

The Teslin Post

THE “REVIEW OF YUKON’S POLICING” PANEL VISITS TESLIN



Justice Coordinator Annie Johnston, Councillor Sharron Anderson, and Mayor Clara Jules listen to the RCMP Review Panel Co-Chair Dennis Cooley.

Village of
Teslin

Gateway to the Southern Lakes



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A big thank you to Mattias, Lisa, Dennis, Gord and Ben for supplying some fascinating photos. These pictures show the real character of our community to the rest of Canada. Please keep them coming. The Teslin Post is currently looking for pictures of local autumn harvesting. So please share...

Barb Hobbis passed along that, because I've known her a long time, I should just write her bio. I so really ... really wanted to say something like: "Barb enjoys dressing up as

Luke Skywalker after work; creating pictures with macaroni and white paste; and collecting used coat hangers." Talk about your internal struggle. The dark side did not win ... this time.

Anyway, if you have any story suggestions — drop off a note at the Village office or email me at:

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Regards,
Mike Hodgson
Editor



REVIEW OF YUKON'S POLICE FORCE



Retired Justice of the Peace John McCormick, flanked by panel co-chair Dennis Cooley and village CAO Frank Thomas, outlines an issue during the two hour discussion.

Twelve Teslin citizens met with the policing review panel during the evening of August 31, 2010. Earlier in the day, the panel met privately with the Mayor and Council and then with the executive of the Teslin Tlingit Council. During the evening session, views on cross cultural awareness, office hours, and community integration were discussed in detail. There was a general feeling that the community was happy with the RCMP. Names of past members, such as Plamondon, Grant, and Ullock, dotted the conversation. John McCormick noted sagely that we must “know the past before we can move into the future.”

**CONCERNS PRESENTED BY THE TESLIN TLINGIT COUNCIL
TO THE
PANEL REVIEWING YUKON'S RCMP SERVICES**

On August 31, 2010, the Executive Council of the Teslin Tlingit First Nation met with the panel reviewing RCMP services in the Yukon. The Council stated that they agreed with all issues documented by the Aboriginal court workers and community workers. They also outlined specific concerns relating to the Teslin experience.

1. TTC should be more active in selection or members coming into the community.
2. TTC needs more involvement in designing annual community plan for local detachment.
3. Need better gender balance in members posted in Teslin. Currently there are no female officers in Teslin.
4. Need more community presence in a positive way.
5. Own rules, practices, and policies restrict their effectiveness
6. Six months of training and then they have to act as social workers. They need more training. Social Workers go to school for four years.
7. RCMP tends to use force and intimidation when interacting with First Nations. Sometimes FN face guilt through association.
8. The general feeling of intimidation when having to interact with RCMP is partly a historical reaction. RCMP does little to help overcome this reaction. There are still some cultural biases from the RCMP. More cultural sensitivity training is required.
9. Commitment to the community is an issue -- members are cycled in and out. Communities are used as a training ground. Members are biding their time.
10. Suggested bringing in officers coming out of the academy to train with experienced members in the community.
11. Response time is poor.
12. More local transparency and accountability is required.
13. We agree with the national issue that the RCMP should not investigate themselves. We have had examples of this locally and look forward to positive solutions.
14. Orientation to the community for new members needs to be improved.
15. We have a commitment to get the Interagency meetings going again. Need commitment from RCMP to participate.
16. Appreciative of the services they provide. Communication tends to be an issue.
17. Historically we have had positive experiences with RCMP. We remember some past members who have been actively involved in the community and visiting socially. This leads to less crime and violence in Teslin compared to now. They did little things in the community that helped greatly with communication and comfort level with members.

