Coming of Age

by Joanne Smith and Melinda Warren

An arthritis self-management programme is being offered by trained volunteers from the community who took a course from the Arthritis Foundation this past spring. This course will begin October 8 and run for six weeks every Thursday evening room 7 to 9 at the Waterfront building.

The course is designed for volunteer teachers to offer techniques of pain control, provide demonstrations of exercises and some lectures and discussions about arthritis and how to live with it. Topics such as joint anatomy, self-help principles, exercise, relaxation, medication and depression will be addressed.

The cost is \$15.00 which includes an informative book on

arthritis and management tech-

The course is open to all ages and has proven worth its weight in gold when it comes to living with arthritis.

Hope to see you there!

October birthday greetings:

Madeleine Gould

Les Butterworth Father Boyd

Annie Henry

James Rose

Ole Lunde

Events: -Foot clinic Sept. 28 from 1-4 p.m. at the lodge.

-Shopping every Friday from 1:00 p.m. on. Call Dorothy at the Band office or Joanne at the Lodge.

-Cribbage night Tuesday Sept. 22 beginning at 7:00 p.m..



Jeunevieve and her gang! (Jeunevieve is the oldest of the group, standing second from the right) Eight ladies from Quebec ranging in age from 55 to 76 recently took part in an eight day rafting trip from Minto to Dawson. They plan to travel up the Dempster; to Inuvik and Tuktuyoktok, camping all the way. They came the Alaska Highway and will be returning home by way of the Taylor Highway; through Kluane, Cassiar and Yellowhead.



To my daughters and their families for arranging a beautiful Birthday party (ies); to my sons and their families for traveling to attend; and to all my friends for attending the open house to give me their best wishes; to the Lodge residents and staff for the use of the Lodge for this very special day. Marion Hadley

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Birthday girl Marion Hadley.

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News from the Rock

by Marjie Mann

Well, it's all over for another year. And how will we remember the "summer of '92"? What exceptional things happened in our lives that will mark this summer for all time in our memories? And what will trigger the recall of those memories?

For each and every one of us, it will be different: a song, a photograph, a momento. Perhaps a wedding ring, or a particular child. We will each take our special memories of this year and file them away in our heads like a precious treasure - to take out and examine in days to come.

I will remember this summer as the summer the Dredge was "raised"; the first summer that anyone in my family came to visit; the summer I never made it - not even once - to Ethel Lake; the summer I drove through a blizzard on the May 24th long weekend; the summer my daughter entered teenage-hood and my oldest son left home. The benchmark events that will forever remind me - "1992? Oh yeh - I remember that summer ' What are your special memories?

It's okay to move into fall - the colours, the winding down of yard work, the chance to visit with friends we haven't had a chance to visit with all summer even a 15 minute chat in the aisle of a grocery store is a pleasure I haven't afforded myself in far too long!

Rock Creek continues to hum. The Rock Creek Store is being managed by Jenny Docken now, and she is eager to stock what the community needs. She also has a great selection of videos. Barb Hogan has a new friend to care for. Her name is Beauty, and she is definitely well named!

There has been a little shuffling of residents and Gerry Stange has moved into the "Downtown Rock Creek" area. Gerry is no stranger to Rock Creek (well - no stranger than the rest of us!) but this is the first time he has had his own place

The new fire hall is looking really great - but I hear it will be December before it is handed over. Which means one more AGM in the old fire hall. A general meeting will be held on October 6th at 7:30 in the old fire hall to choose a date for the AGM. For more information on that, please give Melody a call at 993-5802.

So - until next month, take

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by Palma Berger

The carrots and potatoes are still in the ground. I had two weeks holiday they didn't hop out and prepare themselves for winter, they just stayed right in that ground awaiting my return. Well, I was a Spring. With Fred working 12 hours a day, 7 days a week at the store yours truly was the gardenee.

The potatoes were put in with tried a new variety along with the old type. As they started to push themselves up out of the ground, I garden growth, some of the raspberries. Weird, weeds" it turned out, were actually the new type of potatoes. When I tried to find them again a few days later and replant them, they just did not make it. Fewer potatoes this year. But a lot less garden work, though!

sure. The berries stayed on the neighbours too. bushes better. Fewer butterflies. The black and gold ones that used to light on the lilac bushes where a similarly marked hornet awaited them attacked, sucked them dry, ground with all that lovely colour, that? did not come this year.

Saw only about 4 frogs too, Actually that is why I let all those weeds take over the strawberries, so that the frogs would have a cool moist area to catch the hiding

The holiday was good. Out in Alberta there was not a single horse who nipped me. Told our pony and he was so delighted he leant over and took my sleeve between his teeth and jerked. It really is his way of showing how are just too good for him to leave happy he is to see me. An Oops, no, wrong. There are not embarrassing thing happened the bears at Bear Creek!

The first snow has fallen and last month, Mary Christiansen's gone, and the Fall colours are here. daughter, Theresa said, "Oh, I know that horse. It was Uncle Art's. We used to ride him." Oh yeah! But I wonder who wrestled him to the ground for her to put the bridle on.

We have a beautiful new bit fortunate actually, earlier this Samoyed. The original owners named her "Sinbad" because she did so much travelling with them. But Theresa and Shauna suggested "Tiffany". I think that the elegance the help of some visitors. BUT we of the name suites the dog. Fred likes "Sinbad". Neither of us are changing. But the dog is smart enough to know to answer to both carefully weeded. Pulled everything names. Easy to feed. Eats that did not look like regular everything we eat, rosehips,

> Son Tony accompanied me Outside when he went back to Victoria. It was great. The most I have seen of him all summer.

