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SLIDING INTO SPRING

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COUNCIL CHAMBER PACKED AS CITIZENS COMPLAIN ABOUT FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE. SEE PAGE 3.



YES...THE ANNUAL IODE ICE POOL IS HAPPENING! SEE PAGE 4



RAVEN SAYS:
*Spring is here?
Oh, oh.
Can those
annoying sea gulls
be far behind?*

WHAT'S ON IN DAWSON

TOWN COUNCIL

Council Meeting

Tuesday 16 April 2024

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday 2 April 2024

Council meetings have a standard starting time of 7:00 pm.

The meetings are aired live on Dawson City TV, channel 12 and broadcast live on CFYT 106.9 FM.

UPCOMING AT KIAC

Dawson City International Short Film Festival

March 28-31

Check out dawsonfilmfest.com

'Jenny Hamilton – Teenage Cult Leader'

Thursday, April 4

Dënäkär Zho / KIAC Ballroom

Band Swap 2024

Diamond Tooth Gerties

Saturday, April 13th

National Canadian Film Day

Free Screening

Enter the Drag Dragon

April 19

Note: Drop in programs cancelled until April

For more info on KIAC events & programs, call 995 5005 or visit www.kiac.ca

TR'ONDĚK HWĚCH'IN

Spring General Assembly

Saturday, April 6

Ātāt Nēhējēl (TH Community Hall)

Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.,

Assembly from 9:00–5:00 p.m.

followed by a feast.

Spring Camp

Nānkāk Chēholay (Land of Plenty)

April 19-21

Elder Birthday Bingo

Thursday 28 March

1-4 pm

Ātāt Nēhējēl (TH Community Hall)

Snack and Stitch

Thursday 28 March

6pm Chief John Jonas Centre

Elders Wellness Group

Mondays 1:30–3:30pm

Chief John Jonas Centre

Bannock Wednesdays

Wednesdays 2pm

K'ajit-in Zho

PARKS AND RECREATION

Glow Skate

Saturday 6 April 5:30=7:30pm

Dawson Rec Centre

Rink Wrap-Up Mini Puck

Friday 13 April

Saturday 14 April

at the Arena \$5

Free Ski Day

Saturday, March 30

Moose Mountain

Dummy Downhill

Sunday, April 7

Moose Mountain

Under 5 Open Gym

Saturdays & Sundays

RSS Gym

10am - 12pm FREE

Junior Basketball

Ages 7-10 & Ages 11-15

RSS Gym

Fridays 10 Nov-15 Dec

3:30pm-4:30pm Cost \$40

Adult Drop-In Basketball

Mondays 7:30-9pm

RSS Gym FREE

Badminton & Pickleball

Mondays 6-7:30pm

RSS Gym FREE

Drop-in all ages.

Adult Volleyball

Thursdays 7:30-9pm

RSS Gym FREE

Adult Soccer

Tuesdays 8-9:30pm

Thursdays 9-10:30pm

RSS Gym

Drop-in FREE

Open Gym

Thursdays 6-7:30pm

RSS Gym FREE

Cricket Practice

Saturdays & Sundays

5-6:30pm RSS Gym

No experience necessary.

Archery

Youth Practice (12-18)

Monday 6-8 pm TH Hall

Adult (18+) Practice

Wed or Thu 6-8 pm TH Hall

Adult (18+) Advanced

Saturday 1-3 pm RSS Gym



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Founded in 1989, the Klondike Sun newspaper records the events and activities taking place in the community of Dawson City, Yukon, Canada and the surrounding Klondike Region.

CITIZENS CROWD CHAMBERS TO VENT ABOUT GARBAGE

BY DAN DAVIDSON

With 27 people crowded into council chambers and another 25 listening on ZOOM, there has seldom been a council meeting so well attended as the one on March 19.

There were several presentations to council by a number of people who had met by ZOOM a week earlier and had refined their concerns about the proposed Waste Management Plan down to a six page presentation that was included in the council agenda package.

Major presentations were by Cud Eastbound and Justine Hobbs, representing views supported by members of the Dawson Chamber of Commerce.

Eastbound noted that the members of the business community and council had a least five objectives in common.

1. Extend the life of our landfill
2. Divert Refundable, Recyclables, and Compostables
3. Attain optimal waste management results at an affordable cost.
4. Guide and encourage positive behavioural change towards how we manage our waste
5. To welcome tourists to our beautiful town, devoid of overflowing garbage bins and illegal dumping.

The group maintained that council's goals were too ambitious and not supported by any verifiable numbers.

Those goals, highlighted in a proposed plan for waste management, included:

- moving to a bag/tag system and limiting residential pickups to one bag per week.
- eliminating pickup from commercial properties and having them make their own private deals,
- expanding residential pick-ups to peripheral areas in the town boundaries
- installing scales at the Quigley Landfill and instituting tipping fees. (This happens to be a YG initiative, and won't be ready to implement until the scales are in place.)
- curbside pickup of recyclables

Trading Post owner Dave Robinson was applauded when he complained that there had not been proper consultation regarding these changes. It was the first of several bursts of clapping when others spoke.

The General Store's Mark Mather stated that the only council member to speak to him had been Mayor Bill Kendrick. The mayor listed a number of business owners with whom he had spoken.

Justine Hobbs was the other major presenter and she noted that she had been in communication with some 70 people on this issue.

"I did what you guys did not do," she said.

She said the town needed more verifiable data to avoid doing anything that would reduce the amount of recycling and reuse scavenging that is a feature of the landfill.

Council was asked some hard questions:

- Does the City have baseline hard data to implement an accurate diversion program.
- Do we know the yearly volume of waste at Quigley Landfill?
- Do we know Domestic vs Construction volumes?
- Is our present diversion rate effectively slowing landfill growth?
- How are we addressing large-scale composting?
- What have we learned from the Quigley Compost?
- Will our bylaw enforcement continue to be a complaint driven service?
- Are there adequate bylaws and policy to deter illegal dumping?
- Why is diverted cardboard still reaching the landfill, particularly in our low season? (As there is provision for this at the new diversion centre on Rabbit Creek Road.)

Council was asked is the territorial government was ready for changes. The submission noted that:

- Extended Producer Responsibility regulations are not in effect.
- There is no Final Waste Management Agreement.
- The Interim Waste Agreement has not been renewed for 2024.
- Weigh scales are not yet installed at Quigley Landfill.
- Charging customers by weight or volume is still undetermined.
- Tipping fee calculation is based on estimates from other communities, not actuals from Dawson
- Yukon Government has recently committed \$2.4 M to the City of Whitehorse for their curbside recycling program. Is Dawson's proposed expansion to curbside pick up receiving additional funds too?

Council members were visibly chastened by the strength of the presentations, which concluded with several points:

1. Meaningful engagement with Conservation Klondike Society to re-engage as a partner



IN ADDITION TO THE 27 PEOPLE CROWDING THE ROOM THERE WERE 25 MORE ON ZOOM.