Village Update

Highlights of the Village of Teslin Council Meeting Meeting # 16-10 August 23, 2010

Members Present: Mayor Clara Jules, Councillor Sharron Anderson, and Councillor Lori Joe
Members Absent: Councillor Margaret Douville and Councillor Stacey Hassard
Public Present: Corporal Shawn Pike

3. Hearing of Delegations and Individuals

3.1 RCMP Report by Corporal Shawn Pike

4. Reports and Recommendations of Boards Established by Council

4.1 July Fire Report

5. Reports from Village Administration, Standing or Special Committees of Council

5.1 July Financial Statements

#77-16-10 Moved by Councillor; L. Joe Seconded by Councillor; S. Anderson: **BE IT RESOLVED**
That Village Council approves the Financial Statements for July 2010. **~carried~**

10. New and Unfinished Business

10.1 Final Water Well Report

10.2 RCMP Meeting

10.3 Cell Phone - YTG



Highlights of the Village of Teslin Council Meeting Meeting # 17-10 September 13, 2010

Members Present: Mayor Clara Jules, Councillor Margaret Douville, Councillor Sharron Anderson, and Councillor Lori Joe

Members Absent: Councillor Stacey Hassard

Public Present: Rob Anderson, James Smarch

4. Reports and Recommendations of Boards Established by Council

4.1 Fire Dept. Report - James Smarch

Training Officer James Smarch Attended the Annual Fire Chiefs Conference in Dawson City and provided a report to Mayor & Council.

5. Reports from Village Administration, Standing or Special Committees of Council

5.1 CAO Report for August 2010

5.2 Public Works Report for August 2010

5.3 Final Report -Concert in the Park

Council would like a finalized expense summary for the "Concert in the Park".

5.4 AYC Faro - Councillor Anderson

7. Consideration of Items of Correspondence

7.2 Letter from TTC Re: Withdrawal from contributing to O&M on Arena

8. Consideration of Items of Accounts Payable by Village

8.8.1 August 2010 Accounts Payable

#80-17-10 Moved by Councillor; S. Anderson Seconded by Councillor; L. Joe

BE IT RESOLVED that Village Council approves the August Accounts Payable in the amount of \$333,162.15.

~carried~

10. New and Unfinished Business

10.1 Outcome of Frank & Kristyne's Meeting with YTG

10.2 MOU for Highway Maintenance

10.3 Snow Removal — Tabled till Next Meeting Sept 27, 2010

10.4 Landfill — Possible Change of Hours at Landfill.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BEN AND HENDRIEN
SCHONEWILLE ON SIXTY YEARS OF MARRIAGE.



It was sixty years ago, on Sept 23 1950, that Ben married the beautiful Hendrien. The couple celebrated the momentous event with an open house with family and friends.

Board Members Required

The Teslin Library Board is on the prowl for new board members.

Contact
Trevor Sallis
390-2802
for
further information

Thanksgiving Dinner at Teslin School

October 6 -- 6:00pm

Bring your own plates, cups & silverware

Potlatch-Style

12.00 for adults

6.00 for youth (ten and under)

preschoolers are free

Reservations would be appreciated!

We are talking full house.

Telephone Dennis or Sharon at the school for further information.



Wanted ... New Committee Members

The Teslin's Yukon College Community Campus Committee is in dire need of new members. Are you are interested in helping map the direction of Yukon College in our community? Give Dave Hett a call at Dawson Peaks for further details...

Calendar

Upcoming Council Meetings

October 12 2010

October 25 2010

Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. at the council chambers at the village office. Spectators are always welcome and the floor is open for questions at the end of the meeting.

Those wishing to make a formal presentation to the village council should speak with the village CAO (Frank Thomas) well before the specific meeting.

IN MEMORIAL

TERRY CLARK

JULY 4, 1953 - JULY 1, 2010

IN MEMORIAL

ALEX DICKSON

SEPTEMBER 6, 1969 - JULY 9, 2010

HERITAGE CENTRE WEDDING



Gord Curran

Darren Fraser and Michelle Smith wed at the Teslin Tlingit Heritage Centre on September 11, 2010. The couple are currently enjoying marital bliss in beautiful Watson Lake.

TRAVELS WITH MATTIAS

Mattias Martens

For two weeks now, I have been in Vancouver, University of British Columbia (UBC) to be exact. The weather has been fantastic and I am finally arriving to classes on time. The first week I was getting lost from building to building. I am staying at the dorm, which requires me to keep my key handy at all times to avoid getting locked out of my own quarters.

