaty; 2) countries oppose the development, testing and deployment of these weapons; 3) countries support the prohibition, ban and destruction of these weapons.

Although he had no petitions to sign, Mr. Sopuck agreed that they would be one way to let the Governments (both Territorial and Federal) know our feelings on this matter.

Despite Canada's objections to nuclear weapons, they still allow their testing here. The Cruise tests are unarmed, but this does not lessen their threat. The Government allowed these tests to appease the Reagan administration before the Cold War thaw. The similarity of our northern terrain to that of Siberia makes Canada the only suitable place for these tests. If we pressure the Government to stop these tests, the Cruise missile project will be dealt a serious blow.

With democracy sweeping the globe, Bush's call for a "kinder, gentler nation," and last month's fatal crash in the N.W.T., the testing of these missiles makes even less sense now than when they began.

If you oppose these tests let people such as Pennikitt, McLaughlin, and Mulroney know. Future generations will be glad you did.



NOTICE

RCMP Dawson Detachment

As a result of a request from the Robert Service School Committee, police patrols around the school have been increased during the school hours by the local RCMP Detachment.

There is a "No Stopping Zone" on the north side of Queen St. between 4th and 5th Aves. However, a number of warnings have been issued to vehicle operators who continue to drop off or pick up students.

The above may not appear to be a very serious infraction of the Motor Vehicle Act. However, we would rather be proactive than reactive. The youngest students of the school use the Queen St. entrance, and should they have to cross the street after being dropped off, this just increases the chances of being struck by an oncoming vehicle.

At the present time, vehicles can stop on the south side of Queen St. (facing 5th Ave.) in front of the school and drop off students at the curb, thereby no need to cross the street.

From our patrols we have also noted a number of vehicles dropping off and picking up students on the east side of 4th Ave. I would tend to encourage this as 4th Ave. would seem to be one of the quieter streets, and may help to lower the chance for pedestrian/motor vehicle accident.

PLEASE REMEMBER: ALL OF OUR STUDENTS NEED OUR WATCHFUL ATTENTION WHEN WE DRIVE. SLOW DOWN NEAR SCHOOL ZONES AND CROSSINGS.....THEIR LIVES ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN A FEW MOMENTS OF OUR TIME.

♥ ART ATTACK ♥

By Pauline Scott

By the time this hits the presses I hope to be enjoying the arts from coast to coast by train, plane and automobile. . . getting and giving the Art of Gossip to "x" Dawson-ites from Vancouver Island to Stanley, New Brunswick and taking in all the Arts in all the forms. . . Performing, Visual and Literary. . . along the way.

Steve Mills, print maker, is confirmed to teach the print making course here in Dawson, for adults the evening of March 23rd and all day Saturday the 24th. If you have any questions please call Sharon Edmunds at 993-5757. She will act as the contact for this course while I am away. Steve Mills will be opening a new show of his recent work March 19th in Whitehorse. He will also be teaching a workshop for students at Robert Service School while he is here.

The Drama Club is planning some adult fun and frolic for St. Paddy's Day. . . watch for posters.

I have enjoyed teaching the Mixed Media Course for Adult beginners this winter and if possible our class is going to put together a show of some of the work they produced. The class learned a lot and so did I. I hope that this type of course or even some type of arts related course gets to be a regular event. There is even talk of trying to come up with an Arts use space.

With the focus on the environment now so present and an active part of most families lives I want to take the time in a future column to discuss just what I've learned recently about arts materials. Which ones are user friendly, earth friendly, and a good "green" product and which ones should be avoided. In every part of our life we can make a contribution to a healthy ecology.

I just learned that Sharon Edmunds was one of the winners in the "There's a Hole in My Roof" competition put on by Friends of the Gallery / YTG Gallery. As

well as being shown in Whitehorse in April her piece will go to Yellowknife and be on display there too.

If you have any comments or suggestions about programs or advocacy issues concerning the arts please let the Yukon Arts Council know. The catalogue of arts and artists that the Council has been working on is nearing completion. It is going to make a wonderful resource for the whole Yukon.

As the next holidays near us, think Arts. . . .

* just as we buy sports equipment and enrol our kids in sports activities. . . include a camera, good paper, paints, a musical instrument, a good quality tape, tickets to a play, or a good book as a birthday or Easter gift. Instead of a chocolate Easter Egg. . . although I am definitely living proof that Belgian chocolate constitutes an art form. . . make Ukrainian Easter eggs to decorate your home.

*for your special sweetie think of a framed print or original picture or photograph, a piece of hand made pottery, something locally and artistically constructed from local materials. . . furniture, jewellery, or textiles. Support the Drama Festivals or events and give tickets as gifts. Music lessons, voice lessons and something wonderful to read. . . along with the time to read it. . . ah. . . a gift that lasts.

*use the arts to decorate your home, office, place of work.

*use the arts for going away gifts, prizes and awards

*use the arts to add spring to your step and colour to your mind

*can you hear it now. . . aerobics to Mozart. Don't laugh. I took a class outside once that was all classical music and it was MUCH tougher than "Beat it".

*I hope March is awash with perfect painting weather as well as cross country ski weather.