It was sad to see a "For Sale" sign outside Audry and Bill Harris' place. They have done so much to Fewer birds this year too, I am improve their lot, and were good

Rumour has it that Minnie and Tony Beets have sold their trailer. Not sure to whom, yet. Another family gone! The pony just loved the kids. What do they think they and left their bodies to scatter the are doing disrupting our lives like

> The sun is shining, the millions of bugs are frozen, and the potatoes await, not to mention carrots. Have to wash, blanch and freeze them. But the horse loves carrots straight from the garden but only if they are washed. Still it would mean fewer carrots to do, wouldn't

> Myma and Les Butterworth had a large bear up the tree next to their house, but the dogs have chased it to the end of the island. The berries

Sluicebox Riffle

Submitted by K.P.M.A. by Colin Mayes

From August 24 to the 26 the Placer mining Implementation Review Committee (I.R.C.) held meetings in Whitehorse, Mayo and Dawson to gather public input and reaction to the new proposed water quality regulations for the placer mining industry. The K.P.M.A after negotiating in good faith were shocked when the Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans arbitrarily submitted water quality standards just weeks before the draft proposed standards would effectively eliminate 80% of the miners in the Yukon. Needless to say the reaction at the public hearings was one of frustration and anger.

Submissions made by placer miners, Dawson businesses, salmon fishermen, the City of Dawson and especially the Chamber of Commerce were well presented. The economic and social impact of regulating the placer mining industry out of business was obvious, the underlying theme of the presentations was that we are angry at bureaucracy and were not going to take anymore! We are not going to allow a bureaucracy such as D.F.O. set standards that don't take people and livelihoods into

Fish are not the issue. We all know that during the hundred years of unregulated placer mining in the Dawson region that the fish were not affected to any great extent. The water quality regulations implemented in 1987 are adequate to protect both the environment and the placer miner. The study done by the Seakem Group Ltd. for the I.R.C. was lame, with no concrete data to verify any detrimental effects to fish by existing discharge levels. The study's conclusions were mostly based on government policy and Canadian public opinion.

Place miners are aware that the public are more concerned that miners clean up their mining junk and make an attempt to tidy up the landscape as they mine. Land use regulations will help in getting this done as well as the fact that miners have taken this issue to heart.

If the public wishes to speak for or against the new proposed regulations the cut off time for written submissions is Sept. 30.

Just a note to mention that I omitted Lorne Ross as one of the founding members of the K.P.M.A. in the last issue. My apologies to Lorne for this oversight on my part.

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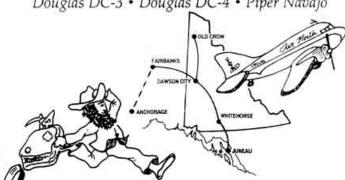
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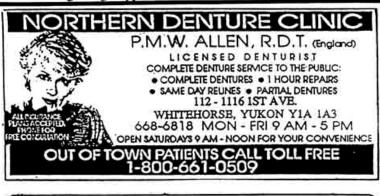
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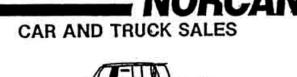


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Barber / Ross Wedding

by Palma Berger



parents of the bride were Dennis Rock, B.C. as his Best Man. and Donna Ross of Marwayne and the parents of the groom were Kerry took part in the beginning Chuck and Bonnie Barber of ceremonies.

petticoat. A wide bank of pleated his bride was a baseball glove.

floor length at the back.

a cummerbund matching the Maid services. of Honour's dress.

tables were also of midnight blue Lake, B.C. They left Clayton and rose pink.

The brides family and friends family came from British Columbia, Dawson City and Toronto.

Both the Bride and Groom met a grand reunion. while attending Trinity Western University in British Columbia.

friendships with his/her room- University.

The marriage of Jason Barber of mate, so Deidre had her room-Dawson City to Deidre Ross of mate, Carla Hunt of Rocky Marwayne Alberta took place on Mountain House, Alberta as her August 29, 1992 in the Alliance Maid of Honour, and Jason had his Church at Marwayne, Alberta. The room-mate Brent Bowen of White

Jason's brother Jeff and sister

The bride and groom share many The bride's dress was of taffeta interests, one of which is sports. with a full skirt over a hooped One of the gifts the groom gave

and gathered taffeta draped around The wedding was also a the shoulders. The fitted bodice gathering for many Dawsonites came to a low V at the waist and past and present. Rusty and Cher was trimmed with lace and pearls, Merriman, now of Mission, B.C. which were also in the gathers of were there (the three children stayed the shoulders, and larger pearls on elsewhere). Jennie and Ron Pate the lace trim at the edge of the accompanied by a tall son, Ronnie, skirt. The bride wore no veil but had left the other two behind. Jack rather a head dress of lace, pearls and Ella Sailor who had ministered in the Gospel Hall church for The Maid of Honour dress was nearly eleven years and have settled of midnight blue taffeta with a in Toronto were there as well as black velvet bodice. The skirt was Barb and Dan Kees and son Mike. high in the front and dropped to Barb and Dan were the Sailor's predecessors flying over from The men wore dark tuxedos with Eagle once a month to hold

Ruth Midgett and Anita, Jolene The decorations for the hall and and Andrew came from Burns behind.

