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Protesters demand more action from MAA

By Dorothy Schreiber

A group of about 20 demonstrators gathered outside the Edmonton Metis Association of Alberta (office) on April 7 to demand that their provincial leader take more action toward securing Metis rights.

The protesters, from the Grande Cache and Edson areas, waved placards and demanded to know how Larry Desmeules and the association he is president of, are working toward self-government by securing a land base for Metis people and rights pertaining to hunting, fishing, trapping and education.

"I have not seen any negotiations taking place between government since he's (Desmeules) been in office," said the group's spokesperson, Clarence Norris, a member of Local 1986.

"As far as I understand now, the only thing (blocking self-government) is not having a negotiating team in place for me in the form of



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Local 1986's Clarence Norris (left) says MAA is failing him; at right, protesters chant "Stop sitting on our rights."

Larry working as a provincial negotiator. I'm hoping this (demonstration) will put our president to work and get him working for our rights."

Desmeules met with protesters to debate some

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But Norris and Dan Martel, vice-president of Zone 4, accused the president of failing to move on Aboriginal rights, pointing out he seemed more concerned with developing programs and services

under the framework agreement.

"I've never seen anything in the framework agreement that mentions Metis rights. To me, this agreement is just an agreement to negotiate with the minister," Norris told Desmeules.

The president responded, "And get employment for our people out there. What do you think self-government is? Self-government is fixing roads, working and handling your own affairs. We're getting those things sent over (under the framework agreement) so we can start doing that."

To the demonstrator's charge that he was taking no action to gain Aboriginal rights, Desmeules said the issue is a "federal problem" and the association is working through its national body, the Metis National Council to have talks on Aboriginal rights re-opened with the federal government.

He added the association has been working with the national body "all along" and he had just received a letter on April 6 from the federal government indicat-

ing self-government talks will re-open.

"All those processes are in place and working but there's no fast way of doing it...in the meantime we're implementing self-determination," he said, referring to the framework agreement with the provincial government.

However, Martel said he would like to see the MAA president sit down with the province to address the issue of Metis rights.

"He (Desmeules) has to be realistic and he has to stop dealing with the bureaucrats and start sitting down with (Premier) Getty...and that's where I would like to see him negotiating, not with bureaucrats."

When asked by Windspeaker if he was aware that some of his membership are unhappy with the association, Desmeules replied, "It's a very small group. It's one local in the Marlboro and Grande Cache area...so it strikes me as being more political than anything else."

Psst, wanna buy a tipi — Olympic style?

By Lesley Crossingham

Just think, you could be the proud owner of a 93-metre (200 ft.) high metal tipi for a mere \$100,000.

Dorval Industries, a Calgary-based construction company, built the giant tipi structure for the opening

Olympic ceremonies at McMahon stadium. The gigantic tipi is made of tubular steel girders painted dark red and, according to owner Gabor Illes, it is guaranteed to last for years.

"We've had lots of inquiries," says Illes. "The mayor (Ralph Klein) wants it in Calgary, OCO (Olympics Calgary Olympiques) wants it in Calgary and the Stampede board would just love it in the Stampede grounds. Even Petro-Canada (sponsor of the Olympic torch relay) has shown interest — but talk is cheap. It would

be a shame to let it go for scrap," he says.

However, covering this mammoth structure with canvas or hide is out of the question. If you tried to cover this monster, it could turn into a huge sail that would probably rip the tipi out of the ground.

"We did have someone suggest we cover the structure with steel mesh. That would allow for the wind to blow through and would of course also last much longer than canvas," says Illes.

So far, Illes has received only one offer from a Houston, Texas company

in the United States. However, he says he won't consider selling the tipi south of the border.

"I think it would be a shame to let the first tipi used in Canada's first Winter Olympic Games go out of the country."

If his company is unable to sell the tipi, the girders will be cut up and used on general construction contracts.

"But I hope it won't come to that," states Illes.

Dorval Industries is a family owned and run company and has been in business since 1968.

One million to be allocated

Language institute to be formed

By Lesley Crossingham

The Assembly of First Nations will unveil its plan to form an Aboriginal languages institute during the upcoming national assembly to be held in Whitehorse, Yukon, May 31 to June 2.

"We've really been working hard," says coordinator Dolly McDonald-Jacob. "We only formed

the steering committee after the Aboriginal language conference was held (in Ottawa) in January."

During that conference former Secretary of State, David Crombie, announced \$1 million would be allocated toward a language institute. And, says McDonald-Jacob, the Secretary of State also funded the recently formed steering and writing committees.

The Aboriginal languages

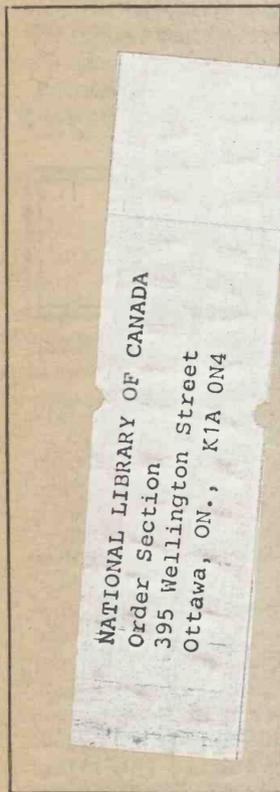
steering committee is made up of people from all parts of Canada. However, there are no members from Alberta.

"We do, however, feel that because we have two Alberta members on the writing committee (LeRoy Little Bear and Ray Fox) that this fills in the gaps," says McDonald-Jacob.

During the Aboriginal languages conference, Grand Chief Georges

Erasmus said that the maintenance of Aboriginal language is a heavy responsibility.

In a position paper released shortly after the conference the assembly announced that the objective of the institute would be the "perpetuation, revitalization, growth and protection of Aboriginal languages across the country."



GEORGES ERASMUS...preserving language

National

Trappers fear loss of British export

By Terry Lusty

The Aboriginal Trappers Federation of Canada (ATFC) has its work cut out as it attempts to thwart the activities of over 80 animal rights groups which oppose trapping.