Happy almost Spring.

LIBRARY CORNER

DAWSON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Our winter hours are:

Mon - Fri 12:00 - 7:00
Sat 12:00 - 5:00
Sun Closed

Remember books can be returned while the library is closed by using the book drop.

Our phone number is 993-5571 and we are located in the Robert Service School. Please use the public entrance across from the Radio Station.

We are currently looking for three people to sit on the Board of the Community Library. The Board holds meetings on the last Monday of every month and is involved in setting the policies of the Library and organizing special events in conjunction with the Library. If you are interested or would like further information please contact John Bilton (Library Chairperson) or leave a message at the Library.

New arrivals

The Bad Place

- Dean Koontz

A Ruling Passion

- Judith Michael

Cold Harbour

- Jack Higgins

Counter-Attack

- W.E.B. Griffin

1990 Toy Report

Empire of the Bay

- Peter C. Newman

Any Woman's Blues

- Erica Jong

Babylon South

- Jon Cleary

France 1990

- Fodor

Beating Around the Bush

- Wilf Taylor

Runaway: Diary of a Street Kid

- Evelyn Lau

Hawaii 1990

- Fodor

The Joy Luck Club

- Amy Tan

Straight

- Dick Francis

Forever Fifty

- Judith Viorst

The Master Spy

- Phillip Knightly

HAPPY READING!



ALCAN 5000

Left: "Fast Eddie" Botwick

photo by Michael Gates

Right: Art Issler

RABID ROADSTERS TACKLE TUNDRA TRAIL

by Michael Gates

You don't have to be crazy to drive the Alcan 5000 Winter Rally....but it helps. Winter driving conditions, below average temperatures, gusting winds, unfamiliar roads, are all part of the challenge of this 6,000 plus miles in ten days event.

Jerry Hines, the Chairman of this year's rally, provided rally information when he and other participants stopped overnight in Dawson February 13th on the return leg of the race. This is the 7th running of the race, the 6th time that it has come through Dawson, and the 2nd time that it has come through town during the winter. Sponsored by the Ranier Auto Sports Club of Bellevue, Washington, this year's race started in Kirkland, Washington on February 5th. They arrived in Anchorage, Alaska on February 9th. There, they

enjoyed a 48-hour layover and the Fur Rendezvous. The next leg of the race took them all the way from Anchorage to Eagle Plains on the Dempster Highway, estimated at 1,200 miles, and taking at least 27 hours. Three drivers drove without relief for the entire 27 hours. Some teams drove on to Inuvik before they turned around and headed for Dawson.

Leaving Dawson at 5 a.m. the following morning, the rally drivers had a quick 600 mile dash to Watson Lake, overnight there, and then a further 750 miles to Prince George. A final frenzied sprint to Harrison Hot Springs in B.C. and the finish line, wrap up this year's winter rally. First prize is a trophy! Leading the rally into Dawson was the team of Gene Henderson and Ralph Beckman from the U.S.A. driving a 4x4 Subaru Legacy Wagon.

Other participants included a three-car team sponsored by Michelin, and other teams sponsored by Subaru and Jeep-Eagle, driven by professionals. The manufacturers want to test their product under adverse conditions, which they were

fortunate enough to experience this year. There are two husband-and-wife teams. About 1/3 of the teams are those who enjoy fast driving on unknown terrain; one driver enjoys running ultramarathons as another of his sporting hobbies. Two people are computer enthusiasts. Most of the competitors are from the U.S.A., but 8 were Canadian and 1 Australian. In addition, film crews from TSN and Seattle Prime Sports Northwest were there to record the race.

"Fast Eddie Botwick", from Oxford, Connecticut, performed the role of one-man "enthusiasm ambassador" for the event. He enjoyed explaining the mechanics of the race, its history, and providing profiles of those competing or involved this year.

What was it like driving in the extreme cold? (It was -50 C at Stewart Crossing). The unanimous response was "NOISY". Apparently, even cars like the 4 wheel drive Porsche driven by one competitor, develops an incredible variety of bumps and rattles at that temperature. According to Botwick, at that extreme cold, even if the interior is 45 degrees warmer, it is still so cold that parkas are mandatory.

Hines indicated that the rally has adopted an alternating format, with winter rallies scheduled for even years. They appear to enjoy their stay in Dawson, and we look forward to another visit in 1992.

Postscript

The Sun has learned that the Rally was completed successfully, with all teams completing the rally. The team of Henderson and Beckman won the rally in their company sponsored Subaru. They had a total of 41 seconds in penalties. Finishing in 2nd place was another Subaru-sponsored team: David Harkcom and Ken Knight, with 47 seconds in penalties in their Subaru Legacy 4 x 4 Wagon.

Rally Chairman, Jerry Hines, said that the winners suffered a broken oil seal in -50 degree Celsius weather at Stewart Crossing; but credited John Troyer at the local garage there with making on-the-spot repairs which enabled them to complete the rally without major problems. Hines also reported that only two of the entrants received tickets for speeding...."that we know of!!!!"

