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#### LOCALNEWS

# Feds give \$6M for transit projects

#### **POLITICS** By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

Public transit and active transportation users in the city of Thunder Bay can expect to see some improvements to services in the coming year.

On Monday, the federal government announced \$6 million for 21 local public infrastructure projects as part of the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund.

"It's extraordinarily helpful," said Thunder Bay city manager, Norm Gale. "It does help with the experience and service that we provide, but on a financial side, it's a boon. The municipalities do rely on the federal and provincial government for assistance to provide these programs and we are grateful for the funding."

In April 2016, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced in Thunder Bay a \$3.4-billion investment in public transit projects across the country, though no specific details were given for Thunder Bay. The \$6 million will cover 50 per cent of project costs that range from fleet renewal to pedestrian crossovers. The rest of the funding will come from the City of Thunder Bay through the capital budget, which includes gas tax contributions from the province.

"Municipalities are stretched to the limit, like most of us in various levels of government," said Patty Hajdu, minister of employment, workforce development, and labour during the announcement on Monday.

"There is a real competition for public dollars. Municipalities are looking for ways to balance that and when they have the support of the federal government to actually

meet those needs and make sure they are able to invest in, for example, a fleet that perhaps is less harmful environmentally, that is more accessible, these are things that are going to benefit the community tremendously." Some of the public transit projects being funded include \$3.7 million for transit fleet renewal that will see 12 conventional buses and 12 specialized vans added to the city transit fleet, \$200,000 for upgrading the city hall transit hub, \$150,000 for a study for a

new centralized transit terminal, and \$170,000 for accessible bus stop improvements and shelter upgrades.

Brad Loroff, manager of transit with the city of Thunder Bay, said the funding allows transit services to accelerative strategic projects that have been sitting on the shelf and waiting for funding.

"It's funding that we wouldn't typically receive," he said. "You need to invest in public transit to put it in

a place to deliver what people need." According to Loroff, accessibility for transit services is an increasing need among the population, and these invest-

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ments will help improve accessibility for riders, particularly at bus stops and shelters.

"We have an aging population that relies on transit and it's that connectivity piece," he said. "We have an accessible bus system for years from a fleet perspective, but what is lagging behind is on the bus stop infrastructure."

Expected accessibility improvements include providing hard surfaces at bus stops so transit users are not exiting the vehicles on to grass boulevards. There is also funding set aside to look into Smart Card electronic fare technology. Work on all upcoming projects will begin in April 2017 and are expected to be completed in one year.

The funding for phase one of a study for a centralized transit terminal is part of the city's transit master plan, Loroff said.

"In that plan, there are some significant recommendations made toward how to make the route network and the service levels of transit better," he said. "Part of what might be required to support that is the building of a new centralized transfer facility for passengers."

The study will identify the needs of the community as it relates to a centralized transit hub, which will then be brought back to city council to be moved into phase two.

Of the \$6 million being spent, more than \$660,000 will be used for active transportation projects that will be completed in the summer of 2017.

These include \$103,250 for the Windsor Street active living corridor, \$225,000 for the Wardrope active transportation trail, \$75,000 for the construction of two new pedestrian crossovers and \$55,000 for the construction of a new bike lane.

"Over the past five years, there has been a big shift," said Adam Krupper, mobility co-ordinator with the city of Thunder Bay. "The provincial and federal government have both stepped up their financial support and also the support in terms of guidelines and regulations in terms of how to build this kind of infrastructure."









LOCALNEWS



COULD CLOSE: The Neebing Memorial Arena is up for re-purposing under the city's newly passed recreation master plan.

# **City plays recreation long game with plan**

#### Neebing Arena and Dease Pool could be among casualties

#### **CITY HALL** By Jon Thompson – TB Source

The blueprint that promises a generation of local recreation infrastructure has been set in motion.

City council passed the recreation and facilities master plan one vote short of unanimously at its first meeting of 2017 on Monday.

The plan for municipal facilities includes twinning ice pads at the Port

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Lou Morrow

Arthur and Delaney arenas while re-purposing or closing the Neebing Memorial Arena and others. It aspires to close the century-old Dease Pool and erect a series of outdoor splash pads in lieu of new outdoor pools.

#### Variety of impacts

It holds implications for increasing tennis, pickle ball and soccer facilities while divesting from ball

diamonds. It also suggests building municipally-run gymnasiums onto the Canada Games Complex and Churchill Pool sites.

City corporate projects manager Lou Morrow said administration will recommend council focus on inexpensive, "low-hanging fruit" in the 2017 budget rather than infrastructure dollars. That will include such steps as creating a new management structure for neighbourhood community centres and conducting further feasibility studies.

"We have community backing, we have council backing, administration is on board, we have an implementation plan and a schedule and we know what needs to be done," Morrow said.

"It's not going to be knee-jerk, 'chase-this-or-chase-that,' shotgun approach. It's going to be a planned implementation and I think that's what we need to do."

Sierra Planning and Management director Jonathan Hack was the report's principal author. While the federal and provincial governments have expressed their priorities in the near future will not include these types of

investments, Hack urged the plan's skeptics to consider its implementation will unfold over the next 12 to 15 years.

"Even if capital dollars don't flow as easily as recreation advocates would like, the strategy is in place and I think we should all be very happy about that," he said.

Northwood Coun. Shelby Ch'ng

expressed confidence in the consultation process and demographic study that produced the plan.

She argued it will lend purpose to planning as the city considers its future for residents and the potential of sports tourism.

#### Makes sense

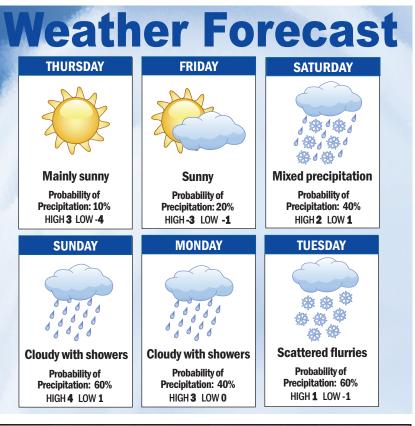
"I fully understand, everybody wants to talk numbers and how are we going to pay for this pool and all the other things but at the end of the day, these are the guiding principles that we're going to use to set aside the money and set aside the plan and as we gnaw things off, we can use this as our checkbox," Ch'ng said.

