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More bans

The continuing high fire risk has prompted officials to ban open fires at Fred Henne Park, Prelude Lake and Reid Lake.

"There will be no fires at this time until we get better conditions," said regional parks supervisor Gary Tees.

A careless smoker started a small fire Thursday at Fred Henne Park.

St. John bail-out

St. John Ambulance should get a city grant worth almost \$4,000 to pay costs from discontinuing its Handi-Van service for disabled people, a council committee says.

St. John passed the money-losing operation to local taxi companies late last year. The grant will enable the society to keep the vehicle it used as a mobile first aid post. Council will vote on the grant Monday.

Canadian director

Kelly Kaylo of Yellowknife has been appointed regional director of Canadian North airlines.

Kaylo has more than 15 years experience in the Northern travel industry.

She takes over her new position July 18 and replaces Graham Mann, who is retiring.

Ground control

The city should lease six acres of land in Kam Lake to Telesat Canada for a satellite tracking and control station, a council committee says.

The multi-million dollar station, one of three sites in North America, is part of the proposed \$3.7-billion U.S. IRIDIUM communications system. Council will vote Monday on the recommendation.

Smoke-free burgers

Smokers won't be allowed to light up at McDonald's restaurant after next Friday.

The local fast-food restaurant is going smoke-free in keeping with a policy throughout the national chain.

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Children find used syringes on front lawn

Mother glad kids are educated about AIDS

by Marty Brown
Northern News Services

A mother of two was surprised Monday afternoon when her children reported there were needles on the lawn of her Williams Street duplex.

Jade Graham went outside and found 10 syringes with bent needles decorating her front yard.

"They were right on my front steps," Graham said. "My kids are educated about AIDS. I was glad they didn't handle them."

She called the RCMP office and was told to take the needles to the hospital for disposal.

Graham called the Yellowknife Housing Association, her landlord, and Carson Boyd was dispatched to deal with the syringes. He and Graham, clad in garden gloves, picked the needles up carefully and put them in plastic bags.

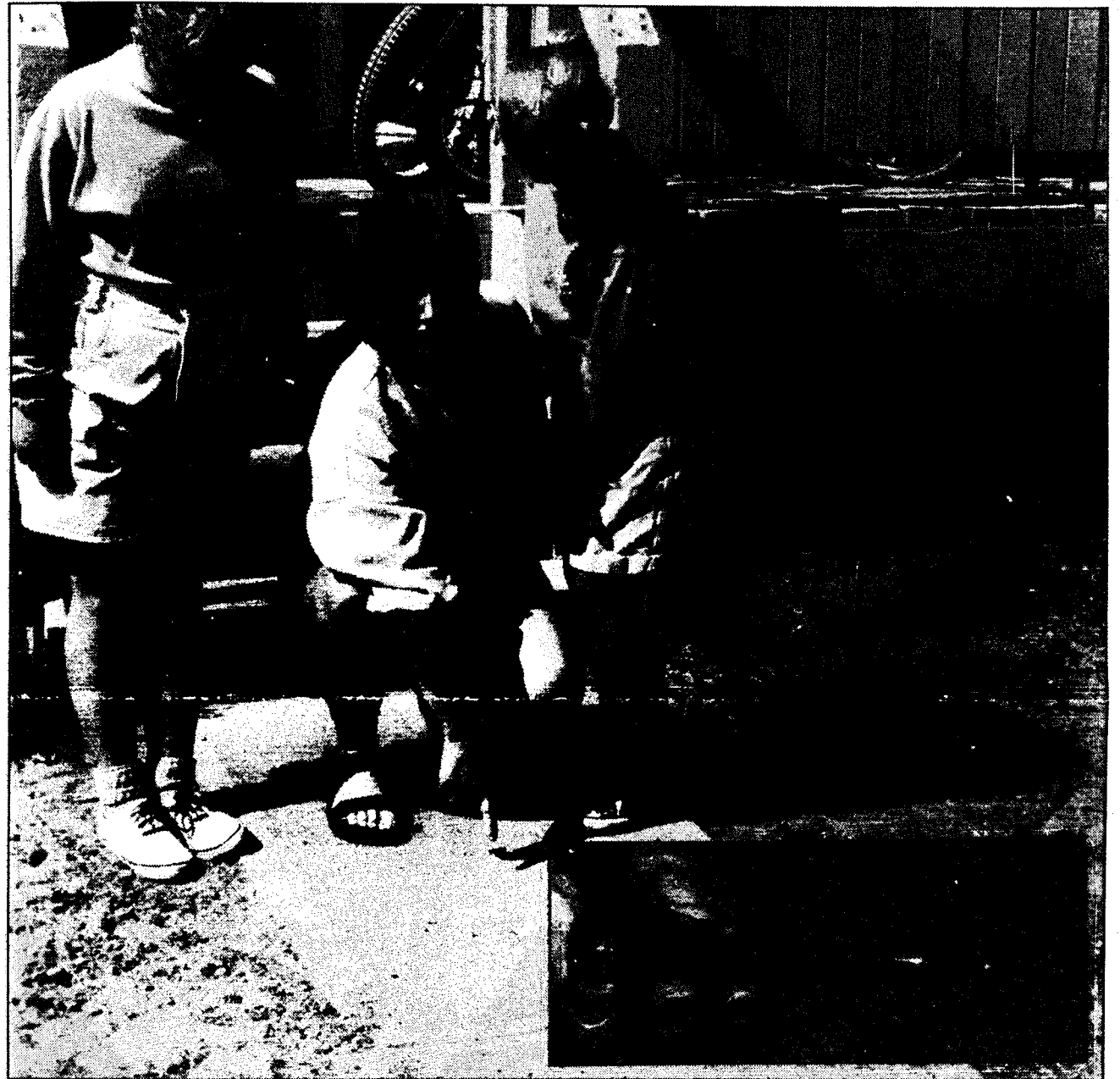
Boyd then took them to the hospital. The hospital told Graham no analysis would be performed because no one was pricked.