Rita Anderson, Palma and Tony came from the States, Regina and Berger arrived from Dawson. Last, all over Alberta, and the groom's but not least, came George Barber, Chuck Barber's brother from Vancouver. For Dawsonites it was

The couple will settle in Langley B.C. for a year while they While there each formed fast complete their studies at Trinity



Shana Johnston graduated from St. Francis Xavier University with a Bachelor of Sciencemajor in Biology. She was named to the Deans List for four consecutive years and she received an in course scholarship for her last three years of study. At graduation she was give the G.H. Murphy award for Proficiency in Pre medical Studies. She will continue her studies this fall at Memorial University Medical School. Shana is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Michael Johnston of Dalhousie, N.B. Shana attended Robert Service School from 1980 to 1986.



NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Post-Secondary Schools

The number of northerners dropping out of southern post-secondary educational institutions provided the impetus for the development of a social and cultural adjustment program based in Yellowknife.

A Northern Students Service officer was employed to assist students with fundamentals such as finding accommodation, opening bank accounts and dealing with registrations in southern Canada institutions. Outreach activities among students in the north, to encourage them to further their education, is also part of the service officer's responsibility.

The project is undertaken by Bellanca Developments Ltd. of Yellowknife with the University of Alberta, the Territorial government, Health and Welfare Canada and Princeton Developments Ltd. of Edmonton.

The Northern Youth Education Initiative Program receives a five-year funding commitment from the Government of the Northwest Territories and Bellanca Developments Ltd.



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Stay-in-School News

by Pam Lawrie

I am happy to report that the federally based Stay-In-School Initiative has been re-funded for the Dawson First Nation and Robert Service School. From August 3, 1992- May 31, 1993, Dawson City will once again have the services of Jim Johnston, school and family counsellor, and me, Pam Lawrie, Stay-In-School coordinator.

Jim Johnston will be in the school full-time, helping students and their families with their healing processes, as well as presenting the teachers with problem solving workshops during the year. Jim has gained the trust of many people in our community, and we wish him well with his work in the coming year.

I will continue with the "mentoring program" this year. I am looking for volunteer adults in the community willing to share two to three hours a week with a student to work on a project together. An example would be to create a display for the upcoming school science fair; or perhaps you would like to share your beading or wood-working skills. Each project has a budget of up to \$100, and the pair receives a Stay-In-School Completion Certificate when finished. If this sounds like fun to you, please contact me through the Dawson First Nation office (993-5385), or Robert Service School (993-5435) Tuesday-Thursday 9:30-4:30.

I also have set up an afterschool tutoring/homework room. This will be Tuesdays and Thursday from 3:30-4:30, and is open to all grades for help with all subjects. The room will be staffed with a tutor and myself, and will be located on the first floor, in the Native Language teacher and C.E.L.C.'s room (kitty-comer from the art room).

Wednesdays will bring a buzz of cultural activity in the same room, starting with free beading classes for all students, from 3:30-4:30. Local beaders will be the 'mentors' for this phase of the mentoring program.

As time permits, other student related projects will be organized: keep your eye on the Sun to stay informed !!!! If you would like to speak with either Jim or me, we can be reached at the school at 993-5435, or through the Dawson First Nation Office at 993-5385. Please feel free to phone anytime, during regular school and business hours.



In the last step of a multi-stage process, individual catalogue customer orders are sorted for distribution at the shipping department of newly opened Sears Catalogue Service Centre in Belleville, Ont. The packages are loaded on to over 50 transport trucks for delivery to Sears distribution centres across Atlantic and Central Canada.

Customer service is the key

Sears unveils strategy to boost its catalogue business TORONTO (NC)—A new emphasis on customer service supported by

innovative technology, comprehensive employee training and numerous operating refinements consumers will never see, heralds a determined effort by Sears to energize its Canadian catalogue business.

More than three million Canadians are active catalogue shoppers today, and Sears is Canada's only full-service national catalogue marketer, supplying customers in communities from Gander to Victoria, Dawson to Lethbridge. In 1991, the company produced 12 different Sears catalogues and delivered them to 3.8 million homes across the country.

Extensive customer research pointed the company in the direction it's now actively taking: Make total customer satisfaction the ultimate goal; enhance the ability of employees to provide full service, and use technology to improve the order-delivery process and inventory management.

"Catalogue shopping has always offered convenience and value," says Sears Canada Vice-President, Catalogue Brent Hollister. "Our research has clearly taught us, customers expect to have their promises fulfilled. Sears now has the best system in North America for providing customer service. We can now provide information on stock availability that was never possible before.'

To improve the way it does things, Sears has installed a new, fully-integrated computerized inventory management system, called "Automan" which enables it to respond more quickly to consumer requests from its Sears catalogue stores across Canada. The system monitors inventory levels more effectively, and provides up-to-date

information on merchandise availability. Sears also recently opened a stateof-the-art 121,000 that me metre Catalogue Service Centre Belleville, Ont to service Ontario, tebec and Atlantic Canada, and the cotton has upgraded its Regina Catalogue ervice Centre with a new inventory thanking and tracing system.

During peak Priods, the new Belleville facility will employ about 1,500 people in two shifts, and process 400,000 items per pay—or 169 items per minute. "The B leville centre and the Regina upgrading are a tangible reflection of Sears' a miniment to total quality management and top notch service to its catalogue customers throughout Canada," says Hollister.

throughout Canada," says Hollister.