2. Engagement with Citizens in positive ways to promote our shared goals
 3. Accurate Data
 4. Pause, Educate, and Evaluate for One Year. Do not proceed with bag limits, or expanded pick up until data is analyzed.
- "I got it loud and clear," said Brennan Lister.
 "Sorry not to have talked," said Patrik Pikálek.
 "I agree with the lack of communication miscommunication, or lack thereof," said Julia Spriggs.
- There was an agreement to hold a Mayor's Round Table and a public meeting to focus on this topic within the next two to three weeks and come up with a revised proposal.

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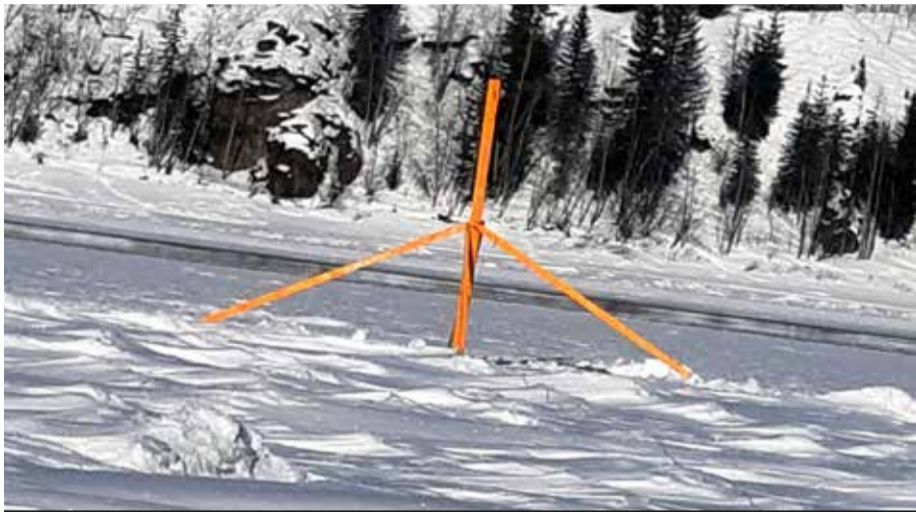
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YES...THE ANNUAL IODE ICE POOL IS HAPPENING!

FROM IODE DAWSON



THE TRIPOD HAS BEEN PLACED OUT ON THE ICE

Despite the unusual freezing of the Yukon River this year, the IODE Dawson confirms that the Annual Ice Pool will be taking place. A location has been identified with enough shelf ice to safely set up the tripod. The winning time will continue to be “whenever the ice on the Yukon River moves the tripod enough to break the cable and stop the clock”!

This ice guessing contest dates back to 1896. Participants purchase a ticket and enter their guess as to the month, day, hour and minute when the ice will break up in the Yukon River at Dawson City. Historic break-up times (1896-2023) can be found at www.iodedawson.com/historical-data.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.iodedawson.com, from local businesses and organizations, or from IODE members. The ticket price has been increased (for the first time in a very long time) to \$3.00, which is still a great deal for a winning prize that is usually at least \$4000! Ticket sales end April 15 at midnight.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Ice Pool proceeds go directly to projects that support the IODE’s commitment to enhancing the quality of life for individuals and families in the community. For example, funds allow the IODE to support local youth with an annual post-secondary scholarship and financial support for other school and community youth projects.

Proceeds also support the Dawson Christmas Parcels for Seniors program. Distribution of Christmas Parcels in Dawson City and area dates back to the inception of IODE in Dawson in 1913. The goal of the

program is to provide all seniors with a parcel containing baked goods, candies, calendars, and little gifts or an in-lieu donation to a local charity. If you or someone you know is 65+ and was missed, please let us know and we will add you to the list.

Throughout the year, IODE also provides monetary support to members of the community who could use a little helping hand - whether that help is for rebuilding after a house fire, or being able to go on a school trip.

WITH GREAT APPRECIATION

Thank you to Yukon Energy and the YOOP for their work every year to connect the tripod to the clock! Thank you to Gigi Bigras and the Dawson City Quilters who made and donated a beautiful quilt to the IODE to be raffled off as a fundraiser for Christmas parcels. The lucky winner was Annie Procee. IODE also thanks Andrea Magee, for her kind donation of calendars for each parcel, and the Dawson City Volunteer Fire Department, for delivering the parcels every year to over 160 local seniors.

WHAT IS IODE?

IODE Dawson is the founding chapter of IODE, a national women’s charitable organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for children, youth and those in need, through educational, social service and citizenship programs.

NEW MEMBERS

IODE Dawson is always open to welcome new members.

Please email us at iodeicepool@gmail.com or message us on Facebook!



ANNIE PROCEE, WINNER OF QUILT RAFFLE



LANCE FROM YUKON ENERGY HOLDS THE CLOCK FROM THE 2023 ICE POOL

NO ICE BRIDGE THIS YEAR YG CONCEDES WHILE LOCALS PLOUGH THEIR OWN

STORY AND PHOTO BY DANNY DOWHAL

In a master stroke of stating the obvious, the Yukon Department of Highways and Public Works has officially declared that an ice bridge across the Yukon River will not be built this winter. A statement issued last week read: "Unfortunately, due to unfavourable conditions, construction will not proceed on this year's ice bridge in Dawson City.

"The decision to cancel the ice bridge construction this year was made following close monitoring of the river by the Department of Highways and Public Works and in consideration of public safety. Due to temperature fluctuations and an upstream ice jam, open water remained in the location of the planned bridge, preventing construction of the crossing."

The statement came as no surprise. Although there has been a slow closing up of the long lead of open water, with daytime temperatures now regularly above 0°C and the beginning of the spring melt, there is practically zero chance of that portion of the Yukon River freezing over anytime soon. A section of the lead to the north had finally frozen recently, allowing an alternative shortcut for pedestrians and snowmobiles that looped between the ferry landings.

Earlier this month, however, Sunnydale resident Will Fellers took matters in his own hands and ploughed/groomed an unofficial ice road from the west side. (Ironically, this bridge was built by him to bring across equipment and fuel needed to fulfill a contract on behalf of YG for clearing of the Top of the World Highway.) The unsanctioned ice bridge comes down onto the river at the Sunnydale Golf Course Road, follows the northeasterly route used by snowmobiles earlier this winter, crosses the Klondike River at the Confluence, and comes onto the dike roughly in the vicinity of the Fifth Avenue and Front Street intersection.

The DIY road has subsequently been pressed into service by cars and trucks, excluding a brief period last weekend following snowdrifts caused by high winds that required the road to be reploughed. With the scramble beginning for those on the West Bank to stock up for Freeze-Up, it provides an opportunity for those without snowmobiles, or requiring the transport of large or heavy items, including tanks of drinking water, to press trucks and cars into service.

For some who are preparing for the summer work season and who will be in town during Break-Up, the unsanctioned ice road is also an opportunity to get vehicles that are stranded on the West Side to town.

In 2018–19 when there was similar open water in front of the town, a circular trail around it put in by locals and ploughed into a road was eventually thickened and turned into a sanctioned ice road by YG, although it did not run as far south as the confluence.

As of this writing, the unofficial Sunnydale ice road remains in use, although it, and indeed all river crossings, are under close scrutiny by those employing them for signs of weakening or deterioration brought about by the warming trend. For example, on Sunday, a roughly 200-meter stretch of the shelf ice on the town side of the Yukon River in the vicinity of York Street dropped several inches, opening large cracks along the trails.