Graham thought the needle episode was over but when she took her garbage out later in the day, she found five more syringes in the dumpster.

The children found another one on the lawn the next day.

She's stumped as to where the needles came from. The Williams Street complex is described as quiet.

Graham, who used to work in a medical clinic, said the needles are not the type diabet-



Jade Graham points to the spot in her front yard where her children, Sasha (left) and Lacey, found the used syringes. The Grahams found 16 needles and turned them into the hospital. RCMP are warning people to handle finds like this with care.

ics use. "What scares me is that a lot of kids aren't educated," said Graham. "They say, 'here's a needle, let's play hospital.' They are ignorant about the possibility of AIDS."

Const. Don Lewis of the RCMP said the needle discovery didn't surprise him.

"There's rampant drug use in this city," he said. "People aren't familiar with

drug use, yet."

The Yellowknife public health department provides needle disposal, so do drug stores and the hospital.

Frank Russell, executive

director at Stanton Yellowknife Hospital, said Graham did the right thing.

He warned people to be careful when picking up used syringes.

Giant in spotlight with air quality guideline

Environmental protection act gets an addition

by Doug Schmidt
Northern News Services

The territorial government hopes a new air quality guideline will provide the extra muscle it needs to get Royal Oak Mines to cut back on air pollution emissions at Giant mine.

Renewable Resources deputy minister Joe

The roaster stack at Giant Mine created the need for the guidelines.

Handley says airborne sulphur dioxide emissions from Giant's roaster stack were "a major factor" behind creating the NWT's first air pollution control guideline.

In announcing the addition to the NWT Environmental Protection Act this week, Renewable Resources Minister Silas Arngna'naaq said "the guideline only calls for voluntary control measures

from polluters.

"But we are prepared to take a harder line to enforce the standards if the need arises."

Handley said the department will use the new standards, which almost mirror existing federal airborne pollution limits, to "encourage" Giant mine to cut back on the roaster emissions.

"We want to be reason-

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City, RCMP should look into maulings – judge

Dog owner acquitted in Husky attack on two-year-old

by Liza Sardi
Northern News Services

A judge whose son was once attacked by a dog has encouraged the city and RCMP to do more to investigate and prevent maulings.

Supreme Court Justice Mark de Weerd made the comments while acquitting a dog owner whose Canadian Huskies mauled a two-year-old girl in June 1992.

de Weerd said the owner of the dogs, George Baird, had limited forewarning that the animals could be dangerous.

Based on his family and legal experiences, de Weerd urged the mayor and commanding officer of the RCMP to look into dog maulings.

Baird's dogs mauled Amelia Debogorski two years ago at the Northlands trailer court, leaving her with deep cuts on her head, neck, back and thighs.

