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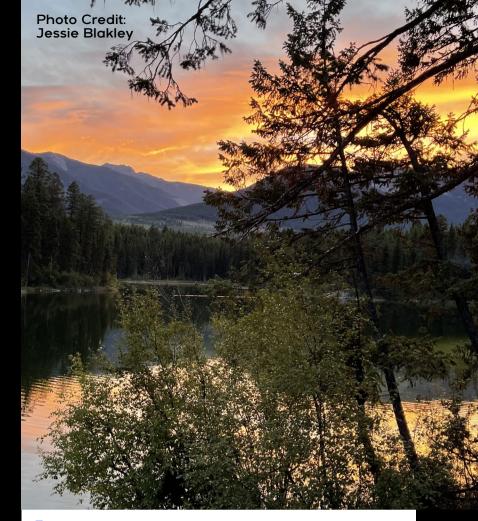
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LETTER FROM THE VOLUNTEERS

Dear Readers,

Can we admit something? This shit is hard. Putting together a weekly publication, free and anonymously, takes a poop load of work.

But you know what? It's worth it. Thanks to this publication and all the amazing folks who submit, read and share, we have been seeing real changes happening in the valley.

So far, we've seen prominent organizations make changes to things they haven't changed in years.

We've seen other media outlets drop fees and widen their reporting spectrum.

We've incited healthy, effective conversations in the community which have lead to adjustments and shifts in mentality and activity.

What's our point? Everything is hard, we chose the hard we want. Our group believes in what we are doing. We believe in truth in media and free speech and that's why we do what we do.

Feeling our passion? Good - reach out. We always need more folks (front facing and silent partners) to help us continue to provide the content we do and to continue to inspire change.

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UPDATED COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES

THE B.C. GOVERNMENT RECENTLY ANNOUNCED NEW COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES EXPECTED TO TAKE EFFECT SEPTEMBER 13TH.

This includes requiring proof of vaccination in order to attend certain settings and events.

One area that has had many questions surrounding safety measures is students and teachers. Whether teachers would be required to vaccinate, as children 12 and under are not able to receive the vaccine, has been the number one question asked by many.

We now have an answer! The provincial government announced that vaccines will not be made mandatory for teachers and school staff. However, it is required that all staff and students in Grade 4 and above wear masks. With this safety measure in place, extracurricular activities are making a return. Students will be able to participate in activities like music, theater, and sports within the guidelines and restrictions of Provincial Health Orders.

To make an appointment, register online by visiting the provincial website at: <u>www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca/</u>, call **1-833-838-2323**, and then book an appointment. In a statement reported by <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Minister of Education Jennifer Whiteside had the following comments,

"We know how excited students and families are about being back in school with extracurricular and sports programs and how important it is for children to be connected to their teachers and friends on a full-time basis. We also know we can do this safely, even as the pandemic continues to present challenges. B.C. was one of the few jurisdictions in Canada to keep schools open and safe last year thanks to the monumental efforts of everyone in the education system. The precautions we are announcing today allow students to continue learning in school with safeguards in place, so they have every opportunity to achieve their best."

Students are currently required to complete daily health checks to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and this will continue. Provincial officials are also strongly urging staff and eligible students to receive their vaccinations to prevent schools from another shutdown. Post-Secondary staff and students will be required to follow much stricter regulations including mandatory proof of vaccination for any students living in on-campus housing. The mask order will continue and apply in any indoor public area on campus. This includes but is not limited to any lobbies, hallways, staircases, elevators, classrooms, and labs located on campus. These guidelines will come into effect on September 7th, 2021.

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The B.C. government re-instated the mask order on August 25, 2021 which restricts anyone 12 and older from entering indoor public spaces without a mask on. The exception to this rule is temporarily removing your mask indoors to identify yourself, eat food or drink a beverage, or while participating in a sport/fitness activity. BC Transit has also announced they will be requiring riders to equip themselves with a face mask in order to use the service. The types of settings the mask mandate applies to includes but is not restricted to the below:



- malls, shopping centres, coffee shops and retail and grocery stores;
- liquor and drug stores;
- airports, city halls, libraries, community and recreation centres;
- restaurants, pubs and bars (unless seated);
- on public transportation, in a taxi or ridesharing vehicle;
- areas of office buildings where services to the public are provided;
- common areas of sport and fitness centres when not engaged in physical activity;
- common areas of post-secondary institutions and non-profit organizations; and
- inside schools for all K-12 staff, visitors and students in grades 4-12.