As some of you know I collected the admission and manned the gift store at the George Johnston Museum this summer. Before then I spent January to April in Germany and Egypt. Germany's architecture was most impressive to me. There have been cities in Germany for thousands of years; walking through the streets of some of its communities felt like taking a walk through medieval Europe (albeit with a great deal less bloodletting). The castles and other ancient structures are magnificent, well-maintained and abundant. One can drive past a five-hundred-year old stone watch tower on the way to work. Here, history does not need to be confined to museums, for it is all around, a constant reminder of the past. I can speak German better now as well. It was very helpful with the German tourists this summer. There's really no better way to learn a language than through immersion.

The greatest impact of Egypt was its sense of community. It's odd that a region as densely populated as the Nile should also be such a close-knit and charming sort of place. Of course, it'd be hopelessly naive of me to think that part of that isn't caused by the fact that I am a rich Western tourist travelling with dozens of other Western tourists; but still, I feel that beneath all the haggling and panhandling and artful monetary manipulation, the people of Egypt are really a people with heart. I remember a pair of ship staff people who worked in housekeeping and would make surprisingly meticulous sculptures of animals from folded towels in my room while I was out; a conversational villager named Mustafa selling trinkets on a motorboat and a feller named George who talked me into touring the entire ship wearing an Arabic sheik costume. Seeing Egypt brought with it a great number of new experiences:

First time in Africa.

First time in an Islamic country.

First time riding a camel.

First time eating raw sugar cane.

First time riding a hot air balloon.

First Ancient Wonder of the World (Abu Simbil temple, on the shore of Nasser Lake).

First time on the Nile River.

First time wearing a silly Egyptian hat.

I have made some friends at UBC already and look forward to many more experiences this year



Mattias Martens (on right) seals the deal with an Egyptian shop keeper.

TESLIN PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE

Teslin and area residents are invited to attend this third public meeting to provide input on two new land development projects being considered by the Teslin Tlingit Council and the Government of Yukon.

This will be an opportunity for interested residents to learn about the land development under consideration, and provide input on the sites under consideration, being Sawmill Road and Morley Bay.

Teslin Community Hall
Wednesday Oct 13, 2010
6:30 to 8:30 pm

For further information contact the TTC Lands Manager (390-2532)
or
VOT Chief Administrative Officer (390-2530)

YUKON COLLEGE/TESLIN CAMPUS UPDATE

Birgit Martens

The 2010/11 school year has started! Students (and staff) are juggling work and harvest demands as September rolls along. We are determined to give our best and complete the tasks ahead of us. To study full time takes courage, motivation and self discipline. It is no easy task but incredibly rewarding when the finish line is in sight. We are proud of our students and wish them the very best so they can accomplish their goals.

In the Yukon News you may have seen an insert for Continuing Education Courses for September to December. If you missed it or would like another copy please give us a call. You can register for any of the offerings with us.

Any immediate community courses are being advertised on our website or at the Post Office board.

Our Website HYPERLINK "<http://dlr.yukoncollege.yk.ca/tcc/>" <http://dlr.yukoncollege.yk.ca/tcc/>

Our E-mail HYPERLINK "<mailto:ycteslin@yukoncollege.yk.ca>" ycteslin@yukoncollege.yk.ca

Our Phone number : 1 867 390 8800

If you have any course wishes or education questions or want to teach a course come and see us at the campus.

Birgit Martens
Jean-Michel Harvey
Tasha Fox
Cody-Anne McArthur





Society of Yukon Bird Observatories

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The Society of Yukon Bird Observatories was formed in 2010 to administer and manage the Yukon Bird Observatory field stations including Albert Creek, Teslin Lake and McIntyre Marsh. Since 2001, the field stations have banded nearly 45,000 birds of 98 species and have hosted hundreds of visitors including a large number of school students. The primary goals of the society are to collect bird migration data to promote the conservation of North American birds and to raise awareness of the Yukon's bird life.

You are invited to become a member of the Society of Yukon Bird Observatories to support the ongoing migratory bird monitoring at the field stations. All members will receive regular email updates providing the latest news from the field stations including exceptional captures and observations. A bi-annual electronic newsletter will also be provided to all members.

Membership Fees (April 1 to March 31)

Individual	\$15.00	Contributing	\$50.00
Family	\$20.00	Supporting	\$100.00
Senior	\$10.00	Institutional	\$50.00
Student	\$10.00		

Family memberships must include at least two individuals. Please indicate the names of each person covered under a family membership. Foreign and American members please pay by Canadian money order (please do not pay with US cheque). All members will be mailed/emailed a receipt and acknowledgement of joining the society.