"So as much as we are concerned about the money, we have something to move forward from."

Neebing Coun. Linda Rydholm cast the lone dissenting vote. She argued no more money ought to be spent on consultants until municipal leaders can work out a reasonable plan with senior levels of government, whose priorities are currently transit, housing and climate change adaptation.

"There are people out there who really are hurting in different ways and I just can't see putting this as a priority," Rydholm said.

Hack will return to council with his Chapples master plan in late March or early April.



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THE ART OF WAR: The future replacement for this crumbling High Street retaining wall is under consideration.

# War-themed wall may start a trend

#### THUNDER BAY By Jon Thompson – TB Source

Ascene from the Great War could be cast on the face of a century-old retaining wall on High Street and that could lead an artistic overhaul of the walking route between Hillcrest Park and the north core.

The city's Public Art Committee issued a call to artists last week, offering as much as \$15,000 for a mural depicting Thunder Bay's role in the First World War.

City engineering director Kayla Dixon said restoring the retaining wall with pressed concrete panels including public art is one option her department hopes to present to city council.

"We would expect either a painting of some sort or possibly an etching on the concrete panels and it's up to the artists to propose what they would do and that would go to the Public Art Committee for a decision," Dixon said.

Administration announced it would consider artistic storyboard panels on pressed concrete in November as a response to neighbourhood residents decrying the city's intention not to replace the "rubble" stone wall at a ward meeting in July.

Consultants are currently costing repairs to the wall, which city staff intends to present as an infrastructure priority in the 2017 municipal budget.

Should council choose to proceed with the mural, it could become an entry point for a wider neighbourhood

art project.

City parks and open spaces planning supervisor Werner Schwar said the "Commemorative Walk" is a plan in its infancy to commission war and peace artistic imagery to connect sidewalks between Hillcrest and Waverley parks.

"In essence, it can become a link but through different forms of public art, whether that be some simple undertaking with banners on light posts or artistic designs pressed into the concrete, almost the notion of a yellow brick road, artwork happening to guide people in between the two destinations," Schwar said.

The city has plans to extend the active living corridor that reaches from Mariday Park through Hillcrest Park. Accessibility challenges persist in the park's sunken garden as well as passing over the hill where the park divides Bay Street.

A potential memorial route could enhance sidewalks through the park, across Dufferin Street and along Rollins Street to the point where Red River Road meets Waverley Street.

Schwar said the committees considering the proposal are hoping the effort can coincide with local celebrations to commemorate the 1921 Great War Veterans general meeting at the Prince Arthur Hotel where the poppy became a symbol of the Great War.

"It would be public art to help possibly interpret some of the important things but it could be more related to the year of the poppy," he said. Warm fun in winter

#### **THUNDER BAY** By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

With temperatures on the rise this weekend, families emerged from what must have felt like hibernation to celebrate all things snow.

Winter Fundays continued on Sunday, and unlike last weekend that saw temperatures well below -20 C, Sunday's high of -4 C brought people out to Marina Park in droves.

"It's a lot more welcoming and people can get out and they don't require the same amount of layers they did last week," said Calla Sampson, acting recreation and culture programmer with the city of Thunder Bay.

Sunday was also World Snow Day, a worldwide celebration of outdoor winter activities created by the International Ski Federation. The city partnered with Mount Baldy to provide free skiing for kids under 12.

This week's activities at Marina Park included snow painting, hula hooping, and snow bowling. Last week more than 20 people braved the cold temperatures for snowshoeing, but things were a lot different this Sunday.

"We've easily doubled those numbers and we are only a half hour in," Sampson said just after the day kicked off. "The warmer weather has brought a lot more people out to enjoy the free activities we have."

Ashley Murdoch was in town visiting her friend, Robyn Harris, and they decided to come to Marina Park to take in the Sleeping Giant and Lake Superior.

While the warmer weather



OUT FOR FUN: Emily Shandruk and her four-year-old daughter, Audrey, try out some hula-hooping during Winter Fundays at Marina Park on Sunday.

provided a nice day for some sightseeing, Murdoch, originally from North Bay, said she is no stranger to frigid temperatures.

"It's not bad," she said. "But we don't mind the cold. We went snowboarding when it was -30 C. You just have to bundle up."

For Emily Shandruk and her fouryear-old daughter, Audrey, Winter Fundays is a great opportunity to get out of the house and enjoy some sunshine.

"I think living in Thunder Bay, especially with temperatures like last week, you're inside a lot," she said. "I think it's important to get some vitamin D and some fresh air. I think it makes everyone sleep a little bit better, too."

Shandruk said she likes to take any opportunity to get out with her family

and enjoy all that the city has to offer. And the warmer temperatures certainly makes that easier.

"It's phenomenal," she said. "We love being outside and the fact that the city puts this on for families to come out feels amazing."

When it comes to what Audrey liked best, she might have to wait a few months before she can start enjoying her favourite outdoor activity.

"I like swimming in the water when it's summer," she said.

But there was something she enjoyed most about her time on Sunday out in the sunshine and snow. "I like spending time with mommy," she said.

Winter Fundays continue every Sunday at Marina Park from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. until March 19.



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# **Editorial**

#### **EDITORIAL**

## Announce and repeat

ey, local politicians. We get what you're doing.

Earlier this week, MP Patty Hajdu was joined by local MPPs at the city transit facility to announce \$6 million in funding for a variety of projects.

On the surface, it sounds great. The federal government is helping local communities cover the growing cost of providing public transportation to its residents.

With shrinking tax bases and big businesses fighting tooth and nail to have their tax assessments lowered, every dime counts.

However, this is essentially the exact same announcement - albeit this time with more concrete details - made last April by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau while on one of his endless barnstorming tours of the country.

It's a tactic long-used by politicians around the world, the classic reannouncement.

When governments run out of great news to announce - read news that makes them look great - they'll re-arrange an old news release, add in a few more details and make it seem new all over again.

This isn't a trick invented by Hajdu or the Liberals. It's been used by federal, provinical, and sometimes even muncipal governments for as long as the 24-hour news cycle has existed. And well before, for that matter.

Sometimes the old adage, no news is good news, should be applied.

