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CANADIAN SPORTS TRIVIA

Who were the first Canadian male and female to win Olympic Gold medals on Canadian soil?

(Answer on page 5)

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My Apologies

Sorry about that. Last week's issue did not make it to production. Due to some overwhelming timing issues, mixed in with some personal problems, I was unable to get the paper done. I was not willing to put out a less than satisfactory product for the readers.

This is the first time in three years that The Valley Peak has missed a printing and it shall not happen again. Improved time management and the ability to assertively say 'no' shall become more prominent in my life.

Sorry again to all the readers and advertisers. All advertising accounts shall be extended by one week.

Call to Artists

The Wings Over The Rockies' Art Show takes place at Pynelogs Cultural Centre April 27 to May 6, 2010. This year's theme is 'Reflections: Nature and Life'.

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Impressed, Mike came over to take a look. "Let's see... mortgage \$550.00, electricity \$70.50, phone \$35.00." His brow wrinkled as he read the last entry. "It says here ESP, \$615. What the heck is that?"

"Oh," she said, "That means, Error Some Place!"

Quilting Time

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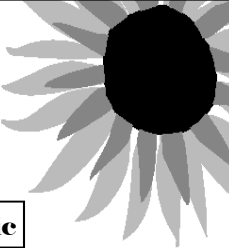
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"What are you doing," his mother asked?

"The box says you can't eat them if the seal is broken," the boy explained. "I'm looking for the seal."

Sponsors' Fun Night

Did you or your business contribute to the curling club in any way this season? If so, you are invited to a Sponsors' Fun Night at the Club on Friday, March 5.

Anyone who has volunteered, donated prizes, advertised or contributed to the club in any way is welcome.

There will be food, games, curling lessons and much more so come on down. Please RSVP to Rob at 250-342-3315 if you are planning on attending or if you would like more information.

Words Of Wisdom

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Learn A Little French

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'What is that?'

C'est une chaise. It is a chair.

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Robservations

Life management. That seems to be a tricky thing for me lately. With the curling club in the busy part of its season, hosting bonspiels and running league playoffs, I find it hard to find the time for anything else. Obviously this can lead to trouble when it comes to generating The Valley Peak. Lots of trouble last week.

I have been feeling that I let a lot of folks down last week by not getting my work done. We all have responsibilities and we must do our best to live up to them. Although I was impossibly busy, I still must take the blame for the work not done. I did not find the time to live up to my commitments and it is my fault only.

Maybe if I reduce my sleeping and eating times, I can find time to finish the work. We shall see. The curling club shuts down in a couple of weeks so that will free up some time for me to find myself. Sounds good to me.

Supper

This guy was watching TV as his wife was out cutting the grass during the hot summer. He finally worked up the energy to go out and ask his wife what was for supper. Well, his missus was quite irritated about him sitting in the air-conditioned house all day while she did all the work, so she scolded him. "I can't believe you're asking me about supper right now! Imagine I'm out of town, go inside and figure dinner out yourself."

So he went back in the house and fixed himself a big steak, with potatoes, garlic bread and a tall glass of iced tea. The wife finally walked in about the time he was finishing up and asked him, "You fixed something to eat? So where is mine?" "Huh? I thought you were out of town."

Peewee Pasta Pleasure

I was able to attend the Peewee Hockey Valentine's Spaghetti Dinner last Tuesday. For only five dollars you got a great meal of spaghetti, Caesar salad, garlic toast, beverage and dessert. Quite a deal.

The food was great. I was there early so I am not quite sure what the final attendance turned out to be. I do know this though; don't miss this meal next year! It is a great meal out and it supports a wonderful cause, peewee hockey.

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2. Which actor's real name was Marion Michael Morrison?	
3. In snooker, what is the value of the green ball?	
4. What is the name of the car in the movie 'The Lovebug'?	
5. How many digits does a bear have on each foot?	
6. On television, who regarded himself being 'smarter than the average bear'?	

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 Zac MacLellan was the top defenceman.
 Kevin Dunlop was top all-around player and had the most goals.
 Briar McNaney was rookie of the year.
 Sean Leslie was most dedicated player.
 Zac Michalko was most improved.
 Kalen Bird was another unsung hero.
 Congratulations to all the award winners. Hopefully we will see most of you return for a much stronger team performance next season. Have a great summer.

