

# TULITA AUGUST NEWS

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## TULITA NEWSLETTER WOULD LIKE YOU TO HAVE A GREAT DAY.

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**PLEASE CALL ECC  
FOR BEAR SIGHTING  
OR FIRE: (867) 588-  
3441 or 374-0505.**

## New to Tulita or Just Bored?

We have news for you! This newsletter is out for the people of Tulita and its newcomers who just want to know what is going on in the community or need something to read to pass the time. Have vital information that you want in the next newsletter? Want a correction? Call us at the office at (867) 588 3734 or email [tlf.2018@hotmail.com](mailto:tlf.2018@hotmail.com).

## Events and Announcements:

**August 6th-21st, 2024:** Kids Summer Camp. 7 to 12 years old. Registration at [recreation@hamletoftulita.ca](mailto:recreation@hamletoftulita.ca) and cost is \$6.00 per day.

**August 11th, 2024:** Tulita Canadian Firearms Safety Course \*Non-Restricted\* Check inside for more info.

**August 13-16th, 2024:** Bear Aware Course by IPCA. If interested, call 588-3053. Check inside for more info.

**August 16-21st, 2024:** TLC's Teresa is coming in for Mental Health and Wellness and is able to have one-on-ones or meetings in the evenings. Call or text (780) 377-1989 to set up an one-on-one.

**August 19-29th, 2024:** Drum Lake Trip by IPCA. If interested, call 588-3053. Check inside for more info.

**Every Tuesdays Evening, 7pm:** Alcohol Anonymous at the Preschool.

**Elders Day** is every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:30pm at the Preschool. Lunch and having fun with the preschools!



## COMMUNITY HOURS:

**Fire: 588-2222**

**Health Centre: 588:4251**

**RCMP: 588-1111**

**Arena:** Mon-Sat. 1pm-9pm.

**Aurora College (588-4313):** Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-5pm.

**BJs Market & Take Out (subject to change):**

Check Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade on FB.

**Chief Albert Wright School (588-4361):** Mon-Fri. 8am-4pm. Closed for summer months.

**Cornerstone Oilfield Services Inc. (588-3001):**

Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**ECC (588-3441):** Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-5pm.

**Fort Norman Metis Land Corp (588-3201):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Gas Station (588-3044):** Mon-Fri. 11am-12pm, 2pm-4pm. Sat. 11am-12pm. 1pm-2pm (For call outs, 867-688-7934 or 867-374-0371)

**Government Service Office (588-3002):** Mon-Fri. 1pm-5pm.

**Hamlet of Tulita (588-4471):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Harriet Gladue Health Centre (588-4251, or after hours, 374-0004):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Income Support (588-3211):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**IPCA (588-3053):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Mackay Range (588-3051):** Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**MYB (588-3048):** Mon-Sat. 8am-5pm.

**Northern Store (588-4331):** Mon-Sat. 10am-6pm.

**NWT Power Corp (588-4291):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Parks Canada (588-4884):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Pentecostal Mission (374-0451):** Sun. at 11am at the Cultural Centre.

**Post Office (588-4331):** Mon-Fri. 1:30-5:30pm.

**Preschool (588-3401):** Mon-Fri. 1pm-3:45pm. Closed for summer months.

**Radio Station (588-3233).**

**RCMP (588-1111):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**RRC (588-4724):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**SRRB (374-4040):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**St. Therese of Avila Church (588-4241):** Sunday at 11am.

**Two Rivers Hotel (588-3320):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Airport (588-4555):** Mon-Fri. 8:30am-10:30am, 4pm-5:30pm.

**Tulita CARS Station (588-3191):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Dene Band (588-3341):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita District Lands (588-4894):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Housing (588-4111):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Land Corp (588-3734):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Wellness Center (588-4271):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Wright's Convenience (588-4927):** 7pm-11pm or check Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade on FB.

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## **RECREATIONAL TIMES (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**


**Fitness Hours:** Mon. to Fri. from 1pm to 9pm at the arena. Sat. from 3pm to 9pm.

**Crib and card games:** Mon. and Wed. at 7pm at the Arena. In the summer, casual card games are at the arbor on clear weather days.