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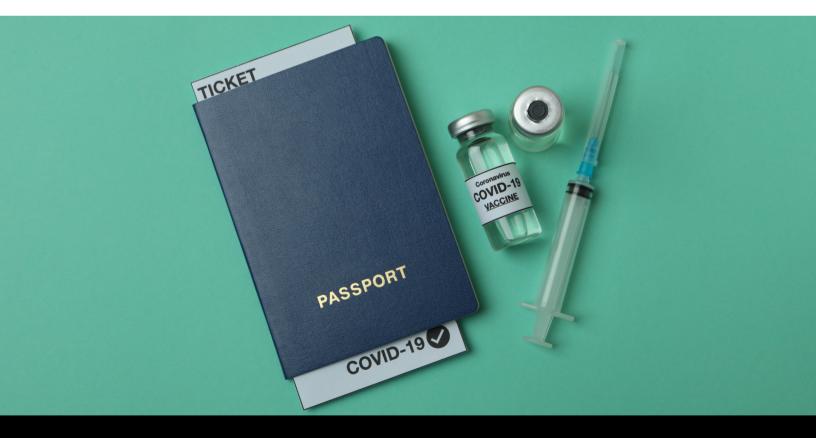
THESE SAFETY MEASURES COME AS AN ANSWER TO THE RISING CASES OF COVID-19 ACROSS THE PROVINCE. A TOTAL OF 182 NEW CASES WERE REPORTED IN THE EAST KOOTENAY LAST WEEK ALONE.

Cranbrook and Creston reported the highest new infections with each community reporting 56 new infections. However, since the news broke that proof of vaccination is required in most settings across the province soon, the number of vaccination bookings has drastically increased. Daily registrations have jumped 174.8% and daily bookings have increased by 88.6%. Since the announcement by the provincial government last week, a total of 8,909 new registrations were made and 7,347 new bookings.

In a statement reported by <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Minister of Health Adrian Dix had the following to comment,

"Getting vaccinated is the most important step we can all take to move out of this pandemic, and the momentum this week is positive news. I am pleased that people are heeding our call to roll up their sleeve to help stop the spread of COVID-19. But there's more work to do, and I encourage everyone to make the best choice to protect themselves, their loved ones and their community – get vaccinated."

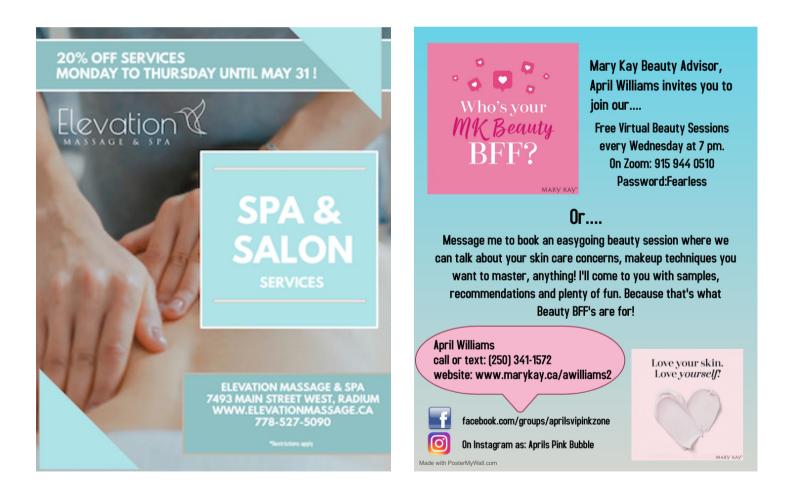
The proof of vaccination order is set to take effect on September 13th which is less than two weeks away to get your first vaccine shot.



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COVID-19 Pop-Up VACCINATION CLINICS

Pop-up vaccine clinics will be arriving throughout the East Kootenays to provide an easier way to access the vaccine in rural communities.

There will be no appointment necessary and anyone living in that area is eligible to walk in and receive either their first or second dose of the vaccine. Eligibility requirements include anyone born in 2009 or earlier and those who received their first dose must wait four weeks to receive their second shot.

Proof of vaccination with the first dose of COVID-19 will be required for many settings across the province starting September 13th. By October 24th, it will be required to have both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine in order to enter/attend many settings and events across the province.