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There is also a "baking-blind" technique to lessen shrinkage. You fit a 12" square of foil into the unbaked pie shell, molding it to fit the shell. Pour 1 - 1 1/2 cups of dried beans evenly onto the foil. (Or use 2 sheets of foil and no beans). Bake approximately 8 minutes. Remove foil and beans or foil. Bake approximately 4 to 5 minutes longer, til the shell is golden brown. (Keep these beans for this purpose. Don't try to cook them.)

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Yukon Quest



by Kathy Jones-Gates

"The toughest dog sled race in the world". . . that's the Yukon Quest International Dog Sled Race. Seven years old, traversing mostly arctic wilderness, rugged terrain and weather conditions that range from balmy, above-zero temperatures, to blizzard conditions and temperatures dropping right off the thermometer. It strips away the pampering of mushers and drivers that is afforded its more famous counterpart, "The Iditarod", pairing one musher . . . male or female over the age of 18, with a team comprised of a maximum of 12 dogs. Rules permit only one sled to be used for the entire race, and only 9 checkpoints in the 1,000 miles (1,600 km) with Dawson City, the designated 'halfway checkpoint', the only time that dog handlers may assist the musher feeding and caring for the dog athletes.

This race runs between Fairbanks, Alaska, and Whitehorse, Yukon. The race reverses direction each year, with Dawson the halfway point each way. Here the mushers enjoy a 36-hour layover, a free steak dinner and for once can be boarded with volunteers, hotels, etc. The remainder of the race, both musher and dogs must find shelter wherever they can.

This year's race began in Fairbanks at 1 p.m. February 25th. The route swings north from there to Cheena Hot Springs, Circle Hot Springs and Circle City. The teams then travel south-east to Eagle, Alaska, then across the border to Fortymile and Dawson City. Leaving Dawson, they strike out overland and challenge the 3,800 ft. (1,140 metre) King Solomon's Dome and the 3550 ft. (1,064 metre) Eureka Dome before dropping down into placer mining country of the Black Hills and the Stewart River. They pass through Stepping Stone on the Pelly River, Midway Lodge on the Klondike Highway, Minto Landing and then Carmacks. The 290-mile (470 km) distance between Dawson and Carmacks is the longest section without official checkpoints. If teams leave Dawson with the maximum 12 dogs, they will be

pulling 300 lbs. of dog food plus another 175 pounds or so of equipment.

Mushers pay \$650 U.S. to enter the annual Quest Race. They leave the start line at 2-minute intervals and the difference is added to their times at Dawson. A vanguard of snowmobiles packs down the trail at least 8 hours ahead of the teams this year. With unpredictable weather conditions, the trail can be snowed right over even after the machines have crossed the trail.

Eight Canadian mushers started the race, with 3 from the Dawson area (see Musher profiles elsewhere). One Canadian musher is William Kleedehn from Willard Lake, Ontario. Throughout the race, vets carefully monitor the dogs' conditions. A maximum of 4 dogs can be dropped during the race for injuries, etc.

Bruce Johnson of Atlin, B.C., became the first and only Canadian musher to win the Quest in 1986. The fastest times for the race are: Fairbanks to Whitehorse, 12 days and five minutes by Sonny Lindner of Alaska in 1984; and Whitehorse to Fairbanks, 11 days, 11 hours and 55 minutes, by Joe Runyan of Tanana, Alaska, in 1985.

Over 400 volunteers contribute hundreds of hours to making the race run smoothly.

There are nine major awards in the race. Of specific interest is the DAWSON Award: the first musher into Dawson receives 4 ounces of raw gold. Joe and Wendy Fellers, volunteers since the race inception have always sponsored this award.

A prize purse of \$75,000 U.S. is divided amongst the top 15 mushers into Whitehorse. First place earns \$20,000 U.S. and 15th earns \$750 U.S.



photo by Michael Gates

QUEST VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

By Michael Gates

With the excitement increasing as the Yukon Quest approaches Dawson City, everyone is looking forward to the action which will envelop the community for several days. But the preparations have been going on, behind the scenes, for months; it couldn't have happened at all if it were not for all of the volunteer help that has been generously donated.

Wendy Fellers, one of the race organizers for the Dawson portion, has been involved with the Quest since its inception. She can remember back to when she went for days with hardly any sleep at all, but this year, it is easier for her because of the volunteers!!! She estimates that over 600 hours of volunteer work went into last year's race; it will likely be the same again this year.

The preparations begin in November, when the committee starts writing letters asking for the support of various sponsors. Fuel is needed to run the snowmobiles; thanks must go to MacKenzie Petroleum for that. Permission must be granted to use the government campground to house all the dogs. The YTG get a tip of the hat for their efforts in preparing the campground for the mushers; a lot of work goes into that contribution. Arrangements were made with Klondike National Historic Sites to set up the checkpoint in the visitor reception center on Front Street. Firewood was donated by the department of forestry so the mushers can heat up dog food and keep warm. The preparation of the trail started in December and continues right through until race day, thanks to the efforts of a platoon of dedicated snowmobilers.