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#### **Close lane on Highway 61**

To the editor: iving in Vickers Heights I witness, every time I go into town, a number of vehicles speeding (at very high speeds - well over 100 kph) up the outside lane in order to beat the cars in the inside lane to the bridge. It never ceases to amaze me that more accidents haven't happened there although a number have over the

years. I would like to suggest that the Ministry close the outside lane that starts just pass the CN underpass and runs past Broadway Avenue to the bridge.

This would eliminate the possibility of these speeders shooting up the outside lane.

The right turn ramp at Broadway could be maintained.

A similar situation existed in the northbound lane from the Kam River bridge to the CN underpass and was rectified a few years ago by eliminating the outside lane.

A simple, cheap, probably life saving solution.

> Jules Tupker, Thunder Bay

#### Keep outdoor pools

To the editor:

Why get rid of outdoor pools? I loved going to them when I was younger.

What they really should do instead is make additional splash pads to the remaining outdoor pools.

> Joseph Lane, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

#### Wrong rink discussed

eebing arena is one of our best. Grandview arena has small dressing rooms, all four dressing rooms share a common bathroom which has no showers.

So yeah, it makes sense get rid of Neebing.

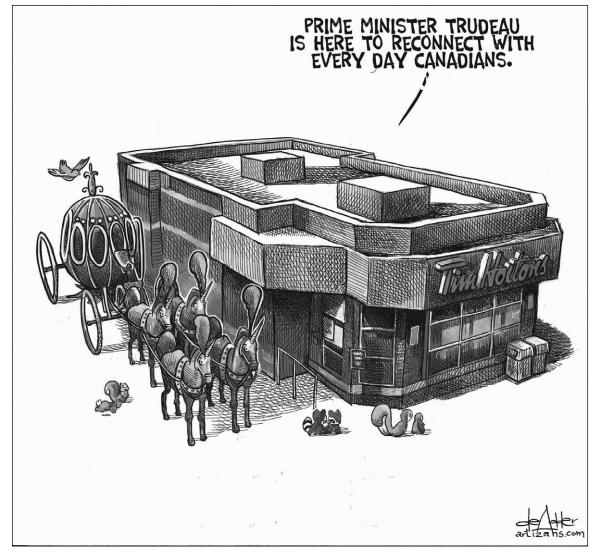
> Michael Campolito, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

#### Addiction program key

People who are against progams like the alchol management program don't at all understand how much it costs them to not have these programs...

Not only in crime rates but think of the healthcare costs that goes into treating people with addictions, these programs help people in a monitored fashion, helps to minimize the impact on the health-care system and by

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extension, the high-and-mighty's tax dollars.

These programs help not only the addicts, but the community and economy as a whole.

But people have problems seeing the bigger picture and the long term effects and want bandaid solutions that they can see immediate impact of, not realizing in the long run, those socalled solutions cost more and don't actually improve the situation.

> Nikki Spencer, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

#### Keep alcohol program

#### To the editor:

hese are great programs, many people simply won't understand it. They look at addiction as a weakness, and not the sickness that it can manifest itself into.

I know, because I used to be one of those people, talking about how weak addicts were, and how I was too strong and too smart and too proud really, to ever get addicted to anything.

Well, turns out I was wrong.

It can happen to anyone, and what most people don't realize is it's not just about the alcohol, or the drug, it's about the underlying factors and issues that drive people into becoming addicts.

Whether it's numbing pain, both physical and psychological, or trying to repress memories, or battle depression, there are many reasons people fall victims to these substances, and addiction in general.

It honestly makes me cringe so hard when I read comments of people saying "Oh great, so now my hard-earned tax dollars are going to get drunks free booze, just unreal.'

Yeah, well, you know what's unreal? How lousy of a person you are, and how little understanding you have of the economics involved in this and how it's actually saving not only money, but people's lives as well.

Not that you care about the lives part or anything.

I'll tell you right now, when you've finally hit rock bottom, and your addiction has consumed you, and you've lost everything and everyone that you love and that loved you because of it - there isn't a person alive that wants to be in that situation. Yet they feel trapped, because they

are trapped, and programs like this do help, not just these people, but our city.

There are fewer crimes committed by people trying to get money for alcohol, there are fewer violent drunks out on the streets walking around on Memorial Avenue at 10 p.m.

There are fewer drunks sleeping under bridges or under tresses or just laying on a bench or the ground in our public parks; and fewer people in our overcrowded Thunder Bay District Jail, and fewer people being rushed to emergency and filling up beds.

But most of all, the best thing this is doing, without a doubt, is it's not just saving these people's lives in many incidences, but it's giving them another chance at life.

While there they have access to look into programs, meetings, all sorts of things that can help them beat their addiction, and hopefully one day be a functioning member of society, and many of them will.

How anyone could be against these programs are far beyond me.

> Leo Padrote, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

# **Perspective**

# **Cabinet shufflings**

### Prime minister gets set for arrival of President Trump

#### **OPINION** By J.R. Shermack **Special to TB Source**

Anyone who has ever followed a sports team knows it is always more fun when a local personality is involved, especially if they are doing well.

I am a die-hard Habs fan, but they are always more interesting and exciting to watch when they are winning.

As for local talent, I once met NHL goalie Alex Auld and his wife through some mutual friends - he was home on summer break.

He later played one year in Montreal and while he was there I always checked to see if he was in net and how many shots he stopped.

#### **Repeat performance**

I sometimes do the same thing when I follow other, much less exciting activities like say, politics. Just like many of my fellow Canadians, I admit to still having a Trudeaumania-style crush on the PM.

He is still pleasant most of the time, he has delivered on a few promises and he seems to know how to avoid trouble.

However, these are trying times and I will wait and see – I'm not prepared to go steady yet or ask the guy to the prom or anything like that.

But there are two local personalities on the team who can keep us

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interested and engaged.

After Trudeau's recent cabinet shuffle it is encouraging to see Patty Hajdu still at the table, and with increased responsibilities.

I trust that she and fellow MP Don Rusnak will continue to add some down-home local flair to a very slow, stuffy and tedious game.

The cabinet shuffle is in response to the uncertainty south of the border and possible international consequences.

When asked, Mr. Trudeau insists he is preparing for the "opportunities and challenges" ahead within the "shifting global context".