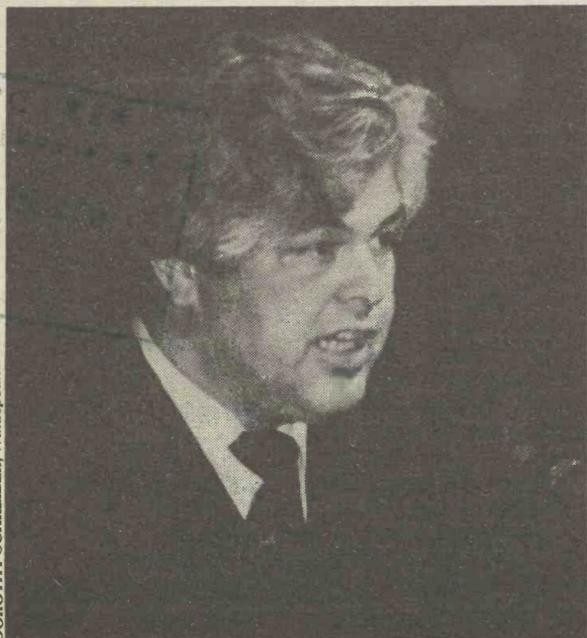
Last week, Bob Stevenson, executive director of ATFC, told *Windspeaker* his group is concerned about the threat to Native cultural, spiritual and economic survival by animal activists.

The use of anti-fur labels on clothes in Britain is only the beginning of things to come Stevenson fears. The British government plans to legislate that labels be adhered to fur garments warning buyers that such clothing "includes fur from animals commonly caught in leghold traps. This is a move "to undermine the culture and economy of Native trappers," charges Stevenson.

Stevenson says Jim Bourque, representing Dene interests in the Northwest Territories, and Georges Erasmus for the Assembly of First Nations, have made special trips to Britain to consult and plead the Indian cause with the British Minister of State for Trade and Industry, Aian Clark. However, he adds, their pleas appear to have fallen on deaf ears.

Support from the British Fur Traders Association, the Fur Institute of Canada, Indigenous Survival International, North American Fur Alliance and the International Fur Trade Federation which represents 30 different countries, and protest letters to the prime minister and Queen have failed to stop the labelling of fur garments.

The possibility that other countries may adopt any policies or legislation from Britain is "the largest worry now" according to Stevenson. He says it will probably mushroom to



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Environmentalist Paul Watson (left) and the head of the Aboriginal Trappers Federation of Canada, Bob Stevenson (right) have conflicting views about the fur industry.

other countries. The irony "is that the very first country involved with Native people is introducing legislation to work against

them without consulting or even thinking about Native people."

Sterling Brass, chairman of the ATFC, says he met



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with the Queen last fall in Saskatoon and raised the controversy about labelling fur garments. "She asked me to have faith in Indian

and traditional ways and said that her government would respect them."

An important aspect of their work says Brass, is

heightening awareness by speaking to schools, universities and groups.

In late February, Brass and Stevenson attended the North American Fur Alliance conference at Lafayette, Louisiana. The main purpose of such meetings says chairman Kirk Smith from Ontario, "is planning the joint projects and the development of communication strategies on issues such as labelling, animal rights, lobbying on hunting and trapping regulations and policies of government and education awareness programs."

Smith contends that "our opponents have coordinated their activities and we have to do the same thing." That, he explains, is why they started a conference at Hinton which is attended by government people and others involved in trapping decisions.

A real problem according to Stevenson, is the ignorance of not only the public at large but the animal rights groups too. Most are concentrated at various points in the U.S. but neither they nor Canadian activists "have ever taken us up on our invitation to them to come out to visit our trappers or people of the land to find out firsthand just what is what.

"The cities especially, is where most activists live and that's the area we have to hit, large cities where people don't know any better."

As for government restrictions to the taking of only one lynx per trapper in Alberta, "I think that is just a lack of communication between the government and the people," says Stevenson. The fact that there are few lynx in the south "doesn't mean it's like that up north, especially around Wood Buffalo National Park."

Environmentalist discourages trapping

By Albert Crier

The Canadian government has a moral obligation to give Native people everything taken away from them, said Paul Watson, a conservation activist who wants to discourage Natives from trapping furs.

Native people should not support a European market, said Watson, leader of the Sea Sheppard Conservation Society, at a public forum at the U of A March 30.

Watson was on a Canadian tour to promote a conservation ideology that has succeeded in stopping the commercial seal hunt in Canada and decreased fur sales in Europe.

Confronted by Bob Stevenson, director of the Aboriginal Trappers Federation of Canada (ATFA), Watson would not

yield on his anti-fur industry stand.

"We are on a campaign of our own and do not need non-Indians to speak on our behalf," said Stevenson, referring to the Brown-peace movement sponsored by Indigenous Survival International (ISI), to offset the anti-fur lobby in Europe.

"Native people are divided on this issue," retorted Watson, who claims to have been adopted by the Ogalala Sioux Nation after serving as a medic during the Wounded Knee occupation by the American Indian Movement in 1973.

"The Canadian government fully supports our action. They fund the ISI and the ATFC," said Stevenson.

Watson formed the Sea Sheppard Society in 1977, after disagreement over tactics with the Green

Peace movement, now a worldwide environment organization.

"The rape of the earth is legal under human laws. The Sea Sheppard Society is an advocate for and an enforcement agency of natural laws," said Watson.

Watson said that the federal fisheries department has used Natives to promote the European market for seal pelts.

"The Inuit were not targeted by Green Peace," said Watson, adding that "the Canadian government can lift the seal ban by forbidding commercial seal hunts."

The Sea Sheppard Society supports the nomadic hunting and gathering lifestyles of Native people who subsist off the land, said Watson.

Watson believes that agricultural, research and any commercial use of

animals is wrong.

"We have to stop looking at animals as resources, but as brothers on the planet. We can't support the idea of sustainable harvest yield of wildlife resource."

The Sea Sheppard Society is a voluntary organization which shut down the B.C. wolf kill program and attracted world media attention when it destroyed a whale meat processing plant and two whaling boats in Iceland in 1986.

The society owns two small ships which attempt to stop whaling, drift net fishing and other crimes against the environment.

"A world revolution, economic, social and political, is needed to change the perspective on the environment," said Watson.

Leaders blame gov't for stalemate in FMC talks

By Lesley Crossingham

The Assembly of First Nations is once again pushing for the re-opening of talks on Aboriginal self-government and plans to lobby the major political parties in an effort to force the prime minister to reconvene the first ministers' process.

"They (the federal government) feel it is not time yet to reopen the talks," says assembly director, Ted Montour.

"But if not now, when?"