Volunteers manning Ham Radio for Yukon Quest
L to R: Kelly Quocksister & Doug Burke of Richmond, Virginia

The volunteering does not stop there. According to Fellers, twenty tons of dog food has to be shipped into town from Whitehorse to feed the hundreds of dogs that descend upon Dawson during the race. That wouldn't be possible were it not for the kind contribution of Frontier Freightlines, who ship the goods to Dawson, and Earl MacKenzie, who delivers the goods to the marshalling point. Let's not forget the numerous people who must man the checkpoint, at least two people at all times, around the clock. And there are the kind people who open up their homes to provide billets for tired, but grateful mushers. The City of Dawson throws in a free steak dinner for each musher at the hotel of their choice. The list goes on, but the reader will get the idea from this short list.

It may not be possible to acknowledge the efforts of every individual, as the list is long, and some may have been missed, but here is a partial list of those who have contributed to the cause: John Mitchell, Peter and Debbie Greenlaw, Al Fisk, Marcel Paris, Ken Knutson, Gordon and Karen Crowe, Shirley Moi, Russ Richardson, Tom Picard, Sylvia Farr, Kathy Drugan, Charlotte Burian, Nancy Sefton, Myriam Mierau, Marg and Mo Caley, Sue Guimond, Barry Fargey, Peggie and Vinnie Amendola, Lorraine Butterworth, Elaine Behn, Tracy Braun, Kelly Quocksister, Tim Combs, Linda Taylor, Ella Patay, Dennis Montgomery, Louis Schlender, Ed Kerklywich, Wendy Burns, Mikon Bilina, Myriam Morin, Don Wilson, Brad Keenan, Carol Legace, Kirsten Benedek and Jeff Thompson



STAFF LIMERICKS

There once was a man from Dawson
Whose pick-up was crumpled and flawed some
He wandered the hills
Seeking nuggets and thrills
And by golly, I'm hoping he found some.



DAWSON MUSHER PROFILES

by Kathy Jones-Gates

MARK ELLIOTT

Mark is in his mid-twenties, having spent 24 of them in the north. He has worked in mining camps and forestry since he was 15 years old. He has been racing since he was 14 in shorter distance races. He owns Dry Creek Kennels near Dawson. (See SUN article, "Sled dog racing in the Klondike" by Mimi Elliott, Vol. 1, No. 5, September 25, 1989.)

Mark entered the 1988 Yukon Quest race as a rookie and finished a respectable 13th. He holds the time record for mushing between Circle City and Eagle which he achieved in 1988 in a time of 45 hours, 45 minutes for an approximate distance of 175 miles.

He was the 18th entry for this year's Quest race. He created headlines with fellow musher Larry Smith when a white puppy given to him by Smith, who was superstitious about white dogs, proved to be one of the best lead dogs either had ever laid eyes on. The pup... Snowball... now carries the name 'Pegasus' and is Smith's lead dog. Mark was offered a whole team to race in this year's Quest in exchange for returning the white dog.

Mark has been sponsored by the Downtown Hotel, Gas Shack, MacKenzie Petroleum, Tri-K Placers, Eldorado Hotel and Jan and Mimi Elliott.

FRANCOIS VARIGAS

Francois was born in France and raised in the French Pyrenees. He moved to Arctic Scandinavia in the mid-1970's, and offered sled dog trips during Scandinavian winters. He has also been a ski instructor and photographer.

On April 18th, 1982, he began an epic Arctic adventure when he mushed alone across the Canadian Arctic, starting at Frobisher Bay, travelling up the western side of Baffin Island before heading west. He ended his 8,000 mile quest in Anchorage, Alaska, in April of 1983. His Arctic journey gained international attention and a best-selling book resulted from his exploits.

When Francois brought his dog team down the Dempster highway to Dawson, local hospitality and an appreciation of this corner of the Canadian north impressed him enough that he emigrated to Canada later in 1983. His interest in dog mushing resulted from his reading of Jack London books.



Francois owns Yukon Dog Voyageur Kennels and lives at Swede Creek near Dawson.

This is his 5th entry in the Yukon Quest. He placed 16th in 1986, 7th in 1987... the best Canadian finish; he scratched in 1988 and again placed 7th in 1989.

LARRY 'COWBOY' SMITH

THE COWBOY has lived in the north for more than 21 years. He is in his mid-forties and lives at Coffee Creek near Dawson. He owns Red Dawg Kennels.

Larry comes from the Williams Lake area of British Columbia where he earned his nickname, 'Cowboy', from his many years chasing cows and the rodeo circuit. He spent two years on the North American Rodeo circuit before returning to B.C. and prospecting and trapping in the Chilcotin area. In the late '60's he made his way to the Yukon where he initially hunted wolves for their bounty, fished and trapped. He has lived at Coffee Creek since 1971. He is also said to have done a stint in Vietnam and he carries a pilot's licence.

The 'Cowboy' wrote himself into the folklore of the "Iditarod" long distance dog sled race in 1981... his second time out... when he changed the name of the race by charging into the lead, forcing the other mushers to abandon their usual leisurely pace, "camping" along the route until the final sprint at the end. His stamina and determination helped him to a 4th place finish and in doing so lopped over two days off the previous mark. He ran the Iditarod five times, placing 3rd in 1983, the highest placing ever for a Canadian musher.