What Am I?

I am found on the Pacific Coast and in rivers throughout Canada. I am a fun-loving animal, enjoying tumbling, wrestling and sliding down clay banks. I am a swift and skillful swimmer, making it easy to catch fish, my main source of food. I grow up to 4 ft. long and 30 lb. in weight. What am I?
 See page 7.

Junior Curling Success

Last Wednesday was the windup for our junior curling program. All the participants were invited to 'bring a friend' to the final session of curling. The kids and coaches worked and played hard, introducing several 'newbies' to the sport.
 The junior program is very affordable, only \$20 for six sessions. This includes ice time, equipment, instruction and a windup party with prizes. The next session will be in October so watch for more information in the fall.

Thanks to all the coaches for donating their time. You did a great job.

Licence Plate

While driving with my daughter and her husband, I noticed that the woman in the car ahead of us had a rather odd vanity plate.
 "That's weird," I said, pointing to it. "Why would anyone want to boast about mould on their car?"
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Last year this was a super fun event, enjoyed by folks of all ages and skill levels.

Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience. We will offer a brief clinic for beginners. The cost is \$80 for a team of four or \$20 each. This will include curling, all equipment, a meal and prizes.

This is your last chance of the season to get down to the curling club and find out what the sport is all about. The club is showing a lot of growth as it is an amazing fun game to play. Call 250-342-3315 if you are interested.

Canadian Sports Trivia Answer

Alexandre Bilodeau was the first Canadian male to win Olympic gold on Canadian soil, winning in the freestyle moguls competition.

Maele Ricker captured gold in the ladies' snowboard cross to be the first female Canadian to accomplish this feat.

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I have a Blackberry, but don't use it for much more than a phone or text device. It has many more features that I shall have to explore some day.

I do have a 'rocket stick', allowing me to get Internet on my laptop anywhere that I get cell phone coverage. That is definitely a great feature for writing the paper.

Riddiculous Answer

Your bet pays nothing. Zero dollars. At 4 to 1 odds to win, 'Catch'n'release' does not pay out. He overtook the second place horse, putting himself into second place but he never did pass the first place horse to win.

Olympic Facts

During the inaugural Olympic Winter Games in 1924, 16 nations entered with a total of 294 competitors. Norway won the most medals with 17.

During the last Olympic Winter Games in Turin, Italy in 2006, 2,663 athletes competed for 82 nations. Germany was the overall winner in 2006 and during the two previous Winter Olympics.

Eddie Eagan of the United States is the only athlete to win gold medals in both the summer and winter games. In 1920 he own the light-heavyweight boxing gold and in 1932 he was part of the 4-man bobsled team, also winning gold.

A Pleased Psychic

I am not a believer in séances, but I went to one just to see what they are like. The psychic was doing his thing and grinning from ear to ear. I assumed his merriment was due to the fact that he was fooling a gullible public and gave him a poke in the nose. You can probably guess the rest. I was arrested for striking a happy medium.

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This year's 'A Event' winner is the Brian Armstrong team from Banff. Armstrong has been coming to the event for years so it was nice to see him defeat the Kent team from Calgary in the final.

'B Event' was won by the local Evanoff team. The boys defeated the Dunn team in the final with a huge comeback. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to the sponsors and volunteers.

What Am I Answer?

The North American River Otter is a member of the weasel family. They produce two or three offspring which stay away from water for their first two months. The young spend a year with their mother, during which time they received a well-rounded education. Otters lay quietly underwater with just their nostrils exposed when danger appears.

New Number

A woman was getting swamped with calls from strangers. The reason? A billing service had launched an 800 number that was identical to hers. When she called to complain, she was told to get a new number. "I've had mine for twenty years," she pleaded. "Couldn't you change yours?" The company refused, so she said, "Fine. From now on, I'm going to tell everyone who calls that their bill is paid in full." The company got a new number the next day.

Brisco Crib Notes

Reigning Brisco Crib champion Joan Galbraith from Spillimacheen won the day money with a score of 829. She was closely followed by Val Wolfenden from Invermere who challenged Joan all the way. Unfortunately, Pauline Dontigny also from Spillimacheen, was the "Booby Prize" winner! Somebody has to be because that's the way the game is played, right Pauline? On the brighter side, she gets her

two bucks back, giving her enough for next week's entry fee.