The first ministers' conference mechanism was put into place when the Canadian constitution was repatriated in 1982. It allowed for five first ministers' conferences to enable amending legislation allowing Aboriginal self-government. However, after the final conference held in April last year, no agreement had been reached on the exact definition of self-government and the talks ended in stalemate.

But, the assembly feels the self-government agenda must be dealt with, particularly the Meech Lake accord which changes the amending formula. Before the accord, an amendment to the constitution only required the agreement of the majority of provinces with the highest population. However, any new amendments would now require the unanimous support of all provinces.

"It's a case of political will," explains Montour. "In

the last first ministers' conferences there was no political will."

Montour points to the fact that the Meech Lake accord, which would allow for Quebec to enjoy special rights as a "distinct society" was "thrashed out" in one weekend, whereas Aboriginal rights discussions ended in a standoff after more than five years of negotiations.

With rumors of a fall general election, members

of the assembly are actively lobbying the three main political parties and have already met with the Liberal leader John Turner, who has pledged to re-establish the constitutional negotiations.

"We don't have the political clout to influence the government on our own, what we have to rely on is the goodwill of the Canadian general public. If we can appeal to their sense of fairness from a moral standpoint, I think

we'll start to see those changes."

Justice minister Ray Hnatyshyn has written to the leaders of the four main Native groups inviting them to a meeting in Ottawa.

Assembly leader Georges Erasmus, Louis "Smokey" Bruyere, from the Native Council of Canada, Saskatchewan Metis leader Jim Sinclair and a representative from the Inuit will probably meet in May, announced the prime minister's office this week.

Provincial

Calgary cop 'off the hook' for alleged racism

By Dorothy Schreiber

A police officer who made alleged racist remarks to Lubicon demonstrators during a protest of the Olympic torch in Calgary has been "let off the hook" after an internal police investigation was held, says a member of the Calgary's Committee Against Racism (CAR).

The findings of the investigation were made public on April 5 by superintendent Robert McKay of the Calgary

police service.

"The result of the investigation was he (police officer) didn't make racist comments," says Rosemary Brown, explaining the committee wrote a letter of complaint to the Calgary city police after a plain-clothes officer told a reporter to be sure to report "the public's reaction to those f----- Indians."

"They're letting him off the hook on that one," says Brown, who believes the officer did make the comment.

But the officer "has been disciplined for inappropriate and unprofessional conduct" in connection with another comment, says McKay. During the demonstration the same officer said he wished he had a flame thrower to use on the protesters and their placards as they were blocking the view of the Olympic torch for people standing behind the group.

"However, the officer denies any racist comments to, or about, the protesters," says the superintendent.

Although CAR has not

yet seen a copy of the investigation report Brown believes the results raise many questions about the process of internal investigations.

"It should have been a public investigation. Internal investigations don't resolve anything from the perspective of the public and the people that the comments are being made about. Basically, what we have happening here is the police taking the word of their officers.

"Because it was internal, there's always that feeling

that coverups can occur," says Brown.

"If somebody isn't happy with that particular decision they can appeal to the Law Enforcement Appeal Board," counters McKay.

The letter of complaint was filed with the Calgary police in mid-February by

Joan Ryan, a member of CAR and an anthropologist with the University of Calgary.

Ryan is out of the province and could not be reached for comment.

CAR members will meet on April 10 to discuss the issue.

Youth conference attracts over 400 people

Saddle Lake youth address local problems

By Diane Parenteau

SADDLE LAKE -- First Nations Native Youth Development conference held here March 18-19 brought together over 400 students, parents, chaperones and speakers, an overwhelming number. They addressed issues ranging from crime prevention and government to drug, alcohol and traditions.

The unique aspect of this conference, setting it apart from any other, is that the initial idea, a request for guidance and help, came directly from the Saddle Lake youth.

Gloria White, president of the Saddle Lake conference committee said the idea was born during psychology class and it snowballed from there.

"We started talking about it and began to plan it out," said White.

The students wanted to address local problems such as the high alcohol use among community youth and emotional problems leading teenagers to drink.

"On the reserve there is a lot of young people who are drunks," said White, a

Grade 12 student. "People my age, they like to party... they like to drink. People drink because they are depressed or someone hurt them."

The 16-member conference committee, with the help of teacher Clifford Cardinal, organized themselves and approached the chief and council for support.

Saddle Lake Elder Joe Cardinal advised the committee throughout the planning stages. Through him, Native Counselling Services was contacted and asked to help, resulting in program director Allan Benson's involvement.

"It's not too often that you hear students wanting to solve their own problems," said Benson. He saw the conference as addressing real issues and basically creating an awareness with the youth.

"Somewhere," said Benson, "we have to get a message across that young people are here and we have to deal with their problems."

Sam Windy Boy Jr., an educator from the Rocky Boy reserve in Montana,

was invited to observe the conference. He called it a positive step for the Saddle Lake community.

"There has to be an entry point to get the youth involved," said Windy Boy. "This is the first time I've seen where the young people have been involved with the organizing."

Among the conference questions and issues were emotional topics dealing with suicide, dealing with hatred.

"I was told these were sensitive issues," said Clifford Cardinal. "Someone had the courage to deal with them."

The values of culture were echoed by numerous speakers throughout the weekend and demonstrated in ceremonies performed.

Conference speaker Sam Windy Boy Sr., an Elder and spiritual leader of the Rocky Boy Chipewyan Cree tribe in Montana, stressed the importance of knowing your culture and traditions.

"Elders say that we're going to have to rely on our culture to survive and I believe it," he said.

The concept was expand-

ed on by Chief Eugene Steinhauer. "It's important to retain our identity and culture, but we also have to look at education."

He encouraged the youth to get leadership support and seek advice from the older people.

Saddle Lake has various programs in place to deal with health, education and counselling.

"Even with these programs we still have a lot of problems," said Joe Cardinal. "It's good that you young people are here today to iron out your future."

With all the lecture and presentations heard, the ceremonies performed and the dancing and feasts over, it seems the conference benefits are lasting.

Other communities such as Janvier have shown an interest in hosting their own. The students of Calling Lake will also return to their community with the warm sharing experience of a round dance.

"I'm glad you have started to look at your problems," said Joe Cardinal. "Tomorrow you will have to be taking over."

Cultural grants available to Natives now

By Dorothy Schreiber

Friendship centres, the Native Brotherhood, the Crowfoot Elders Lodge, and Blue Quills school all share something in common.

