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Join us on the lawn of the
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Thurs. Aug. 3rd • 4-8:30pm

**Wrap Up Party &
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Monday August 7, 4pm-8pm

* Live music * Live performances

* Light refreshments * Draw

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Chamber of Commerce
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Arts Council
Bass Coast
Tourism
the Arts Council
Nicola Valley
Community Arts Council

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Provincial state of emergency

With the wildfire situation on Friday, the Province took the extraordinary measure of declaring a provincial state of emergency, which gives agencies such as Emergency Mgt BC, the Fire Commissioner, Ministry of Forests and the RCMP authority under the *Emergency Program Act* to take every action necessary to fight these wildfires and protect residents and communities.

Campfires were banned in the whole southern half of the province on Friday.

In the Nicola Valley

Locally on Friday, Merritt Fire Rescue put out a fire around 11:30pm on Fox Farm Rd. They assume it was human caused.

Three small fires are listed on MoF's Wildfire website: Approx. 3.5km up Jack Swartz Rd on Saturday, a fire spread from a campfire. Area residents were quick to report it, and the Lower Nicola Fire Department and local forestry team made quick work of it, before it could get away.

Saturday, a fire on Comstock Rd, suspected to be person-caused, was put out while it was still only 0.6 ha in size. And a new fire was reported yesterday on Lundbom Hill: no word on progress there.

The fire danger rating for our area is forecast to remain at level 5, 'extreme'.

Thick smoke in the valley built up through the morning Saturday, obliterating the local hills, but cleared up late afternoon.

In the province

Currently, there are 220 wildfires burning across the province, with only 129 larger than 0.1 hectare in size. Approx. 140 fires started on Friday and another 100 sparked on Saturday. There are 23,697 hectares on fire and authorities say that number is likely to grow. The forecast for most parts of BC calls for dry conditions and hot temperatures for the next week and likely even longer. So the 'best-case scenario' for BC would be a province-wide rain event, but that is unlikely to happen.

Evacuations With this week's forecast, the number of evacuees province-wide — approx. 7000 — will most certainly grow before it shrinks. On Saturday, 31 people from an assisted living facility in the Ashcroft area were accommodated at The Florentine, and they were expecting more from 100 Mile House. Children attending Camp Tulahedon on the road to Princeton were evacuated to the NV Evangelical Church this weekend. The camp will remain closed for the foreseeable future.

Fires of note in our area As of yesterday, the fire 10km north-east of Princeton was estimated to be 1500 hectares and classified as 'out of control'. 50 firefighters, 2 helicopters, heavy equipment and support personnel are on site.

The fire at the Ashcroft Reserve is now estimated to be 4400 hectares, with 80 firefighters, 7 helicopters, heavy equipment and support personnel on site. Due to poor visibility at the last update, officials said it was not possible to determine the number of structures that have been affected. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time, and they will conduct an investigation when it is safe to access the area.

Due to a typo, I spent all day trying to plaster a wall with a towel!

Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building? Of course, the Empire State Building can't jump.

HIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE



Aries
March 21 - April 19

Your subconscious is nudging you to rethink. Listen to your doubts, then decide whether to accept or dismiss them. The only one preventing you from reaching your goal is you.



Taurus
April 20 - May 20

You really can count on people's generosity. But you're under no obligation to do so. You can do all this by yourself. But there's help on hand when you need it.



Gemini
May 21 - June 21

Things have been shifting. Tactics, goals, perspectives, and principles aren't quite what they were. But you're not out of control, you should be calling the shots. Enjoy the ride!



Cancer
June 21 - July 22

You can finally start to clear up the mystery in your life, and what you'll learn will enable you to embark on a far more enjoyable leg of what's been a long, and at times difficult journey.



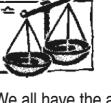
Leo
July 23 - Aug 22

Your instincts don't tell the whole tale now. But that doesn't mean they're wrong. Give them a chance, and you'll make a real impact on the life story you're creating.



Virgo
Aug 23 - Sept 22

People who have cut corners to get what they want know it, and to cope, they have to develop a hard heart. What you see as your faults are actually strengths. Be glad of that.



Libra
Sept 23 - Oct 22

We all have the ability to nurture a seed into a towering tree, guide an idea through to a successful endeavour. You feel as if you're working next to nothing, but don't underestimate yourself.



Scorpio
Oct. 23 - Nov 21

You need to push past easy opinions & dig down for hard facts. Now, more than ever, you need to distinguish what is real and what is hearsay.



Sagittarius
Nov 22 - Dec 21

This week, avoid a certain someone who confuses you. Sail towards the future with as much optimism as you can muster, and your fears roll away gently, like the tide.



Capricorn
Dec 22 - Jan 19

If you're happy going with the flow, go. But you can change your course if you want. Just grab those oars, hoist your mainsail, shiver your timbers and set a new course.



Aquarius
Jan 20 - Feb 18

You're facing a question to which you're sure you know the answer. But think again before powering ahead — it will save you from a future u-turn.



Pisces
Feb 19 - Mar 20

Occasionally we get an opportunity to boost our self-esteem. While recent events have drained you, they've given you insight into your motivations and the people closest to you.

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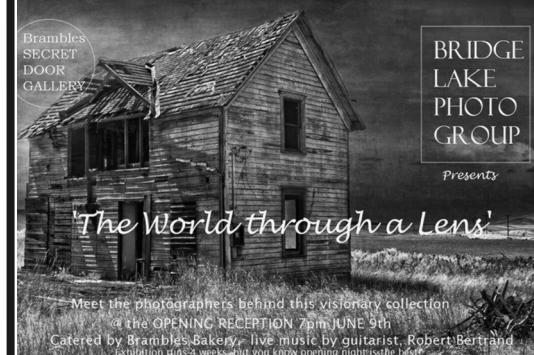
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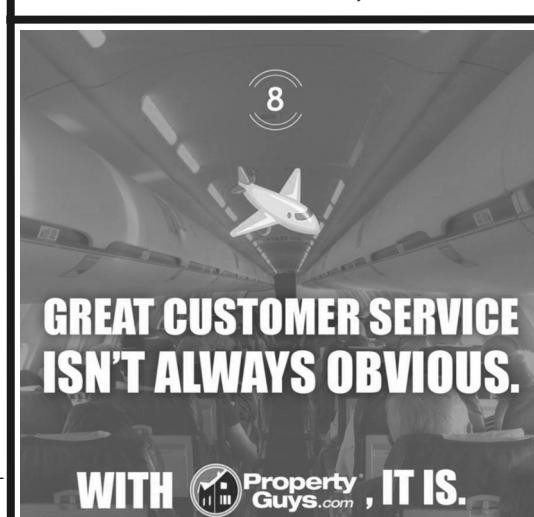


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