Members may also choose to make a financial donation to the society (of any dollar amount) to accompany their membership dues.

Please send cheque or money order to:

Society of Yukon Bird Observatories, PO Box 30056, Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 5M2

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province/Territory: _____

Postal Code: _____ Email: _____

Contributing to the conservation of migratory birds and promoting the awareness of the Yukon's birds

GEORGE JOHNSTON MUSEUM

Sharron Chatterton

The Museum Society has recently received a bundle of 1939-42 photographs from Gaile Goodey-Treiber whose father RCMP Constable Reg Goodey married her mother Eda Lila May Hill at Saint Phillips Mission church in 1941. Miss Pearl Geddes and Mrs Ted Geddes, were among the many First Nations guests, as was Church of England Bishop Geddes of dog sled fame. "The bride wore a baby blue organza gown and feathered cap and veil" and the groom his scarlet coat. Mrs Robert McCleery (owners then of the Nisutlin Trading Post) played the organ. Band Chief William Johnston led a party of his Teslin people to decorate the church with spruce boughs and Teslin women presented a white moose skin pillow for the bridal couple to kneel upon. They were the first non-native couple to be wed at Saint Phillip's which had been built in 1907. Among the photos we found some of the 340th Engineers who built the road from Nisutlin Bay towards Watson Lake and many also of the famous RCMP boat the dauntless *Saint Roch* that had navigated the North West Passage. The George Johnston Museum will keep the originals, and Yukon Archives and perhaps the NWT or the RCMP Archives will receive copies.

Former Commissioner and Yukon News publisher Doug Bell, a department of Transportation radio operator (like those in Teslin 1941-late 1960s) has been to visit our old white log radio building and donated radio range items (telegraph keys, microphones, Operator's certificate, a DOT marine clock). He's awed that Teslin people have saved so many artefacts and are building a unique exhibit.

Thae Auld George Museume has a few damp bones and stretched sinews. Sandy Smarch has cut a trapdoor so that the civil engineer can shine a light down under on its aches and pains. Once we know the damage, we'll be writing a grant for the wood log doctors and asking you for tenders.

Bless Irene Mahoney who is translating Father Boubillier's (French) diary entries for Teslin visits 1939-1945. She has already translated Father Tanquay's. Thank you, Irene. You are a trooper!

NEW STAFF AT TESLIN SCHOOL



Dennis Darling

Meet Barb Hobbis our new Tlingit language instructor. Ms Hobbis is of the Kukhhittan people and has recently moved back to Teslin. Barb is the niece of the late Gladys Sidney. Gladys, as most remember, was a very respected Tlingit instructor at Teslin school during the 1990's.

School Council Election

Library
Teslin School
3:00 - 8:00
Monday
October 4 2010

Eligible voters are from the Teslin School catchment area only.
Contact returning officer Jay Dobson for eligibility questions.

School Council Candidates

(three to elected)
Martina Baker
Kelly Morris
Bruce Wiseman
Pauline Sidney
Jade McGinty
Rob Anderson
Iris Johnny



Dennis Darling

Rea Postoloski, the new grade 7/8/9 teacher, comes to us by way of Haines Junction. Rea is Yukon born, raised, and educated. She has a degree in archeology, and is working on yet another science degree. Rea has a great sense of community and some skills in sport—especially hockey. Look for her in the gym or down at the arena. According to Principal Dennis Darling, “Ms Postoloski’s students are looking forward to an exciting academic year.” I suspect Dennis made up that last part.



KNOW YOUR ENEMY – IS IT A COLD OR THE FLU?

Julie Tipping R.N.

As you may have noticed around Teslin there is an increase in the number of folks coughing and sneezing. Healthy adults can expect 1-2 colds each year and healthy babies and children can expect 4 - 10 colds per year. The number of colds/flus you have each year does not mean you have a weak immune system but rather that you are exposed to many viruses.

Both colds and flus are caused by viruses. Because colds can be caused by 100-200 different viruses, it is impossible to make a vaccine to stop us from getting them. Flus are caused by Influenza virus and there are only a few of these which is why we have a different flu vaccine each year. Because colds and flus are caused by viruses antibiotics will not work against them.