That's pretty vague but how do you plan for the unknown and the unpredictable?

All he can really do is react to what he has seen and heard so far from the new, bombastic U.S. president.

His first reaction was to fire Stéphane Dion - communication difficulties and an awkward personal style was a hindrance in Foreign Affairs.

He was not equipped to deal with a lying, narcissistic, protectionist, misogynist U.S. president - that job went to Chrystia Freeland.

Trudeau will not follow his U.S. counterpart into Vladimir Putin's pocket and choosing Freeland for Foreign Affairs is a clear signal.

She is a Canadian of Ukrainian descent with connections in both New York and Moscow after a successful career in international iournalism

Like Trudeau, the new foreign affairs minister is outspoken about Russia's illegitimate military adventures in the Ukraine.

In 2014 Freeland and 12 other Canadians were barred by Putin from entering his country, in retaliation for economic sanctions.

The PM refused to ease the sanctions against Russia to gain access to that country for his new minister. That will be up to Moscow to decide.

#### Straight to the point

Trudeau's comment about Freeland's ability to deal with Putin and the U.S. president was clear and concise, "She speaks fluent Russian."

John McCallum was the other aging baby boomer dropped from cabinet, although he has been given another key assignment.

He will be moving to Beijing as Canada's Ambassador to China the U.S. is our biggest trading partner but they aren't the only game in town.

In response to protectionist rumblings south of the border Canada intends to pivot towards Asia and Europe for trade.

The age of the old, white male is over in Canadian politics - the millennials are poised to take charge of a more youthful cabinet.

There will be plenty of challenges and opportunities for everybody including Hajdu and Rusnak.

Onward and upward is the best response.





LOST TOGETHER: Blue Rodeo's Jim Cuddy performs on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017 at the **Thunder Bay Community Auditorium** 

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NextBridge Infrastructure LP (NextBridge) has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) Report to construct a new, approximately 446-kilometre double-circuit 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting the Wawa Transformer Station (TS) to the Lakehead TS in the Municipality of Shuniah near Thunder Bay, with a connection at the Marathon TS. In accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) approved by the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change on August 28, 2014, NextBridge has submitted the Draft EA Report to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC). As part of the submission process, interested community members, elected officials and municipal staff, agencies, property owners, interest holders, other stakeholders, and First Nations and Métis communities are encouraged to review the Draft EA Report and submit their comments to NextBridge by February 28, 2017.

The proposed new East-West Tie Transmission Project (the Project) generally parallels an existing double-circuit 230-kV transmission line corridor (the existing East-West Tie) but avoids some sensitive features crossed by the existing line, including Pukaskwa National Park. The preferred route is shown below.

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The Project is required to ensure the long-term reliability of the electricity supply in northwestern Ontario (the Northwest). Industrial activities in the Northwest, particularly in the mining sector, are expected to drive electricity demand growth in the coming decades. Based on this growth, coupled with changes to the electricity supply in the area, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) has identified a need for new electricity supply to the Northwest. The IESO analyzed alternatives and recommended expansion of the East-West Tie based on technical, economic and other considerations.

By Order in Council, the Province of Ontario declared the construction of the East-West Tie is needed as a priority project on March 2, 2016 (O.C. 326/2016).

The target in-service date for the Project is 2020.

#### **Draft EA Report Review**

NextBridge commenced the EA in 2014, and it is being carried out according to the approved ToR and the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act.* 

NextBridge is committed to consulting with all interested stakeholders and communities in a clear and mutually respectful manner throughout the life of the Project.

In accordance with the Aboriginal Duty to Consult delegated to NextBridge by the Crown, First Nations and Métis communities are being consulted on the route and the EA. Separate and specific meetings will be held for these communities; however, we encourage everyone to attend the public Open Houses.

The Draft EA Report has been submitted to the MOECC and is available for review and comment on the Project website, www. NextBridge.ca, and at select locations throughout Ontario.

NextBridge will update the EA Report based on feedback received during the Draft EA review and comment period, as necessary, and submit the EA to the MOECC for final review and approval. NextBridge will provide public notification upon submission of the final EA to the MOECC, including locations where the EA can be reviewed.

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Public Open Houses provide an opportunity to learn more about the Project. Active participation in the EA process is encouraged by contacting Project representatives with questions and comments, and by attending engagement and discussion opportunities such as public Open Houses.

Information on the following items will be available during this round of public Open Houses: the EA and Leave To Construct processes, Draft EA review, results of background studies and studies which took place during the EA, routing considerations and decisions to date, maps of the preferred route and preliminary transmission line access and construction areas, land and property matters and next steps in the EA process. If you are unable to attend, information presented at the public Open Houses will also be made available at www.NextBridge.ca for review and comment.

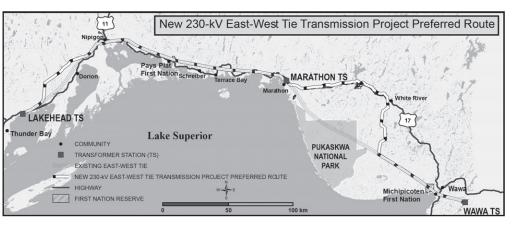
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Armstrong's Paul Matinet is Northwestern Ontario's latest millionaire.

Matinet on Thursday was revealed as a winner of a Max Millions prize from the Jan. 6 Max Millions draw. He purchased his ticket at Armstrong General Store in Armstrong Station.

#### Fire hospitalizes one

A kitchen fire at a north side residence sent one person to hospital early Sunday morning.

At approximately 7 a.m., Thunder Bay Fire Rescue crews responded to a call of smoke at 137 Empress Ave. South. Crews reported smoke visible from the residence and a second alarm was called.

A fire in the kitchen was quickly extinguished by crews who entered the house with a hand line. The fire caused damage to the kitchen and the house sustained smoke damage.

The lone occupant was assessed on scene by paramedics and taken to the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre for further assessment.

Five pumpers responded to the call and a total of 22 fire fighters.

#### Man survives plunge

Jake Garrow's recent narrow escape from a harrowing plunge through the ice on Lake of the Woods has persuaded him to implement one more safety measure when he's maintaining an ice road.

