

MOCCASIN TELEGRAPH – 185th Edition – December 10th, 2006

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Sunset over Grey Mountain

Photo courtesy Doug Bell dougbell*yknet.ca (In Whitehorse)

The Plot

To a dank and dingy basement off a
darkened dirty street
Slunk several hooded figures to
clandestinely meet.
Resolved to lick the problem that
barred each from success,
They met to plot rebellion.
Revolution, nothing less!

They posted first a lookout to warn of
unkind lights
Then lit a squatty candle and sat to
plan the fight.
Someone read some minutes (they'd
been this way before),
Another kicked the snoozer supposed
to watch the door.

Suggestions at that meeting went
'round the whole night long
'Til they settled on a symbol just at
break of dawn.

But their humble lumpy candle had
hardly been revered
When a now-acknowledged genius
claimed their daunted ears.

That speaker is unknown now, just
like all the rest,
No real names were used there (all
agreed it best);
But he proposed a tactic still used in
our own times,
"I know, fellow poets! We'll scoff
when something rhymes!"

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Alf Bilton

Whitehorse, Yukon

Pack Dogs to Helicopters

Author Pat Callison – copyright.

CHAPTER 13 WINTER CHORES

Coping with winter flying in the North comes with experience, usually the hard way. I was fortunate in that I had survived outdoors as a trapper, a dogteam musher, a teamster, a packtrain operator and over the years I was pretty well prepared to fly bush planes and most eventualities that could occur.

Bush flying can be one of the most disagreeable occupations known to man. It becomes particularly bad when one has to over- night away from the home base. As soon as we landed we had to prepare the aircraft for the next morning take off, which meant putting down small poles and taxiing the aircraft onto the poles so the skis would not freeze to the surface of the landing strip. If the skis froze in there was no moving the aircraft the next morning.

Next the engine oil had to be drained into buckets while it was still warm. A small aircraft would hold 4 gallons of oil, while the Fairchild 71 would hold 14. We would carry 5 gallon buckets to hold the oil and if we were near a cabin we would put them inside overnight to keep the oil warm.

Next we would get out the canvas engine cover put it over the engine and tie it down in case the wind came up during the night. Then the blowpots, which were really plumbers blowpots, had to be filled with gasoline and air pumped into the tanks, all ready to put to use in the morning. If the aircraft required fuel we did that before calling it a day to save time for an early start in the morning.

Came dawn, -20°, -30°, -40° below zero, and we would light up the blowpots, pull a bedroll or something to sit on under the engine cover to have the pyrene extinguisher handy, (the pyrene extinguishers became illegal when it was found that the fumes from the carbon tetrachloride inhaled in an enclosed space were lethal. We later used the CO2 type and there are several other approved extinguishers used today). The blowpots could flare up if their air pressure varied and before one knew it the engine could be on fire. More than one aircraft has come to its end during the warmup.

So there we would sit under the canvas for an hour or more warming the engine, then when it was warm we would carry the buckets of oil from the cabin and pour them into the oil tank.

Then all our gear had to be piled into the aircraft and the Lord willing and the weather permitting, we would be on our way.

Soon after the war we began using the DeHaviland Beaver which was equipped with oil dilution and this was a great improvement in that it eliminated the need to drain the oil. The gasoline was pumped directly into the engine oil then we turned off the engine. The gasoline remained in the oil overnight and prohibited the oil from congealing in the lines and the engine got proper lubrication as soon as the engine was started.

Another improvement was the Herman Nelson heater developed by the U.S. Army during the war. Having U.S. personnel in the Arctic certainly resulted in a number of improvisations which made life easier for all northerners. The Herman Nelson is a large heater weighing about 200 pounds, burns aviation gas, has large canvas ducts from the heater to the covered aircraft, can be placed some distance from the aircraft which just about eliminates the hazard of fire and in 30 minutes running full blast will heat a large aircraft engine.

They are the answer to preheating but are too bulky and heavy to carry in a light aircraft and are used at the home base only.

