

NEWSLETTER

Ooooooh Very, Very, Scary
Halloween at the clubhouse Saturday Oct . 27th



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 Meetings 1st. Thursday
 monthly 7:30 p.m.
 Executive meetings
 monthly 3 rd.
 Monday 7:30
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Join us at 4:30PM for hot dogs, hot chocolate and treats. There will be lots of pumpkins to carve or paint and even a scary movie. Wear your baddest outfit and bring a bag to carry home your loot. Parents can bring along some snacks to add to the mix. Got any old decor? bring it along too.

Don,t miss the Transylvania Twist contest.
Boo!

Gold dredge for sale

(Not exactly as illustrated)

OK all you sourdoughs here is your big chance to strike it rich. A portable suction dredge for gold recovery is just what you need to get the job done fast.

contact Glen Godden at 604 888 2307
 for a price and all the details
 e mail RCNVR1944@hotmail.com



SOAPSTONE FIELD TRIP TO SKUZZY B.C. (*WHERE IS SKUZZY? YOU ASK*)

On October 7th the club will be making a field trip to the Boston Bar area to gather soapstone. We usually go north to the Nahatlatch river this time we will go down river to Skuzzy just south of Boston Bar

Call the shop for field trip details

I just thought you might like to know how the name for this little known spot in the canyon came to be.

The sternwheeler "Skuzzy" was built for the CPR and launched at Spuzzum in 1882 becoming the only freighter to ply the river above the canyon entrance at Yale.

Captain Insle was able to guide the Skuzzy upstream through the whirlpools and rapids and under the Alexandra bridge which had been built in 1863, but when Insley got the Skuzzy to the entrance of the Hells Gate he could take her no further. The Fraser was at it highest point in forty years and passage was impossible. Onderdunk still wasn't ready to give up however, and he sent for Captain SR Smith and his brother, David and an engineer named JW Burse. Under their command, on September 7th, the Skuzzy once more swung into the head of the Hell's Gate rapids, and once again, she couldn't struggle through. Onderdunk then had ringbolts drilled into the canyon's walls and he stationed 125 chinese railway employees above. All of these preparations were observed by cheering spectators who arrived daily from Yale on five railroad cars, many of whom were betting heavily on the outcome. Very few bets were laid on the Skuzzy making the trip and the odds against her were often 100 to 1.

Despite those long odds, the men who had gambled on Onderdunk and his sternwheeler wouldn't be sorry. Finally, with the aid of her steam capstan winching in the cable, her paddlewheel spinning furiously and 125 men pulling at her tow rope, the Skuzzy inched up through Hell's Gate. It took her 16 days to make the 16 mile trip to Boston Bar, but they would be the most treacherous 16 miles of river ever plied by a sternwheeler. The Skuzzy would make history and be the first sternwheeler to arrive in Lytton.



CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

The club christmas party will take place on Saturday Dec. 1st at the hammond community centre hall. dinner is at 6 pm, fellowship at 5 pm.

for our new members information - the cost is \$4 per adult kids are free.

This is a pot luck dinner, the club does supply the turkey. Bring along your own dishes and cutlery. we will have a tree on hand for the kids to decorate.

More Details in the next newsletter.

PS - Ken Rimmer will read to the kids from a new Christmas story that he has illustrated



We Want You !

Elections are approaching and we need members to come forward to fill positions on the club executive. We have lost our secretary, Brigitta Schnieter who has left to attend art School in Nelson and we wish her well. The position of vice president is also vacant at this time. Its is time to step up to the plate and help with the business of our club.

OUR EXECUTIVE POSITIONS ARE

- President**
- Vice President**
- Treasurer**
- Recording Secretary**
- Corresponding Secretary**



WORKSHOPS AND CLUB ACTIVITIES



Chistmas Ornament workshop with Irene Gross. November 17 from 10 am to 2 pm Fun for the whole family . all materials will be supplied, come join in the the fun

Chain Making shop with Uris Petersen Learn how to design and create your own chains.

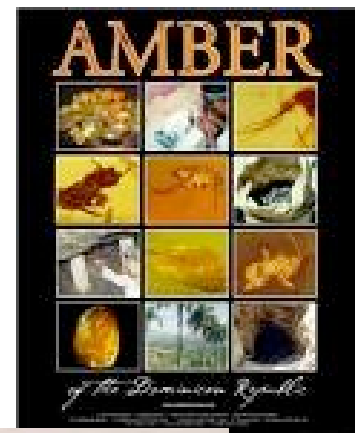
materials are available at the shop tuesday evenings thru to christmas

Creative Thursdays

call Merv or Dick to confirm. the idea was to set aside time to gather inspiration and create some items for our show in February.

All About Amber

Next meeting Thursday Nov. 1 at 7:30. Uris will give a talk on amber plus show some fine examples of the material and also display some of his creations in this time less material





**RICHMOND CLUB
ANNUAL SHOW**

October 20 & 21 Sat. 10 am. to
4:30 pm. Sun. 10 am. to 4 pm.
Richmond Cultural Centre

7700 Minoru Gate Richmond

PORT MOODY SHOW

October 27 & 28 Saturday and
Sunday. from 10 am. to 5 pm.
the Kyle Centre 125 Kyle Street

**MAPLE RIDGE
ANNUAL SHOW**

Feb 16 & 17 2008

Sat. from noon to 5 pm.

Sun. from 10 am to 4 pm.

St Andrews United Church

MAPLE RIDGE CLUB

Display at the Public

Library Oct 1 to Oct 30

Calendar

General Meeting

1st. Thursday monthly 7;30

Executive Meeting

3rd. Monday monthly 7;30

Shop Hours

Monday 6 pm to 9;30 pm

Tuesdays 6 pm to 9;30 pm

Wednesdays 6 pm 9;30 pm

NEW ! SATURDAYS

10 am to 1 pm contact

Walt Pinder to confirm