Members of each organization are involved in preserving and sharing their culture so they qualify for special grants from the Alberta Cultural Heritage Division.

The grants, up to \$3,000, are available under two special programs, Multi-cultural Retention and Multicultural Sharing and Understanding.

Metis cultural dance classes held at Edmonton's Canadian Native Friendship

Centre (CNFC), in which Natives and non-Natives are taught to jig and square dance is an example of the kind of program financially assisted by the government.

The dance classes have been held at CNFC every Sunday afternoon for the past three years and have been so successful that the centre now has two dance groups which perform in Edmonton and around the province, says CNFC director Georgina Donald.

She says the monies they received from the financial assistance program has been put towards travel and to help pay a dance instructor.

Last year, the Cultural Heritage Division approved

about 527 grant applications, of which about 20 were from Native organizations, says Terry Keyko, director of the program for northern Alberta.

He explained the purpose of the grants are two-fold: first to encourage the retention of culture and also to "encourage organizations to share their culture, their way of life with other cultures and with other people."

Some of the eligible expenditures the program covers are: travel costs, facility and equipment rental, cost for publicizing events or projects and such administration costs as stationary and postage.

Financial assistance is

available provincially and federally incorporated organizations, as well as Indian bands. Organizations applying for the grants must be able to contribute 50 per cent of the total cost of the project in either matching dollars or by providing facilities and services.

Organizations members cannot submit applications for both programs, they must choose one or the other.

The deadline for this year's grant application is April 15. Cultural Heritage offices are located in Edmonton, Calgary, St. Paul, Red Deer, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie and Lethbridge.

National Briefs

Nova Scotian Indians to host powwow this summer

SYDNEY -- "Guardians of the Eastern Door," is the theme of the second annual Friendship Powwow to be hosted by the Micmac Native Friendship Centre at Seaview Park in Halifax, July 6-10.

The beat of the drum with its Native singers will remind all participants, contestants and visitors of the foundation of Indian strength, unity and survival as tradition based on its culture.

Powwow '88 is shaping up to be a premier cultural event to observe and participate in. The events will get underway July 6 with daily grand entries which will include all drum groups and dancers...first, second and third prizes will be awarded in each category for men, women and juniors.

Contests will include traditional and fancy dancing, storytelling, waltz games, special performers in dance and song, along with an Indian princess pageant and an all-Indian talent show to be co-hosted by the Native Communications Society of Nova Scotia and the Micmac Native Friendship Centre.

Powwow '88 will be the first major cultural event in the Maritimes to be hosted this summer and will include an "exposition area" for arts and crafts demonstrations and sales. A special schedule has been set aside for the Elders as organizers continue to finalize and prepare for the various events.

The five day cultural showcase will end with a traditional feast and presentation of various awards for all competitions.

The annual National Aboriginal Communications Society (NACS) general meeting and awards competitions, July 4-8 will coincide with Powwow '88.

Report reveals why Bill C-31 applications are backlogged

OTTAWA -- A confidential internal review has revealed why some Native women who applied to be reinstated under Bill C-31 have been put on hold.

Some women seeking reinstatement under the bill say they have waited for as long as two and three years to have their applications completed.

A copy of the Department of Indian Affairs review was obtained by the Canadian Press under the access to information legislation. The purpose of the review was to find out why applications under Bill C-31, passed in June of 1985, were taking such a long time to process.

Some of the reasons for the backlog:

- many of the staff were not clear about who they reported to and who worked for them;
- staff told to complete processing of six applications per day did the easy applications first, wasting time and circumventing the in-first principle;
- staff morale was low and numerous complaints were made to the project team on the quality of fellow workers and subordinates;
- staff kept a manual filing system as well as an electronic system fearing the computer would wipe out information.

Indian Affairs minister Bill McKnight told a House of Commons committee that the department had under-estimated the number of applications they would receive by close to 50 per cent. About half of the 98,000 applications are still being processed.

The bill was enacted to remove a discriminatory section of the Indian Act which took away Indian status of women who married non-Native spouses.

Opinion

We learn by experience

Dear Editor:

How do Native people learn education?

Our ways are so different from the non-Native people. We learn our education through experience. Some have been rejected by the others. This has caused hardship in our communities.

In some ways, non-Native people would agree with us by learning education through experience. Most of us come here to learn how to read and write because we have already learned education through experience. Most of us come here (AVC Grouard) to learn how to read and write because we have already learned education through experience.

Through my experience I have learned how to respect others. I always try to have a good relationship for communication and this is my background.

Many times some people get so affectionate toward the low-educated people because it is so miraculous to know how much they already know through their experience.

I am happy that non-Native people agree with me that low-educated people learned their education through experience and it is very important to have this kind of education in our country. It will put the broken pieces together again.

Alfred Hamelin
Fort Vermilion

Reader asks: What is an Elder?

Dear Editor:

What is an Elder? My definition of an Elder is one who is wise, understanding, respectful and has earned the right to be an Elder. A discrepancy to this definition occurred when I was informed of a statement made by an Elder who spoke at the Saddle Lake Youth Conference. I was appalled with the following statement, "The whiteman brought two evils, the bottle and the rosary."

Is this Elder trying to say that the whiteman is so powerful as to create such gifts? As an Elder, he should know that everything is a gift given to us by the Creator. 'The bottle' is one of these gifts, and we, as people, must differentiate the use and abuse of alcohol. We must then pass this knowledge onto our youth.

An Elder should also understand and respect the differences in others, including their beliefs, not simply condemn them. In using such a statement, this Elder is showing youth how to put down others and make excuses for the

wrongs in our society. He should instead try to provide solutions. Carrying a grudge against the whiteman does not solve anything. Our Native youth will never be happy going through life with a chip on their shoulder.

Elders are supposed to teach youth how to grow and part of growing is taking responsibility. One must take responsibility for one's own actions and accept the consequences, not just blame others.

I also wish to state that according to my definition, there is no age at which one becomes an Elder. That is, one doesn't turn 60, for example, and suddenly become wise.

I hope that at future conferences, true Elders will come forward to speak to Native youth. True Elders would teach youth responsibility, respect and understanding. Poor excuses, condemnations and criticism of another race would not be mentioned whatsoever.

Sincerely,
Crystal Poitras

Your opinion, please...