She was saved from further injury by a cyclist who heard her crying and turned

town a side street to investigate.

The man scared one dog away by yelling and beat the other off with his bicycle. The dogs were destroyed shortly after the incident. de Weerd found Baird not guilty of criminal negligence in the attack.

He said the Crown had not shown that the dogs owner had "wanton and reckless disregard" for the safety of others by keeping the dogs as pets. Baird testified that he did not know the dogs were dangerous.

The animals, gifts from his family, had acted aggressively on two instances before the attack on Debogorski, he said.

They once snapped at Baird's thumb while he held a puppy, and also attack a neighbors seven-year-old son who was playing in Baird's backyard.

They were timid and shy most of the time, court was told.



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FLIGHT OF THE FRIENDS

Jumping off the jungle gym at Pettitot Park seemed a fitting way to wind up another great day at the City of Yellowknife's summer playground program. Stevie Pagonis-Meszaros, Serge Gravel and Haylee Brothers take the plunge into the sand.

Royal Oak makes \$2-billion bid to be Canada's biggest gold producer

by Bill Braden
Northern News Services

Royal Oak president Peggy Witte took the country's mining industry by storm Thursday with a blockbuster announcement of her company's bid to buy Lac Minerals Ltd. for \$2 billion.

The purchase would increase Royal Oak's annual gold production four-fold, to about 1.3 million ounces in 1994 and make it Canada's largest gold miner.

It would add 13 new mines to Royal Oak's four, which include the Giant and Colomac operations in the NWT. The combined workforce of the new company would total 4,300.

The move comes two weeks after Witte promised shareholders she would expand the company's production to at least one million ounces a year by merging or buying another firm.

What impact, if any, the

deal would have on NWT operations was not known by yellowknifer press deadlines. But about 10 days ago, Lac announced it was backing Nebex Resource's \$2.5-million exploration program at Walsh Lake, a stone's throw from Giant.

Lac Minerals, based in Toronto, is a senior mining firm with gold, silver, copper and zinc properties in North and South America and exploration in several other

areas in the world.

Under the deal, Royal Oak will pay \$3.75 plus 1.75 of its own shares for each of Lac's 149 million outstanding shares.

Based on Wednesday's closing price, that's \$13.59 a share — a 20 per cent premium.

The offer is subject to the approval of Royal Oak and Lac shareholders, and the spot price of gold holding above \$360 US.

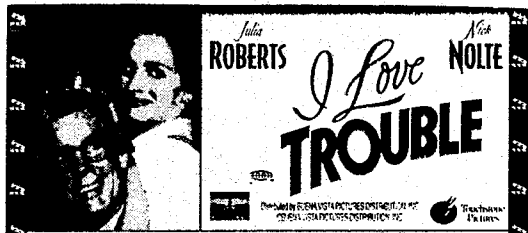
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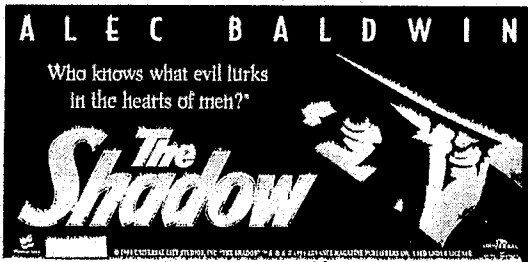


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City-wide fire ban still in effect

by Ronna Bremer
Northern News Services

The city-wide ban on open fires imposed earlier this week will continue until the dry conditions improve, says the city's deputy fire chief.

"Nothing has changed," Mike Lowing said Thursday.

"The temperature is

dropping... (but) that doesn't matter. It is still dry and windy."

The ban will remain in effect until there is enough rain to reduce the fire risk, he said.

The ban prohibits all open fires, including campfires and fires in fireplaces. Barbecues are not included.

Fire chief Mickey Beauchamp imposed the ban Tuesday afternoon, when firefighters from the city and Renewable Resources battled a small bushfire in the Kam Lake Industrial Park.

A bird-dog plane and two CL-215s water bombers helped fight the blaze. They dropped eight

loads of firefighting foam and water on the fire, which burned an area the size of a football field.

Firefighters were later called out to a smoldering hill of muskeg on Fiddler Lake Road that was reported burning.