**Bingos** are usually Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday, depending on organization and funds needed. It would be posted at the Northern Store or on-line on Facebook's Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade.


## **Birthday/Anniversary Messages (1st-31st)**


 Evelyn Peter would like to say Happy Birthday to **Addison** for August 1st. Wish many more bdays to come, love mom n dad n brothers n sisters.


 Kristianna Andrew would like to say Happy Birthday to her bff **Tamara** for August 1st. We love you and forever thankful for you. Love Ash n I.




 Zaida Stewart would like to say Happy Birthday


to her bbf **Tam**   for August 1st. Wish you alllll the love in the world. You one of a kind human being, I love you lots.


 Seanna Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her bff **Tam** for August 1st. Hope you enjoyed ur special day, we love you always. Levi, Paisley, Keziah, and I.






 Kristianna would like to say Happy Anniversary to her **auntie Vicky and uncle Roy** for August 1st. Many more beautiful years to come.


 Tamara would like to say Happy Anniversary to **Vicky and Roy** for August 1st. I'm glad we share this special day together. Love you both so much.

 Shyla Bayha would like to say Happy 1st Birthday going out to her special little man **Zerryn** for August 4th.   We love you sooo much little peanut! Love mom, dad, and the whoooooole family.


 Seanna Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her nephew **Cohen** for August 5th. We miss and love you. Love always Levi, Paisley, Keziah, and aunty Seanna.


 Seanna Menacho would like to say Happy Anniversary to **Jason and Michelle** for August 5th. Here's to many more years of happiness, blessings, and memories. Love Levi, Paisley, Keziah, and I.


 Kerri McPherson would like to say Happy Birthday to her beautiful mother **Cecile** for August 6th.    



 Judy Menacho would like to Happy Birthday to her mom **Cecile** for August 6th. Love you everyday.



 Kim Stewart would like to say Happy Birthday to her mother **Cecile** for August 6th.



 Cheryl McPherson would like to say Happy Birthday to her mom **Cecile** for August 6th. Love from your grandbabies.


 Rena Chapple would like to say Happy Birthday to her brother **Jimmy** for August 6th. Love from your family.


 Evelyn Peter would like to say Happy Birthday to **Mandy** for August 8th. Wish many more bdays to come. Love mom n dad n brothers n sisters.


 Tamara would like to say Happy Birthday to brothher **Troy** for August 8th. Cheers to another year around the sun. Love you 



 Zaida Stewart would like to say Happy Birthday to her brownest cousin Troy for August 8th. Hope the rest of the year treats you well. Love Zaid 


 Felicia Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to her **Grandma Nellie** for August 9th. And many more to come  from everyone.

 Jeannie Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to her mom **Nellie** for August 9th.

 Charmaine Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to **Grandma Nellie** for August 9th.

 Laura Krutko would like to say Happy Birthday to **Heidi** for August 10th. Hope you enjoy your day and many more to come. Love mom, dad, and Lylah.

 Darlene Etchinelle would like to say Happy Birthday to her mum **Theresa** for August 11th. Much love 

 Micheal Etchinelle would like to say Happy Birthday to his mom **Theresa** for August 11th. From Micheal and family.

🎂 Tamara would like to say Happy Birthday to **Ian** for August 13th

🎂 Marlene Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her Grandson **Haiden** for August 16th. Grandma loves you babies! ❤️

🎂 Susie Silastiak would like to say Happy Birthday to her son **Donald** for August 17th.

👩 Tamara would like to say Happy Anniversary to **Richard and Helen** for August 17th.

🎂 Marlene Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her Grandson **Lennox** for August 18th. Grandma loves you babies! ❤️

👩 Tamara would like to say Happy Anniversary to **Calvin and Lynda** for August 18th.

🎂 Jeannie Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to her sister **Margaret** for August 20th.

🎂 Felix Boulanger would like to say Happy Birthday to **Margaret** for August 20th. Momma Bear.

🎂 Judy Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her first baby **Shaelyn** for August 21st. Hope you have a wonderful day, you deserve it! ❤️

🎂 Lawrence Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to their daughter **Shaelyn** for August 21st. May your day be filled with happiness and joy. Love u. Enjoy your special day ❤️ Dad, Mom, Hope, Daws, Jules, & kids.