Matching the improvements in technology is a p gram to enhance employee effectivents. "We regard the catalogue as the stor, and all our employees are focused in making it great way to shop," say dollister. "That is why we are enable to provide one-stop shopping, the tween the technology upgrade in our employee educations program, when customers call for information they'll get it call for information they'll get it immediately.

Beyond those espects of Sears' enhanced customer-service program that consumers should be directly aware of, are many internal improvements in the company's operations to make its catalogue business more efficient and competitive. "Still," Hollister emphasizes, "everything comes back to meeting customer needs. Sears Canada is an organization totally focused on the customer, and we're looking forward to the positive results that meeting these needs will generate."

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On The Fire Scene

by Pat Cayen

Fire Chief

Well, the snow has started and we can now get back into our winter schedules, like writing columns for the Klondike Sun.

The Dawson Fire Department would like to thank all of you who came to the first Dawson City Fire Department Discovery Days Mudbog. A great crowd was on the scene to watch Mark Weirda win the overall trophy in the competition.

Winners in other classes were: Motorcycles - Mike Mahoney 4 X 4's - Kelvin Leary Under 33" tires - James Hammond Over 33" tires - Mark Weirda

thank all the sponsors who sup- Firefighter know. ported this event: Whitepass, Northern Kat, Northern Metalic, this issue of the Klondike Sun, Tesoro Canada, Finning and of you will see some ad's sponsored course Klondike Transport without by the Dawson City Fire Departwhom we would not be able to ment in regards to fire prevention hold this event. Our hats off to week during the week of October Harry Campbell, Bruce Duffee, 4 - 10. This years theme is "Test Brian Maplethorpe and Chris Your Detector, It's Sound Advice". Mayes who did a superb Job of Test your detector weekly and getting all of the participants change the battery yearly. This stuck...watch for a bigger and bet- could save your life, especially this ter mudbog next year.



At the present time, more than half of the jobs in Canada require 12 years or more of education and training. Of new jobs created, more than 65 per cent will require at least 12 years of education and training.



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At our last meeting at the Firehall, long service pins were awarded to several firefighters:

- -15 year pin Capt. Gerry Crayford -10 year pin
- A/Chief Dave (Buffalo) Taylor - 5 year pin
- Deputy Chief Al Fisk Firefighter Jim Allison Firefighter Henry Procyk

Our congratulations to these firefighters in their dedication to the community.

It is again time to plan for the Firefighter's Halloween Extrava-Honourable mention to Richard ganza. If you are interested in help-Lee McMaster and Jeremy Rosco ing out with this event please conwho were our mud rats for the day. tact me at the Firehall. My number The Firefighters would like to is 993-5434 or you can let any

Last but not least, throughout time of year when we begin again using our wood heaters, furnaces and other heating devices.



Nearly 140,000 students dropped out of school in Canada in 1989.

Wind power The R.C.M.P in the Yukon in Dawson?

Whitehorse -- The Yukon Energy Corporation will set up wind monitoring stations at high altitude locations near Dawson, Tagish and Haines Junction. The wind monitoring sites are scheduled to be in operation by September and will provide data on a monthly basis for a period of two years. The stations will be used to monitor wind levels for two years to determine if sites are suitable for wind farming.

"Wind could become an important new source of electrical generation over the next decade", said YEC Senior Utility Engineer, John Maissan, "Results from the past year of wind monitoring done by the Boreal Alternate Energy Centre on Haeckel Hill, near Whitehorse, indicate that there is sufficient wind at high altitudes to drive commercial turbines."

The wind monitoring will be done on a contract basis in each community. The call for proposals took place in June. Of the six bids received, proposals were accepted from:

- John Steins, Dawson City, to monitor wind on the east dome:

 Scott Gilbert of Topham Creek Services in Haines Junction, to monitor wind on Paint Mountain, north of the commu-

- Jack Woledge of Mistaya Holdings of Carcross, to monitor wind on a mountain eight kilometres to the south of Tagish.

The wind program may be expanded in 1993 with the installation of a 150 kilowatt wind turbine on Haeckel Hill to study the operation of the turbine in northern climates including the effects of winter icing on wind equipment at high elevations.

To make a long story short interrupt.

The Force known as the Northwest Mounted Police first made a presence in the Yukon in August of 1894. They arrived near Fortymile which had a population of 1,000 miners, trappers and traders.

In July of 1895, the N.W.M.P. increased to 19 members and constructed the first post known as Fort Constantine. The N.W.M.P. were responsible for enforcing the laws, and they acted as land agents, custom officers, post master, Indian Agent and were responsible for registering mining claims. In August of 1896, gold was discovered on Rabbit Creek now known as Bonanza Creek. This was the beginning of the Klondike Gold Rush.

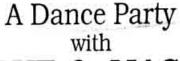
With the influx of people, the N.W.M.P. increased to 285 members by November of 1898. Fort Herchmer became the new headquarters in Dawson in the summer of 1897. During this time bootlegging, gambling and prostitution flourished. Between 1901 - 1903, the N.W.M.P. increased to 303 men. In 1904, the prefix Royal was added becoming the R.N.W.M.P. Due to the decrease in the population, the force declined to 60 members.

By 1912 a further decrease resulted in 36 members policing six permanent detachments. In the next year, northern patrols were made to different communities. Between 16,000 - 24,000 kilometers were logged each winter. The most famous patrol was known as the Lost Patrol which became lost between Dawson and Fort McPherson, N.W.T. and resulted in the death of four members.

