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Nicola Valley man missing in Enderby

The Vernon North Okanagan RCMP is requesting the assistance of the public to locate 36-year old Eli Samuel Vandevoort (also goes by Eli Mansfield), last seen on January 1st, 2023 at 9pm on 3rd Avenue in Enderby at the BC Ambulance Service depot.



Eli is described as Indigenous male, 36-years old, 5'11 (180 cm), 154 lbs (70 kg), long brown hair and brown eyes. His car was found abandoned at the side of the road. He has no cell phone and is believed to be wearing a mustard yellow hoodie and a baseball cap.

Police are concerned for Eli's health and well-being. Anyone with info on Eli's whereabouts is urged to contact their local police, remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or leaving a tip online at www.nokscrimestoppers.com

www.castanet.net/news/Kamloops

\$16M wildfire fine for CN Rail upheld

A B.C. Supreme Court judge has upheld more than \$16 million in fines and restitution CN Rail was ordered to pay after railway work sparked a 2,400-hectare wildfire near Lytton in 2015.

CN was ordered to pay more than \$16 million for its role in causing the 2015 Cisco Road wildfire, which burned for months south of Lytton.

The blaze began on June 11, 2015, just before noon. At the time, fire danger in the area was extreme. The Cisco Road fire scorched 2,400 hectares and prompted evacuations and alerts in and around Lytton. It burned until October of 2015.

BC Wildfire Service investigators determined the fire was caused by CN workers cutting a rail line. In 2018, the railway was ordered to pay \$16.3 million in fines and restitution, including more than \$7 million to cover the province's firefighting costs and nearly \$9 million for the value of the timber destroyed by the blaze.

CN has been arguing since then that the compensation amounts were both too high. The company previously suggested a total of \$8 million for firefighting costs and lost resources, which would cut the total penalty in half.

CN appealed through the Forest Appeals Commission, but the fines were upheld in a 2020 decision.

The railway subsequently filed an appeal in B.C. Supreme Court and asked a judge to review the commission's findings, pointing out a number of potential legal issues — including the jurisdiction of the commission, the BC Wildfire Service's actions in fighting the Cisco Road fire and figures the province used to calculate its payroll costs relating to the operation.

During a two-day hearing in Vancouver in April, lawyers representing CN argued that the commission's conclusions were unreasonable.

In a 44-page decision dated last Wednesday, B.C. Supreme Court Justice Neena Sharma dismissed the appeal and review petition.

She also ordered CN to pay the province's legal costs.

— Tim Petruk - Jan 3, 2023, <https://www.castanet.net/news/Kamloops/404234/Judge-refuses-to-budge-on-16M-penalty-for-CN-Rail-in-2015-wildfire-near-Lytton>

I have two children — 3 and 5. That's not their age, just a rating out of ten.

Mom, don't freak out, but I'm in the hospital. No, you've been a doctor for eight years now. Please stop starting every phone conversation we have with that.

Original Corny Joke: Who leads the corn into battle? The kernal.

What did one DNA say to the other DNA? "Do these genes make me look fat?"

"I have a split personality" said Tom, being frank

You can't run through a campground... you can only run, because it's past tents.

Congrats, Gracie Graham!

Former Merritt resident, now living with her family in Kelowna, Gracie Graham is currently in Östersund Sweden, representing Canada in the IIHF U18 Women's World Championship, which runs Jan 8 - 15th.

Gracie has deep roots in the Nicola Valley, her father John started working at his parents' store (Post Meat Market) during high school before forming his own helicopter company and eventually moving to Kamloops. Gracie's grandparents Herb (TNRD Nicola Valley Area N director) & Angie Graham are still active members of the community. She got her hockey foundation, 2011 to 2017, with Merritt Minor Hockey.

Gracie joins the 22 other players on Team Canada — 3 goaltenders, 7 defence and 13 forwards, including 7 2022 IIHF U18 Women's World Championship gold medalists.