🎂 Kerri McPherson would like to say Happy Birthday to **Shae Shae** for August 21st. Love you!

🎂 Cecile McPherson would like to say Happy Birthday to her first granddaughter **Shaeyln** for August 21st. Love you little monkey. ❤️

🎂 Marlene Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her niece **Shaelyn** for August 21st. I love

you baby. Auntie love you ❤️ Enjoy with lots of love auntie Marlene.

🎂 Judy Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to **Lawrence** for August 21st. ❤️

🎂 Rena Chapple would like to say Happy Birthday to her bby brother **Lawrence** for August 21st. We love you and enjoy your day.

🎂 Evelyn Peter would like to say Happy Birthday to their **Pierre Bear Bear** for August 22nd. Love Granny n Grandpa. ❤️ 🎂 😊 ❤️

🎂 Tamara Tatti would like to say Happy Birthday to her niece **Naomi** for August 27nd. Aunties sending lots of love, I hope you get spoiled rotten.

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🎂 Jeannie Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to her grandson **Issac** for August 28th. Love always grandma Jeannie and family.

🎂 Charmine Bavard would like to say Happy Birthday to her son **Issac** for August 28th.

🎂 Bernette Horassi would like to say Happy Birthday to **Vanessa** for August 29th.

🎂 Marlene Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to nephew **Carter** for August 31st. Auntie love you ❤️ Enjoy with lots of love auntie Marlene.

🎂 Allan Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to his son **Carter** for August 31st. ❤️ 🎂 😊 ❤️ And many more to come. Wishing you the best day ever. Love Dad, Carrie, and baby Nash.

🎂 Tina Etchinelle and Mike Etchinelle would like to say Happy Birthday going out to **Andrew** for August 4th, **Mackenzie** for August 13th, **Lyle** for August 20th. Many more to come, love always Mom, Dad, and Family.



# Map of Tulita for newcomers!



**There is many places to walk or visit to talk to people. You can walk along the Two Rivers Trail located past the Parks Canada Trailer Building. You can walk through the town, as well as towards Plane Lake Dr to the airport and from Water Intake to the Gas Station. You can walk along the shore, all the way to the bank where the boats load off and where the Barge stops.**



# Funny Stories

## **Warranty**

A man came back to the car dealer from whom he bought a new car. "I believe you have me a guarantee with my car," he said. "That's right, sir," the salesman answered. "During the warranty period we will replace anything that breaks." "Fine, I need a new garage door."

## **Mexican Restaurant**

A Mexican restaurant I pulled up to looked great. Only one problem – it wasn't open. So I jotted down the name for another day. Just then, a man came out of the restaurant and took a peek at what I'd written. "That's not the name of the restaurant," he said, pointing to the sign over the door. "That's Spanish for 'Closed on Mondays.'"

## **Talking Frog**

An old man was rowing a boat on a lake when a frog swam up to him and yelled, "Mister! Mister! I'm really a beautiful princess. Kiss me and we'll live happily ever after!" The man put the frog in his pocket and rowed to shore. The frog called out again, "Hey mister! I'm really a gorgeous princess. Kiss me and we'll live happily ever after!" Still the man said nothing and walked down the road to town. The frog was getting angry at being ignored. "Why don't you kiss me? I told you I'm really a beautiful

princess." "Listen lady." The old man replied. "I'm 80 years old. At my age, I'd rather have a talking frog."

## **Robbery**

While sitting at a counter having doughnuts and coffee at a 'quick stop' service station, two brothers were startled to see a man step up to the cashier, holding a gun and demanding all his money. Not being satisfied with that, he made all the customers line up and proceeded to take all their valuables: watches, billfolds, etc. As he made his way from person to person in the line, the two brothers stood waiting at the end of the line. One brother carefully reached into his pocket, pulling out some cash and slipping it into his brother's hand. "What's that?" His brother whispered. "That's the \$50 I owe you." He replied.

## **Old Fisherman at the Pier**

A man was walking along the beach, when he arrived at a pier. At the end of the pier stood not an old fisherman but a pirate with a wooden leg, a hook for a hand, and a patch over his eye. The two made small talk, then the man asked, "Hey, how'd you lose your leg?" The pirate answered, "Argh, I was in her Majesty's navy, and the ship was bombed. The bomb blew off me leg." "Oh, that's awful!" The man replied, horrified. "How did you lose your hand?"