Along with the engine covers, blowpots, buckets, fire extinguishers I always carried a good set of tools suitable for the particular aircraft I was using. I made sure I had a good axe and kept it sharp to cut firewood, it could save your life. My bedroll was a good eiderdown, my emergency food kit was well packed, I carried a waterproof container for matches and a good pair of snowshoes. The best snowshoes in the Yukon were made by the Indians at Teslin Lake. A good rifle, nothing smaller than a 30.30 and an ample supply of ammunition, and a warm, lightweight, well made, flying suit just about completed my basic bush gear.

To be continued



Four Sheep – Sheep Mountain – Mile 1054
Photo courtesy Moge Mogenson

These four sheep blend in well with the melting snow on Sheep Mountain, mile 1054. This was taken in the spring, this mountain is in Kluane Park and is home to a lot of sheep which can be seen from the road in the winter, spring, and late fall when they are down low, the summer sends them up high and out of sight most of the time.

Mogey Mogenson elgolfo*shaw.ca (In Cranbrook)

MAYO TO HUDSON HOPE

Hi all:

I was pretty young when we moved, but I remember that "Fast Eddy" used to throw a lot of gravel and dust around Mayo and vicinity with his hot rod, and as to where he went, I'm afraid I don't know, but I think wherever it was, he got there quickly!

We did go to Hudson's Hope when we left Mayo, and lived there for 3 years, starting in 1961 I believe.

I have 2 or 3 of the Summit editions dating from, I think, '58 or '59. I just have to find them!! I will be seeing Dad Tues. Dec. 5th, and will pass this along to him, and also his reply.

All the best,

Terry Machan machan_terry@hotmail.com

THANK YOU MOCTEL

When Bill Weigand gave me the particulars about MocTel, I thought this could be a very good way of keeping in touch with past Yukon friends. Sure enough, when I got the first list with members and email addresses, I spied Irena Yardley's name. The big news was Irena was in Sarasota, Florida and her sister, Stella lived just a bit north in Palmetto. Back in the early 80's, Stella was one of my tour guides at Gold City Tours in Dawson City. She was 'Stella by Starlight' and I was 'Midnight Mary'. Needless to say, **WHAT HAPPENED IN DAWSON STAYED IN DAWSON!!**

After our time together in Dawson City, Stella went on to be a destination rep for Fun Finders and also a tour director on coach tours. I went on to be Manager of Tourism for Regina and Tourism Officer for Northwest Territories. It was during Expo 1986 when we last saw each other so there were 20 years in between our last contact in person.

We began the emails in haste, had some phone calls between the three of us and because it was a big birthday for me in October, my husband's gift was a flight to Florida. On October 19, I departed Saskatoon and flew to Tampa Bay where I picked up my U-drive and headed down to Sarasota. Irena and I spent alot of time gabbing about our adventures, catching up with the past 20 years, dining, and checking the vintage of red wines. She even dug out the old photos of Sourdough Rendezvous in Whitehorse.....my, my, what were those gals doing there????? Yes, we remember, we're just legends in our own minds!

After three days with Irena, the last week was with Stella, her hubbie Bill and six year old Zoe. Oh, and there was Merlin the Great Dane, Miles and Chloe the pugs, Dribble the cat and Mr. Spider who hung out at the back entrance. It was lots of fun with Stella and her family. There was always household action!!!

Zoe Zimmerman, Stella and Bill's daughter, gave me the best birthday present I could ever hope to get. One late afternoon while Stella was preparing dinner, Zoe and I had an impromptu concert. We played instruments, danced and sang together. The next morning, Zoe announced, "Mary, at first I didn't like you but I do now. You're FUN!!" I thanked Zoe for her honesty and told her that was the best present I received. To think she is 6, I am 60 and we can have FUN together.



Klondike Queens in Florida
Left to Right: Irena Yardley, Mary Carr, Stella Arent

So thanks to MOCTEL, we were reunited and will look forward to another visit in the future. It definitely won't be another 20 years.

We also found Ted Yardley at his sports bar in Sarasota!!