The incident occurred on Jan. 6 while the 34-year-old Kenora man was by himself, operating a skid-steer—a smaller type of front-end loader—on a a winter road across Deception Bay.

Garrow said measurements had shown that there was plenty of ice in the area at the time, "Twelve to 14 inches everywhere" along the road, "enough for the skid-steer."

But, unexpectedly, as he was plowing snow to widen the road he hit a weak section of ice and he and his machine crashed through, quickly becoming submerged before falling all the way to the bottom.

A depth-finder subsequently showed the water to be over 30 metres deep at that point.

"Before I knew exactly what was happening the water was already coming through the front door...I couldn't open the door, I turned around and broke the back window with my elbow" and crawled out.

Garrow told tbnewswatch.com that he found himself swimming through mud. "It was pitch-black. I couldn't see anything," he said, but somehow he "managed to make it to the surface where he found the opening in the ice" and pulled himself out of the water. For your daily news visit www.tbnewswatch.com



# Art explores mental health

Youth explore mental health issues through new art exhibit: Mindful Expressions

#### **HEALTH** By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

Young artists throughout the region are hoping to start a conversation about mental health, not with words, but with colours, shapes, and sculpture.

On Thursday, the Thunder Bay Youth Suicide Prevention Task Force hosted a reception for a new exhibit at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery, Mindful Expressions: My Mind, My Art.

"Our initial goal for this was to find out what youth want and need in order to feel mentally well," said Vanessa Copetti, coordinator with the Thunder Bay Youth Suicide Prevention Task Force.

More than 50 youth were approached to participate in the exhibit. During the last four months, the youth were mentored by local artists on various artistic techniques and skills. Their artistic work was guided by a series of focus group questions dealing with mental health promotion, diversity and inclusivity, and access to services.

Copetti said the exhibit goes well beyond developing artistic skills because it's about having a conversation and sharing emotions, feelings, and thoughts on the canvas.

"It's just an easier way for them to express themselves," she said. "Sometimes it's not easy to openly talk about these kinds of things. It can be a really sensitive topic, but art tends to allow a person to really express what they are thinking and feeling and they don't have to say much at all, basically the art just speaks for itself."

Local artist and artist educator, Pam Cain, along with Shaun Hedican, Janelle Wawia, and Derek Khani served as artist mentors working on the project. Cain said art becomes a vehicle for youth to remove themselves from personally talking about issues like mental health, which can be difficult for



EXPRESSING MINDFULLNESS: The Mindful Expressions exhibit at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery provides youth an opportunity to explore mental wellness through artistic expression.

them. "It allows us hear a youth voice," Copetti said. "What a better way than to ask youth

themselves what they think and what they need in order to feel mentally well." Creating art and allowing emotions and thoughts to be expressed with paint, beads, or sculpture is very beneficial for youth dealing with mental health issues, but Cain said even

those viewing the pieces of work will be part of the conversation. "People can see it as a way of expressing

themselves," she said. "Art always incites some sort of emotion. People can see through the art work what the people are trying to express and find other people who have common thoughts." For 14-year-old, Chloe Netemegesic, who worked with artist Shaun Hedican, taking part in the Mindful Expressions exhibit was a really rewarding experience.

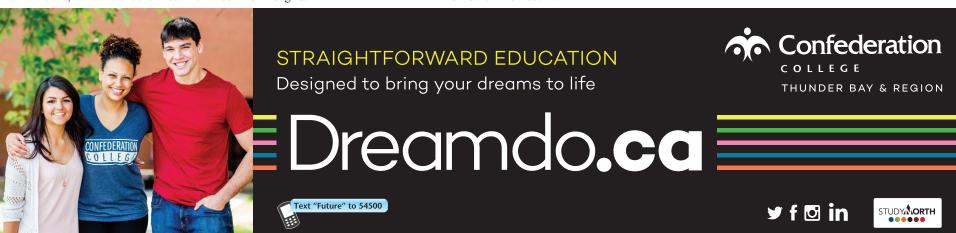
Netemegesic said art is so helpful because there are so many different ways of interpreting it.

"It helps a lot of people with their health by calming them down and distracting them from different things like stress or school or things that are hard for them," she said. "Art doesn't really have a big definition or a specific answer. Anything you believe and anything you want art to be it can be."

The Mindful Expressions exhibit is on display at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery from Jan. 12 to Feb. 12.

**Do you have an opinion to share?** E-mail the editor at Idunick@dougallmedia.com





#### **TBLife**

# **Kingsway students go dogsledding for education**

Students get a lesson about dog sledding and teamwork

#### EDUCATION By Nicole Dixon - TB Source

Students were gliding through the school ground Wednesday morning with a pack of snow-loving sled hounds

Eight-year-old Ameliya Chum joined her peers from Kingsway and Hyde Park Public Schools for an allowing the dogs to trust each other opportunity to adventure with Boreal Journeys' sled dogs.

"I'm looking forward to having fun with the dogs the most," Ameliya said after dog sledding for the first time. "The dogs are fast and they bark a

Ameliya hopes to have another opportunity in the future to dog sled the John Beargrease Sled Dog because the experience was "awesome

and so much fun.' The dog sled rides weren't the only part of the learning experience.

Boreal Journeys Sled Dog Kennels educated Kingsway students about the

and the outdoors.

Boreal Journeys Sled Dog Kennel owner Paul Amano believes this experiences ties the students to a part of Canada's culture.

"We hope the students gain a connection to a part of our culture," Amano said

"Dog sleds were used pre- and post-European contact...a major part of the economy, fur trade and our history." Amano educated the children on how the dogs learn from one another rather than from the handler.

He added a community is created and learn from each other.

"Building trust is a big part of what we teach the students and things like mentorship, learning from older students or older dogs teaching the vounger ones."

The students will also be participating in the trail mail activity with Marathon by writing a letter to be delivered as part of the race, which will take place in Minnesota Jan. 29. Amano believes the idea behind this experience is about mentorship...teaching skills, learning sport including the dogs, teamwork and having that pass on.



READY TO GO: Students at Kingsway Public School got a lesson on dogsledding courtsey of Boreal Journeys Sled Dog Kennel.