Their first game is Sunday, Jan 8, 2pm EST against Finland, with more games scheduled for Mon Jan 9 against Sweden at 2pm EST, and Wed Jan 11 against the US at 2pm EST. TSN (and RDS for French), the official broadcast partners of Hockey Canada, will broadcast 13 games from Östersund Arena, including the quarterfinals, semifinals and medal games; check local listings for details.

And a very happy birthday to Gracie on Monday, January 9th, when she'll turn 17 years old!

Community

Free Christmas tree pick up

The NV Evangelical Free Church youth are holding their 2nd Annual Christmas Tree Pick up - and bottle drive! Small donations are accepted but not required. Questions and to sign up, contact Jacqueline @ 250-315-8200. Collection day is January 5th between 6pm-8:30pm. Deadline to register: January 4th

Call out to artists: Still Life

The NV Arts Council's new community art exhibit planned for early February to mid March is all about the art of Still Life — in paintings & drawings but beyond, too: sculpted, stained glass, mixed media, fabric, photographs, nature and home objects set up as still life... They are looking for fresh work, or that has not been shown in the region within the past 2 years. Guest curator for this show is Barbara Sayles, collection is Jan 30. FMI contact curator@nicolavalleyarts.com

Nicola Family Therapy helps

Please consider giving to Nicola Family Therapy which provides essential counselling services at little or no cost to all members of our community. In addition, Nicola Family Therapy has a donation account through Merritt Return-It if you wish to conveniently drop your bottles and cans off. It is our promise every dollar raised through donations will be used for ongoing counselling services in our community.

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Winter Creativity the Arts Council

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Art History for Kids

Journey through the ages, taking a look at the role of art from post-impressionism to modern examples. January-February 2023

Crafty Kids Club

This popular after-school club continues with activities every Wednesday throughout January-March 2023.

Youth Ukulele

Combine a mix of picking, strumming and singing while learning early music skills. February-March 2023

Music Maestro Club

Introduction to a variety of instruments and music skills, including voice and percussion. January-March 2023

Adult Classes

Watercolour Classes

A course in watercolours and drawing foundations offered in multiple experience levels. Fridays/Saturdays in January - March 2023

Jewelry Making

Learn the craft of making jewelry with Diane Wandler. Create 3 items - necklace, earrings, bracelet. February 18, 2023

Art History for Adults

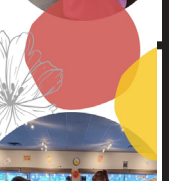
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Knitting Workshop

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Printmaking on Fabric

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CATTLEMANS CURLING FUNSPIEL FEBRUARY 4th

That's right...WE'RE BACK!!

COME JOIN US for our annual fundraiser and fun-fest, at the Merritt Curling Club

BEEF BBQ LUNCH/DINNER

20\$ per person/4 people per team

Dont have four? Sign up and we can put you on a team

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Curling times will be from 9-5pm

Requests will be honored on a first come/first serve basis.

CONTACT

Tanisha @ tanisha.annett@gmail.com or (250)378-4990

for sign up

OR Donations to Auction

Community Arts



Merritt Ukulele Circle

Come strum & sing on 2nd & 4th Tuesday evenings. Dust off your Ukulele!

Fibre Arts Club

Bring your current fibre or fabric project for some fibre fun with friends. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, times vary

Library Painters

A free no-host drop-in time in a lovely quiet workspace. Just bring your own project and materials. Tuesday mornings 10am - 2pm

Drumming Circle

Gather and practice the art of hand-drumming and percussion using rhythms inspired by different cultures. 1st, 2nd, & 4th Thursdays, 7pm.



Literacy Week - January 23-27, 2023

This "Unplug & Play" event is a week of games, art and literacy fun sponsored by Interior Savings, Literacy Merritt & Nicola Valley Society, and Nicola Valley Community Arts Council

For more information, including dates and times, please visit

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