Mary CARR (Stueck) [dermarcarr*sasktel.net](mailto:dermarcarr@sasktel.net) (In Rosthern, SK)



Mary Carr & Ted Yardley
Sarasota Florida 2006
Photo courtesy Mary Carr

Just a reminder to everyone that the **Nominations for the 2007 Transportation Hall of Fame Awards** are due by Dec. 31st, 2006. For those wishing to nominate someone, the categories are as follows:

1. **Transportation Pioneer Award:** A nominee will have made a major contribution affecting or advancing the transportation industry, or a closely related activity connected with the movement of goods and/or people in Yukon prior to 1965. The nominee will be retired or could be deceased.

2. **Transportation Person of the Year:** A nominee must be engaged in transportation, or a closely related activity connected with the movement of goods and/or people in Yukon. Nominees will have assumed a leadership role during their career which has advanced the transportation industry as a whole or in any one of the several modes. This includes policy, safety, education, enforcement, innovation, performance or an exemplary act of bravery in perilous circumstances. Persons who have recently retired will also be considered.

3. **Order of Polaris** Presented to individuals, groups or association whose contributions to aviation include meritorious service in the Yukon. A nominee will have made a significant contribution and/or advancement to the aviation industry. Air-men and women, engineers, air crew, mechanics, designers and ground support, groups or associations, who played an important role in opening up the North, will also be considered. All inductees are admitted as Members to the Order of Polaris.

For those wishing to nominate someone for any of these categories, a nomination form can be obtained from the government website at: <http://www.hpw.gov.yk.ca/> or the Word Document or PDF file attached

These forms can be faxed or emailed to me at:

Terry-Lynn Vold Terry-Lynn.Vold@gov.yk.ca

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WINTER WEATHER HIT BERWICK NS



Ron Hiltz Home in Berwick Nova Scotia
Photo courtesy Ron Hiltz ronmarg*ns.sympatico.ca



Ron Hiltz Home in Berwick Nova Scotia
Photo courtesy Ron Hiltz ronmarg*ns.sympatico.ca

Hello to one and all, these are a few of the latest photos for December 06, [2006] in fact 5 min old. Yes it is cool out side this evening.

Cheers to one and all

Yes Sherron these are a few photos of our place in the world, today the temps are way up and it is melting, water is dripping everywhere from the roof. Moisture and very high humidity like 80 and 90 % relative humidity cause shorting of Christmas lights at times, I have been following the masses and ditching the old unreliable sets for the LED type of lights as I don't have the patience to mess with the older sets trying to find the faulty lights in the old strings. No I do not enjoy the snow as last December is still fresh in my

mind, yes I envy your winter location I expect snow is the last thing you have to contend with.

Cheers Sherron.

Ron Hiltz ronmarg*ns.sympatico.ca (In Berwick NS)

CREMATION OF SAM McGEE

[Click here: YouTube - The Cremation of Sam McGee](#)

This was one of my favorite poems. Brings back lots of memories.

Mike Paolera mpaolera*telus.net (In Oliver BC)

CORRECTIONS

I need to correct a statement I made in my previous message to you about the New NC Store in Mayo. It was actually built by the Northern Commercial Co. Ltd. and then sold to Danny Jurovich. I knew that but had a lapse of memory as I was writing to you about the store. Lyn Bleiler kindly reminded me of my error and so I need to apologize for the error and make sure it is corrected before being propagated.

I have also discovered that the Fisher cat-train, whose photo I received from Marjorie Profeit and which I sent in a couple of issues ago, did actually haul ore to Minto located on the Yukon River between Carmacks and Pelly. I was not aware that this was the case but apparently they did make the journey at least one season and perhaps more. I am indebted to *Gold and Galena* for this fact.

It's good that there are multiple sources of information and other Yukoners to correct our memories when they fail!

Take care.

Harvey J. Burian hburian*telus.net (In Parksville, BC)

ARTISTIC TALENT



Cloudless Sulfur

Photo courtesy Heinrich Lohmann heinrich@lohmann.ca (In Airdrie)

A GREAT MOOSE STORY

Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2006 6:25 PM Subject: "great moose story"!!

Now this is a true Love story.....Reminds me of the moose Danny Nolan had at his place in Whitehorse. His name was Bull Winkle. He was raised with Danny's dogs, so he thought he was a dog.