Both cold and flu viruses are found in the mouth and the nose. Every time someone with a cold or flu coughs, sneezes or even just touches their mouth or nose they pass on the cold or flu virus to someone else.

Did you know that water droplets from a sneeze can travel at speeds faster than 160 km/hour and can travel the length of a city bus!

For adults it can take 1-4 days after being exposed to the cold or flu virus before you have symptoms. For children this can take up to 10 days!

So what is the difference between a cold and the flu?

A cold often starts with feeling tired, sneezing, coughing and a runny nose. You may or may not have a fever. You may also have muscle aches, a scratchy or sore throat, watery eyes and a headache. As the cold worsens, your runny nose may turn from thin and watery to yellow and thick. A cold usually lasts 3 or 4 days but can last up to 10 days. You may notice that each cold has different symptoms depending on the virus that is causing the cold.

The flu starts suddenly and hits hard. You will have a fever and will feel weak and tired, have a dry cough, a runny nose, chills, muscle aches, severe headache and a sore throat. The fever may last for 3 to 5 days. After the flu goes away, you may still feel weak and tired or keep coughing for up to 3 weeks.

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How can you avoid getting a cold or the flu:

You can reduce your risk of catching a cold or the flu by washing your hands frequently, which stops the spread of germs. Eating healthy, exercising and getting enough sleep also play a part in preventing colds and the flu because they help boost your immune system. And staying away from sick people lessens your exposure to the cold or flu viruses.

What can you do once you have a cold or the flu:

There's no cure for a cold or the flu. Antibiotics will not work against viruses. To feel better you can treat your symptoms while your body fights off the virus.

Stay home and rest in bed, especially while you have a fever.

Stop smoking and avoid second-hand smoke, which can make cold symptoms worse.

Drink plenty of fluids like water and fruit juices. Try frozen flavored ice (Example: Popsicles). Fluids will help loosen mucus. Fluids are also important if you have a fever because fever can dry up your body's fluids, which can lead to dehydration.

Drink hot tea with lemon and honey to soothe a sore throat and help loosen the mucus in your nose. Eating chicken soup can also help loosen the mucus.

Don't drink alcohol.

Gargle with warm salt water a few times a day to relieve a sore throat (1 tsp. of salt in 1 cup of water). Throat spray or lozenges may also help relieve the pain.

Suck on cough lozenges or hard candy to quiet a cough. Try to use ones low in sugar.

If a child is too young to blow his or her own nose, you may try a suction bulb to remove the mucus. (A cold mist vaporizer may also help.)

Use saline nose drops to help loosen mucus. Saline nose drops are like salt water and simply help moisten the tender skin in your nose (1/4 tsp. salt in 1 cup of cooled water).

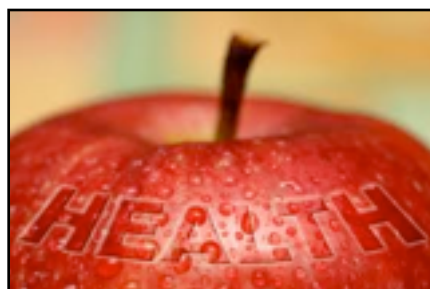


TESLIN RELIEF NURSE HEADS TO WARMER CLIMES



Lisa Moody

Here's Terry Ogilvie, the summer relief nurse at the Teslin Health Centre, with the first fish she ever caught. Ms Ogilvie now knows that fish squirm when held. Happy trails in the south....



ATTENTION ALL TESLIN RESIDENTS

NEW LANDFILL & RECYCLING HOURS

**EFFECTIVE
OCTOBER 10, 2010**

Open

Thursdays 12 pm - 6 pm

Fridays 12 pm – 6 pm

Saturdays & Sundays 10 am – 5 pm

Closed

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

Mayor and Council are concerned with the recent thefts of property and fuel around the community. If you have any information regarding these thefts or have witnessed suspicious activity please notify the Teslin RCMP

Also remember that the roads along Friendship Park are designated as a playground zone (30 km). Motorists please slow down!

Closing Shot



Culture Camp
Summer 1982
Photographer unknown