Similar cracks have appeared on the shelf ice along the cliffs on the west side of the river, although cracks of this nature are not uncommon.

There appears to be at least one positive aspect to the government's most recent announcement, perhaps influenced by the fact that locals made a bridge — albeit one far less thick and safe — where the government did not. The Department of Highways and Public Works says it will study whether there are other potential routes in the future rather than the typical bridge that runs from ferry landing to landing.

"The government understands the importance of the ice bridge for the Dawson community and is actively exploring options to improve its success in future years," the statement said. "A consultant has been hired to examine possible alternative route options in preparation for next winter."

In a side bar to the ice bridge story, several residents of the West Side were recently summoned for jury duty and told that the lack of an ice road was not an acceptable reason not to appear — even though the government had admonished residents not to cross the river. The reason given for not accepting the excuse was that, until the Department of Highways officially decreed that there would not be a sanctioned ice bridge, attendance at a trial was theoretically possible. The Sheriff's Department later relented and said West Side residents could call them and ask to be excused.

The general feeling among Westies is that the ability to cross will disappear early this year, and many are scrambling to stock up on provisions and generally make preparations for an extended wait until the George Black ferry is running.



ALTHOUGH THE ENDS OF THE OPEN WATER ARE SLOWLY FREEZING, IT'S TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE.



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EARTH BURNS WHILE HUMANKIND FIDDLES

A KLONDIKE SUN EDITORIAL

Last week Environment and Climate Change Canada reported that our nation had its warmest winter yet. On average, the temperature over the three-month winter period was reported to be 5.2° C warmer than the norm since Canada began keeping records in 1948. This is just the latest in a series of unbiased, scientific assessments that clearly demonstrate the effects of climate change on Earth — a crisis that, if left unchecked, will have a disastrous impact on every living organism on this planet.

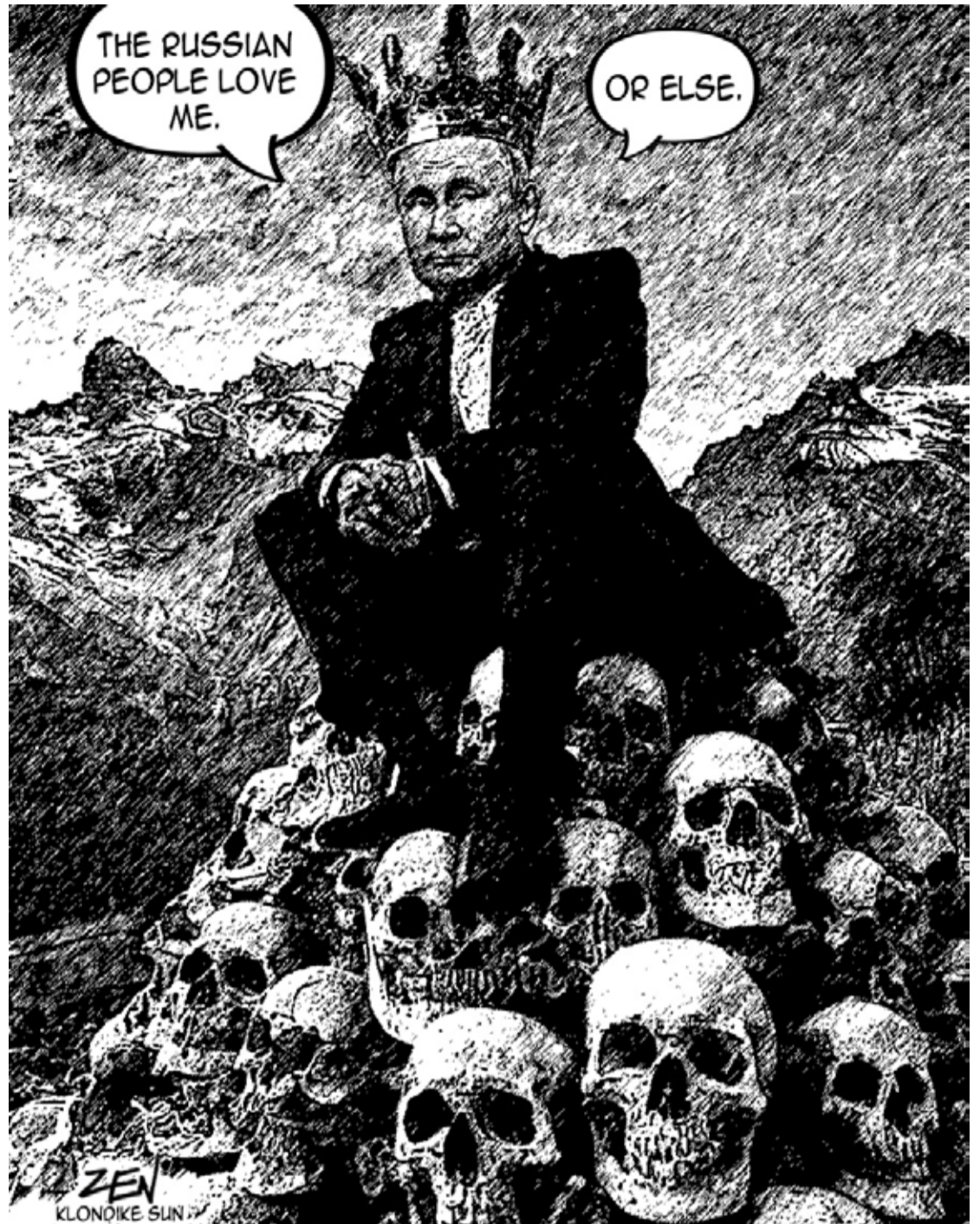
And, yet, despite the incontrovertible evidence that is being presented to us, a large segment of the population is refusing to take action, and going so far as to actively undermine the CO₂-reducing measures that governments are attempting to put into place.

Some of this can be attributed to misinformation, much of it being spread by those, political and corporate, who have a vested interest in clinging to the fossil fuel economy. The biggest problem, however, is that unfortunately, climate change has become symptomatic of the political polarization that is engulfing much of the industrialized world. The issue has become highly politicized in many countries, Canada included, with attitudes often aligning with political ideologies and self-interest. This polarization not only hinders bipartisan cooperation on climate policy, it triggers direct resistance to action among certain political factions.

A case in point is Pierre Poilievre, leader of the Conservative Party of Canada and, if the polls are to be believed, Prime-Minister-in-Waiting. Smelling blood as Justin Trudeau's popularity sinks just as another round of Carbon Taxes are scheduled to come into effect on April 1st, Poilievre has launched a new torrent of "Ax the Tax" attacks — all without offering any meaningful strategy of his own to tackle the climate change crisis.

He is not alone. Here in the Yukon, for example, the Yukon Party recently issued a statement condemning the Liberals and NDP for supporting a carbon tax in what was, no pun intended, a carbon copy of the federal Conservative Party's stance. To hear them tell it, the carbon tax is causing huge suffering to Canadians — when, in fact, we remain one of the happiest and wealthiest countries on Sol III. And need we mention that, when they were in power, the Yukon Party was all in favour of carbon pricing?