Locations are listed on the next page.

Here are the locations and times of the pop-up vaccination clinics across the East Kootenays:

Cranbrook:

- Tamarack Mall: Saturday, August 28th, Friday, September 4th, 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Tamarack Mall: Labour Day Monday, September 6th, National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Thursday, Sept 30th. 12:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. *Drop-Ins Only
- College of the Rockies: Wednesday, September 8th and Thursday, September 9th,10:00
 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
- Parkland Middle School: Monday to Sunday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Creston:

- Creston Town Hall: Monday, August 30th, 9:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
- Pealow's Independent Grocer: Wednesday, September 1st, 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Creston Valley Library: Thursday, September 2nd, 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Creston Health Centre: Monday, Friday, 9:00 a.m. 2:50 p.m., Wednesdays 12:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.

Fernie:

- Rooftop Coffee Roasters: Tuesday, August 31st, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- Elk Valley Hospital Acute Respiratory Care Clinic Room: ongoing until September 6th. Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:50 p.m.

Invermere:

- Invermere Catholic Church: until September 3rd, Tuesday & Thursday: 12:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m. Wednesday & Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
- Invermere Public Health Centre: Starting September 10th, Fridays: 8:30 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

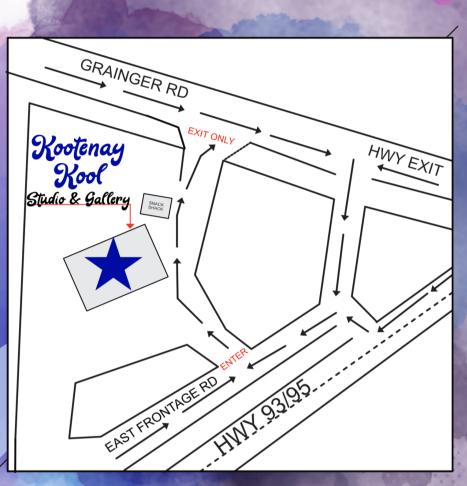
Kimberley:

 - Kimberley Health Centre: Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:50 p.m.

Sparwood:

 - Sparwood Health Centre: Wednesdays from 9:10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.







September 3rd & 4th 6:00pm - 9:00pm No Admission Fee Free Appetizers

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THE DISTRICT OF THE DISTRICT OF INVERMERE PRESENTS

POTHOLE PARK DOWNTOWN INVERMERE 6:30 PM-8PM

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WALKING WITH SPIRITS

Photo Credit: Sasha Eugene's Page

Sasha Eugene embarked on another courageous quest to bring the spirits of the Indigenous children whose lives were lost at residential schools.

Sasha's journey began in Kamloops on August 20th, 2021 at sunrise and she's now returned home to the valley as of yesterday.

Her impact on the community has been shown far and wide with support coming from many communities on her journey. Many people pooled together to provide gifts of kindness to Sasha and show their support for the journey she is undertaking, including a ceremony and feast at Setekwa Golf in Inveremere with the late Chief Pierre Kinbasket. It's amazing to see so many come out and show support.







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Special thanks to Jessie Blakley who sumbitted the below images



You can see her journey on the facebook page <u>Medicine freedom walk</u>, <u>bringing the spirits home</u>.



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TIME TO ROAST MARSHMALLOWS

WITH WILDFIRES RAGING ACROSS THE PROVINCE, A FIRE BAN WAS ENACTED TO PREVENT THE WILDFIRES FROM SPREADING ACROSS THE PROVINCE. HOWEVER, THE BAN HAS NOW BEEN ADJUSTED FOR SOME COMMUNITIES EFFECTIVE NOON ON AUGUST 27, 2021. RESIDENTS IN THE CRANBROOK, INVERMERE, COLUMBIA, ARROW, AND KOOTENAY LAKE FIRE ZONES ARE NOW ALLOWED TO HAVE CAMPFIRES. TIME TO GET OUT THOSE MARSHMALLOWS AND WEENIES!

Cooler temperatures and precipitation is what gave the province the green light to allow campfires again in these communities. However, campfires are still prohibited in the Boundary fire zone at this time. While campfires are allowed, there is still a fire ban in place against any open fire larger than 0.5 meters wide. These activities below fall under the updated fire ban:

Category 2 and Category 3 open fires, as defined in the Wildfire Regulation;

- the use of burn barrels and burn cages;
- the use of air curtain burners;
- the use of sky lanterns;
- the use of fireworks, including firecrackers; and
- the use of binary exploding targets.

