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Pedestrian killed in crash on Coquihalla

RCMP are investigating after a pedestrian was struck and killed by a vehicle on Highway 5 near Kane Valley Road south of town early yesterday morning.

Emergency crews responded to the scene at around 5:15am and found a man who had been hit. Despite efforts to save him, he was pronounced dead at the scene. Police say the driver of the vehicle remained on scene, and no criminality is suspected.

Northbound lanes of the Coquihalla Highway were closed for several hours while investigators examined the scene, but the route reopened just after 11:30 am. The BC Coroners Service is assisting in the investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact Merritt RCMP

Fire on Harmon **Estates Rd.**

Monday afternoon, the Merritt Fire Rescue Department responded to a wildland fire near Harmon Estates, off Monck Park Road at Nicola Lake. Thanks to the quick action of MFR firefighters, the 1-hectare fire was brought under control with no damage to nearby structures.

The fire remained under patrol until they ensured it was fully extinguished. The cause remains undetermined.

Despite cooler temperatures, MFR asks residents to please exercise caution — as conditions are already conducive to fire starts.

Labour market study

The City of Merritt is reaching out to local businesses, employers & organizations to better understand the community's workforce needs & job opportunities.

Whether you're hiring, experiencing staffing challenges, or have insights on local job trends, they're looking for your feedback.

Take the short survey to share hiring needs, job openings and labour gaps, workforce challenges and trends, ideas for local support programs

Your input will help shape future strategies that support both businesses and job seekers in Merritt.

The survey closes Monday, April 28. Find it www.merritt.ca/labour/

Birth announcement

A Boy Is Born
Elliot Bo Barnes, 7 lbs 14 oz, with lots of dark hair, born March 22 to Bex and Riley Barnes, a brother for Rory Eloise. Ecstatic grandparents are Andrea and Paul Barnes of Merritt, and Cathy and Ashley Edge who travelled from New Zealand to meet Elliot. He's a great-grandson for Joe and Irma Starrs.

Congratulations, Marshall Willson!

During a routine stop at the gas station last week, Marshall Willson checked several of his lottery tickets using a self-scanner and was in a for a big surprise – it turns out that he won \$1 million from the January 1, Lotto 6/49 draw.

"I was checking tickets at the self-scanner," recalled Willson of the moment he realized he won. "The lady at the counter checked for me as well!"

The Merritt resident first shared the news with his son. "He didn't believe it, but he was very happy for me and for this to help our retirement."

With his winnings, Willson plans to make some upgrades to his home, take care of his wife and save the rest for his retirement.

Willson purchased and validated his ticket at the Shell station, De Wolf Way.

Community

Nicola Masons Lodge open house

The Nicola Masons Lodge #53 will hold an open house April 6,10am-2pm. Members invite the general public to stop by and see what the Masons are all about. New members. FMI 604-329-4815.

History of Life on Earth

The Merritt Library presents a series of 5 free illustrated talks by Al Horne on the history of life on Earth — from the big bang to now. Starts Wednesday, April 2, 6:00pm - 7:30pm, for adults.

Education & Employment Career Fair

The 2025 Education and Employment Career Fair will be held Wed, April 9, 9am-5pm at the NVIT Gym. More than 50 booths and a variety of info sessions & presentations. Lunch and refreshements, door prizes. No registration required, free attendance. Presented by Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly (CNA), Community Futures NV, Scw'exmx Tribal Council, NVIT, WorkBC and City of Merritt.

City financial plan & budget The proposed budget is set for its final reading at the next Council meeting on Tues. Apr 8 — one last opportunity for the public to provide comment. The City is looking at approx. 11%+ tax increase on the municipal portion of property taxes for 2025 (about half of the bill). The other portion goes to other levels of govt. Download the draft budget from www.merritt.ca/budget/

Call for performers - Music in the Park Deadline to submit an application to perform at Music in the Park is Friday, April 11, 4pm. runs Thursday evenings throughout the summer at the Rotary Park Bandshell.

Nicola Valley Vendors Spring Market The NV Vendors Spring Market is happening on April 12, at the Civic Centre, 10am-3pm. Local vendors, live music & entertainment, family art fun & treats.

Easter Eggstravaganza! Come celebrate Easter on Saturday, April 19, 10am-12noon, at Central Park instead of Rotary Park. There will be an egg hunt (b.y.o. basket), bouncy castle, face painting, arts and crafts, and a magic show. FMI www.

Barb's Used Book & Music Sale Barb's Used Book & Music Sale returns at the Kelson Hall Centre for Arts & Education, 330 St. Paul St., Kamloops from April 12-26, offering an incredible selection of gently used books, CDs, vinyl, and more. A semi-annual tradition, Barb's Used Book & Music Sale is a vital fundraiser for the Kamloops Symphony Orchestra & KSO Music School. Every purchase supports music education and live performances. Open Sat, April 12 10am-5pm; Sun, April 13 12pm-4pm; Mon–Fri, April 14-18 12 pm-5pm; Sat, April 19 10am-5pm; Sun, April 20 closed; Mon-Fri-, April 21-25 12pm-5pm; Sat, April 26 10am-5pm.

I arrived early to the restaurant and the manager asked, "Do you mind waiting a bit?" I replied, "Not at all." "Good," he said, "Take these drinks to table nine.

Restroom Baby changing stations are a hoax. Parents keep coming out with the same baby they went in with.

SALES - APRIL 5

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Spaces to visit over a beverage, areas for playing games, resources available. For information, please contact the Better at Home Nicola Valley Program Coordinator,

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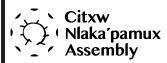
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