A city loader pushed most of the hill into a small, nearby lake.

Gov't, Royal Oak negotiating emission levels

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able... (but) if they don't take voluntary control action, then I guess we have to go the next step," he said.

That next step, he added, would be in the form of enforced regulations, which could be imposed by simple ministerial approval.

The territorial government has been negotiating with Royal Oak Mines for the past year to have sulphur dioxide emissions reduced at Giant. Handley expects to meet again with the company sometime in the coming month.

Renewable Resources launched its first investigation under the NWT Environmental Rights Act after local environmentalists Chris O'Brien and Kevin O'Reilly used the new legislation to complain about Giant emissions.

Last year, its study concluded that up to 65 tonnes

of daily sulphur dioxide emissions from Giant were killing trees and, at times, pushing Yellowknife's air quality beyond federal pollution guidelines.

Royal Oak Mines was unavailable for comment this week, but in the past it has disputed the territorial government's figures and conclusions.

Handley said sulphur dioxide pollution is created "whenever you burn fossil fuels," including vehicle and furnace use, but he said the emissions from Giant far outweigh all other sources in Yellowknife.

Although the new guideline covers all sulphur dioxide emissions and limits "total suspended particulates" (for example, dust, wood smoke and automobile exhaust), Handley said Giant mine is the only source clearly violating the guideline.

Got any thoughts on liquor control?

Northern News Services

Questionnaires asking Yellowknifers what they think about how alcohol is controlled in the NWT should be in the mail today.

"They're being made available to every household in the NWT," said Alan

Downe, senior advisor on special projects with Safety and Public Services.

"We hope people will take the time to fill it out, it's just a couple of questions."

Downe is working on a rewrite of the Liquor Act. The questionnaire and discussion paper along with public consultations will help the territorial government's hear from people across the North, Downe said. The questionnaires have been printed in Inuktitut, English and French. The other aboriginal languages are available upon request, he said.

No public meetings have been set up for Yellowknife yet but Downe expects some to be held this summer.

But people have been contacting Downe already to share their concerns and suggestions on how alcohol could be better controlled in the Territories. Letters have also gone out to licensed establishments, social agencies, community leaders and other professional industry associations asking them to participate in the review and share their comments.

Downe is also travelling to other regions in the Territories to hear concerns. Next week he will be in the Mackenzie Delta. "We want to hear from as many people as we can," he said.

A legislative action paper will be presented to MLAs this fall. A new act won't be before the legislature until after the 1995 election.

"We have to set the time aside to do it right," Downe said.

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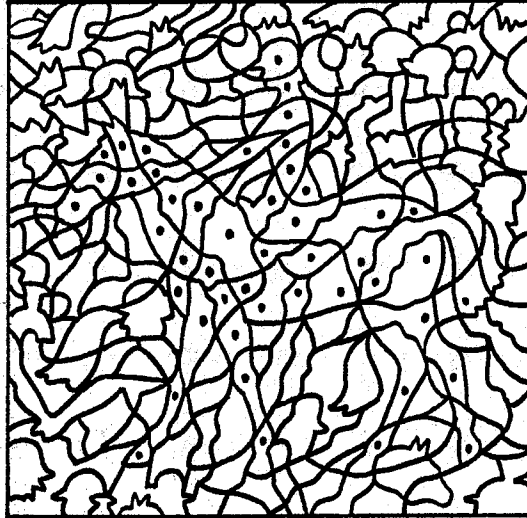


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Twenty "ages"

Using the clues provided, complete the "ages" below.

- Spanish qualifies as one. _____ AGE
- This is also known as trash. _____ AGE
- You take this on a trip. _____ AGE
- This is an herb used on chicken. _____ AGE
- You can turn, flip or skim this. _____ AGE
- An intense, explosive anger. _____ AGE
- This lets you face fears. _____ AGE
- A domestic home for birds. _____ AGE
- A course substance. _____ AGE
- Actors perform on this. _____ AGE
- This is what workers earn. _____ AGE
- A place for storing goods. _____ AGE
- Put your car here. _____ AGE
- A small summer house. _____ AGE
- An amount of electrical power. _____ AGE
- The time of cavemen. _____ AGE
- A frantic search. _____ AGE
- To hold in captivity. _____ AGE
- A state of involvement. _____ AGE
- What you reach late in life. _____ AGE

Answers

1. Language 2. Carriage 3. Luggage 4. Sage 5. Page 6. Rage 7. Courage 8. Cage 9. Roughage 10. Stage 11. Wage 12. Storage 13. Garage 14. Cottage 15. Wattage 16. Stone Age 17. Runnage 18. Bondage 19. Engage 20. Old Age

The Name Game

Make 10 new words by matching one from the left column with one from the right.