All campfires must follow regulations by having a fireguard to remove flammable debris from the area. There will also need to be a hand tool present and at least eight liters of water nearby in the event the fire needs to be extinguished. **OBAN RAY** August 7, 8, 9, 10 and 20 to 26 **September 3, 4, 5 (long weekend)** Usually 4 pm to 8 pm (subject to adjustment)

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Join us for stories, songs & a take-home craft! Please bring your own blanket to sit on and stay 6ft apart from other families.

Weather permitting.

Sept. 3: Serenity Farms 4825 The Dell Road, Windermere

Sept. 10, 17 & 24: Library Front Lawn

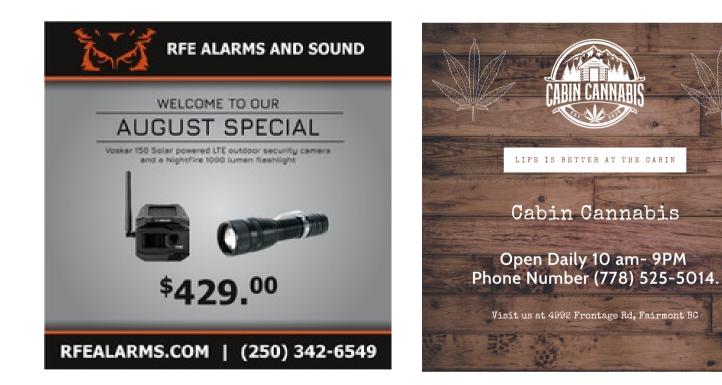


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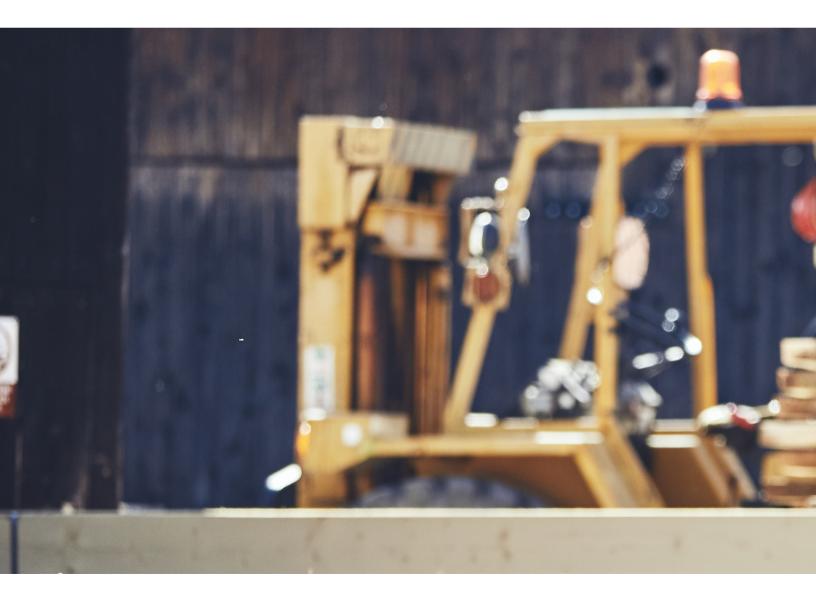
CANFOR PRODUCTION CUTS BACK

Many industries have seen an impact from the COVID-19 pandemic and the lumber industry isn't immune.

In response to the instability of the lumber market, Canfor will be cutting back approximately 90% of their lumber mills across the province starting this week. The cut back impacts over 200 workers across the East Kootenays.

In a statement reported by <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Wood Council Chair with United Steelworkers Jeff Bromley, shares insight into the lumber industry and how it reached this level of instability,

"As close as two months ago, they were getting record-high prices for their products into the U.S. market. Then the supply and demand law of economics came into play and a lot of supply came back onto the market from the mills. Then the market crashed, it actually fell off a cliff. They were fetching anywhere in the neighbourhood of \$1,500 U.S. or more per 1,000 board feet a few months ago, and now that number is down to between \$500 and \$600."