The thing is, carbon taxes work. Yes, they hurt



economically, but that is precisely the point, especially since people will not generally address the problem voluntarily without some external motivator. The taxes create a financial incentive for individuals, businesses, and industries to reduce their carbon emissions, leading to more efficient resource allocation and investment in cleaner technologies and innovation in low-carbon technologies and energy efficiency measures. When structured right, big polluters subsidize rebates for everyday citizens.

The conservatives' self-interested politically-motivated protests show the worst kinds of short-term thinking, prioritizing temporary gains over long-term sustainability and, indeed, the very survival of humanity.

It is far easier to mouth a catchy slogan and be a naysayer, especially since addressing climate change requires significant changes in behavior, investment, and policy, which can be challenging for individuals, and businesses focused on immediate benefits.

Perhaps the problem is that, despite the many climate-related natural

disasters that are becoming more commonplace, we are not bothered or scared enough by climate change. There is too much of a psychological distance as the crisis feels far away, both in terms of time (occurring in the future) or space (impacting distant regions or species). This separation from immediate reality can make it difficult for individuals to feel personally motivated to take action.

But we *must* take action before it's too late. Vote for whomever you choose in our various elections, but first put your candidates' feet to the fire over what concrete ideas they have to address climate change.

Before you check off their box, check what they have committed to do. Fighting climate change requires overcoming humanity's laziness and self-interest through education, public awareness campaigns, policy interventions, technological innovation, and international cooperation. It's essential for politicians and voters alike to recognize the urgency of the issue and work towards meaningful solutions to mitigate its impacts.



BIGGEST COCAINE BUST EVER IN YUKON TAKES PLACE – IN DAWSON

Yukon RCMP made a drug bust in Dawson's North End earlier this month, and say the over 10 kg of cocaine seized likely makes it the largest amount of blow ever seized in the territory.

In addition to the cocaine, three handguns, a 12-gauge pump action shotgun, other drugs in smaller quantities, and bundles of cash amounting to approximately \$522,000 were also seized.

The individual arrested at the scene was reportedly already under indictment for another drug crime and was wearing a GPS-enabled tracking anklet at the time.

Residents of the area had been forewarned shortly before the police action by an RCMP Facebook post.

Sun Strokes

NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE YUKON



DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR CANADA-YUKON HOUSING BENEFIT

The deadline for Yukoners to apply for the Canada-Yukon Housing Homeowner Benefit has been extended to March 31, 2024.

This program is intended to alleviate high interest rates, heating costs and the overall cost of living. Eligible Yukon homeowners with low or moderate incomes can apply for a one-time payment to help them with their housing costs.

The federal government invested

an additional \$1.1 million in the Canada Housing Benefit and this investment is being cost-matched by an existing Government of Yukon program (the Home Owners Grant).

To qualify, homeowners must be spending 50 per cent or more of their gross household income on housing costs. This includes mortgage payment, property tax, home insurance, home repairs, heating fuel and electricity.



WHITEHORSE PUBLIC LIBRARY CLOSED FOR A MONTH

The public will not be able to use the Whitehorse Public Library from March 25 to April 21 while carpeting is replaced. Yukon Public Libraries says

the carpet installation will make the library "safer and a more inviting space for the community."

During the closure, in-person services, like use of the meeting room, loans of physical library materials, programming and community book requests will be unavailable in Whitehorse. Online resources, like e-books, research materials, movies, TV shows, music and audiobooks, will still be available and Whitehorse library staff can be reached by phone and email.

The other 14 community libraries will remain open. However, Dawson City Community Library patrons will not be able to order books from Whitehorse during the closure, nor will books be sent from Dawson for Whitehorse patrons. Interlibrary loans between the various community libraries will still be available. Anyone with library materials in their possession during the closure can return them in the library book drop or to a community library.

The cafeteria in the Jim Smith Building will be open as a community space from March 18 to May 1, 2024

"We recognize this is a disruption for many Yukoners. Libraries are a safe space for everyone and this includes the physical space where patrons use the many services offered," said Minister of Community Services Richard Mostyn. "We look forward to welcoming people back into the library just as soon as this necessary work is complete."

The Whitehorse library can be reached by emailing yukonlibraries@yukon.ca or calling 867-667-8062.



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DAWSON CITY FILM FEST RELEASE



ARTISTS NAAKITA F.K. AND NISHA PLATZER UP THE DEMPSTER (JOE HENRY) HIGHWAY

With Thaw-di-gras in the rear view mirror, the second harbinger of spring, The Dawson City International Short Film Festival's 25th edition turns on the lights this weekend. (March 28-31)

With over 90 films showing on screens outside on the Princess street side of KIAC, inside the ballroom, in the ODD Gallery, and at the Dänojà Zho Cultural Centre — plus visits by some exciting guests — Dawson will be awash in all forms of media art this weekend.

Two visiting artists have been here since early March as artists in residence at the Macaulay House residency.

naakita f.k. (they/them) is an interdisciplinary artist living and working in Tio'Tia:Ke/Mooniyang/Montreal. Their audio and video installations tell stories related to changing landscapes, extractive practices and abstract forms of legacy.

"I came to Dawson City to watch the ice change as winter turns to spring and to learn about people's relationships with the waters that surround them. Everyone I've met here has been incredibly generous, sharing their time, energy and stories with me. This residency has been so generative, spawning many new creative inspirations. I'm already eagerly awaiting my next visit."

Nisha Platzer (she/her) is a queer artist and filmmaker from Vancouver, Canada. Drawn to vibrant shades, her films meld sounds and imagery that you can dream and drown in.

"For years I had heard of Dawson's charms, and I had to see for myself!

What a treat to come here, meet the wonderfully warm folks who live here, spend time in the KIAC darkroom, thaw out frozen spruce, moss and lichen to process film and stand in awe of the aurora glow."

Both artists will be screening some of their work and hosting a Q&A on Sunday afternoon at 2pm.

Other out of town guests include analog film guru Lindsay MacIntyre, here to lead a workshop

on camera-less filmmaking (Friday at 12 noon) and will also screen her award winner film *NIGITTUQ* late that evening. From Winnipeg Casey Koyczan a 3D/VR artist is here to install a show in the ODD Gallery. Casey will chat about his work Sunday at 11 am at YUKON SOVA.

Here to look at work is Ontario art curator **Corinna Ghaznavi**, who's hoping find a few Yukon nuggets to screen at other festivals. It's her 3rd time to the festival:

**“DESPITE ITS SIZE AND REMOTENESS,
THE CREATIVE FORCES OF ARTISTS
AND FILMMAKERS RESIDING IN
DAWSON IS IMPRESSIVE.”**

"I love the festival because it combines local, national and international programming. In particular I look forward to seeing films that I do not have the opportunity to see in Ontario or at other festivals, and to experience the Yukon - and NWT film world. The festival has impressive audience numbers and yet, due to the location, and the concurrent events that take place, there are many opportunities to meet artists and filmmakers, to have real discussions, and to discover new work."

I have always been interested in the Canadian geography: site specificity and how artists respond to the place they live and work in, and how audiences in turn respond to the place where they are experiencing film and artworks. For me the festival represents the strong and unique art community that exists in Dawson. This community is made up not only of 'locals' but also of people who have come to Dawson and decide to stay. They are a creative community that invite artists

to residencies, festivals, and events, so that the community is itself quite expansive and engaged with a much broader art world.