1932 was the year of the "Mad Trapper" and was the first use of aircraft and radio in enforcement. In 1943 with the Alaska Highway project, Whitehorse became the new headquarters and Dawson became a detachment.

The R.C.M.P. today serves the Yukon through 13 permanent detachments with over 100 members. The detachment in Dawson City covers a vast area including the borders of Alaska and the N.W.T. The eight members of the detachment enforce all the Territorial Laws, Criminal Code and Federal Statutes of Canada. and are also involved with their families in all community events.

Let's keep our community safe. Don't drink and drive.

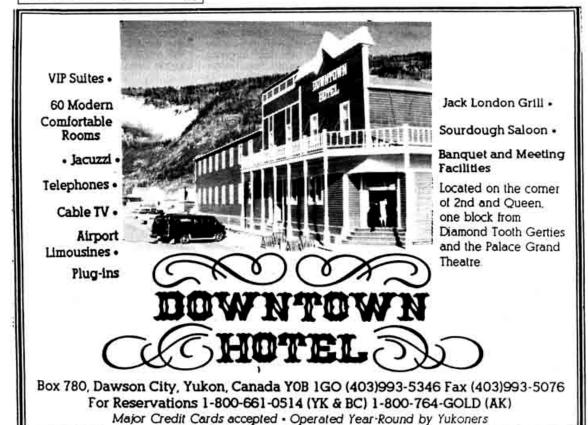


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DAWSON CITY RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Community Recreation Programme Registration Day? What Is It?

You and/or your club is invited to attend the first ever Community Recreation Programme Registration Day. It is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 1992 from Noon to 5:00 pm at Robert Service School.

This day is set aside for community clubs, agencies and the Recreation Department to do a mass registration for the fall and winter programmes. You will be able to register people for your activities and event (hockey, guides, etc.). Space will be available to all interested clubs or individuals. Please bring your own card table. There is no cost or fee.

We also we want to create a schedule of events for the fall and winter of 92-93. Clubs are encouraged to put their dates on a community calendar. The Calendar will then be marketed through the Klondike Sun. Examples would be dates for special events, programme start and end time and important information deadlines.

There are a number of important benefits to attending this event. You'll be able to register all your participants as well as market your group to other potential participants. You can sell memberships and Society merchandise (such as t-shirts).

You'll also be able to find a few more volunteers for your club. The two biggest reasons people don't volunteer is that they didn't know there was a need and they were not asked to help. So, those people wanting to volunteer but don't know what to do, this is your chance to get out and sign up some volunteer help. The community needs you.

You can pre-register your club by phoning the Recreation Department (993-5434) or you can just show up on the 26th. Either way, be there!!

Community Recreation **Programme Registration Day** Saturday, September 26, 1992 Noon - 5:00 p.m. Robert Service School Everyone Welcome

Terry Fox Run Sunday, September 20, 1992 1:00 p.m. Starts at CFYT Radio Station Pledge Sheets Around Town and Library

Hotdogs for all Participants All welcome to Run, Walk, Cycle, Crawl or Skip to Raise Cash for Cancer Research

Grant Deadlines Deadlines for two grant Yukon wide аге programmes quickly approaching. First, the Advanced Artist Award (formally called the Advanced Artist Grant) deadline is October 1, 1992. Financial assistance if available for projects travel, involving education or art creation. Application help is available from Laurel Perry by calling 1-800-661-0408 and asking for extension 5264. Second, the Lotteries Yukon grant deadline is October 15, 1992. Application may be postmarked on this date. Information is available from Carol Artzen by calling 668-6798 in Whitehorse. The Recreation Office has application forms

Thanks, Craig! The Rec. Department was sad to learn that Craig Moddle has decided to pull up roots and move on. Craig has been an invaluable volunteer in helping produce all the music events each summer. His main role was to assist with stage and sound production. The Department wishes to publicly thank Craig for all his help and to wish him the very best in his new activities. We'll miss you!

both

programmes.

of these

More Discovery Days Thank-Yous

Yes, we forgot a few people when thanking everyone last issue. Thanks also to Suzanne Saito, Palma Berger, Bob McKonkey and the Robert Service School We really ap-Staff. preciate your help.



Why Spend Money on Recreation? Lots of Reasons

1. The physically fit person is able to enjoy life more fully, is less prone to injury and is more productive at work and in the commu-

Fit senor citizens live longer, remain in 2. their homes longer and participate more fully in community life.

3. Regular participation in physical recreation is the best guarantee of physical fitness and

4. Active living, generally through the opportunity of leisure, is directly related to personal health.

5. Stress is a serious issue in modern society -- all of the popular prescriptions or solutions highlight the role of leisure.

6. For the majority of citizens, work alone does not provide sufficient opportunity to achieve our full potential. The opportunity for leisure is essential.

7. A Child learns social skills through early play experiences. The best opportunities are those that are planned and supervised.

8. Physical activity is intellectually stimulating an enhances the learning process.

Youth that enjoy full and active lives are much less likely to turn to self-destructive behaviours.

10. Communities come together and learn to work together through sports, arts, cultural and environmental activities.

11. Families who recreate together tend to be closer, more cohesive and improve their chances staying together. o f

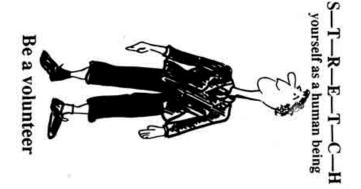
12. Festivals and sporting events are good for the economy. The money generated locally exceeds the public or private dollars invested (generally because of the volunteer effort.)