This comes after lumber producers were seen benefitting from a high-priced market. However, Bromley also mentions stumpage fees are impacting Canfor's bottom line since they are still basing their pricing on market conditions from months ago. However, the union doesn't see this the same way. Bromley mentions the below statement in response to their financial loss as reported on <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>,

"Canfor has made a very tidy profit in the last two quarters, they've made record profits. To say they're losing money at the mills, that's right they're certainly not making as much as they did, but to lay off folks during this period feels a little disingenuous. Not too long ago they were reporting record profits to the tune of about \$700-million in a quarter, which is unheard of."

In a statement reported on <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Stephen Mackie Executive Vice President of North America, Canfor had the following comments on the cutback,

"Due to challenging market conditions, we are implementing reduced operating schedules at our B.C. sawmills that will remain in place until demand and pricing meaningfully improve. We recognize the impact that volatile lumber markets have on our employees, contractors and communities and we will make efforts to mitigate the negative effects. We will also leverage our global operating platform to minimize disruptions in supply to our customers."

It doesn't appear we will see Canfor resume full production again until the lumber market stabilizes.



BEWARE OF SCAMMERS

Scams are nothing new, you've probably received a phone call once either from Canada Revenue Agency or another company claiming to be someone they are not. The Elk Valley RCMP are reminding the public to be cautious of scams and fraudulent activity as they have received several reports from targeted locals.

According to the RCMP, these recent scams involve receiving a call from someone trying to convince you there is an ongoing investigation for drug possession against you. They could also be claiming to work for "National Defense" or your bank. Keep in mind, if you are about to be arrested or charged, the police and/or government is not going to call you to warn you. These calls generally follow the same rule of thumb where the caller will demand a payment from you in order to get rid of the situation.

These scammers are getting smarter too, don't be fooled by your caller ID. You may also be receiving the call from a phone number that looks local or reputable, don't be fooled. Fraudsters can utilize computer software to replicate any phone number they wish to show up on your caller ID. This gives them an advantage when calling you because you may believe it's someone you actually know. Always be cautious and ask questions if you are unsure of a phone call you receive.

If you are ever in doubt of a potential scam, never give any personal information or money over the phone. If you believe you have been contacted by a fraudster, you are encouraged to hang up and alert the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre or Service Canada about the attempted scam.



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Man and Woman on the Run

The RCMP are looking to the public for information on a man and woman who fled officers after a theft.

Last week, the Cranbrook RCMP received a call regarding theft of bottles from a residence in the 900-block of 6th Street South. It's been reported an unknown male and female accessed a closed area of the property and reportedly stole several bags of cans. The RCMP were called and when searching for the suspects, located the suspect's vehicle at the bottle depot. Once the officer initiated his lights to apprehend the suspect, they both fled away in a truck.

The officer determined after doing a check on the vehicle they were driving that the license plate had been reported stolen in Alberta. Cranbrook RCMP officers eventually found the vehicle after a chase where the spike belt was deployed, however the suspects fled the scene and were unable to be located. The suspects were last seen on August 25th at approximately 3:30pm in the neighbourhood of Park Royal. Extensive searches were conducted by police agencies and they have not been able to locate the suspects.



In a statement reported by <u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Cst Katie Forgeron released the following statement,

"We are still actively looking for the two individuals in the photos. The suspect driver put many people in danger by refusing to stop for police and continuing driving into a populated area. If you know who the suspects are, we would appreciate you reaching out to us."

Cranbrook RCMP are urging residents to keep their vehicles locked and ensure they are not leaving any valuables in their vehicle unattended. If you see this man or woman contact the RCMP.



RITE TO RIDE FOUNDATION PRESENTS

SKATEBOARD COMPETITION STREET - OLLIE - BALLOON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH 1PM - 4PM REGISTRATION © 12PM

Invermere Skate Park ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS **HELMETS REQUIRED**



MUSIC - MEGA PRIZES - FUN



- When: September 26th 2021
- Who: Everyone Family Friendly

Event Details:

11:00am Open / 14:00pm End of day 11:30am Scavenger Hunt 12:30pm Picnic, snacks and questions 13.15pm WildSafe Ranger Presentation (Kids) 13:15pm Bear Spray Clinic (Adults)

Learn more by contacting your local WildSafeBC Community Coordinator at:

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BC is Wildlife Country



Stay safe and help keep wildlife wild.



Avoid surprise encounters. Make noise by clapping your hands and using your voice. Watch for scat and other signs of wildlife. Avoid walking alone, carry bear spray and know how to use it.