The location and history of Dawson is another draw. There is nothing quite like the Yukon, and the festival offers one a brief foray into the eccentricities and creative endeavours of people working in a remote place. And yet, despite its size and remoteness, the creative forces of artists and filmmakers residing in Dawson is impressive.

Closer to home, Elder states-person of Yukon filmmaking, Mary Jane Moses from Old Crow will be in Dawson to screen her newest film *INSTILLING GWICH'IN VALUES*. Evidence of Mary Janes filmmaking legacy is her granddaughter Kayleen Kyikavichik will also be in town to show her work *HOME OF OLD CROW*.

Sunday afternoon, Local legend John from Dawson will be performing at the Street Feast in front of people gnoshing down on plates of homemade perogies. (Made by the hardworking film fest volunteers!)

There will also be a host of local films from the likes of Cud Eastbound, Jonny Klynkramer, Arcane Perry, Haydn Grace Mark W Giles, David Curtis, Jake Armstrong, Isaiah Antony, John Steins, Remi LeBouthillier, Craig Hunter, and 3 films from the Dënäkär Zho film lab by Darcy Tara MacDiarmid, Kylie VanEvery, and Allison Anderson with Georgette McLeod.

Joining the Dawson films are a host of new ones from Whitehorse, across Canada and the world including China, Estonia, Norway, Spain and beyond!

As a thank you to the audiences, the opening Thursday Night screening is free and features some of the audience choice award winners from the past years. Come early (doors open at 6:30) and sample our concessions, (cash or card), this year featuring a Spanish menu cooked up by Maria Sol Suarez Martinez!

Programs are available around town or online at dawsonfilmfest.com.



LINDSAY MCINTYRE AND SOME "REEL" FILM

THAW DI GRAS SPRINGS UP ALL OVER TOWN

STORY AND PHOTOS BY DAN DAVIDSON



THE ADULT EGG TOSS

One could be forgiven for thinking that the Thaw part of last week's Thaw di Gras (March 15-17) was somehow missing from Dawson's Spring Carnival.

In spite of chill breezes and intermittent sunny skies, the major venues were crowded with people on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

On the other hand, the wind was too high on both Saturday and Sunday nights to allow for the scheduled fireworks display, which the fire chief says will happen while it's still dark at night, just as soon as conditions allow. With the high wind blowing all the sparks towards the town it was too dangerous.

Friday saw the beginning of snow carving, which would continue through the weekend in the parking lot at Gertie's, while evening saw the DCMF Lip Sync on the stage inside.

KIAC's Odd Gallery had an exhibition by Krystle Silverfox. There was Glow skating at the Frye Rec Centre. Amy Soloway was singing at the Billy Goat Tavern. The Westminster had dog games and a DJ Dance Party and oysters were on the menu for two days at Bombay Peggy's.

Saturday saw a lot of outdoor activity at Minto Park: human curling, a poker run on kick-sleds, a much needed fire at which to warm up, a scavenger hunt, a marshmallow & spoon race, speed sledding, snow skipping, and can crushing races.

The Barry Fargey Sunnydale Classic dogsled and skijor race had to take place on the town side of the still

flowing river for a change this year.

In the alley behind the Midnight Sun Hotel there was a keg tossing contest, while an obstacle course was set up just south at the corner of Third and Queen.

Just down that avenue, in front of the Westminster Hotel, the street was blocked off for the adults and kids to play street hockey. Inside, the Pit tavern held its annual tricycle race. Later in the day, Baby Ronka & the Boyfriends played in the Pit Lounge, followed by another DJ Dance party.

At the Dawson City Museum they were making comical hats for the weekend, which could be seen on heads the next day.

Gerties closed off its day with a Karaoke contest.

The earliest event on Sunday was certainly the 29th annual chili cook-off beside the Westminster, which was followed, later in the day, by a taste testing to determine the winner.

Inside the Pit there was a hat tossing contest, while Alex MacNeil was live at Bombay Peggy's.

The majority of events for all ages filled the Gertie's parking lot on Sunday afternoon. In spite of the chill breezes, which saw people swaddled in parkas and scarves, there were lots of smiles, laughter and good spirits.

Events included the bean bag toss, log toss, wiener roast, axe throw, mini stick hockey madness, Smooshboard races, tic-tac-toe toss, slow bike races, ring toss, and log sawing.

The most popular and all-inclusive events were the Loonie and candy in



THE AXE THROW

a haystack search and the egg toss. The scramble in the hay began with age groups, and ranged up from pre-school to adult, and finally, with everyone at once.

The Great KVA Egg Toss, which ran in a smaller heat for youngsters and a larger one, with up to 121 participants, for adults, was probably the biggest draw, both for humans, and especially for the ravens, which got to clean up all the splattered eggs after the people had gone.

Compared to 2023, which saw people in tracksuits, open coats and no gloves in mild (as high as 0 with no wind) weather on the Sunday, it was almost comical to call this a Spring event, but we are just a few days away from 12 hours of daylight, so the season is changing.

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SNOW CARVING

THAW DI GRAS

Arguably the most fun-packed weekend on the town's social calendar, Thaw Di Gras had something for everyone, as the town came alive with a madcap menage of events,

games, and odd things done.

From road hockey in front of The Pit to a host of family events at Minto Park and the Gerties Parking Lot, to activities in the bars and out on

the river for humans and dogs alike, Thaw Di Gras had a boistrous carnival atmosphere that proved that Dawson City truly knows how to usher in spring.



PARTICIPATING IN THE TIC TAC TOE TOSS. PHOTO BY GABRIELA SGAGA.



TEAMS LINE UP FOR A SMOOSHBOARD RACE. PHOTO BY GABRIELA SGAGA.



A CANINE TRIES TO GET IN ON THE STREET HOCKEY ACTION IN FRONT OF THE PIT. PHOTO BY DAN DAVIDSON.



LINING UP FOR THE KICKSLED POWER RUN AT MINTO PARK. PHOTO BY DAN DAVIDSON.

THE BUZZ FROM THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WAS THAT THE DCMF LIP SYNC FUNDRAISER AT DIAMOND TOOTH GERTIE'S, THE BTRADITIONL FRIDAY NIGHT KICKOFF TO THE THAW DI GRAS WEEKEND, RIVALLED THE PRE-PANDEMIC HEYDEY. EIGHTEEN ACTS SHOWED OFF THEIR MUSICAL STYLINGS AS THEY LIP SYNCED TO A WIDE RANGE OF MUSICAL NUMBERS, MAKING THE DECISION A HARD ONE FOR THE NAT-TILY -ATTIRED JUDGES FROM PARKS CANADA.. THIRD PRIZE WENT TO THE STILETTOS PERFORMING *IN THESE SHOES?* LAST YEAR'S WINNERS FROM THE DAWSON CITY HOSPITAL HAD ANOTHER STRONG SHOWING, TAKING SILVER WITH *ROBIN HOOD, MEN IN TIGHTS*. THE GRAND PRIZE WINNERS WERE THE KLONDIKE ICE QUEENS, WHO PERFORMED A RAUCOUS MUSICAL MEDELEY.