“Aye, five years ago we were shipwrecked and I had to swim to shore. A shark bit off me hand.” “How terrible!” Was the response. Then the man asked, “So, how did you lose your eye?” “First day with my hook. A little birdie pooped in me eye.”

### **Laryngitis**

A woman had an attack of laryngitis and lost her voice completely for two days. To help her communicate, her husband devised a system of taps. One tap meant ‘give me a kiss,’ two taps meant ‘yes,’ seven taps meant ‘no,’ and 95 taps meant ‘take out the garbage.’

### **Harmonica**

Nephew: “Thanks for that harmonica you gave me! It’s the best birthday present ever!”

Uncle: “Well, that’s great! That songs can you play?”

Nephew: “Oh, I don’t play it. Mom gives me a dollar a day not to play it during the day and Dad gives me five dollars a week not to play it at night.”

### **Quiet in Church**

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, “And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?” Little Johnny jumped up and yelled, “Because people are sleeping!”

### **Losing Weight**

We had made some changes in our lives to save money. My husband had lost 50 pounds, and after eight years of being a housewife, I had taken a job in a restaurant. When I returned home after my first day at work, I gave my husband a big hug. He seemed to cling to me longer than usual. “Did you really miss that much today, dear?” I asked. “No,” came the reply, “But you smell so much like pancakes that I hate to let you go.”

### **Telemarketer**

A woman, employed as a telemarketer, was making phone calls to different households. A little boy answered and whispered, “Hello?” The woman asked if his mother was there. The little boy whispered, “yes.” The woman asked if she could speak with her. The little boy whispered, “no, she’s busy.” The woman asked if his father was there. The little boy whispered, “yes.” The woman asked if she could speak with him. The little boy whispered, “no, he’s busy too.” The woman asked if anyone else was there and the little boy whispered, “yes, the fire department is here.” The woman said, “may I speak with one of them?” The little boy whispered, “no, they’re all busy.” The woman asked if anyone else was there, the little boy whispered, “yes, the police department.” The woman said, “may I speak to one of them?” The little boy whispered, “no, they’re all busy too.” The woman said, “may I ask what they’re all doing?” The little boy whispered, “They’re looking for me.”

**Slavey Words to Learn for Kids or Beginners (as taken from A Grammar of  
Slave by Keren Rice) (Hr-Hare, Bl-Bearlake, Sl-Slavey, Mt-Mountain)**

**Tone:** There are two tones in Slave, high and low. High tone is indicated by an acute accent ; low tone is generally unmarked but is marked by a grave accent when it is relevant. Every vowel carries a tone phonetically. Some near minimal pairs for tone are given later. These differ phonetically primarily by the presence of a phonetic glottal stop following the high tone vowel. This glottal stop is not indicated in the orthography since it is completely predictable.

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|----------|------------------------|
| a. Ya    | “Sky.”                 |
| Yá       | “Louse.”               |
| b. Sa    | “Sun.”                 |
| Tsá      | “Beaver.” (Bl, Sl, Mt) |
| c. Kw’ih | “Mosquito.” (Bl)       |
| -kwí     | “Head.” (Bl)           |

Where Bearlake, Slavey, and Mountain have high tone on verb stems, Hare has high tone on the vowel preceding the verb stem and low tone on the stem itself.

<b><i>Bearlake</i></b>	<b><i>Hare</i></b>	
Nezá	Néza	“You sg. eat.”
Whehchú	Wéhshu	“Clothlike object is located.”
Heht’ée	Héht’ee	“I cook it.”
?eyá	?éya	“Pain, sickness.”

In the orthography used here, these Hare high tones are written on the stem rather than on the preceding vowel. In Hare there is a third phonetic tone, an extra-high tone. This tone results when a stem high tone is placed on a lexically high tone conjunct prefix. It is written here as over the vowel.

<b><i>Bearlake</i></b>	<b><i>Hare</i></b>	
Begháyída	Begháyída	“We see him/her.”
Begháyíídá	Begháyeyída	“We saw him/her.”



When two high tones are adjacent, the second is higher than the first. Here the diacritic represents a higher tone than the diacritic .