Danny turned him loose and the next fall, Danny's wife, Uli, happened to be looking out into one of the pastures that bordered the lake, and lo and behold!!!! there was Bull Winkle. It was hunting season, and he knew that he was safe on the Farm.

As far as I know, he is still there, though I would have to check with Randy, the foreman of the farm, to be sure.....I am speaking of the Yukon Game Farm on the Takhini Hotsprings Road, just outside of Whitehorse, Yukon

Anyway, I hope that you enjoy this.

Sandy Campbell northernlyght@shaw.ca (In Langley)

"Great moose story"!!



Immature Bull!! ? When this little guy was young; he lost his mother too soon.

So the Fish and Game brought him to Wendall and Debbie. They asked them to get him raised to a safe age to turn him loose again. So they bottle fed and took care of him; after a while they fed him with their cows.

So last Spring he was a year old ... and it was time to turn him back into the wild. Opened the gate and off he went.

Stayed away all summer; then this fall he was back with the cows. He really thinks he is a cow for now; all were happy to see him as he is pretty friendly.

He loves honey buns and will eat them right out of your mouth.

Wendall and Debbie live right up in the mountains so it came time to bring the cows down.

Well the moose was lonely all by himself so he headed down to find another herd of cows to hang with.

The neighbours called about a week later and asked Wendall to please come and get his Moose. So he headed out with a honey bun, bucket of grain and the horse trailer and brought him back home.

The moose is free to go anytime he wants but is choosing to stay put for now. Surely, come spring he will start to feel a bit like a male Moose and take off , but for now he is happy.



NEW ADDITION – Can you help – re Alpine Skiing photos

My name is Karen Hougen-Bell, daughter of Rolf and Marg Hougen and still living in Whitehorse. I was wondering whether you could ask members of MocTel to look in their photo files and see if they can find any pre 1975 alpine skiing photos. The goal is to find some suitable photos for the new ski chalet at Mount Sima and to collect a bit of a history of alpine skiing in the Yukon.

My father kindly located a number of his photos taken in the 1940's behind the hospital in what was known as the "sugarbowl". He also has a few photos of the early days on Roundell Hill near the now Mt. McIntyre Chalet. Any other photos or stories about the Yukon alpine skiing history would be wonderful to collect.

Please add me to your mailing list. Thanks very much!

Karen (Hougen) Bell karen*hougens.com (In Whitehorse)

NEW ADDITIONS

I am Lynda Krocker (nee Stirton)

My parents moved to Whitehorse in 1964 from Ontario. After their divorce, my mother (Noella Boelman) Married Stew Stirton (around 1973). We lived at 608 Wheeler Street. I have a sister - Sandi McMurphy who still lives in Whitehorse, and two brothers Pete and Mike Stirton.

I went to Christ the King High School until grade 10 and then to FH Collins where I met my husband Guy. We are in the class of 75. We traveled and lived in many parts of Canada from 1979 to 1989 returning to Whitehorse frequently. Guy worked for DFO as a co-op student while he attended The University of Victoria and we permanently moved to Victoria in the early 90s. Our last visit was to our reunion in 2005, we still miss it.

Guy's parents, Ken and Dorothy Krocker moved to Whitehorse around the same time as my parents. They lived in Whitehorse until the late 80s when they moved to Victoria.

Thanks

Lynda Krocker

my email is lmkrocker@shaw.ca

Hi: We were forwarded a copy of your Moctel and really enjoyed reading it. Would very much like to be put on your e-mail list. We moved to the Yukon in 1966 and bought the Teslin Lake Motel, this burned down in 1971. We ran Teslin Lake Motors and then bought the Yukon Motel in 1985, sold out in 1995 and retired. We still live in Teslin but winter in Mesa, Az. Our e-mail address in Az is wdorwjduncan@aol.com and we leave here about the last week in March. Our Yukon address is dorwjduncan@yknet.ca

Thanks loads,

Walter & Doreen Duncan,
Box 131, Teslin, Y.T.
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Would you please sign up my daughter - in law; Tish Reeder @ kreeder@northwestel.net. Thank you very much for the good reading material every week.

Sincerely

Norma Reeder.