FRED JONES **RURAL ROOTS** Thank Heavens for the warm weather! The recent deep freeze played havoc with our doors and my shoulders. The usual span of two weeks in January accompanied by minus 30 to minus 35 ago apparently thanks to El Nina or El Nino, more easily.

Because the temperature was so severe, we had decided to keep the horses inside overnight. No sense having their nose hair frozen because they can do nothing about it. So that meant opening the large door between so it seemed to me) shoveling around the the stable part of the barn and where the hay Is stored. At first, it wouldn't budge; but with some muscle it gave and slowly began to slide until it stopped after a foot. No go. What was holding it? The bottom was clear so it must be on the rail upon which it slides up top. I had to squeeze between the door and the wall and really push. As the door readings on the thermometer, often referred began to reluctantly give, a cascade of to as the time of 'concrete seats and square snowflakes gently descended upon my head. tires' in our vehicles, ended about five years The wee, unexpected snowfall continued for another three feet and then the door moved I can never remember which. But the previous week or so felt like a return to tradi-I looked up and saw how the condensation tional January temperatures. from the heat given off by the horses must "It's going to get cold," my wife, Laura have congealed along the rail and when the announced at the beginning of this month. temperature dropped, the liquid froze.

"Really?" I replied. "How cold?" I continued. "Close to minus 30 at night," she answered. Oh.

the body heat of six equines. The doors were shut to keep in the heat that they generated. When I entered the barn proper, my glasses immediately fogged. My first clue as to difficulty with barn doors should have been when I entered through the feed room that has a



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### **TBLife Cold leads to frozen door syndrome**

upon being opened.

When it came time to open the outside barn door to fetch wood shavings for stall bedding, I had the same problem of door not moving. Inside the barn it was fairly warm thanks to I had to get the shovel and pry the door up to release it from being frozen before I could slide it open

And when it was time to drive the manure cart to Mt. Crumpet, we had to shovel and pry the east doors as well. In fact, each day we had to repeat the prying to release the door to the outside. It squeaked and was stiff doors. I complained to Laura: "Heck, we're

having to do this every day." She looked at me and said: "So you've just discovered after twenty years that these doors freeze shut as well? Who do you think has been freeing them each day?" Laura had been secretly (or base each winter morning so that they could be opened?

Casa Jones didn't escape the frozen-door syndrome either. The main entrance door would swell; the key would get stuck in the frozen lock. The patio door was frozen shut for the first time since we moved in way back in 2000. Oof!

In fact there have been lots of "oof's" that week especially in that barn.

My darling wife has asthma and the extreme cold isn't nice for her lungs. So when she is 'mucking' stalls in the barn, I have to keep the big door shut to trap the heat and allow her to breathe more easily. But I also have to bring hay into stalls once the manure is out and that means repeated-"oof!" - opening – "oof!" – closing the door at least six times, sometimes twelve times if I have to also fetch wood shavings from the shavings shed. A lot of "oof's!"

What is strange is these door-freezing instances have never before occurred either in the barn (except for the outside doors as I learned) or in our 'hoosie'.

So the warmth is welcome, however long it lasts. My shoulders need a rest from so much "oof-ing!".



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# **Come take a private** walk on the wild side

Wildlife artist Amanda Burk's first solo show at Thunder Bay Art Gallery uses animals to create self portrait

#### ART By Linday Maehans - TB Source

Most of us prefer to contemplate the darker aspects of our human nature in private. Some of us might not like even to admit to them. But let's be honest. When we feel resentment or anger those impulses, primal and powerful, can become our key drivers.

Hence this recommendation: go see Amanda Burk's first major solo show up at Thunder Bay Art Gallery. This outstanding wildlife artist says she looked within while perfecting her

incredible charcoal sketches of animals. She asks we be equally unafraid to contemplate our animal nature and that occasionally fearsome wonderful wild side within us all.

Stories Contentment and Other Fables is rendered in black and white, and nuances of gray. Walking clockwise into the exhibit, immediately thought how many fables and legends involve the moon: that silvery orb we look to in our personal midnights and sleepless dawns. Things coming into being (white charcoal on paper) whispers about a pull strong enough to affect the ocean tides alongside all living creatures on this earth.

Around a corner behold the symmetry of oscillating foxes; or are they wolves? Coyotes? Paws nearly touching, open jawlines balancing the curve of tails/tales: let the pleasing yet strangely disquieting teeter-totter of Bound (my Aesopian sadness) seep into a secluded little nook at the back of your brain.

"We know, with fables or stories told by anthropomorphizing animals, that they're not about animals at all; instead they are about humans," remarks Burk. "I want to give the viewer this lens into my show. I'm not trying to pull from a particular story or fable. But I do hope people, in referencing fables or remembering stories will begin to see through my lens."

Approach the gallery's back wall; stand up close and see if involuntarily you step back a pace or two from the large, large charcoal-on-paper titled Full Circle (unrest). With the helter-skelter energy of these four-and-twenty-blackbirds Burk edges us to her tipping point. On the next wall some three dozen keenest and fiercest of confrontations await. Eyes blazing, razor fangs ready; we hear

a low snarled warning, tense every muscle for imminent attack. Our instincts scream we need to protect our face and throat above all. This rook of white charcoal on paper sketches is titled "It should come as

surprise ... "Thankfully I myself have never been confronted by one of these creatures, nor have I spent all that much time in the bush as of vet." A smile. "But my intent, the way I've approached mv artwork with these sketches has everything to do with my own internal workings and mindset. So in some ways this show is a selfportrait." A wonderful warm laugh.

I asked Burk if any of her finished sketches, as might an animal, take her by surprise.

"My work or approach is fairly fluid; sometimes I have a broad idea of where it's going, of where it will take me. But no, I didn't plan each of these; the final result was all in the making.'

Amanda Burk's vision is up at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery until March 2017. Don't be afraid to take that walk on the wild side.

Photo: Amanda Burk, Bound (my Aesopian Sadness), charcoal on paper. Supplied.

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IN THE **bay** 

Stereotypes are no joke



**C**omedian Steve Harvey is being skewered for suggesting during his daytime show that Asian men are unattractive to white women, referencing a book that was published by Asian World Press called "*How to Date a White Woman: A Practical Guide for Asian Men.*" He then went on to make similar jokes about black women not dating Asians.