MC ALEX SOMERVILLE WITH THE JUDGES FROM PARKS CANADA. PHOTO BY GABRIELA SGAGA.



THE KLONDIKE ICE QUEENS TAKE A BOW AFTE THEIR FIRST-PLAGE PERFORMANCE. PHOTO BY GABRIELA SGAGA.



KIDS SCRAMBLE DURING THE LOONIE IN A HAYSTACK SEARCH. PHOTO BY DAN DAVIDSON.



A SOLO CONTESTANT IN THE LOG-SAWING COMPETITION. PHOTO BY GABRIELA SGAGA.



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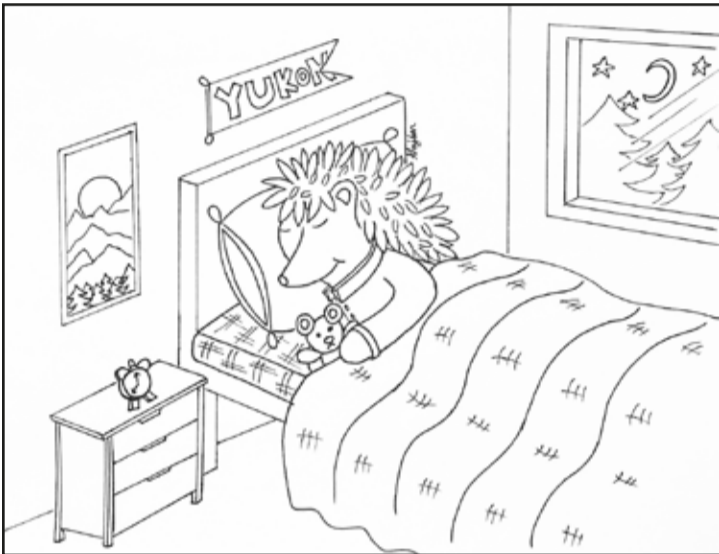
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KLONDIKE POEMS AND STORIES

MY BLANKET BY NAOMI HAJIAN



Where did my blanket go? It was here a minute ago.
 Where or where could it be, for I cannot dream without it.
 Under the bed I look, for surly it has fallen down.
 I look through the dust, but no blanket do I see.
 Maybe I left it outside. Maybe someone took it away.
 I search in the trees, and the piled up leaves, but no blanket do I find.
 I grab my teddy bear and wander back to my bed, my blanket I still seek.
 Wait, how can this be? My blanket laying neatly on my bed.
 How did it get there? I know I searched my bed first.
 Mom comes to say goodnight, confusion in my eyes.
 "Oh my sweet child of mine," Mom says,
 "I washed your blanket clean today, now it's soft and nice."
 I sniff the sweet scent of lavender, and mom tucks me in nice and snug.
 I know I will sleep well tonight, for now I have my blanket,
 and a sweet goodnight kiss from mom on my cheek.

Henjik hädätr'ënidhän.  We love our languages.
 An A to Z Hän primer by Giulia Cecchi



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YUKON ARTISTS' SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE IS ALIVE AND WELL

FROM ARCTIC CIRCLE RETREAT PRESS RELEASE

A record number of Yukon artists have applied for the 2024 Arctic Circle Retreat on the Dempster Highway.

Since its inception in 2017, the Arctic Circle Retreat has awarded week-long residencies at the Eagle Plains Hotel for artists to focus on current projects, engage in new work, reflect on the landscape, and gather new ideas.

It is no secret that the Yukon has a thriving arts sector, but our Yukon artists have a spirit of adventure as well. This self-directed, winter season residency, which supports six artists, was sought out by over forty Yukon creatives.

The Arctic Circle Retreat committee is pleased to congratulate and welcome Shadunjen vanKampen, Miriam Behman, Cud Eastbound, Michel Gignac, Bria Rose McLean, and Ben Charland.

The Arctic Circle Retreat Collective is grateful for the ongoing and generous support of Stan McNevin and the staff of the Eagle Plains Hotel, and the Yukon Arts Fund who make this residency possible. Thanks to KIAC, Yukon Spa, and the Dawson volunteers that support this unique project.

The Arctic Circle Retreat Collective is situated in the homeland of the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in. The Eagle Plains Hotel is situated in the traditional territory of the Vuntut Gwitchin.



LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF THE ARCTIC CIRCLE AT EAGLE PLAINS, THE ARCTIC CIRCLE RETREAT HAS BEEN HOSTING YUKON ARTISTS SINCE 2017.





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THE BANK ACCOUNT TEST

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Inspired Living

Last week, I found myself in a frustrating situation trying to regain access to a joint bank account. Despite being a joint account holder, I faced hurdles because I wasn't the primary holder. The automated phone system only added to my confusion, leading to multiple futile attempts to reach the right department.

When I finally spoke to an agent, I was informed that my husband needed to authorize my access. Days later, after multiple unsuccessful calls, my frustration peaked. Each redirect to the automated service escalated my anger until I was practically incoherent.

Even as my emotions soared, the problem stubbornly persisted. Reflecting on it now, it's almost comical to recall how my mind raced with expletives and urgent pleas for a solution.

DID YOU KNOW?

That on any given day, we have thousands of thoughts racing through our minds? Experts estimate the average person has anywhere between 30,000 to 50,000 thoughts per day. Some suggest that number to be as high as 70,000 or more. That's between 1,200 to 3,000 thoughts every hour or 20-48 thoughts per minute – talk about a lot of mental traffic!

WOULDN'T IT BE WONDERFUL...

If all these thoughts were supportive and uplifting? Unfortunately, many of them aren't. Many are just wandering and insignificant, treating our minds like a treadmill instead of a superhighway to success. Even worse, a good chunk of our thoughts can be downright unsupportive and draining - often referred to as negative thought patterns.

These unsupportive thoughts can really hold us back if we let them. They sneak into our actions and lead to outcomes we'd rather avoid. But here's the good news: we have the power to change this! By becoming more aware of our thought patterns and actively managing them, we can steer our mental energy toward positive outcomes.

Don Joseph Goewey, author of *The End of Stress* says,

"The scientific evidence suggests that your anticipation mobilizes vast inner resources and directs those resources toward fulfilling your desire."

SO HOW DO WE DO IT?

How do we train our brains to recognize and redirect negative or unsupportive thoughts, unleashing our brainpower for the results we want? That's the exciting journey ahead!



PRACTICE THOUGHT AWARENESS

Negative thoughts, like viruses, can sneak into our minds, undermining confidence, performance, and cognitive abilities. Thought Awareness involves recognizing and accepting all thoughts, including the negative ones.

An example: Let's say you're at home and you accidentally spill a drink on the carpet. Your immediate thought is, "I'm so clumsy. I always mess things up." Instead of letting this thought consume you, take a moment to pause and acknowledge it without judgment. Challenge the negative thought by considering how you would react if a friend made the same mistake. Would you be as harsh on them as you are on yourself? By practicing thought awareness, you can begin to recognize and challenge these automatic negative thoughts.

MAXIMIZE THE POSITIVE

Thinking negatively prevents us from seeing the positive when it does happen. Try this approach, for every negative thought, balance it with a positive one.