Keep pets on a leash in wildlife country. Not only can dogs displace wildife, dogs that chase after bears can bring them back to their owners or be killed. Wolves and coyotes can perceive dogs as a potential threat or prey.



Keep a safe distance. View and photograph wildlife from a safe and respectful distance of at least 100m for bears and at least 30m for other large non-predatory animals. If you cause an animal to move, you are too close.



Respect wild animals. Never feed wildlife and always keep attractants secure and out of reach. Feeding wildlife can lead to conflicts and tragic consequences.

you encounter a bear:

Stay calm, do not yell or run. Speak in a low voice. If you have bear spray, pull it out and remove the safety.

- Move away slowly. If the bear charges, stand your ground and discharge the bear spray.
- 😕 Leave the area slowly and report the encounter.

Bear attacks are rare but be prepared. Learn more about bears, bear spray and other wildlife safety at





Learn more about BC wildlife and safety at wildsafebc.com Report all conflicts with wildlife to the BC Conservation Officer Service:

You're Not Alone

Since the start of the pandemic, mental health for many people has been on the decline. It's been a difficult time for many, whether that be because you are a healthcare worker who's working 18+ hours a day or someone who has been kept away from your loved ones for months. This has impacted everyone differently, but one thing is for certain, it has impacted everyone's mental health.

In response to the need for mental health support, the B.C. government is releasing a new website for residents of the province to connect with mental health and substance use information and support. The website is expected to be user-friendly and introduce people to the information they need to be supported, including guided search tools that will help the user find exactly what they need. The information on the site will include support tools for children or youth, adults, parents, seniors, Indigenous persons, 2SLGBTQ+ persons, people who utilize drugs, service providers, and post-secondary students/educators.

In a statement reported by

<u>myeastkootenaynow.com</u>, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions Shiela Malcomson had the following comments on the new program,

"People seeking mental health and substance use supports have told me finding information is hard, and they don't know where to start. Now we've built an online pathway for people in British Columbia to navigate to mental health and addictions support for themselves and their loved ones."

This is another step by the provincial government to provide support to residents of the province who are suffering with mental health or substance abuse issues. The B.C. government will be constantly updating the website and expanding on the information provided to ensure everything remains up-todate. The website is publicly accessible at wellbeing.gov.bc.ca.





SAINTS ROW IS KEEPING IT WEIRD

SAINTS ROW IS GETTING THE REBOOT TREATMENT BY DEVELOPERS VOLITION AND DEEP SILVER, THE ORIGINAL TEAMS BEHIND THE SAINTS ROW FRANCHISE.

New gameplay footage has been revealed which shows there's still some wild madness in the game despite seeing a more grounded nature in the gameplay trailer's debut. The trailer featured enemies firing laser guns, explosive helicopter battles, building your gang empire, and taking down huge, militarized corporations. The overall feel of the game is close to Watch Dogs 2 with the weird personality come to known of the Saints Row franchise.

The trailer shows the motto of the city which is "Keep it strange", suggesting the weirdness that comes with the Saints Row franchise isn't fully gone. However, we shouldn't expect to see the level of weirdness from Saints Row 4 like superpowers and alien invasions. As we see in the trailer, the Saints are a group of four friends headed up by The Boss, who is controlled by you. Your character will be customizable and looks to be a female protagonist. You are joined by Eli who is an investor that wants to turn The Saints into an enterprise empire instead of a group of criminals.

There will be at least three unique enemy factions The Saints will need to combat against. Each of them have their own territory on the map with their own array of unique equipment and enemies. Some contain assassins with high tech equipment like laser weapons where some may be more melee bruiser-style gang wars with heavy weapons.

The game looks to be a more grounded reboot of the franchise while still keeping some of the quirkiness that made fans fall in love in the first place. There's no release date currently announced, however it's expected the game will be released by Spring 2022.