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German visitor searches for Chief Seattle's words Exchange student sees prejudice here

Dear Editor:

Hello people from the Windspeaker.

I have a big and probably unusual request, and you are pretty well my last hope.

But first I will explain: I'm a (female) exchange student from Germany and I am living in Calling Lake for 10 months. I really love to live here, but unfortunately I've just three months left of my stay.

About three months ago I wrote an article in our students' newspaper about Calling Lake and the nonsense of prejudice by Athabascans (and others) against the Indian popula-

tion. I go to the high school in Athabasca, where the people are mostly white. I explained in the article why we have alcohol and drug problems in Calling Lake, and how the people there stand between two chairs (cultures) and don't know where to sit.

Anyway, I wanted to illustrate that article with a speech that is very famous in Germany. We have records and films about it. It's the speech of Chief Seattle, delivered in 1854 when the Whites wanted to have his land. I never imagined I could have so much trouble finding this speech here. Chief Seattle was a "Canadian." I asked

teachers that studied Indian history — they didn't know about it. Librarians — nothing.

I looked through all the Indian books in our school library — nothing. We phoned universities — nothing.

Maybe it's because in Canada the pollution isn't that obvious. In Germany, it's really a problem. Dirty rivers, huge garbage hills... and Seattle's speech touches the topics "waste" and pollution very much.

About two weeks ago I read some "Windspeakers" at a friend's place in Calling Lake. And what did I find? In Volume 5, February 12, 1988 was an editorial (on

page 6) that started with: "The (whiteman) kidnaps the earth...continue to contaminate in your bed, and you will one night suffocate in your own waste." It was an excerpt from Chief Seattle's speech.

I still want to put that speech in the school newspaper. Do you have the rest of that speech, and could you send it to me?

I would be really happy. By the way, I think your newspaper is excellent!

Yours,
Anke

EDITOR'S NOTE: Chief Seattle's speech is in the mail for you. Thanks for your letter.



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TERRY LUSTY, Windspeaker

LOUIS BULL POWWOW
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By Terry Lusty

One of Alberta's early spring powwows was held during the Easter weekend at the Peter Bull Memorial Centre on the Louis Bull reserve.

The four day event with \$7,900 in prize money at stake, drew hundreds of spectators to watch the dancers and to listen to the drummers/singers from various points of Alberta, B.C., Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Montana, Washington and Oregon.

Twenty drum groups turned up with Hobbema's Bobtail Singers serving as the host drum. Three other main drums were ones from Rocky Boy, Montana, Manitoba's Assiniboine Juniors and Mandaree from North Dakota.

Emcees for the event were Russell Standingrock of Rocky Boy and Kenny Merrick from North Dakota.

Familiar to many was the presence of Charlie Tailfeathers from Warm Springs, Oregon, who was the arena director and acted as whip man in keeping the dance area clear of playful children. His son Michael, who is not yet even a teenager, did a solo hoop dance as did local performer Kenny Roan.

Each day there were grand entries at 1 and 7 p.m. As well, Sunday's and Monday's activities included customary round dances for all who wished to participate. The powwow did not wind down until the gruelling competition dances had concluded and that wasn't until about 3:30 a.m. Tuesday.

On Sunday evening, special tribute was paid to a young resident, Georgette Johnson, from the Samson Band. She was chosen by the Wetaskiwin School District and the Four Bands to represent Hobbema on a European tour because of her scholastic achievements and a 98% average.

A special feature of the powwow was the appointment of honorary head dancers, acknowledgement of the Four Nations midjet hockey team and a special inauguration ceremony for the new Louis Bull band council.

The honorary head dancers hosted giveaways, one including two Appaloosa horses from Kenny Roan (men's fancy) to fancy dancer Rick Cleveland of Milwaukee. Other head dancers were: Gerald Lightning (men's grass), Noreen Saddleback (ladies' fancy), Lucille Littlechild (jingle dress), all of Hobbema as well as Evans Melting Tallow of Stand Off (men's traditional) and Florence Nepoose of Ma-Me-O Beach (ladies' traditional).

There were a number of familiar faces at the powwow, some new and

out-of-province ones. In fact, quite a few of the visitors walked off with some of the major prize money for competition dancing.

Only one of 14 categories was won by a local (Hobbema dancer). The three men's divisions were taken by out-of-province dancers and the ladies' traditional was the only senior female category to be won by an Albertan. With the exception of the men's traditional, even all second place finishes in the adult categories went to out-of-province people.

The final standings for all categories were as follows:

MEN: Fancy Rick Cleveland (Wisconsin), Tony Brown (Montana), Alvin Windy Boy (Montana), Traditional Walter Bull (Little Pine, Sask.), Art Scalplock (Morley), Charlie Favel (Rocky Boy), Grass Jonathon Windy Boy (Mont.), Darrel Goodwill (Carlisle, Sask.), Ivan Lonechild (Ft. Totten, N. Dakota).

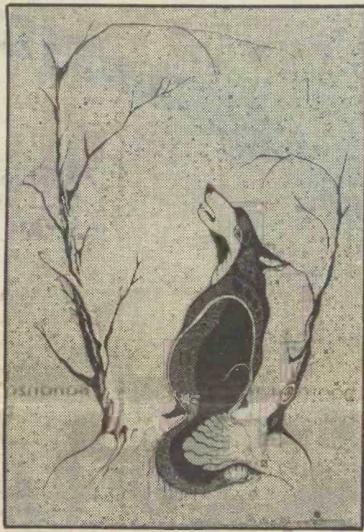
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TEEN BOYS: Fancy and Grass Terrence Goodwill (Sask.), Kelly Daniels (Sask.), Cameron Francis (Lethbridge), Traditional Jason Daniels (Sask.), Joey Healy (Stand Off), Gabriel Cleveland (Wisconsin).

TEEN GIRLS: Fancy Jolene Bull (Hobbema), Rachel Francis (Lethbridge), Celina Crawler (Big Horn), Traditional Morning Dove Roan (Pigeon Lake), Roberta Agecoutay (Edmonton), Joett Slimjohn (Washington).

JUNIOR BOYS: Fancy and Grass Johnny Windy Boy (Mont.), Donovan Saddleback (Pigeon Lake), Martin Cook (Coalhurst, AB.), Traditional Darwin Daniels (Sask.), Ardelle Weaselchild (Morley), Mervin Goodeagle (Calgary).