A group of concerned Yukoners, recognizing the value of his efforts and the resulting international publicity gained from his mushing exploits, established the "Larry Smith Iditarod Committee" in 1983 to sponsor the local musher with money being donated from around the Yukon.

His trademark cowboy hat marks him as an individual and he can usually be expected to contribute to the colour of any dog sled race that he participates in.

This is his 3rd time racing the Yukon Quest. He placed 17th in 1989. A team owned by Smith and leased to Scotsman Rick Atkinson, who wintered in Alaska, placed 2nd in the 1985 Quest race after leading for most of it.

Dedicated Pathfinders Prepare Quest Trail

By Michael Gates

You won't see them at work, not unless you plunge deep into the snowbound Yukon back country. These are the people who have volunteered to prepare the trail which the mushers will follow in the Dawson area. They cover a portion of the Quest route that extends from Fortymile on one side of Dawson, to Scroggie Creek, on the other.

Al Fisk is one of these people, and he has been doing this demanding chore as a volunteer for the last four years. Their task is to travel the route which the quest will follow to make a trail for the dog teams. This work starts in December and continues up to race time. Shortly before the race, the trail makers cover the entire route, placing markers (meter and a half long lathes with red and black markings and a reflective surface) for the mushers to follow. With the cold weather which has plagued the territory this winter, that has not been an easy task. According to Fisk, on one outing, he and his partner left on snowmobiles early on a Saturday morning to cover the 120 mile round trip to Scroggie Creek, and did not return until early next morning.

The trip is not an easy one, and arrangements are made with miners with cabins along the route to use them in case of emergency. Fisk says that they had to leave the odd snow machine behind, but have never been in serious trouble. Being well equipped and having experience makes for an easy trip.

The trail starts at Jackson Gulch, out at the Callison sub-division, and follows



FRANCOIS VARIGAS: FIRST CANADIAN INTO DAWSON



photo by Michael Gates

Al Fisk gets ready to mark the Quest Trail

the old government trail up the spine of the hills between Bonanza and Hunker Creeks, over to King Solomon's Dome, down Sulphur Creek, across the Indian River and up Eureka Creek. From there, the trail crosses over the divide into Black Hills Creek, then over to near Maizie Mae, the Stewart River and Scroggie Creek.

When asked why he wanted to take on such a thankless task, Fisk explained that he has always had an interest in dogs, and likes to see the other face of the Klondike. Though hard work, the job is made easier by the amazing beauty of the land in the winter, the breathtaking vistas and the silence.

Fisk states that his task is also made easier by the cooperation and support that has been given by many people. The miners have offered emergency shelter and trail conditions. YTG road crews avoid the markers set down by volunteers to mark out the Quest trail. He gave thanks as well to the Shell station for the same reason; the trail cuts right through their back yard. Earl MacKenzie kindly provided fuel, and oil for the snowmobiles. Fisk extended a special acknowledgement to Rudy Burian, who helped them locate the trail to Scroggie when they were out on the Stewart River.



NED CATHERS TEAM



LINDA FORSBERG SUPPLY CHECK

Quest Photos by Paula Pawlovich

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Because of the importance of the upcoming byelection to the people of Dawson City, this issue is focusing on related topics.

ELECTION SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
March 1	Preliminary Voters' List is posted.
March 1	City Council appoints Board of Revision and Returning Officer. Details on nomination and polling procedures are decided.
March 16	Board of Revision sits.
March 30	Revised Voters' List posted.
April 2	Nomination notice posted.
April 11	Nomination Day.
April 12	Notice of poll posted.
April 13-25	Campaign.
April 26	ELECTION DAY!



The following is given for information only. For the actual requirements, please consult the Municipal Act of the Yukon Territories

If you want to vote in the Byelection on April 26, 1990, you must:

1. Be a Canadian citizen;
2. Be at least 19 years old on election day;
3. Have resided within the boundaries of the Municipality of Dawson City for the period of one year immediately preceding April 26, 1990.

If you want to run for Councillor in the April 26, 1990 byelection, you must:

1. Be eligible to vote (see above);
 2. Be on the voters' list on nomination day.
- But, you cannot be a Councillor if:
1. You are an employee of the City;
 2. You are an undischarged bankrupt;
 3. You are a judge (other than a Justice of the Peace or Youth Court Judge);
 4. You, either directly or indirectly, have any contract or any interest in any contract with the City;
 5. You owe the City more than \$250 (except for current taxes);
 6. You are currently in jail; or
 7. If on or before election day, you lose your eligibility to vote.

Definition of Residence: The legal definition of "residence of voters" is:

"... a person does not reside in a municipality unless the true, fixed, permanent lodging place to which, when he is absent, he has the intention of returning is located in the municipality."

IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE PRELIMINARY VOTERS' LIST:

You can get on the voters' list by applying to the Board of Revision to have your name added. You may also apply to have any errors on the voters' list affecting yourself or another voter corrected.

Application forms are available at the City Office and must be handed in to the City Clerk before the Board of Revision sits on March 16, 1990.