Hello Norma and Tish

By way of this message I would like to hear from Tish. I need to know her connection to you. This is all I know about your family so far.

REEDER, Ted & Norma npreeder@telusplanet.net (In Yukon 1974-92)

I do not normally add someone to the mailing list until I hear from them directly. It confirms their interest and their e-mail address. I would also like to know what city you are in Tish and Norma.

If you have read the MocTel you will know that the interesting part of reading it is learning more about the Yukon and the people who lived there. Tish it would be interesting to know if you ever lived there or if you are simply interested because of your connection to the Reeder family.

The MocTel does depend on receiving input from those who belong to the group and by you giving some information about yourself and your family and its experience in Yukon would be helping with the project.

Hope to hear more from you, and then I will add you to the mailing list.

Sherron Jones

Hi Sherron;

I have been getting the MocTel; for about six months; living here in Carnwood. Ab. I am sorry I didn't realize you didn't sign people up this way, Tish is a long time Yukoner; born and raised there; by long time Yukoners who have since both passed on; Frank and Barb Stark, Tish and Ken now make their home at Tagish; Tish had been trying to get signed up, but seems all she was getting was about your Governors Award for setting this wonderful little newsy e-mail that comes out every week. It is most enjoyable to sit back these cold winter evenings and read all about former Yukoners and nice to know where they all live now.

p.s. a card and my donation will be following this in the mail.

Thanks Sherron; Enjoy your winter stay in Arizona; just love it down there.
Norma Reeder

I have been trying for several years to connect to your newsletter. A friend who I went to school with in Whitehorse (Trish Stark) gave me your name when she stopped in for a visit today. I wish to become a member and I understand there is a financial donation required. Please forward the necessary information and I will forward the donation to you. I would also like to connect my sister to your service.

I lived in the Yukon from 1949 to 1998 completing my education, etc. I attended Christ the King, Whitehorse Elementary in Whitehorse. St. Mary's and Robert Service High School in Dawson City.

My name is: Cathleen (Netzel) Lyons.
My children were raised and educated in the Yukon.

I can be reached at this e-mail address or my work address

lousana*xplor.net (home)
cathleen.lyons*calgaryhealthregion.ca (note the (.)) must be in place between my given name and surname as it is part of the e-mail address.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Cathleen Lyons

Thank you for your prompt response.

Although I work within the Calgary Health Region at the Didsbury Hospital, Didsbury AB (on Highway QE 2) about 40 minutes north of Calgary, I live in a hamlet called Lousana, Alberta east of Red Deer. We actually live near the area where the tornado in 2000 struck at Pine Line... about 12 minutes east on highway 42.

One thing I should have done when I sent the original e-mail was put my husband's name in also. His name is Bill Lyons. He came to the Yukon to work in 1967 and we did many things including gold mining, trucking, etc. For the last 20 years before we returned to Alberta he worked for a trucking company Cee & Cee Dirt and Gravel, I was employed at the Whitehorse General Hospital for the biggest part of my career. We returned here to Lousana (where we farmed for a short time in the late 60s early 70s before returning to the Yukon) although we did not go back to the farm. The hamlet where we live has a population of about 40 people although we are starting to experience the desire of urban dwellers looking for rural community life searching for smaller homes, etc where they can raise their families away from the stress of the city. It takes about 30 minutes to drive to Red Deer on excellent roads.

Your note re Duncan Netzel... he is my brother. I have contacted my sister in Alberta to see if she is interested in signing up for your excellent web site. Where would you like me to send my donation?

Cathy Lyons

Hello,
Yes we would like to sign up for the Moccasin Newsletter!!
My husband Bryant and I moved to Whitehorse in 1972 and moved outside in 2000.

We now live in Sangudo, Alberta which is on Hwy #43 leading back up to the Yukon and are always hoping to see our Yukon friends!!

We still have family in Whitehorse.

It was our sister-in-law Cathy Lyons (Netzel) who was born and raised in the Yukon who told me about your newsletter!!

We would love to catch up with our old friends & acquaintances!!

Thanks!

