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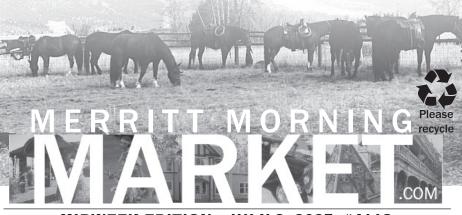
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Fox Farm fire dealt with quickly

A wildfire along the Coquihalla, just south of town was dealt with quickly by Merritt Fire/Rescue, yesterday around 3pm. They were aided by a BC Wildfire Service helicopter, bucketing water from the nearby Coldwater River. Smoke was visible from town at the base of Iron Mountain. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Alert for Carfentaniltainted drugs

On Monday, Interior Health issued a province-wide drug advisory, about increasing detection of carfentanil in Down over the past month. They warn of high risk of overdose and fatal overdose.

The samples frequently contain benzodiazepines and tranquilizers, in addition to carfentanil. The combination of opioids with these substances amplify the effects of the drugs and significantly heightens the risk of overdose and death.

Carfentanil is up to 100X more potent than fentanyl. Up to 4% concentration of carfentanil has been detected in Down. This is equivalent to a fentanyl concentration of up to 400%.

IH advises that if you are going to use drugs, get them checked first. Find drug checking locations throughout the Interior at drugchecking.ca

Aerial mosquito control treatment

TNRD Nuisance Mosquito Control program will be administering aerial treatments for nuisance mosquitoes on July 9, near Lower Nicola, Quilchena, and Douglas Lake, though the timing of the aerial application could vary slightly based on weather conditions and helicopter availability.

Application involves the use of a low flying helicopter that will apply Vectobac to infested areas.

Vectobac is an organic water-dispersible granule formulation of Bacillus thuringiensis, a bacterial larvicide that is used to control of mosquito larvae. Vectobac 200G is not harmful to non-target organism populations including other aquatic animals, livestock or humans. As stated in the provincial Integrated Pest Management Act, no larvicide treatment can take place in permanent, fish-bearing bodies of water or waters that have permanent, direct, surface-water connections with fish-bearing bodies of water.

The TNRD mosquito reduction program began in 1971. At first, the program consisted solely of aerial applications to control adult populations of mosquitoes. With the advancement of new products such as biological larvicides, which do not harm fish habitats, the program has shifted to an environmentally safe practice of controlling mosquito larval populations before they emerge as adults

Community

Wednesday evening rolling car show

NV Cruisers will hold a Wednesday Evening Rolling Car Show on Wed. July 9, leaving Voght Park at 6pm. The parade route will be from Voght Park to Coldwater Ave to Houston, Clapperton, Menzies, Nicola Ave to Garcia & down to Nicola Meadows. Nicola Ave to Juniper Dr., Parker, Grimmet, Reid, Walters & Voght to Belshaw to the Florentine, then De Wolf Way to Gasoline Alley parking lot.

Barrel racing

Thursday, July 10, 7pm at the Rodeo Grounds, 499 Lindley Crk Rd. Next race is July 24.

Music in the Park

Join Music in the Park every Thursday evening 6-8pm through the summer at the Rotary Park Bandshell. This week's performers are Jackson Hollow Check the schedule: www.merritt.ca/ music/ Bring a picnic & chairs.

Bass Coast Festival

It's Bass Coast's 17th year, and runs July 11-14 on the music festival site. It is a curated boutique electronic music and art festival, and voted 'Best Boutique Festival in North America' by DJ Mag, and 'Best Midsize Festival in Canada' by Canada Music Awards. The event is still managed and orchestrated by Liz & Andrea, now longtime cultural figures in Merritt & the Nicola Valley.

BC is Burning - Facing wildfires, finding solutions

The Interior Logging Association will host the Merritt premiere of the newly released BC Is Burning documentary Thurs, July 17, 7pm at NVIT.

Released this spring, BC is Burning highlights real solutions for the ongoing wildfire crisis featuring in-depth interviews with: forestry professionals, carbon scientists, entomologists, and BC Wildfire Service. Also included are extensive interviews with government leaders from fire-ravaged California, who share a common fear about the devastating impact of catastrophic fires. Max. 140 tickets, just \$15 at www. eventbrite.ca search 'bc is burning'

Council + Community Café

The next Council + Community Cafe will be held Thursday July 24, 6-8pm at the Civic Centre. At this family-oriented open house, residents can connect in-person with local officials to discuss matters that are of concern in the community. Bring the kids! Fun activities will be on hand to keep the children entertained, while parents enjoy some meaningful conversation with City Council members. Refreshments.

Nicola Valley Cruisers car show

NV Cruisers annual car show starts at 10am and goes to about 3pm on Sunday July 27 at Central Park.

Blue-green algae blooms

Algae are a natural part of the aquatic ecosystems of lakes and algae blooms can occur throughout the Interior Health region.

Blue-green algae are actually a microscopic bacteria called cyanobacteria. Cyanobacteria can live in waters through winter. In the warmer spring and summer months, cyanobacteria can multiply very quickly and produce several types of toxins that can be poisonous to people, pets and livestock.

'It's that time of year when we can see increased blue-green algae (cyanobacteria) blooms on lakes. These blooms tend to stay on the water surface and may have a leafy scent," says Interior Health medical health officer Dr. Andy Delli Pizzi. "Sometimes blooms can be toxic for those who come in contact with the water. My advice is to use common sense and avoid contact or consuming water if you suspect there is a cyanobacteria bloom." FMI www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-landwater/water-quality/algae-watch

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July 18 - Central Elementary, Merritt

July 22 - Diamondvale Elementary, Merritt

July 25 - Bench Elementary, Merritt

July 29 - Nicola Canford Elementary, Lower Nic

August 1 - Rotary Park, Merritt

August 5 - Central Park, Merritt

August 8 - Diamondvale Elementary, Merritt

August 12 - Bench Elementary, Merritt

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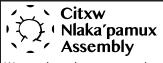




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