13. Parks, open spades and protected natural environments are essential to the environmental health our our communities.

Research on the publics willingness to pay taxes for various types of services repeatedly places environmental protection at or near the top of the list.

And, the list of reasons go on and on. These were taken from "A Catalogue of the Benefits of Parks and Recreation". Watch the paper for more good reasons.

Fall Recreation Brochure Watch Your Mail! Brochure will be Available After September 20, 1992 What Are You Going to Be Doing for Recreation This Fall and Winter?



The Morel Rush of '92 in Dawson

by Dan Davidson

There was another sort of rush to the Klondike this summer. Morel mushrooms, a crop which grows in forest fire burn areas that are one year old, became a prominent crop this year, and Chief Isaac Inc., the business arm of the Dawson First Nation, spent a lot of time and energy trying to get into the market. With scores of fires in close proximity to Dawson during the summer of 1991, this area was ripe for the growth of morels in the summer of 1992. Major locations included the Top of the World Highway, the Dempster Highway and Gravel Lake.

According to Shawn Ryan, an experienced picker who was hired this year by Chief Isaac to help develop the industry, Dawson is normally a pretty good area for mushrooms due to its climate and its fire potential. But 1992 was more than good, it was spectacular, and more so because other areas in the northwest were not producing as much as usual.

"We were one of the only producing areas this season in northwest North America", said Jeff Cook, the manager of Chief Isaac Inc., "It was a classic example of supply and demand."

Cook and Ryan looked on the mushroom rush as an opportunity to develop an untapped seasonal resource for the benefit of the local economy.

"What we're trying to do now is to get this established." Ryan said. "There's too many companies that come in, jump on the gun, buy all kinds of mushrooms, take most of the profits and run somewhere else. We're trying to put our foot in the door and stop this."

Ryan approached Chief Isaac early in 1992 and a numbered company was formed under the Han company's umbrella to handle the summer season here. Cook thinks it may become something like Han Natural Products in the future to handle mushrooms and other wild products, but this year the emphasis was on the morels.

Calling this summer a rush is not far from the truth, and the metaphor is more than apt in a land that is used to rushes. Cook and Ryan say that between 150-200 pickers arrived from outside the territory - mainly from the USA - to take advantage of the crop. There would have been more, but Immigration Canada stopped them at the border.

"If this was anywhere close to the states," Ryan said, "we would have had something like 2,000 pickers here."

Ryan says the mushrooms made Dawson famous in a new way. "Any time you called south to ask them how their fires were doing they all knew about Dawson City as the only major producer. We were put on the map in those circles this year."

According to Ryan, who has been picking for 4 years now, there is a sub-culture of mushroom pickers who follow the trail of year old fires around the southern 48 states, up into Canada and even into Alaska. They go from site to site with almost the same intensity that possessed the gold seekers at the turn of the century. This is perhaps better understood when one realizes that an experienced picker can, with a little luck, collect \$200.00 in mushrooms in a 2 hour session in a burn area. On a really good day, this could go as high as \$500.00.

The negative side of this is that those two hours come at the end of a 1 1/2 hour walk into the bush, after which you have to spend about 4 hours hauling your load back out. A 150 lb. packing job is no joke. Then, of course, there's no absolute guarantee that there will be mushrooms at the end of the trail you've chosen. But that risk seems to add to the attraction for those who like the

The parallel to the gold rush continues when you look at the big picture. While some pickers do very well, the average take in an area is not that good. Ryan says that the fire followers live off the dream of the next big crop and keep moving on.

What kind of potential are we looking at? All the figures aren't in yet, but Cook and Ryan estimate that the total value of this year's crop could have been a 1/4 million dollars, and that Chief Isaac managed to get in on perhaps 25% of that.

It was a learning experience though. Last year there were maybe 20 pickers in the Mayo area, following the fires the year before. But Alaska had a large turnout over at the Tok area from that fire, and that turned the pickers' attention to the east. Pickers in Tok heard of the fires here in 1991 and set their sights on this area for 1992.

Buyers were skeptical at first, according to Cook. They came and went. But then they came back, because this was where the action was.

Government officials weren't ready for this at any level, in Ryan's estimation. Immigration, Unemployment and Forestry were all caught off guard by the sudden interest, but were all ultimately involved because of the locale. the product and the pickers.

"There was skepticism," Cook said. "They said 'It's not gonna happen' and then when it did there was pandemonium, calls all over the place, people flying up here and dealing with the labour problem."

Eventually about 8 buyers from British Columbia and the USA were here on a regular basis during the 4 to 6 week season. Because of the shortage elsewhere, prices went from the regu-

lar \$2.50 per pound to a record

The crop comes and goes quickly and you have to move

Said Ryan, "You have to get as many people out as you can on the picking grounds to get the crop in before it rots, as you have maybe a week and a half. The whole season's up and over with sometimes in a month or six weeks."

Depending on the location, the Klondike produced three varieties of mushrooms, greens, greys and golds. Many picking areas also had two crops of morels, which extended the season a bit.

Cook experienced some frustration trying to interest local residents in picking the crop, though he estimates that perhaps a third of all the pickers were locals.

"We were quite frustrated really, "he said. "Half way into the season we realized the situation we were in. Yes, there were all kinds of Outside pickers and companies, but those benefits just leak out of the community almost 100%. We formed the company to try and keep them here."