Colleen McKenzie

OBIT

SNELL, Aileen Aileen Snell passed away peacefully with her family at her side at the West Parry Sound Health Centre on Sunday afternoon, December 3rd, 2006 in her 93rd year. Beloved wife of the late Major Wilfred Snell. Loving mother of Jennifer Partridge of Rosseau; Anne and her husband Jacob Hoekema of Victoria, B.C.; **Peter and his wife Tracy Snell of Whitehorse, Yukon**; Ian and his wife Pauline Snell of Dorchester. Loving grandmother of Daniel, Patrick, James Edward and Gregory; Amy and Joshua; Jennifer, Heather and Julie; Kerri and Tracy. Survived by sister Louise and brothers Ian and Starey. Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends. Service of Remembrance to celebrate Aileen's life to be held in the Logan Memorial Chapel, 81 James St., Parry Sound, ON (705-746-5855) on Thursday, December 7th at 1:00 P.M. The family welcomes visitors prior to the Service from 12:00 noon. Reception to follow. As expressions of sympathy donations to a local food bank or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. On-line condolences can be sent to www.logansfuneralhome.com 321984 Published in the Victoria Times-Colonist on 12/6/2006.

(Peter was hospital administrator.- Bill Maylor)

CAMPBELL Graham. Died November 28, 2006 at Delta Hospital, Ladner, B.C. Graham was born on August 9, 1922 in Nottingham, England. Graham's father, Sydney, who was born and grew up near Truro, Nova Scotia joined the British Army during the First World War and was wounded near Ypres. While recovering in England he met Graham's mother to be, Ellen. When Graham was four, his father returned to Canada bringing his wife and two children and settled in Saskatoon where Graham grew up. In early 1940, when he was 17, Graham tried to join the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was told he was too young, to go home and come back when he was 18. In December 1940 Graham succeeded in joining the RCAF and was trained for nine months to become a wireless air-gunner. He flew as an observer on patrols of the northern BC coast in planes such as the Blackburn Shark. Later he flew out of Montreal ferrying planes across the Atlantic to England and Scotland. In 1943 he was stationed in Reykjavik, Iceland flying on submarine patrol over the north Atlantic in the amphibious Consolidated Canso.

Graham had flown 70 sorties and was the First Wireless Officer of Canso P of 162 Squadron on June 24, 1944 when a U-Boat was sighted. They attacked the submarine with machine gun fire and depth charges. Graham manned the guns in the nose of the aircraft. The U-Boat responded with its deck gun and the Canso was hit and began to burn. The starboard engine fell off, but the captain, David Hornell, who was awarded the Victoria Cross, managed to successfully ditch the plane. The U-Boat had been hit by the depth charge and had sunk. The crew of 8 had only one inflatable lifeboat, too small to hold all, as the others had exploded or blown away. The crew took turns in the life boat and were adrift in thirty foot seas for 21 hours before a rescue ship arrived. Two members of the crew died at sea and Hornell died shortly after rescue. Graham was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in recognition of his gallantry. After this Graham volunteered for a second tour and continued to fly out of Iceland until the end of the War. The Canso P was displayed on a commemorative stamp which was issued by Canada Post in 1984. After the war and in spite of that experience, Graham made his living mostly on the water. He worked in the fishing fleet with BC Packers for several years on fish boats, packers and even one of the last whaling boats on the BC coast. In 1953 he was onboard the White Swan when at night it hit the towing cable between a towboat and its barge. Graham pulled the skipper, who was only semi-conscious due to a head injury, out of the wheelhouse and helped him into the lifeboat. That skipper named one of his sons after Graham. Later on he worked for Coast Ferries on small freighters serving logging camps and native communities on the BC coast. After Coast Ferries **he worked for the White Pass and Yukon from Vancouver to Skagway, Alaska.** Graham retired in 1985 after several years as an engineer with Rivtow Straights. In retirement Graham enjoyed being at home with his wife Magdalene in their house in Tsawwassen into which they had moved in 1967. He and Magdalene attended many Commonwealth Aircrew and Air-gunner reunions all across Canada. At one reunion in Ottawa he was able to meet, more than 50 years after the event, the Norwegian airman who, while flying on patrol with the RAF, spotted the flare that Graham had shot off from the dinghy thereby fixing their position for rescue. Graham was a member of the Ladner branch of the Royal Canadian Legion for 30 years and served on the executive and made hospital visits in the early nineties. Graham had started on boats as a cook and liked to get involved in the kitchen when he was home. Cooking fish was a specialty, but he also made many muffins and scones. Graham canned many jars of Sockeye salmon and gave away many to family and friends. He was a generous and agreeable man who was liked by everyone who met him. Graham was happily married for over 52 years to Magdalene. He will be missed by family and friends and terribly missed by Magdalene and his son Warren. Funeral to be held Saturday, December 9, 2006 at 1 pm at Boundary Bay Cemetery, 856 56th Street, Tsawwassen, BC. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Parkinson Society British Columbia or a charity of the donor's choice. Delta Funeral Home (604) 946-6040
Published in the Vancouver Sun on 12/6/2006.