Shéitj [shéitj, shéitj] “We du. ate.”  
ʔónédéla [ʔónédéla] “S/he gave away pl. object.”

In a vowel-final stem, a low tone on a stem vowel is raised to mid tone when a high tone suffix follows and the vowels are of the same quality. Mid tone is indicated by a diacritic ^ over the vowel.

-dzeé [dzêé?] “Heart.” (SI)  
-deé [dêé?] “Younger sister.” (SI)

When the vowels differ in quality, the tone sequence is low high.”

-jié [jíé?] “Hooks.”

All the complex tone derive from sequences of vowels with different tones. Assimilation rules produce phonetic long vowels with rising or falling tones.

-ʔaá “Snowshoe.”  
-nq' q “Aunt.”

In Hare, words often show a different surface tone pattern than other dialects as a result of a vowel loss process.

**Bearlake**     **Hare**  
Kwik'íi     Féek'u     “Gun.”  
T'ahsj'íi     T'áhsj     “Thing.”



## *Mental Health and You – My Journal Program*

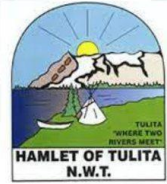
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The TLC is hosting a workshop with Teresa that involves Women's Wellness and Mental Health from August 16th to August 20th, 2024.

It may be hosted at the TLC's Office Building or at the TDB Band Chambers in the evenings. We will keep you updated.

**Phone Number: (780) 377-1989**

While Teresa hosts the workshop in the evening, she is available during the day to talk one-to-one and meet people. There will be sharing circles, wellness programs, and mental health help with different topics such as sobriety, the effects of violence, drug awareness, and learning to heal. There will be snacks, coffee, tea, and water.



# TULITA

## Canadian Firearms Safety Course \*Non-Restricted\*

**August 11, 2024 (Sunday)**

1. Matthew Yakeleya
2. Dawson Menacho
3. Dean Stewart
4. Jamie Joy Lennie
5. Shaelyn McPherson
6. Dion Lennie
7. Angela Bernarde
8. Ivan Antoine

**September, 2024 (date to be determined)**

1. Kadence Bavard
2. Eldin Horassi
3. Trina Etchinelle
4. Tristan MacCauley
5. Kevin MacCauley
6. Alanna Bernarde
7. Kapil Vinayak
8. Lydia MacCauley
9. Blake Andrew
10. Arian Etchinelle
11. Devon Etchinelle



# Drum Lake Trip

**August 19 – 29, 2024**

IPCA Steering Committee in partnership with Blyth and Bathe  
Inc.

- Learn from Shutao'tine Knowledge Holders
  - Remediation Coordination Training
  - Introductory Search and Rescue

**\*\* Limited spots available \*\***

If you are interested, please contact Angela at the IPCA Office at

**867 588 3053**



# **BEAR AWARE COURSE**

**August 13 – 16, 2024**

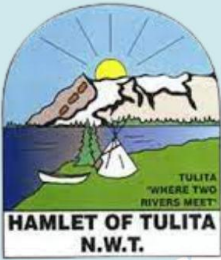
IPCA STEERING COMMITTEE WITH BLYTH AND BATHE INC

**LOCATION: IPCA Office**

If you are interested, please contact Angela @

**867 588 3053**

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# KIDS Summer CAMP



**August 6th - 21st**

**\* 7 to 12 years old \***

Outdoor games, swimming,  
scavenger hunts,  
storytelling, interactive  
games, interesting lessons,  
etc.



**REGISTRATION:**

recreation@hamleoftulita.ca

cost: \$6.00 per day

# Tulita History Corner

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boat was certainly very good fun, but to me there is a great excitement about this flying -- across the untamed north, covering such distances with such ridiculous ease and every now and again dropping from the skies on to one of our posts, unmistakable from a considerable distance with its white buildings, red roofs and white flag staff.

