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A motion to replace the bylaws is being proposed at the board meeting; a copy of these bylaws can be obtained at the Nicola Valley Food Bank.

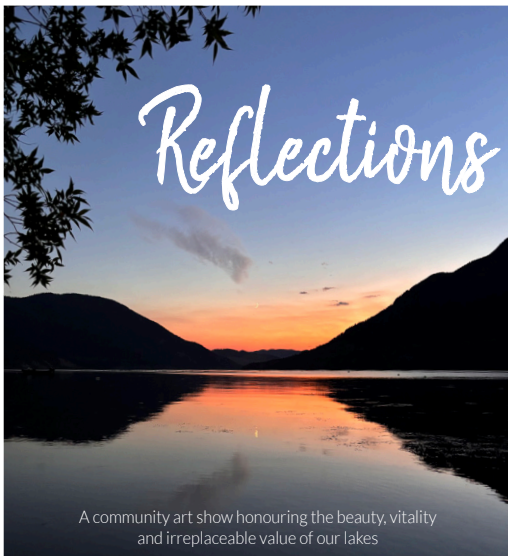


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Reflections

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Police evacuated buildings on the 2100 block of Quilchena Ave. around noon yesterday. And with help from the Canine Unit, 2 or 3 people in a second floor apartment were arrested. Merritt RCMP had not released information as of last evening. *Photo: facebook/Pat Klugh*



B&E at Murray GM

Last Friday at about 6:30pm, Merritt RCMP responded to a report from the public about a male who had broken his way into the Murray GM dealership on Nicola Ave. Officers responded immediately and located two males on scene. The one suspect was detained without issue; the other was observed by police leaving the dealership building and was arrested for Break and Enter.

While affecting the arrest, and police using de-escalation communication techniques, the male become combative. The behaviour displayed by the suspect caused responding officers to deploy their Conducted Energy Weapon (commonly known as a "taser") and then police were able to safely bring the male into custody. He was transported to NV Hospital for non life-threatening injuries.

Blake Dunstall has been charged with Break and Enter and Obstruct a Peace Officer, contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada. He remains in police custody awaiting a bail hearing. Maynard McRae has been charged with Break and Enter, contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada. He was released on an Undertaking with a future court date.

The criminal proceedings are now before the courts and Merritt RCMP will not be providing further updates regarding the investigation.


Rear View Mirror, June 23, 1995

Fog in Mirror

(overheard in restaurant)- "Gawd! They're ripping up that bridge!" "What bridge?" "The Colletville bridge." "Who's ripping it up?" "The Indians." (pause) "I didn't know there were that many natives over there."

Kids, here's a classic example of a failure in communication. And it's The Mirror's failure, resulting from the sheet's neighborly focus. We see ourselves as an internal document, a domestic newsletter, the 'back fence' people used to talk over. Further complicating things for tourists, visitors or newcomers, *Continued, over*

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Thursday, June 11, 2026
(2nd Thursday monthly) @ 1:00 p.m.
Scw'exmx Church Hall, Shulus

Information: Carol Holmes, Heather Shuter Trosky, Jim (Gabby) Isaac, Gloria Moses

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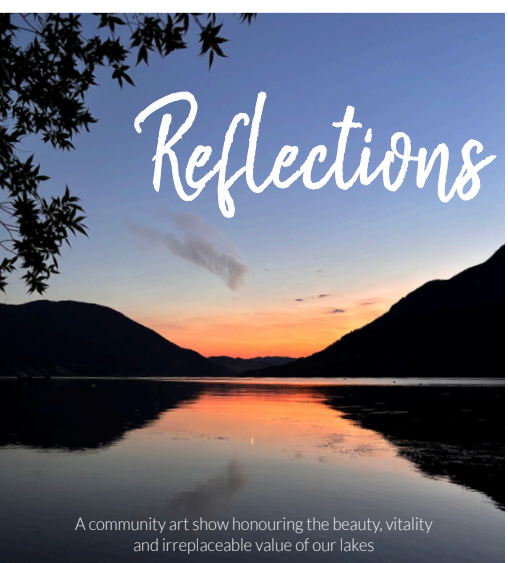
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Fog *continued*

is that The Mirror is kind of a *serialized*, on-going chronicle. Like, we'll carry on with a previously printed story without saying anything about the previously printed story. After all, *you* know what's going on, right?

You can fill in the blanks, because you're familiar with the previous story, most of the characters involved, the places, etc. We certainly don't want to leave our visitors in the dark, but we don't want to widen our focus. The Mirror is dedicated (and you can believe this bit of jingoism) to holding as long as possible the small town feel of the community.

We're anxious about the depersonalization that comes with growth; we're super comfortable with knowing the other parents at our kids' sports events, knowing the first names of our business people, talking to you about stuff we're all into. The elliptical style *will* puzzle the odd visitor. So, if you see someone drowning in The Mirror, be hospitable, explain who 'Scotty' is; point out there is no 'Colletville band. Bring them into our lives.

—Gordon Cockle, *MMMirror* #37, June 23, 1995

[Editor: In late Spring of 1995, the Upper Nicola Band set up a blockade — and this is the seed which sprouted the Colletville bridge blockade story, re-published last issue. The following is an excerpt of the blockade situation, written by then Merritt resident & reporter Gloria Russo, published in *Windspeaker*.]

Douglas Lake blockade dismantled For two intense weeks, the Upper Nicola Band anticipated an all-out confrontation with the RCMP at the Douglas Lake reserve, after it resorted to a blockade to protect its Aboriginal rights.

But that confrontation never happened and the blockade was dismantled peacefully as an initial deal was struck between the Upper Nicola Band, the provincial and federal governments on June 8.

The quiet hills surrounding Douglas Lake were scrutinized by police helicopters while band members monitored their roadblocks with binoculars and dug trenches in preparations for a possible confrontation with the RCMP. The RCMP was under pressure to enforce a court injunction to take down the blockade.

—Gloria Russo, amnsa.com/publications/windspeaker/douglas-lake-blockade-dismantled

Community *continued*

The half crown is 60km at 1500m elevation. The 2 person or 4 person relay race is 30-40km at 750m elevation. While the majority of the race is along trails in the mountains and grasslands surrounding Merritt, there are a few locations where the race intersects Merritt's road network. FMI www.headsortrails.ca/merrittcrownxcbike

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Every Thursday 6-8pm, bring a picnic & chairs for free live music at Spirit Square or the bandshell in Rotary Park. Spirit Square: Jul 2 *Rule 857*, Jul 9 *Cal Volpe*, July 16 *JS Garcia Band*, Jul 23 *Ross Christopher Fairbairn*, Aug 20 *ZONNis*. Rotary Park: Aug 6 *The Out Seer*, Aug 13 *Merritt Music Students*, and Aug 27 *Outlaws and Lace*.

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