JUNIOR GIRLS: Fancy Mamas Roan (Hobbema), Christie Goodwill (Sask.), Terri McNabb (Gordon's Reserve, Sask.), Traditional Joanne Goodeagle (Calgary), Terri Lynn McNabb (Sask.), Vern Slimjohn (Wash.).



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DROPPIN IN

By Mark
McCallum

I'm off the road and back in the mill again after a week-long trip to the Fort McMurray area.

Some of you may have noticed that in the past two weeks Windspeaker presented a special two-part series on the places that I visited. And, I'm proud to say, it held a special place in my heart because I spent some of my childhood in that area.

What made the trip special was seeing all the progress in these places — Fort McMurray, Gregoire Lake, Anzac, Janvier and Conklin.

Being a sometimes resident of Conklin and Fort McMurray, although I have to confess I was born at Edmonton, the biggest change I noticed was a road that links smaller communities like Janvier and Conklin to Fort McMurray. It didn't take much brilliance to notice the road, after all I was travelling on it. But, what I later learned from many of the residents is that the road has been getting mixed reviews — some good and some bad.

The road extends some 150 km south of Fort McMurray, passing through all of the places I

Northern road gets mixed reviews

mentioned earlier before finally ending at Conklin. At one time, the only way you could get into these communities was by train, plane or dog team. The road has now put Fort McMurray shopping malls and bingos in reach.

For Dennis Quintal, the road is the best thing since sliced bannock and lard. Since the road opened in 1986, the Conklin resident has been making a modest profit from taxiing people back and forth on it. He says it's great for people that need to do some shopping for things in stores like clothing for example.

On the other hand, some community leaders feel the road has its drawbacks. Chief Walter Janvier says it's making the Janvier reserve into a virtual ghost town on weekends. He explains residents are being drawn away from the reserve by other things that McMurray has to offer like bingos. He would like to see the community become more closely knit and hopes a new recreation centre to be built on the reserve will solve this problem.

Although the road has its bad side, Chief Janvier is the first to admit that it has opened up communities to outside industry. In fact, the Janvier reserve recently sewed up a deal with Syncrude to supply the oil company with timber over the next few years.

Overall, residents seem to be enjoying a new found freedom and even the most critical skeptics say the road will be an asset to the area, once everyone gets used to it being there.

Now, let's see what's been happening around the province in the last couple of weeks since I left for the trip.

EDMONTON: The Native Pastoral Centre will be hosting its first ever Gospel Music Festival on May 27-28. Gospel singer Harry Rusk is expected to be on hand for the event, which will feature a Blood reserve band called Life and the Spirit. "It's all free and everyone is invited to attend, even if you're not a singer," says organizer Marlyn Durocher, adding the centre will be serving free coffee and lunch. She also notes they hope to make it an annual event.

HIGH PRAIRIE: The Kinuso Native Dancers will be providing entertainment at the sixth annual High Prairie Trade Show April 15, 16 and 17.

Friendship centre assistant director, Loraine Duguay says the event should be a lot of fun. She explains the centre will be setting up a display booth at the trade show to give people a firsthand look at things like handmade crafts. "It will give people a chance to see what groups like the friendship centre are all about," she adds. The event will take place at the High Prairie curling arena.

If the trade show doesn't sound like it's for you,

perhaps you might be more interested in a tasty piece of bannock. Duguay says everyone is invited to drop by the E.W. Pratt School on April 13 to learn how to make bannock. A \$1 fee will be charged, but it should be well worth the money.

PEACE RIVER: Bowling anyone? The Sagitawa Friendship Centre will be holding a family bowling event on Sunday April 17. The event will be followed by a potluck supper at the centre. Call the centre (624-2443) and ask for Kay Setz if you're interested.

Sagitawa executive director Judy Norstrom sang praises for powwow dancer Brent Sokwaypnace, who's been a busy entertainer of late. She explains Sokwaypnace did traditional performances such as the grass dance for people at not one but two events the centre held recently.

The dancer entertained a crowd at the centre's volunteer appreciation night on March 24 and followed up the performance by dancing for Elders at an afternoon tea social held the following week. Some 30 Elders attended the social.

That's it for this week. But, don't forget to call me if you have something happening in your neck of the woods that you want your neighbors to know about. You can reach me at 455-2700.

Saddle Lake talent show gets disappointing turnout

By Lyle Donald

SADDLE LAKE — Everybody from Saddle Lake must have been out of town on Easter Monday as only about 15 performers and spectators showed at the talent show sponsored by the Saddle Lake Parent and Youth group. Clara Delver, addictions counsellor on the reserve and also the

organizer of the one-day event, said she was disappointed with the turnout because posters had been put up all over.

She added the parent and youth group has about 60 members and has been busy doing different fund-raising things to keep afloat. Most parent and youth group projects are successful, she concluded.

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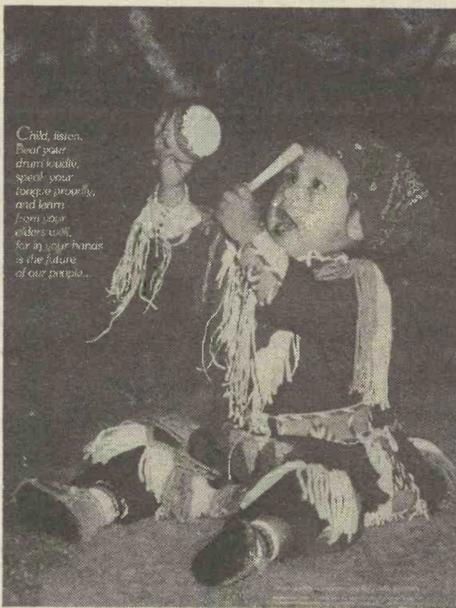
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Sports

Hobbema curlers sweep up most of the gold

By Terry Lusty

Hobbema curlers almost made a clean sweep of all divisions in the 15th annual Native Curling Provincials at the Wetaskiwin Memorial Centre during the Easter weekend, April 1-3.

In contrast to many other sports competitions, the bonspiel offered merchandise rather than cash prizes and still attracted 21 men's and 11 women's teams from as far north as Fort Chipewyan and as far south as Cardston.

When all the skippin', sweepin' and slidin' was over and done with, it was the Hobbema teams which overshadowed most competitors. Of six possible golds, they swept up five in addition to four of six silvers, although many of the matches were actually quite close.