FAIR	HOUSE
MAD	PORT
RADIO	STICK
ROUGH	WAY
BACK	GLASS
SEA	ACTIVITY
NAP	STROKE
HUM	BUG
EYE	AGE
DRUM	KIN

Answers

1. Fairway 2. Madhouse 3. Radioactivity 4. Roughage 5. Backstroke 6. Seaport 7. Napkin 8. Humbug 9. Eyeglass 10. Drumnstick

A to Z HISTORY

- Gladiators:** These men of ancient Rome were trained to fight to the death in shows to entertain crowds.
- Great Wall of China:** More than 2,000 years ago, the first Emperor of China, Shih Huang Ti, had this wall built to keep out enemies from the North. It stretches for 1,500 miles, from Western China to the Yellow Sea.
- Greek Mythology:** The ancient Greeks invented gods and goddesses to explain the world around them. The greatest of the gods was named Zeus.
- Gettysburg Address:** Regarded as one of the finest speeches in America's history, Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address was a dedication to the soldiers who lost their lives in the battle of Gettysburg.
- Gold Rush:** The greatest gold rush in American history began with the discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill on the American River in California in 1848.

FUN WITH FIGURES

"You've got quite a job there," said Steve, finding his son sawing away at an old croquet ball. "What are you doing anyway?"

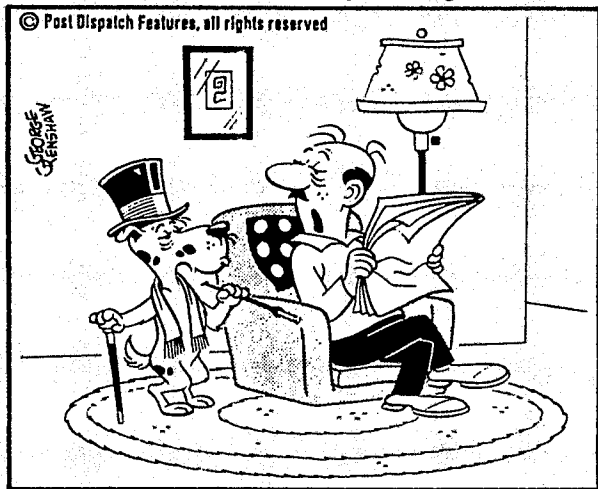
Tony put down the saw.

"Cutting this in two," he replied. "It's for a puzzle our teacher gave us. If it uses a dime's worth of paint to paint the ball, how much would it cost to paint completely the two halves?"

Answer: Cost 15¢

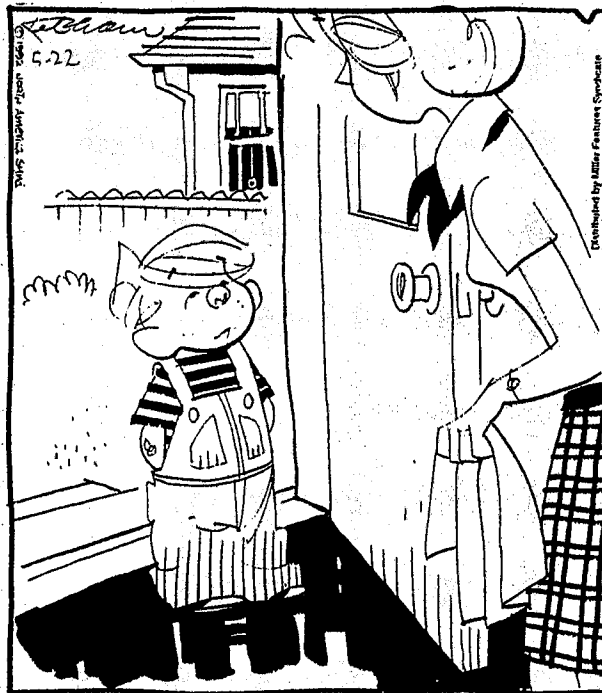
BELVEDERE

By George Crenshaw



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