PROFILE OF DAWSON'S ARCTIC WINTER GAMES PARTICIPANTS

By Dawne Mitchell

Joan Bilton, who has been to almost every Arctic Winter Games, remembers some of the earlier ones. "At the first time trials there were about 200 kids for indoor soccer. This was the first time they'd ever had a trial and everyone was so nervous and very insecure. But by the end of the weekend they were much more confident and really had a great time. I've certainly seen the AWG evolve over the years. It's far more representative of the Territory. The athletes are no longer intimidated by the potential competition and the exchanges with the schools throughout the year help too. I guess it's not so scary to the young athletes as it used to be. It's so important for the kids to meet on a common ground - it really helps their confidence. I feel ultimately that the schools are being more involved and the Territory becomes a closer community."



JOAN BILTON

Senior Men's Snowshoe Biathlon



JOHN FLYNN

Snowshoe biathlon is a grueling sport for men and women. John Flynn, a veteran Biathlon Athlete explains what attracts him to the sport. "It's a unique sport and demanding. People ask me how I do so well in the biathlon. I don't think there's any trick to it. I just train and you have to be dedicated to it."

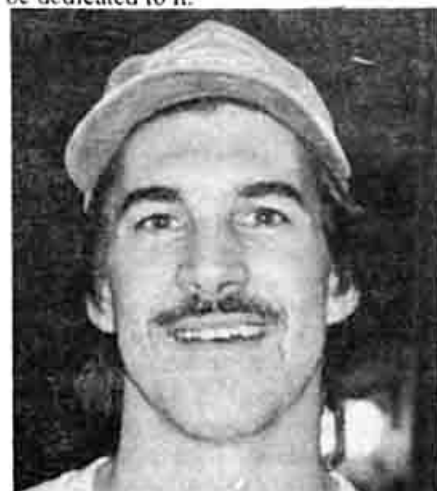
Senior Women's Snowshoe Biathlon



ANN NASON: Commenting on the success of the weekend Arctic Winter Games trials recently held in Dawson, Ann says, "When your community tries for you, you try harder for your community."



JOANNE HUNSTON: This is Joanne's first AWG. She was quite pleased to make the team and summed it up this way, "I'm not a serious, professional athlete so I'm quite amazed that I did so well."



KEVIN ANDERSON: This is Kevin's first AWG.



Junior Boy's Snowshoe Biathlon



GORDON KERR: Gordon attended an Arctic Winter Games in 1988 as an observer. This year he is going as a participant. "I'd never run the 3 or 5 km race on snowshoes and I didn't have much competition here in Dawson," says Gordon. "The NWT and Alaska will be really tough to beat but I'm really excited. It's gonna be lots of fun."

Senior Women's Badminton



LENORE JENKINS: Lenore participated in the 1974 & 76 Arctic Winter Games. "Having been out of it for 12 years, I'm a bit worried about how I'll do," she says. "But I love the sport."

Senior Men's Badminton



DAVE MILLAR: This is Dave's first Arctic Winter Games. He has been training all winter and doesn't know what to expect but is "sure looking forward to going".

Volleyball

Senior Women's



COLETTE PILON

Senior Men's



DENNIS MIREAU

Jr. Women's - 19 and under



LEANNE MACKENZIE

Jr. Men's - 19 and under

GARY ZELLER

WAYNE MACKENZIE

Pete Menzies, Recreation Coordinator, says the real winners are the communities as a whole. "Two years ago there were ten participants from Dawson. This year there are twenty-six! The commitment from the organizers in each sport, each community and even the Territory is more evident. I don't even care about the sports as much as I'm thrilled to see the whole thing working so well."



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WENDY BURNS (Mission Staff): Wendy has a very important role to perform as Mission Staff to the Arctic Winter Games. She is one of eight Mission Staff chosen from the whole Territory. Wendy specifically oversees the sports curling, pee-wee hockey, and open women's hockey. She acts as a mediator between these sport-governing bodies and the Chief de Mission. Wendy will ensure that the athletes are informed about AWG policy and procedures and how they affect them as well as arranging pep rallies, accommodation, meals and assisting in organizing the opening and closing ceremonies. There are many responsibilities attached to the function of support Mission Staff. In Wendy's own words, "If the athletes have questions or problems I will be there for them. If they need me I'll help out in any way I can."

HEATHER BURNS,
GEORGETTE MCLEOD

JEFF BARBER - alternate



RICHARD McMASTER (alternate)

photos by: **MIKE GATES,
MADELEINE GOULD,
DAWNE MITCHELL,
& NICOLE SULYMA**

Juvenile Girls - 14 and under

RENEE BRICKNER (alternate)



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SKI CLUB NEWS

by Paula Pawlovich

It's that time of year again when I ask myself - What am I doing here? I mean, in Vancouver this past week people were suntanning, cough! cough! 'It's the Springtime itch'. I'm just dying to do some things, but the lawn just isn't quite ready for cutting. So, to blow off some energy I head up the hill to our very own ski retreat -- Moose Mountain -- so named by Willie Fellers; our locally-organized, volunteer-operated Saint Moritz of the North. You don't even have to be a skier to enjoy the pristine beauty of the place, and when the sun is shining it's truly awesome up there.