"We made several attempts to try to organize groups and provide services and get them out there," said Cook. The biggest problems were in getting people to the mushrooms, which were not always in easily accessible places.

"People would have to hike in there (on the Top of the World),"Cook explained. "They weren't on the roadside. You'd have to climb over a couple of valleys as the summer progressed, pick, pack them out.

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project costs are \$30,945.

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Klondike Valley by this fall.

That kind of work can be quite brutal." Not exactly a summer

"It's easy picking once you're there," added Ryan, "but the packing is hard."

Chief Isaac was involved in production to the extent of buying the raw mushrooms and drying them out at their warehouse. This removed about 90% of the weight. Then the company would get the best price it could on the

"We've kept some mushrooms here for product development, Cook said. "Whether it's putting some mushrooms in a 200 gram bag and shipping them to Europe, or maybe developing some kind of sauce or soup, some recipes. They're quite delicacy in Europe."

Next year the industry in this immediate area doesn't look that good. This summer had very few fires. But in the average year Dawson is smoked in for at least part of the summer, and this could provide a continuing seasonal industry for the area. Even if there is not much here, Cook and Ryan are prepared to attempt to manage the harvest in other areas of the territory, working from a Dawson base. They will be investigating these possibilities over the winter.

Cook sees other possibilities as well. The mushroom crop could be bundled together with some other forms of natural harvesting - berries, herbal teas, cones - to become part of a 4 month summer season industry in the Dawson region, a development which would be good for the Han as well as for the whole community.

Banquet date for Ducks Unlimited Canada

The Dawson City committee of Ducks Unlimited Canada has announced that it's 3rd annual banquet will be held at:

Diamond Tooth Gerties on October 3 at 6 pm.

Committee chairperson Kelvin Leary feels that the fund-raising function should be marked on the calendar by anyone who is interested in the future of North America's waterfowl and wetlands.

"Ducks Unlimited has been preserving and restoring wetland habitat in Canada for half a century," says Leary. During that time, Canadian landowners, governments, corporations and individuals have made more than 16 million wetland acres available free of charge in more than 5,000 individual water control projects scattered throughout the nation.

"Now there is growing interest from Canadians to contribute financially to the future of waterfowl and wetlands conservation. These banquets are one way for conservationists to make solid contributions to Ducks Unlimited's time-proven habitat program."

Leary explains that natural wetlands throughout Canada are under continuing and intensive pressure from a variety of developers. "Ducks Unlimited is the only private non-profit organization in North America doing something to offset these habitat losses," he says.

Tickets for the Dawson City banquet are available at \$40 per person or \$60 per couple and include a one year subscription to the colourful and informative Ducks Unlimited magazine as well as the Conservator magazine. For tickets and more





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Training fund for tourism industry

parment of Education has contributed \$200,000 to a training trust fund for employees in the Yukon's growing tourism industry, Education Minister Piers McDonald announced today. The announcement was made at a regular board meeting of the the Yukon (TIA Yukon).

"A healthy tourism industry is vital to the continued health of the Yukon's economy," said McDonald, "and the development of a highly skilled and motivated labour force is critical to its growth. We feel that TIA Yukon, with its recent strong focus on training, is the ideal vehicle to put together and carry out a comprehensive training plan for the industry."

McDonald noted that like other training trust funds established over the last few months in the mining and building industries, the TIA trust fund will ensure that training programs designed expressly for Yukon workers are developed and offered here in the Yukon, This is a prime objective of the government's Yukon Training Strategy.

The trust fund will be administered by a six-member board of trustees: three representatives of TIA Yukon, including representatives of employers within the Yukon tourism industry; and three representatives of employ- must be ratified by all the AYC's ees within the industry. The Edu- member communities before it cation and Training Coordinator comes into effect.

Whitehorse -- The Yukon De- of TIA Yukon will be the nonvoting chair of the Board of Trustees.

"This trust fund comes at a perfect time for us in the tourism industry," said TIA Yukon president Larry Watling. "We have been fortunate in the past to grow and prosper despite a reliance on Tourism Industry Association of many employees who were unprepared and untrained for the challenges they faced in serving the territory's visitors. Our members recognize, however, that continued growth and prosperity will not happen without the training and education this fund will provide."

> Acting on the recommendations of a 1990 training needs assessment, TIA Yukon has already developed a three-year plan for training within the tourism industry, encompassing such areas as: hospitality training, standards and certification, career awareness, education and training awareness, owner/operator skills development, tourism volunteer training, and the development of a tourism training resource

> McDonald also announced that a trust fund of a similar size has been approved for the Association of Yukon Communities, to develop and provide training for local government workers. The AYC training trust agreement



DISCOVERY DAYS WEDDING

Brent McDonald from Elmira, Ontario and Christine Curtis from Toronto Ontario added to the Discovery Days festivities with a noon wedding on the YUKON LOU. It was Brent's dream to return to the Yukon and marry Christine. He proposed and gave her an engagement ring at the Yukon Border and the marriage took place on August 15th with Vi Campbell officiating.