RIFF, Brenda Passed away peacefully in hospital, Perth on Tuesday, December 5th, 2006 at the age of 55. Beloved wife of Brian. Loving and devoted mother to Kevin and Alanna. She will be fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Brenda's numerous accomplishments throughout her life included receiving her degree from Carleton University with a double major in Psychology and English, **she was an accomplished figure skater who taught skating to many children in Edmonton, Whitehorse** and the Upper Ottawa Valley. She had a love of the outdoors, where she was an avid gardener, recently raising Alpacas with Brian on their farm. Friends may pay their respects at the Blair & Son Funeral Home, 15 Gore St. W., Perth on Friday, December 8th from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Lanark on Saturday at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions to the Great War Memorial Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Published in the Ottawa Citizen on 12/7/2006.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Keep your eyes to the sunshine, and you cannot see the shadows.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Submitted by Gillian Campbell gillianklondikekate*shaw.ca (In Burnaby)

My Mothers' Trifle YUMMY !!

You will need a plain sponge cake - make it or buy it. I make my own.

Cut in two and spread with Jam. - I make my own.

Then cut it into squares and place it around a glass dish or until you have filled it 1/2 full.

Then take some Sherry, usually I use Almond made by "Andres Wines" it gives a nice flavour. Any sherry will do.....I put quite a lot in !!! Hmmm

Then you open a can of mixed fruit or peaches and pour the juice into a measuring cup.

Then you make a jelly (jello) - either lime or raspberry or your choice, and with the 2 cups of Hot Water you include the juice of the fruit.

Then evenly spread all the fruit over the sponge.

Then when the jelly is cooled off a bit, pour the whole 2 cups of jelly over the fruit and sponge...Then put it in the fridge to set.

Next make a custard. 'Birds Custard' is the best...I find. Use the recipe on the tin, using 3 cups of whole milk.

When the jelly and sponge etc is cooled off, pour the custard over the whole area and leave to set. You can put it in the fridge again or if the weather is not HOT, room temperature would be fine. Put a cover over it...a cloth.....when ready to serve....decorate with whipped cream and chocolate bits or whatever you have.

If you want to make a smaller trifle, not a problem, cut everything by 1/2.

Big Big Hugs.. Gillian xox

DATES TO REMEMBER

Just want to let Yukoners know that the reduced room fee at the **River Rock Resort** (\$149.00 plus tax) is available for the whole weekend relative to our annual banquet March 31, 2007. Nice of them we think!!

They are actually now taking reservations for those of you who like to plan ahead. We are looking for a good turnout this year. Carol Clarke will be on the internet with more reminders as time draws nearer. Christmas first of course. In the meantime, pass the word. For more information re email you can contact **Carol Clarke** at clclarke*shaw.ca or **Helen Munro** hmunro*shaw.ca

Oh yes, tickets are still \$55.00 each. Remember - the Resort offers lots to do before and after our soiree.

Hope to see you all in March. Helen Munro

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE THE MOCCASIN TELEGRAPH

If you have received this copy of the Moccasin Telegraph from a friend and wish to sign up to receive future editions yourself, the criteria is that you **are or were a Yukoner**. The goal of this project is to provide an opportunity for folks to reconnect.

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