An example: "She's always late for work, but she's a hard worker and is usually the last one to leave." It's easy to find the positive in most situations. Treat it like a game, finding the most positive thing you can say in every situation.

PATIENCE AND PERSISTENCE

In frustrating situations, it's important to remain patient and persistent. Despite facing obstacles and setbacks, perseverance can eventually lead to a resolution.

An example: Taking a different approach, I used the bank's online chat feature. The (annoying) telephone hold music was replaced by my dramatic keyboard clacking - and a lot less cursing... with the benefit of a written record of the online conversation.

CONCLUSION

Every day, our minds buzz with thoughts, some good, some not so good AND when overwhelm hits, the buzzing gets louder. But guess what? When we practice mindful awareness and compassion, we're able to come back to present more quickly - and not linger in the "shame hangover."

We're the boss of our thoughts! When we take charge, we feel more confident, find more opportunities, get more done, and enjoy life more. It takes practice AND we can teach our minds to be our cheerleaders.

HUMOR AS STRESS RELIEF.

#Press2ForFinancialFrustration
 #Press3ForBankAccountBloopers
 #Press4ForAccountingAntics
 #Press5ForCustomerServiceComedyHour
 #Press6ForLoansAndLaughs
 #Press7ForElevatorHoldMusic (really, online?)
 #Press8ForBudgetingBlunders
 #Press9ForFinancialFauxPas
 #Press0ForBankingBanter
 #PressStarForMoneyMishaps

[BOOKENDS]

WHEN PLAN A TAKES A BAD TURN

DEAD SIMPLE

BY PETER JAMES

Kobo Edition, \$9.99

PAN Macmillan, 480 pages, \$16.99

Michael Harrison was a bit of a prankster. When his four buddies, Josh, Luke, Robbo, and Mark, had special events happening in their lives they could always count on him to turn the occasion into an embarrassing trick.

So when Michael was due to get married to Ashley they decided on a real doozie for his stag party. They would do a pub crawl, get him soused, and bury him in a coffin for a couple of hours – just to show him.

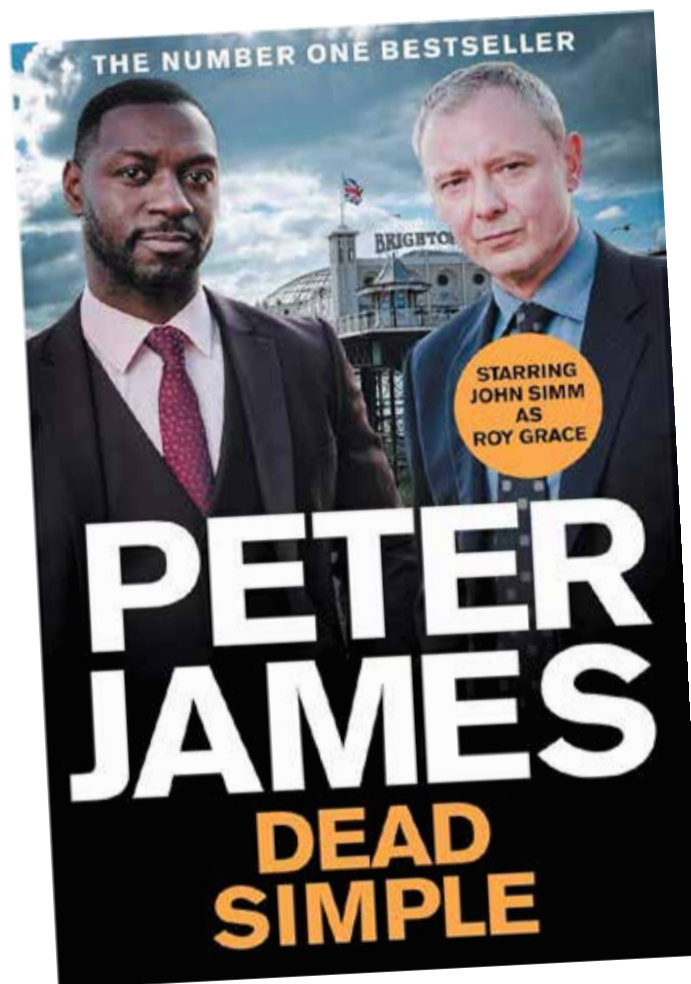
Mark, his old friend and business partner, was supposed to be there too. He had helped dig the hole after all, but his plane was held up by fog and by the time he got back other things had happened.

Who could have guessed that his three drunk comrades would get themselves into a fatal highway accident and Michael would be left in the ground?

So much for plan A. Now Mark and Ashley, who had had their own set of future plans for separating Michael from his money, would have to come up with plan B so they could get together. Murder wasn't part of plan A, but that could change as things get more complicated. That's the only spoiler I've going to give you, though it comes up fairly early in the book.

For Roy Grace this starts out as a missing persons case to assist his former partner. Detective Superintendent Grace is in bad odour with his superiors for having used a psychic to help solve another case, and then having justified his decision in court because it worked. And how was that really different then swearing an oath on the Bible before testifying? Don't both acts indicate a belief in the supernatural? The press had a field day with that.

For his sins he's on desk duty, looking at missing persons cold cases, when his old



partner, DS Glenn Branson, asks for his help.

Roy's bit of a mess anyway, His wife quite literally walked out on him nine years earlier and he hasn't been able to find her. He could have had her declared dead after seven years, but he's refused to do that. Assigning him to the missing persons detail is sort of ironic.

So opens the very first book about this character, which has recently been adapted into three seasons, worth of 90 minute movies by ITV adapting this book first. I've seen the adaptation of this book and, aside from making some changes with the ending, it was pretty faithful to the story. John Simm is good in the lead role, though he's probably a bit shorter than the 5 foot, 10 inches the author described.

James has this to say about his character, who has appeared in 20 books since 2005.

"Roy Grace is a new, and very different detective, based in Brighton, in England – a city that is the favoured place to live in the UK for first division criminals (I was told this by a former Chief Constable). Grace's own experience and personal loss – his wife, Sandy, has been missing for nine years – leaves him open-minded to all methods of police work in order to find the truth about the cases he investigates – and to try to find out what happened to his wife.

"He uses everything available, from high tech to old fashioned police slog, from forensics and pathology analysis, and because of his own interest in the paranormal, is open to input from mediums and clairvoyants.

"I'm deeply fascinated by the many facets of police work, and particularly how it is changing with the times, and my research for the Grace novels takes me through almost all of it."

James was born in the UK, educated at Charterhouse, and went on to Ravensbourne Film School. For a brief period of time while at film school, he worked as Orson Welles's house cleaner.