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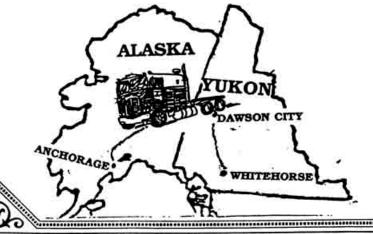
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Seventh annual **Barmaid race**

by Palma Berger

at the Midnight Sun but in the more spacious tavern this year. The idea of this race is that each member of each team has to go in turn to each of the designated tables, take their order for one drink, return to the bar, give the order and then take the eight drinks back to the correct tables. This is to be done as fast as possible as the contestant is timed.

There was enthusiastic crowd there to cheer the colourfully dressed on. The contestants were in teams of four. Klondike Kates team were in jeans, long white beards, wide brimmed hats, resembling who else but the proprietor of Kates, Gene.

Triple "J" team were cool in their biker's outfits. The Midnight Sun team were slinky as felines. The Gerties' team were in spectacular pink as Vegas show girls. The Eldorado came with their tourists in tow; or rather,

The barmaid race was again held attached. "The Jolly" Rogers' were a scratch team of pirates.

The M.C. was Grant Hartwick. The Music was live and lively. The colour and lines of the excellent costumes was certainly eye-catching. There was much laughter, chatter and cheering. A really great time was had by all in the crowded tavern.

The prizes were donated by: Frank Daly - Bacardi Rum Vancouver

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Haine and Nancy Wing The winners of the events were:

1st Place - Klondike Kates 2nd Place - Gerties 3rd Place -Jolly Rogers Best Costume Eldorado Hotel Best Individual Time - Jodie of

Klondike Kates



Bearded but unbowed, the Klondike Kate's team were this year's winners.









The host team displays their purrrfectly feline outfits.

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The show must go on! Gertie's Vegas girls sparkled their way to a second place Photo by Palme Berger





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Klondike Nuggets

Departed from the Klondike is Helen Davidson, who enjoyed a month sleeping in the camper in Dan and Betty's back yard, but who still wished the construction had gone a bit faster on the addition. She reports a good trip home to Nova Scotia and weather no better there than it is here.

New faces at the Robert Service School include Sandra Salt, Michael Montcombroux, Liz Woods and Shari Cooper. Joining the staff in a full time capacity is Helen Dewell, while Laurie Berglund is returning as an educational aid after several years away. Perhaps we'll learn more about these new staff members in our next issue.

Sun director Brent Morrison returned from holidays just in time to pitch in on this issue when he was sorely needed. Sun work tends to become a family affair, so it's no surprise that Brent has dragged Sue along this week.

Regards to Kathy and Michael Gates, who have been absent in Nevada, attending to the estate of a recently deceased aunt of Mike's.



Robert and Rhonda McConkey are pleased to announce the birth of their son Sean Dawson McConkey who was born September 3 in Whitehorse and weighed in at 7 lbs. 13 oz.



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A big thank you to the people in the community who came out to support the museum. We depend on you!

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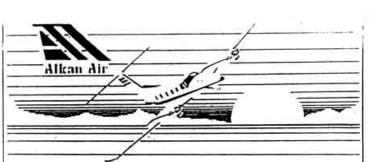
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There will be registration for the Nancy Greene Ski League Sept. 26 at the school, and a ski swap mid-October. Dig you winter sports equipment out and sell it off. Watch for details in the next issue of the Sun.

The AGM is going to be a little different this year. There will

be a BBQ at the chalet, and anyone interested in tickets will be able to purchase them in early October from the board. Details for this will also be in the next Sun.

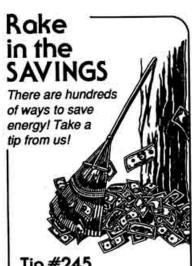
We have several fundraising events coming up soon so watch the rolling ads and check out the paper. Meetings are announced weekly on T.V. and on posters at the post office and General Store. Everyone is encouraged to attend and there is always room for newcomers.

"Bottle Drive Sept. 20" Keep your cans and bottles and help support the ski hill.

Until next time-Think Snow!



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5	024	Lucas Fennell	39:14	OM
6	012	G. Lee Worden	41:56	OM
6	021	Bernard Johnson	42:27	MM
8	025	Brian Phelan	42:41	OM
9	016	David Millar	43:17	OM
10	005	Maureen Gillen	49:53	OF
11	026	Jane Davies	51:27	OF
12	013	Janis Campbell	52:21	MF
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The Department of Education is seeking nominations from groups or individuals of persons who wish to be considered for appointment to the Education Appeal Tribunal. Selection will reflect the need for a balance of rural and urban members, gender, and experience/ qualifications. All members are appointed by the Minister of Education to serve a one or two-year term.

The Tribunal meets as required throughout the year, usually two to four times for a day or two each hearing. Members receive an honoraria for meetings attended in order to minimize the salary losses incurred and recognize the value of their contribution to the Yukon's education system.

The duties and responsibilities of the Education Appeal Tribunal are outlined in Part 8: Appeals of the Education Act. Nominations should be forwarded to the office of the Minister of Education by September 23. For further information, contact the Policy & Planning

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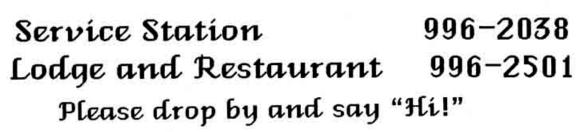
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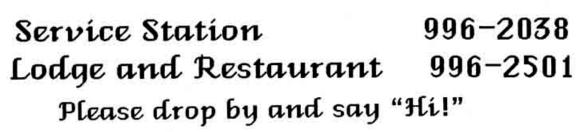
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