Now, this could have gone down as simply a joke in bad taste that disappeared into the daytime TV ether. Instead, Eddie Huang – who wrote the autobiography "*Fresh Off the Boat*" on which the ABC sitcom was based – has attacked Harvey for the segment.

He says Harvey's comments are part of "the structural emasculation of Asian men in all forms of media." And these stereotypes create "an actual abhorrence to Asian men in the real world."

Perhaps this started when he sold his memoir to a TV network for a "Boat"-load of money and when he didn't like what the studio did with the stories and characters, he had no creative control to stop it. He has, in fact, been quite critical of the show.

However, I was under the impression that Asians are under-represented in the media. Didn't last year's debate on Hollywood's lack of diversity prove this? Sure, they play gang members who are killed off by "the good guys" or they're a comedic foil for *Two Broke Girls*. But for the most part, Asian are sorely lacking on television.

So how is the media perpetuating a stereotype such that I, a white woman who lives "in the real world", now have an "abhorrence to Asian men"? Actually, growing up I had huge crushes on Jackie Chan, Chow Yun-fat and Bruce Lee. More recently, I've leaned toward Daniel Dae Kim and Sung Kang.

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Oh, maybe he wasn't talking about me. Perhaps my friends, then?

We know he's speaking on behalf of Asian men since he is one and only he knows his own life experiences. So he's earned the right to his feelings on the subject. But he doesn't have the right to mine or yours.

The fact is cultural differences have been romantic kryptonite between couples for centuries. Just ask Romeo and Juliet. It has nothing to do with the media.

And Harvey's jokes were along the lines of what you'd say to someone in a bar. So if Huang's knowledge of this stereotype-driven abhorrence toward Asian men is based on a failed Friday night pick-up, his problem isn't his ethnicity.

Yes, society has a lot of friction between social and ethnic groups. Cultural discord and stereotypes have developed over centuries of human history while the internet only began to open our windows to the world two decades ago. So it's not going to disappear overnight. And it won't improve with more "us versus them" anger. Perhaps we should try opening the discussion with a joke.





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# Waterfront welcomed quilting exhibition

#### ARTS AND CRAFTS By Nicole Dixon - TB Source

Ellen Olson discovered her true passion for quilting about 12 years ago after signing up for her first quilting class.

As Olson searched for a new sewing machine at a local quilt shop she found herself signing up for a quilting class, something she had never thought she would do before.

"The machine was bought to actually hem pants, but I've been (quilting) ever since," Olson said last Saturday during the 3rd annual Quilting Exhibition.

It's the geometry of quilting that draws her to create dozens of different quilts for her family and friends.

She believes it's important to have an interest in something, whether it's reading or writing, people need to find their place they can go to relax.

"When you fire up the sewing

machine you can leave it all behind and you can just get into the moment, so it's a psychological feeling to just be in your own place."

Olson considers quilting to be underappreciated and undervalued.

"If you go back to the 1700s and the 1800s the quilts were made and pieced by hand and it was done out of the need to be warm," Olson said.

"Traditional quilting was done for warmth and blankets and now it's done for art and whatever your personal need is, so it gives you individuality."

She added that it's good for the economy. It has evolved to be an economical boost in the community.

Olson wants to maintain the traditional roots of quilting because all arts need to have a base and she wants to keep that foundation and move on to do her own thing.

The quilting enthusiast hopes the art of quilting keeps going.

For more than 25 years, Cindy

Cockell has been piecing fabrics together to create astonishing artworks. "It's a challenge to work with

different fabrics, different colours and making something," Cockell said.

"I do non-traditional quilts, so most of what I do are art quilts and wall paintings...basically painting a picture with fabric."

Cockell said quilting exhibitions help quilters showcase their art and the different types of quilting.

"Most people when they think about quilting they think of a quilt on a bed and some very traditional patterns, but there's lots of quilts," she said.

The Baggage Building Arts Centre's Quilting Exhibition features modern quilts, art quilts and tradition quilts.

Cockell added that the exhibition shows a lot of different types of quilting and she hopes it will allow quilters to change some people's ideas of what a quilt can be.



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ROCK TALK: Thunder Bay Skip Krista McCarville is seeking out a sixth trip to the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

# **Play-downs under way**

#### Krista McCarville squad looks for return trip to Scotties CURLING A return trip to the national championship likely means By Leith Dunick - TB Source

A year ago, Krista McCarville caught the curling world by surprise.

Well, at least as much as a four-time provincial champion can catch anyone off guard.

Coming off a lengthy layoff, the Thunder Bay skip and teammates Ashley Sippala, Sarah Potts and Sudbury's Kendra Lilly stormed through the Northern Ontario provincial play-downs and found themselves in the championship game at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

They'd settle for runner-up status and know they won't be surprising anyone this time around.

McCarville and company last month made the semifinals of the Boost National Grand Slam of Curling in Sault Ste. Marie, and while they haven't won a bonspiel so far this season, are on a roll nonetheless, she said this past weekend after a fourth-place finish in the Major League of Curling playoffs.

Still, the pressure's on, she said.

"I feel really good," the 34-year-old McCarville said, set to start another Northern Ontario play-down run on Wednesday in Nipigon. "We have been playing good, but I do feel more nervous because the Scotties is still fresh in my brain and we want to be back there so badly because we know we can compete with those teams.

"So I think a little more nerves than usual, but nerves aren't a bad thing."

McCarville will have to knock off Sudbury's Tracy Fleury, who was the inaugural Northern Ontario Scotties champion, winning the crown in 2015, a feat the Thunder Bay foursome accomplished three times at last year's provincial play-downs.

Others in the four-team field are Thunder Bay rinks skipped by Hailey Beaudry and Larissa Mikkelson, though neither is considered a strong contender for the crown.

Team Fleury, which includes lead Amanda Gates, second Jenna Walsh and third Jennifer Wylie, will be out for redemption, Potts said.

"We know that they're obviously a really experienced team, a really talented team. We know we have to play our best. We can't go out there and have an average game. We have to be on top of things and ready to go all the time and hopefully outplay them," Potts said.

"It's really going to come down to who shows up best that weekend. They're going to want to beat us and they know we want to beat them. And even with the other teams, it's a healthy competitiveness."