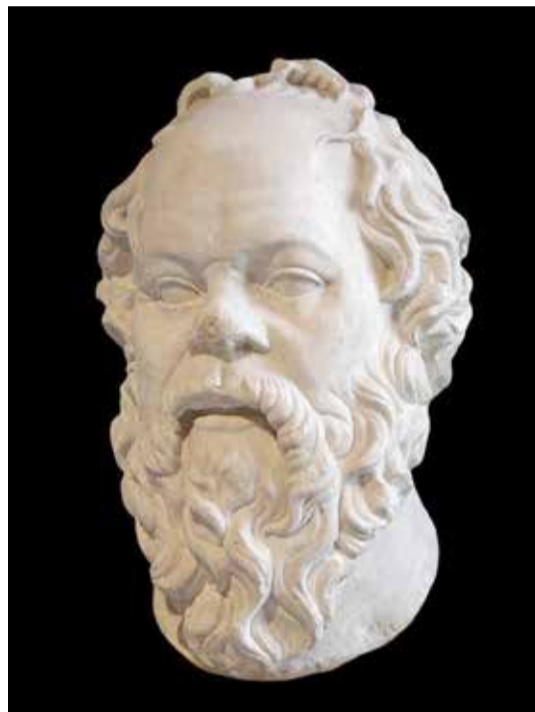
Subsequently, he spent several years in North America, working as a screenwriter and film producer, beginning in Canada, in 1970, working first as a gofer, then writer, on the children's television series the Polka Dot Door.

Aside from the Grace books, he has written dozens of other books, and been involved with movies and stage plays, one of which adapted this novel.

WHAT NAVALNY LEARNED FROM SOCRATES

HIS MORAL FORTITUDE PARALLELS THAT OF SOCRATES IN FACING ADVERSITY

BY CHUONG NGUYEN



The death of Alexei Navalny came as a shock to anyone who longs for a post-Putin Russia. But as I said my prayers for the hero Russians needed and who Putin feared, I thought of Socrates, whose example of moral courage 2,500 years before Navalny parallels the Russian dissident's last days in the Arctic penal colony.

Athens' rulers condemned Socrates to death for the charge of 'corrupting' the city-state's youths. But to the surprise of his friend Crito (in the Platonic dialogue of the same name), Socrates faces his inevitable execution with stunning equanimity: "I have always thought you happy in the calmness of your temperament; but never did I see the like of the easy, cheerful way in which you bear this calamity."

Navalny, too, showed moral fortitude at the end. We know this because while we are still unclear how Navalny endured his last days – details such as "cold torture" are alleged by one Russian human rights organization – we do know that he reconciled with the prospect of death under the current Russian regime years ago.

Recall that Navalny returned to his home country from Germany in January 2021, having survived a poisoning attempt the year before. (Again, the parallel: Socrates was also a victim of poisoning over 24

“ IN HIS DEATH, HE EXEMPLIFIED UNWAVERING CONVICTION IN THE FIGHT FOR A FREE RUSSIA. ”

centuries ago (in 399 BC), but for Socrates, the dose was fatal.)

The first attempt on Navalny's life, similar to the successful ones launched against fellow dissidents Boris Nemtsov and Anna Politkovskaya, reeks of cowardice and subterfuge. But by boarding the plane back to Moscow, Navalny chose to accept potential martyrdom.

Back in the Athenian prison more than two millennia ago, Crito urged his condemned friend to escape – "Let me entreat you once more to take my advice and escape," he says. "For if you die, I shall not only lose a friend who can never be replaced, but there is another evil: people who do not know you and me will believe that I might have saved you ... but that I did not care. Now, can there be a worse disgrace than this?"

Socrates rejected such a plea: "But why, my dear Crito, should we care about the opinion of the many? Good men, and they are the only persons

who are worth considering, will think of these things truly as they happened."

Similarly, if you were with Alexei Navalny in Germany, would you have played the role of Crito and urged him not to fly home?

I certainly would. Navalny suffered evil when he was poisoned, and he was entirely within his rights to stay out of Russia for good. But doing so, he believed, would allow evil to flourish unchallenged.

Natan Sharansky, the great Soviet dissident and Jewish refusenik whose memoir provided Navalny with much-needed inspiration and comfort, once wrote to his friend and comrade: "I was very angered by the question of a certain European correspondent the day after your return to Russia – 'Why did he return? We all knew that he would be arrested in the airport – does he not understand such simple things?'"

Sharansky's response to the critic

was blunt: "My answer was pretty rude: 'You're the one who doesn't understand something. If you think that [Navalny's] goal is survival – then you are right. But his true concern is the fate of his people – and he is telling them: 'I am not afraid and you should not be afraid either.'"

By submitting himself to the Russian state's torturous punishment, Navalny gained moral and spiritual freedom, knowing that what he did was virtuous. Socrates would have been proud: "Think not of life and children first, and of justice afterwards, but of justice first. ... Now you depart in innocence, a sufferer and not a doer of evil; a victim, not of the laws, but of men."

Despite the evil permeating his death (or should I say assassination?), we have not seen the last of Alexei Navalny. In his life, he exemplified moral courage. In his death, he exemplified unwavering conviction in the fight for a free Russia. Navalny's name shall be associated with all that is good about the Russian people and all that is rotten and wicked about the current Russian regime.

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25 YEARS AGO IN THE SUN



Spring must be coming!
(They've ploughed the streets.)

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Musher Brian Camilli joined us from Haley, Idaho.

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Inside: More on the Percy and Thaw di gras

Above: Long morning shadows race ahead of the dogs as the teams start off on the Percy DeWolfe Mail Race.

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THE EASTER BUNNY
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 Gift Shop Supervisor & Heritage Prog.: Apr 2 @ 4
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- For childcare and local rides, contact events@trondek.ca or (867) 993 -3175.



*Please note: proceedings of our General Assembly may continue through Sunday April 7. An updated agenda will be available closer to the date of the event. Mähsj' cho for your patience.

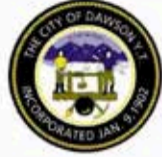


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The City of Dawson is seeking quotes for:
2024-25 FLOWER & GARDEN MAINTENANCE



Tender packages are available upon request by contacting:
Recreation@cityofdawson.ca
Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant
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DEADLINE: 5pm YST on April 4, 2024

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Boundary Adjustment Application

(Boundary Adjustment Application #24-003)

Subject Property	Lot 5 and N'40' of Lot 4, Stewart Menzies Addition
Date and Time	April 16th, 2024, 7:00pm
Location	Council Chambers, City Hall
Listen to Public Hearing	Radio CFYT 106.9 FM or cable channel #11



As per Bylaw, S.5.1.4.II, upon receiving an application for boundary adjustment, Council must give public notice of the application. Therefore, the City of Dawson is now requesting input from the public regarding the consolidation application of Lot 5 and N'40' of Lot 4, Stewart Menzies Addition.

For more information or to provide your input prior to the public meeting, please contact:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Consolidation Application

(Consolidation Application #24-016)

Subject Property	E 2/3 and W 1/3 of 20 and S'10 of Lot 19, Block U, Ladue Estate
Date and Time	April 16th, 2024, 7:00pm
Location	Council Chambers, City Hall
Listen to Public Hearing	Radio CFYT 106.9 FM or cable channel #11



As per Bylaw, S.5.1.4.II, upon receiving an application for consolidation, Council must give public notice of the application. Therefore, the City of Dawson is now requesting input from the public regarding the consolidation application of E 2/3 and W 1/3 of 20 and S'10 of Lot 19, Block U, Ladue Estate.

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CITY OF DAWSON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Asks that community members (Business and Private) remove snow from around their Garbage Bin areas so that the Waste Collection Crew can get to it.

Thank You!

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With gratitude, we acknowledge that we live and work on the traditional territory of the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, who have lived along the Yukon River for millennia.