Brisco Crib goes every Sunday 2-4 pm at the Brisco & District Community Hall. It is the place to be for crib and fellowship on Sunday afternoons. The eats and refreshments are not bad either. See you there.

The Sponge

In the doctors office two patients are talking.

"You know, I had an appendectomy last month and the doctor left a sponge in me by mistake."

"A sponge?" exclaims the other. "Does it hurt much?"

"No...no pain at all," says the first, "but...boy, do I get thirsty!"



Names We've Heard

- 24 Alain Prost, Billy Zane
- 25 George Harrison, Téa Leoni
- 26 John McEnroe, Michael Bolton
- 27 Liz Taylor, Ralph Nader
- 28 Eric Lindros, Rae Dawn Chong
- 1 Alan Thicke, Catherine Bach
- 2 Kyle Walgren
- 2 Jon Bon Jovi
- 3 Jessica Biel

Local Celebrities

- 18 Trevor Reid
- 19 Mary Tristram, Dave and Barb Fassnidge anniversary
- 21 Patricia Sam, Jackie Speta
- 23 Tanya Roe
- 24 Ian Capilo, Cory Price
- 25 Ryan Karl, Jarrett Roe, Kylee Pocha
- 26 Lona Harding, Michael Larrabee, Samantha Tyrrell
- 27 Brenda Sobieroy, Patricia Schuck, Adam Tyrrell
- 28 Joe Fuller, Al Larratt, Derrick Lake
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Kyoshin Karate 7-9 pm at Kicking Horse Coffee. \$10 drop in fee. 250-342-5385.

Judo Club at Invermere Judo Hall 7-8:30 pm. 250-688-0319.

2nd Thursday of Every Month

Crib tournament in Canal Flats at the Civic Centre at 1 pm. \$5 entry for 5 game rotating partner tourney. Call 250-349-5504.

Every Friday

Duplicate Bridge at 1:00 pm at Invermere Seniors' Hall. \$2 drop-in, bring a partner, everyone welcome. Invermere Seniors' Cribbage at 7:30 pm.

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'Soup and a Bun' luncheon at Edgewater Legion for only \$5.

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Every Sunday

Crib at Brisco Community Hall 2 pm.

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1st and 3rd Tuesday Each Month

Steamboat Mountain Quilter's Guild at Edgewater Hall 7 to 9 pm.

Every Wednesday

Red Hat-Foxy Red Bonnets meet at Tim Hortons at 10 am. 250-342-0198.

Open jam at Hoodoo Grill after 9 pm.

Badminton at J.A. Laird 7-9 pm. 250-342-3825.

February 24-27, Wed-Sat.

'Alvin and the Chipmunks: the Squeakquel' shoeing at Toby Theatre at 7 pm.

February 25, Thursday

Columbia Valley Chamber of Commerce AGM at 6:30 pm at the Lion's Hall.

February 28, Sunday

4 on 4 Pond Hockey tournament at Kinsmen Beach. Sponsored by Kootenay Savings Credit Union as a STARS fundraiser. Fun and competitive divisions. \$100/team.

March 2, Tuesday

'Collapse' showing at DTSS Theatre as part of 'The Chicken Little Series' at 7 pm. By donation to Columbia Valley Botanical Gardens and Centre for Sustainable Living.

March 3, Wednesday

Conrad Kain Centennial Society AGM, 6:30 pm at the Museum. Everyone welcome.

March 5, Friday

Sponsors' Fun Night at Invermere District Curling Club. All sponsors, volunteers, etc welcome. 250-342-3315.

March 6, Saturday

Year end Fun Bonspiel at Invermere District Curling Club. Everyone welcome. 250-342-3315.

March 10-13, Wed-Sat.

'It's Complicated' showing at Toby Theatre at 7 pm.

March 16, Tuesday

'The Crash Course' showing at DTSS Theatre as part of 'The Chicken Little Series' at 7 pm. By donation to Columbia Valley Botanical Gardens and Centre for Sustainable Living.

March 25, Thursday

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