The whole idea for a ski hill originated with Greg Hakonson and Marco Giovanole some six years ago and by 1987 after countless hours of toil an initial Bunny-Run was established by The Dawson City Ski Club. An intermediate run was added as well as the installation of the Rope Tow.

There are three groomed runs at present, one being high intermediate, and the season extends from December till April. Refreshments and warmth are available in the chalet located at the top.

Funding from Lotteries, Tourism, the Community Development Fund and donations from the corporate and private sector have made all this possible. The major expansion this season has been to install the T-bar, recently purchased from Roblin, Manitoba. The ten towers and forty-eight T's cost \$45,000 with a whopping \$15,000 freight charge to get it here. Unexpected difficulties, shortage of funding and volunteer burnout have slowed the installation process considerably, but with any luck and a lot of effort the system can be operable in a few weeks. Think about it: no more torn gloves or worn arms from the steep rope-tow. HELP ANYONE! There are many ways you can help: you can volunteer some time (the weather is great and the view is exquisite), you can, for \$100, buy a T-bar and at the same time promote your own endeavours. You can take advantage



of the Boo and Ski packages that are offered or you can take part by purchasing the "Draw for Gold" raffle tickets. The current executive consists of: Glenda Miller - President; Val Drummond-Hay - Vice President; Lorie Sprokkreeff - Secretary/Treasurer; Bill Bowie, Jennifer Flynn, Ursula Kurth, Mitch and Mona Sprokkreeff - Directors.

Future plans involve the upgrading of the chalet facilities with the possibility of relocating it at the base of the hill. Hopefully by next year a Ski-Patrol will be established. At present one skis at one's own risk. First-Aid kits are on site as well as a backboard for emergencies. If you are at all interested in Ski-Patrol please contact the Ski Club.

Current info and conditions can be heard on C.B.C., C.F.Y.T. or you can call 5125, 5755 or the Boardwalk. Transportation is available, just call! The hours of operation are 1-5 Saturday and Sunday with extended hours as weather permits. The 'MOOSE' will be open during Spring Break.

Day Pass:	Adults	\$5
	Children	\$3
Season Pass:	Family	\$125
	Adult	\$5
	Student	\$25

Special thanks to Harry Campbell, Northern Kat, Marty Knutson, Dave Brickner, Doug Cotter and all else who have volunteered zillions of hours.

VALENTINE BONSPIEL



photo by Michael Gates

L to R: Dr. Gerard Parsons, Marie Cox (BC & Yukon Heart Fund) Susan Ross, Paul Derry

by Paul Derry

1st	John Worries Rink	41 points
2nd	Bonnie Barbers Rink	38 points
3rd	Len Janzen Rink	37 points
4th (tie)	Roby VanRumpt Rink	36 points
	Earl MacKenzie Rink	36 points

Booby Prize (for lowest points)

Mr. Dennis "Fire Chief" Montgomery Rink	12 points
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All the entry fees (\$20 per team) were donated to B.C. and Yukon Heart Foundation. There was also a pancake breakfast to raise money. This was done thanks to the generous donations of the Farmers Market and Dawson City General Store.

We also had pledge sheets for the weekend and an ounce of gold went to the person who got the most amount of money. The ounce of gold was kindly donated by Mr. Don Cox of Gold Valley Joint Ventures. This was won by Roby VanRumpt who got over \$300 in pledges. He then kindly turned round and gave back \$150 to the Heart Foundation. With a mini auction to clear a few items that were going to get left, like mugs and t-shirts, etc. we raised in total well over \$1,000 which we are very pleased with, as was the Heart Foundation.

So a big thank you goes out from us (The Curling Club) and the Heart Foundation to the people who made this possible - whether you donated money, played or just helped. Thanks

HOCKEY ROUND-UP

BY MURRAY MATCHETT & ROD DEWELL

OLDTIMERS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

This past weekend appreciative fans witnessed a flurry of activity at Bonanza Centre as eight hockey games were played there between teams from Yukon and Alaska.

Dawson City Generals emerged victorious as they handily defeated all opponents, winning four games straight. The team from Fairbanks finished second followed by Faro and Ross River. Top scorers in the Tournament were:

R. LEBLANC	- Dawson 8 goals 8 assists.
J. FLYNN	- Dawson 9 goals 5 assists
B. DOCKEN	- Dawson 7 goals 6 assists
R. MUIR	- Fairbanks 8 goals 4 assists
K. DAUNT	- Dawson 2 goals 8 assists
F. BUCK	- Dawson 9 goals 1 assist

This annual event is sponsored by the Dawson City Oldtimers Hockey Association. A hearty thanks goes out to all you guys who put this together. And let's not forget the fans, the players and officials and all else who lent a hand to this Tournament.



photos by Paula Pawlovich

DAWSON CITY OLDTIMERS



MINOR HOCKEY

Hockey players from the ages of seven to ten travelled to Whitehorse the weekend of Feb. 16th to participate in a Novice Hockey Tournament. The boys played extremely well in all games narrowly losing 2 - 1 to Haines Junction, and 3 - 2 to Gold Rush Inn. The third game was won by Elks Lodge, a powerhouse and eventual Tournament victors, 7 - 0. Apart from their busy and early hockey schedule they managed to take in some movies and frolic in the swimming pool; and, I'm sure they devoured their share of the Big Mac's.