When it came down to semi-final action in the mens A division, defending provincial champ Dale Spence of Wetaskiwin forced the Peter Freeman team from Driftpile into



MELVIN NEPOOSE
...winning skip in men's "A"

early submission after seven ends when they rocked them 10-1. In the other half of the semi's, Melvin Nepoose downed the Dennis Okeymow team which conceded after nine ends went down 11-3.

That set up a Nepoose-Spence match which tied at four after six ends. But, Nepoose aided by Eric Morin and Dean and Leroy Nepoose pulled away to lead 7-4 after seven and

won the gold with a final of 8-5. The silver went to Spence and the battle for the bronze was won by a slim 7-6 margin by Dennis Okeymow over Peter Freeman.

Nepoose, who has won seven of 15 years in this tournament, placed third last year at Fort McLeod and had not won since '84. He said he felt more relaxed after taking a three-point

lead at the end of the seventh.

"One of my toughest opponents," said Nepoose, "was the Hank Giroux rink from Driftpile on day one. Up to six ends of play was tough. We tried to play draw with him but had to switch to knockout 'cause they were so deadly with their draw weight."

In other playdown action, brothers Allan and John Nepoose of Hobbema took

first and second respectively in the men's B with a very close 5-4 score while Vital Giroux of Driftpile got third.

In the men's C, Hobbema's Cliff Potts overcame a northern entry, Mike McCree of Kinuso, but only after playing an extra end to win 6-5. Third went to Paul Cyprian of Fort Chip.

Although tied at three after six longends, defending champion Evelyn Chalifoux of Kinuso managed to beat the Dorothy Simon team of Hobbema 8-5 to win gold in the women's A. Chalifoux, who has skipped for eight years, has won three of the last five ('85, '87, '88) of the provincials. Even in the off years of '84 and '86, she was still a top contender taking third and second respectively.

Her team consists of daughter Janice and Ruby and Yvonne Sound. According to Chalifoux, the Diane Weaselfat team from Cardston "was very tough and real good at drawing. I enter more for

the challenge and enjoyment than anything else and prefer merchandise than cash. This way, I have something to show for it; with cash I'd just spend it on bingo."

In the women's B, the Hobbema teams of Pauline Wolfe and Marcia Crier had an exciting duel for gold. Tied at five after eight ends and at six after 10, Wolfe finally won at 8-6 after an extra end. The bronze went to Laura Giroux of Driftpile.

In the C division, Georgie Nepoose scraped by with a narrow 11-10 victory over Rose Alice Okimaw from Driftpile.

A new division this year, and one that will be more publicized for next year is the juniors. This year, four teams contested this category. In the end, it was the Driftpile team of Adrian and Keith Laboucan, Russell Giroux and Donovan Bellerose winning gold and Hobbema teams skipped by Kevin Simon and Tara Cutarm capturing second and third respectively.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Kim McLain

I had a super Easter weekend thanks to the hospitality of the people of the Cold Lake reserve, especially my cousin Conrad and his girlfriend Jeannie for offering us a home away from home. Some quick highlights:

Conrad made a barbeque out of a mag rim, air breather cover and stove grill.

Jeannie cooked a knockout ham dinner for about 20 people and just about had enough plates, too.

My kookum, Theresa Metchewais, was in full form with her humorous stories and light-hearted opinions.

Thanks to my uncle Lawrence, the church organ player since he was 15, for letting me take his picture — he's so bashful.

My uncles Albert, Solomon and Sam had everybody doubling over in laughter with their unrelenting barrage of jokes and teasing.

My cousin Molly added the perfect touch to a great visit back home with her bannock baking — done Cold Lake style.

Every time I go back to the reserve I come back a little less urbanized and a little more human. There's nothing like a bit of Indian humor, bannock and hospitality.

COLD LAKE: The infamous Cold Lake Sodbusters emerged to the top in a 12-team rec hockey tourney at Cold Lake Easter weekend, but not before they were nearly defeated by the Frog Lake Rustlers. The Sodbusters bagged the \$1,000 first prize after winning a close game with the Rustlers 12-10 in a tourney hosted by the Cold Lake Arrows, the band team.

On the "B" side, Saskatchewan's Ministikwan Islanders earned \$800 for their win over the Frog Lake T-Birds who snared \$500 for fourth overall in the tournament.

Sodbuster Russ Peramczuk took home the MVP trophy while Ministikwan won the most sportsmanlike team trophy. Individual all-star medals were handed out after every game.

Other teams that attended were Bonnyville's Local 99, Frog Lake Rascals, Cole Bay, Kikino Nighthawks, Heinzburg, Kehewin Redwings and Dillon (the only no show).

The tournament drew crowds of about 100 people a day making for one of the more successful Easter weekend events in "Alberta Indian sports country."

HIGH PRAIRIE: Probably the biggest event in Indian sports country last Easter weekend was the High Prairie Easter Classic hockey tourney where hundreds of fans turned out to watch three days of rec hockey action between 17 teams.

"The competition just keeps getting tougher and

Indian hospitality shines at Easter weekend happenings

tougher every year," said Harry Laboucane, volunteer organizer for the tourney. "You have to have a good team."

Laboucane's been putting the tournament together for the last "six or seven years — me and my wife Rose," he adds. This year the Laboucane's got some extra volunteer help from Archie, Dennis and Gordon Cunningham and Rose Halcrow.

"A lotta' people wait for this tournament," he said over the phone. He said this is the time when "we can show off the progress of our boys." The young players are encouraged to compete. "We more or less finish off the season around here, too," he added, noting the ice is being pulled off the rink at the town's arena.

When the weekend was all over, it was the High Prairie Thunderbirds who earned the first place trophy and \$2,000 prize for the fourth time in the last six years. The Slave Lake Mud Flappers snared second and \$1,000. Taking home \$800 for third were the Sucker Creek Capitals while the \$700 fourth place finish went to High Prairie Buchanan Lumber.

Slave Lake's Dirk McConnell won the MVP award for his superb goaltending. Peavine's Carrie Cunningham earned the high-scorer distinction. And a special award went to Roderick Willier — best coach for his work with the Sucker Creek Capitals.

SADDLE LAKE: One hundred eight hockey players took part in the third annual Saddle Lake Cup, a tourney made of "local boys" according to Ken Kakeesim, rec man for the band.

Every year new players are drafted from bantam and up, senior or commercial, into one of six reserve teams.