McCarville said despite their relative ease at the Northern Ontario's a year ago, her Fort William Curling Club squad isn't taking anything for granted in 2017.

"We just have to take it one shot at a time. I know that sounds cliché and everyone says that, but that's really what it is. You can't think about the end result. That's what we have to do."

"It's really going to come down to who shows up best that weekend." SARAH POTTS

# Wolves slam Badgers

A night after giving up 92, Lakehead holds Brock to just 47

#### **BASKETBALL** By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Jon Kreiner's not sure he's seen anything like it.

Jerika Baldin racked her brain and agreed.

A night after giving up 92 points to the visiting Brock Badgers, the Lakehead Thunderwolves found their defensive mojo on Saturday night, leading them to a crucial 71-47 win over a division rival.

It's almost unheard of, Baldin said. "(Coach) actually made a joke about it before the game and said if we want to win we'd have to defend and cut off that (many points)," said Baldin, who collected 13 points and dished out seven assists to lead her side to victory.

"It actually happened and he was in shock just as much as us."

Kreiner said after Friday's eightpoint loss he told his players to shut off their phones, but to expect a lot of video clips to look at when they woke up the next morning.

He focused particularly on the second and fourth quarters, when the Badgers had their way offensively against the Thunderwolves.

The message was heard loud and clear.

"I've never shaved off 45 points off a defensive effort," Kreiner said.

"We went through exactly what we wanted to do, both in zone and man (coverage). And then we went back in the changing room and talked about it again. But none of that means anything unless you can handle those changes and adjustments."

The biggest difference was their approach to covering Brock centre Kira Cornelissen, who torched the Wolves for 28 points on Friday.

They held her to just 17 on Saturday – she completed the double-



ON THE RUN: Lakehead's Jerika Baldin is chased down by Brock's Alex Symonds.

double with 10 rebounds – and shut down the Badgers perimeter game, holding them to just one three-pointer in 19 attempts.

As a team, Brock hit just 18 of 63 shots from the field.

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JON KREINER

Lakehead wasn't much better, hitting 34.8 per cent of the 69 shots they took, but made good at the freethrow line, missing just three times in 22 trips.

"When we play with that energy and intensity we're one of the best transition teams in the conference and we really push the ball well when we have both Jerika and Rachel (Webber) on at the same time," Kreiner

said. "Jerika was phenomenal all weekend."

The Thunderwolves won all four quarters, a rarity this season, starting

with a 17-15 edge in the first. By halftime the lead was 11, the turning point a pair of back-to-back offensive board-turned-into-baskets by rookie Lily Gruber-Schulz that turned a fivepoint game into a nine-point lead.

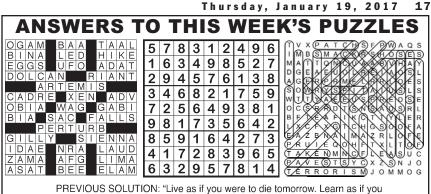
Gruber-Schulz found her inspiration in the stands, where her mother, a cancer survivor, watched the Wolves triumph, the team dressed in pink uniforms in support of cancer research.

"I definitely felt like I was playing for her tonight, so it was especially good that I had a good game," the Grand Marais, Minn. native said.

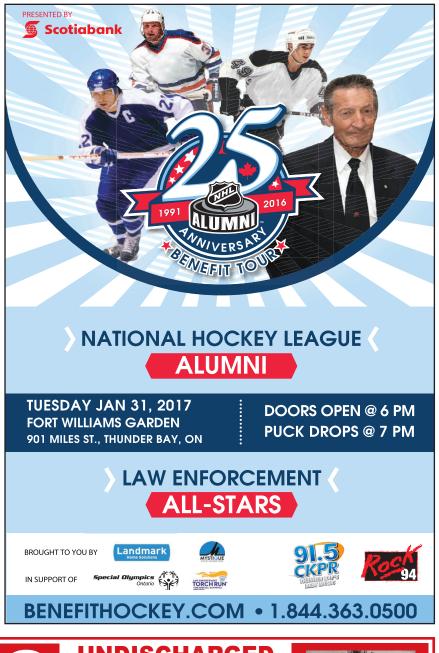
Gruber-Schulz finished with six points and six boards in just 12 minutes of court time.

A 10-0 run in the third put the game away, punctuated by a rare Baldin three-pointer.

Lakehead next weekend heads to the nation's capital to take on Ottawa and No. 4 Carleton.



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Team Henderson twice misses shot to preserve victory

CURLING By Leith Dunick - TB Source

With the skips missing in action on both sides, it was up to the backups to decide the Major League of Curling final.

Kory Carr, filling in for the injured Scott Henderson, drew for two in the seventh end to tie the championship game 3-3, then laid down a pair of nearperfect guards with his final two stones in the eighth, twice forcing opposing skip Frank Morrisette to attempt a tricky runback kill to escape with the win.

He came close on both tries, but could only graze Team Henderson's rock rather than remove it entirely, Carr's team stealing a point to take the title and the \$1,000 first prize.

#### **Trailed most of match**

It was a battle fighting back in a



to new teammates who haven't curled with the team all season long.

"It's very different. The first three ends of the earlier game was really tricky trying to find everybody's release and find all the weight and everything," Carr said. "It was definitely difficult, but keeping the shots simple closed the gap finding out who's who and how they throw.

The two teams blanked three of the first four ends, Team Henderson picking up a pair in the second to lead 2-0 heading into the fifth.

#### **Conservative play**

Carr, facing three opposition stones in the house, considered briefly a triple takeout to score two in the fifth, but instead threw control weight on his final rock and settled for a single point, cutting his deficit to 2-1.

Morrisette had a chance to draw for two in the sixth, but his weight was off and Team Henderson - also missing third Mike Pozihun - only managed a single to restore their two-point lead.

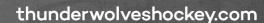
They just couldn't hold on.

"Both runbacks, we couldn't miss them any better," he said of their pair of chances in the eighth. "We hit the back rock both times. It was all on my third shots, where we had a half-open hit and it forced Frank to have those double run-backs," Malette said. "And those

Team Henderson, who captured its final seven games during round-robin play this season, picked up \$750 for

Trevor Bonot's team took the thirdplace game 3-2 over McCarville, who will journey to Nipigon this week for the Northern Ontario Scotties play-

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