Thanks to coaches John Flynn, Pat Hogan, Coleman Johnson, Grant Owen, Rod Dewell and Poncho Rudniski. A special thanks goes out to Jennifer Flynn, Tammy Rudniski, Barb Hogan and Helen Dewell who kept the 18 little Titans in rein and who made the trip fun - filled and enjoyable.

A salute to Arctic Inland Resources, the team sponsor and to Peter Jenkins for providing transportation.



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The Sun Classifieds

SENIOR HOCKEY:

Final Statistics by Dennis Walton

TEAMS

Name	Team	Number	GP	Record	GA	GAA	SO
Poncho Rudniski	K.S.M.	1	16	12-4-0	67	4.19	0
Simon Nagano	MacKenzie	31	19	11-8-0	91	4.79	1
Richard Nagano	Downtown	33	18	10-8-0	89	4.94	1
Coleman Johnson	Generals	1	18	2-16-0	130	7.22	0
Mike Fraser	K.S.M.	1	1	0-1-0	8	8.00	0

PLAYERS

Name	Team	Number	GP	Goals	Assists	Points	Pim
Ted Taylor	MacKenzie	11	18	39	37	76	11
Fred Farr	Downtown	10	17	33	20	53	12
Darren Kormendy	K.S.M.	12	18	25	25	50	29
Frank Kormendy	K.S.M.	17	15	18	27	45	70
Duane Taylor	K.S.M.	4	18	17	27	44	8
John Taylor	MacKenzie	14	18	16	25	41	3
Fred Taylor	K.S.M.	7	17	14	20	34	41
Kevin Anderson	MacKenzie	4	17	22	12	34	21
Kiern Daunt	Downtown	14	15	11	22	33	2
George Mason	K.S.M.	66	15	15	15	30	17

GOALIES

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
MacKenzie	18	12	6	0	24	117	79
Downtown	18	12	6	0	24	115	91
K.S.M.	18	11	7	0	22	103	100
Generals	18	1	17	0	2	48	136

LIMERICKS FROM STAFF

A very young girl from our city
Wore mini-skirts, just to look pretty.
She went out in the snow
At fifty below
And froze her behind. What a pity!

There once was a man from Dominion
Who was always so strong of opinion
He adds to his horde
Hates the water board
And goes to Gerties to win one.

A happy Sourdough, growing old
Was asked why he lived in the cold.
I've a roof o'er my head
And some wine and some bread
And friends who are better than gold.



HELPERS THIS ISSUE

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NOTICES

The Dawson Indian Band is currently looking for book donations for their new resource library. Can include any reading material that is of native subject. Please drop off at the Band Office. **THANKS FOR THE HELP!** -3-

Many areas of the world are in dire need of relief funds. The RED CROSS is now collecting funds for SAMOA where 100,000 people are homeless and where crops have been devastated by cyclones. To help - send your cheque to
The Canadian Red Cross Society
4750 Oak Street
Vancouver, B.C.
V6H-2N9
Or contact Barb Hanulik at 993-5283 -3-

The NORTH END RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE would like to invite supporters and interested people to their next meeting, TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH, AT 12:00 PM in the Downtown Conference Room.

PREGNANT?

WANT A HEALTHY BABY?

Let us give you the facts and information required to produce a healthy baby. Prenatal classes are available at the Nursing Station. Please contact Charlotte at 993-5333 and we can set up dates and times for the sessions. **NINE MONTHS OF PREGNANCY AFFECTS THE BABY'S FUTURE.**

DAWSON CITY NURSING STATION

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS:
Infants and preschool regular immunization clinics will be held every Thursday between the hours of:
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

We will take regular booked appointments for this clinic, but we will also accept drop-in visits if you wish to do so. (Drop-ins may have to wait a few minutes if there is a booked appointment). **INTERNATIONAL IMMUNIZATION:** For those of you lucky enough to be travelling to distant lands requiring additional immunizations, these can be booked every Friday between:
11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

ADULT IMMUNIZATION:
The next Adult Immunization clinic is to be held March 21st, 1990.

The nurses are planning to hold regular Child Care Health Clinics outside of Dawson City, especially in the Rock Creek area. If you have any suggestions or comments we would like to hear from you.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom house in Dawson. Asking \$800.00 per month. Available immediately. phone 667-4138

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As part of literacy year, the Yukon and the government of Canada, are seeking to promote reading by young people. Dawson's children would benefit from an after school or weekend group which promotes the love of reading in a spirit of fellowship and fun. If you are interested in becoming involved in such a program, or would like more information, please contact Betty Davidson, 993-5045. Sharon Westberg, Yukon's representative for READ CANADA, would be happy to come and help us develop a Reading Circle.

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Lard 454 gr **1.49**

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Pacific

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Neilson's

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