JOSH GRIEVE

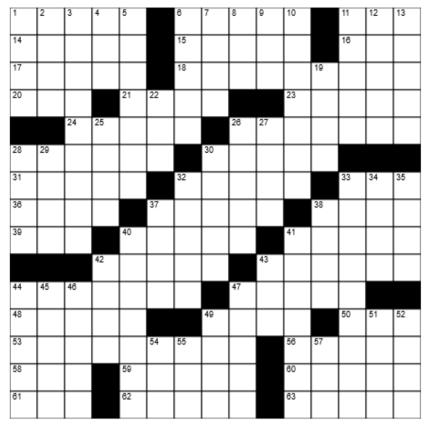


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1- Sham; 6- Swiftness; 11- Nipper's co.; 14-Lend ___; 15- Sip; 16- Where It.'s at; 17-Mother-of-pearl; 18- Permissible; 20-Canonized Mlle.; 21- Take your leader: 23- Godly love: 24- Strike hard: 26- Word before beauty or bridge; 28- Assails; 30-Scuffle: 31- Roomy dress cut: 32- Eccentric: 33- Bordeaux, e.g.; 36- Classic autos; 37-Parlor game; 38- Off-the-wall; 39-Campaigned; 40- Little bits; 41- Pooh's creator; 42- Conductor Dorati; 43- Current; 44- Warship: 47- Russian revolutionary leader: 48- Multitude: 49- Like some decisions: 50- General on Chinese menus: 53- Stupid; 56- Drops; 58- Beverage commonly drunk in England: 59- Govt. security; 60- Ways to the pins; 61- Mama's boy: 62- Income source: 63- Plant problem:

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1- Devotees; 2- Med school subj.; 3-Economic decline; 4- Automobile; 5- Recluse; 6- Condition; 7- ____ Alto; 8- Alien's subj.; 9-DDE's command; 10- Dehydrate; 11- Rod used to reinforce concrete; 12- Mea ___; 13-

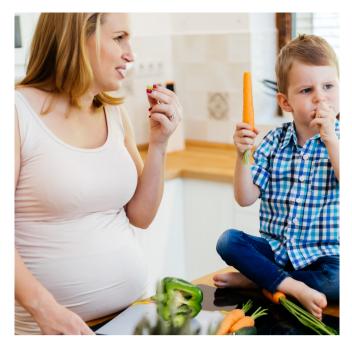


Staggering; 19- Malaria symptom; 22- Aliens, briefly; 25- Department store department; 26- Food and water; 27- Some are pale; 28- Roseanne, once; 29- Zeno's home; 30- Wall painting; 32- Emirate on the Persian Gulf; 33- Sweetheart; 34- Hostelries; 35- Russian no; 37- Pigeon coop; 38- Rigatoni relative; 40- Six legged creatures; 41- Sewer system entrance; 42- Assistant, particularly to heads of state; 43- Bandleader Brown; 44- Markers; 45- Lover of Juliet; 46- Living in a city; 47- Shoe ties; 49- Ceremonial act; 51- Arise (from); 52- Greek peak; 54- One _____ million; 55- Chat room chuckle; 57- Deranged;

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How To Explain This

My three-year-old grandson asked his mother whether his younger brother used to be in her stomach. "Yes," she said.

"How did he get there?" he asked.

"I'll tell you when you're a little older."

"Just tell me this," he said, concerned. "Did you eat him?"



Your Future

Two regulars are sitting at a bar when one of them casually points to a couple of drunks across from them.

"That's us in ten years," he says.

His friend takes a sip from his beer, sets it down on the bar, turns to his friend, and slurs, "That's a mirror."



The Version Mary

My 11-year-old takes his homework seriously. One question required him to write a sentence using the word version.

His sentence: "Have you heard of the version Mary?"



Okay Then

A woman at our checkout counter didn't have enough money to cover her purchase of toilet paper, so I paid the 96 cents.

"Thank you," she said. "I'm going to think of you every time I use this paper."

GET INVOLVED

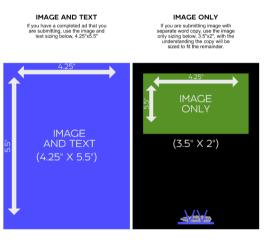
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Business Ad Sizing Rules

FOR A FULL-PAGE FOOD WRITE UP

We will ask you to provide the meal set you want tasted, at no charge, to our public food writer. (One of the front facing volunteer positions through the Valley Voice where anonymity is not always possible.) You will be notified when to expect the critic and they will introduce themselves. Once the meal has been completed, you can expect a fullpage review, complete with photography of your food, to appear in a future issue.

TO GET ON THE COVER

This one is really easy... take the best photo. If the best photo has been submitted by a business, it's the business who will be credited on the front page.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

We are still looking for content curators, front-facing liaisons, photographers, and promoters.

Want to get involved?

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