The six teams then played off for the huge trophy and prize money left over from the \$15 per player entry fee. They ran the playoffs last March 28-30 (Monday to Wednesday) from right after work until midnight — that's five games a night.

And the defending champs, Ferlin McGilvery's White Warriors, lost the cup in the final game to Ricky Makokis' White Blues. The White Blues finished with three wins and one tie while the White Warriors earned three wins and two losses. Third place was a three way tie between Bob Hiscock's Flyers, Robby Cardinal's White Magic and Dory Wheeler's Red Eagles. Dennis

Moosewah's Blue Magic got fourth.

The first all-stars were Steven Delver, Frankie Moosewah, Louis Lapatak, Harold Moosewah, Roland Poitras and Parry Bretton. Second all-stars were Clarence Josh Cardinal, Hugh Makokis, Dick Makokis, Barry McLeod, Robby Cardinal and Wilfred Whiskeyjack. Third all-stars were James Steinhauer, Bob Hiscock, Jodie Cardinal, Leo McGilvery, Blair Halfe and Joe Delver.

The MVP went to Ricky Makokis while the top scorer award was a four way tie between Dennis Moosewah, Doug Wheeler, Blair Halfe and Robby Cardinal. Dennis Moosewah gets to keep the trophy — he won the coin flip.

ATIKAMEG: Once again recreation will play a large role in community improvement. This is where the people voted overwhelmingly in favor of a dry reserve, about 90 per cent. Now they plan to build a recreation and child daycare centre to help prevent alcohol consumption — if the membership agrees. Congratulations Whitefish on a step in the right direction.

I was five when I lived in Whitefish. I remember one Hallowe'en my mom said we could go trick or treatin' only next door where a couple of nuns lived. So me and my little brother went next door and told the nuns "our mom said you were supposed to take us hallowe'ening all over the reserve." So those kind ladies drove us all over the place. When they escorted me and brother back to our home we pleaded ignorance — it was all a big misunderstanding. My mom was really embarrassed. My dad was mad. The nuns seemed like they had a good time. And me and brother had bags of candy.

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Enoch squeezes by Alexander in hockey "shootout"

By Lyle Donald

ENOCH -- The Enoch Flyers squeezed by the Alexander Braves to take the top prize in the first annual Oteenow Warriors hockey tournament.

Metro Cardinal, of the Oteenow Club of Edmonton, said it was a 10-team, two division round robin tournament with two top teams from each division meeting in the finals.

The final game was the icing on the cake as the Alexander Braves and Enoch Flyers ended three periods in a 3-3 tie.

With no scoring after 10 minutes of overtime they

had a "shootout" with Enoch coming out the champions.

"This is the first tournament we ever organized," said Cardinal, adding it will be followed by many more to come. "We wish we could have had more prize money to offer but we are totally satisfied with the way the tourney turned out."

Final standings: 1st place, Enoch Flyers; 2nd, Alexander Braves; 3rd, Alexis Jets, 4th, Oteenow Warriors. Best goalie -- Todd Cunningham, Enoch Flyers; best defense -- Frank Arcand, Alexander Braves; best forward -- Jason Potts, Alexis Jets.

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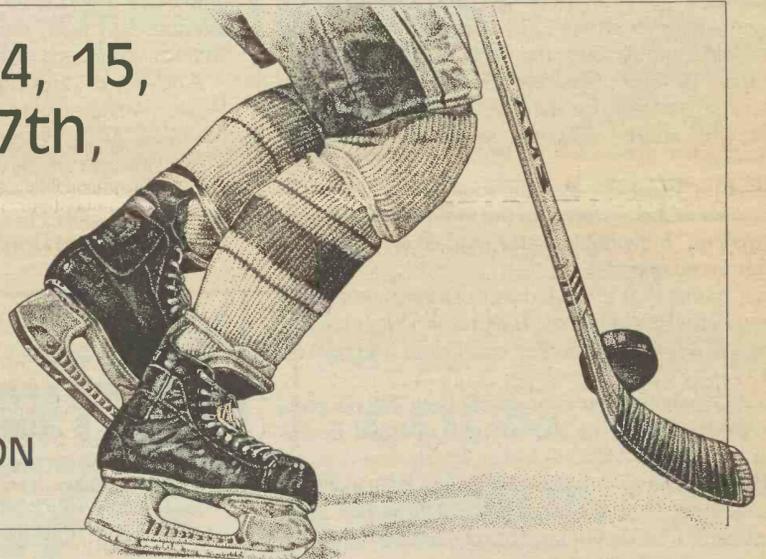
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Saddle Lake sees magic team win hockey event

By Kim McLain

Saddle Lake held a five-team round robin hockey tourney April 2-3 weekend where the host team, Saddle Lake Magic, emerged to the top after defeating the Montana Band's Bobtail Warriors in the final game.

The Saddle Lake Pickups earned third, Caslan's Buffalo Lakers took fourth while the Saddle Lake Mike's finished fifth at the no-hit commercial style tournament.

Saddle Lake recreation director, Ken Kakeesim, said he was disappointed three teams dropped out on the first day and fan support was lower than usual. But for the players, the no-shows gave them more skating time.

Naturally, the prize

money was lessened to \$1,200 split between the two top spots. But because tournament organizers were expecting more teams there were trophies galore.

The MVP trophy went to Frankie Moosewah, Saddle Lake Magic, while the top-scorer went to Ricky Cardinal also of the Magics. Earning the all-star awards were Bobtail's Morris Rabbit, right defence; Caslan's Ricky Blyan, left defence; Magic's Ricky Cardinal, right wing; Pickup's Louis Cardinal, left wing and Magic's Gordie Kessel, goalie. Magic's Bob Hiscock won the first star award, Magic's Buddy McGilvery earned second star while Bobtail's goalie took home the third star award.



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Posing here during the John Short Charity Roast at Edmonton's friendship centre last month are Cheyenne Fletcher (left), Oiler Kevin Lowe, and Deanna Monson (right).

Cheyenne, 16, is a Native Edmontonian who excels in most any sport she becomes involved with, especially golf and softball. She plays outfield and first base for the Southwest Jaguars and is known for her good arm.

Deanna, 17, lives just outside Edmonton and is considered an international prospect in track and field. Most recently she won a pentathlon (five events) in Edmonton competing against five women in the open division.

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The Council consists of ten members and is chaired by Bob Elliott, MLA for Grande Prairie.

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