Arrived at **Fort Norman** at 4 p.m. Met by Camsell, the post-manager - a friendly, pleasant man of sixty-four, who has just been appointed Chief Trader on retirement. Also met Dean, a young Edmonton apprentice, rather lethargic but a pleasant manner and not untelligent. The settlement includes Anglican and Roman Catholic churches, R.C.M. Police, Northern Traders, Radio Station, a Syrian trader called Johma and a few Indian shacks. The settlement is on a high bank on a corner of land at the point where the Mackenzie is joined by the Bear River flowing westward from Great Bear Lake. Here again you see the strange sight of the clear water from the Bear keeping to the right and the (by now) muddy water from the Mackenzie to the left. Went across to the mouth of the Bear to see the Northern Transport Company's boat, the "Northern Prospector", and a barge which had struck a rock near Providence on the way down and which had had eight feet of water in her. She had our Cameron Bay freight on board and R.P. wanted to size up the damage. Talked to Captain Roberts and looked at the new "Gardner" engine, a 270 H.P. diesel. - a beautiful bit of work. He told me that for all types of diesels Canadians were now going to English manufacturers. Alongside the "Northern Prospector" was a small boat, the "Silver Queen", which takes freight from Norman to the Rapids, half way up the Bear River.

Back to our post which is one of those rebuilt in 1928. Took

**This journal came from the Hudson's Bay Company Archieve. Here is a few pages that include the travel to Fort Norman and to Fort Good Hope with pictures in 1936.**

**HBCA-E-96-044 The Company of the North 1936 - Journal of an Inspection Trip with the fur trade commission Mr Ralph Parsons, 1936.**

some photographs and talked to Tim Gaudet, a jolly old half-breed pensioner (I had met his brother, Fred, also a pensioner, at the sailing of the "Nascopie" in Montreal 1934.) After supper a walk with R.P. to pay some calls - to the radio station, where Sergt. Ross showed us their new Marconi equipment; to the Roman Catholic Mission for a chat with a very pleasant Canadian priest, Father Turcotte; to the police where we met Const. <sup>Crozier</sup> ~~Kenny~~ and Mr. Meikle, Registrar of Mines at Cameron Bay; and then to Douglas of the Northern Traders. With the latter we also met Col. Newcombe, a Government public works man, who was in charge of constructing a new portage road at the Bear River Rapids - like a great many other government jobs, an utterly unnecessary bit of work as nobody will go by the portage as long as they can run the rapids, as they do now. On the way back to the post a long talk with Slim Vibard, who is working, in a small way, a promising little coal mine twenty-five miles up the Mackenzie. It appears to be part of a big seam which you can get at by a horizontal tunnel from the bank; but it is a soft lignite coal, which gives a tremendous waste in dust. Went through the buildings - beautiful store and warehouse but very unimpressive display of merchandise. Here, as at Smith and Simpson, we made a terrific splash in the palmy days and put up twice as many buildings as are needed. A cup of tea at the post at 10.30 p.m. and an amusing talk with Camsell and Dean. Heard a good story from Camsell about Tim Gaudet (I believe that it has been told about other people, and it is certainly doubtful whether it is true.) Tim bought one of the first out-board motors which was ever seen in the district, in complete ignorance of its mechanism. When he first got it, he started off from Simpson to go down to Norman; but in starting up he broke the propeller





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coupling without realising what he had done. He then drifted three hundred and ten miles down stream to Norman with the engine roaring round and Tim thinking what a fine speed he was making!

MONDAY, 10th. AUGUST. Up at 7 a.m. Most of the morning in the store.

Talked to Dean about display to which little attention had been given. Also went through the accounts - this is a post which should make a decent profit both on trading and furs, but there is some fairly stiff competition on furs and we shall need a manager here who is a real trader with the adventurous spirit. Visited Tim Gaudet's house and met his Indian wife and three daughters. While in here and subsequently in walking round the Indian shacks, it struck me what miserable people these Indians are, especially compared to the Eskimos - dull-eyed, lazy, lethargic, dirty and with no apparent cheerfulness. Indeed, I imagine that there can be few native peoples who are so entirely lacking in every form of gaiety and 'joie-de-vivre'. In this district they are admittedly a poor type of Indian, but even the much finer type which we met further north had nothing of the jollity and cheerfulness of the Eskimos.

Took off after lunch about 3 p.m. when the weather had cleared somewhat. Though there was a certain amount of mist and storms about, Archie kept us well away from them and we had a perfect flight. The view below us was exactly the same as the day before. Just short of Fort Good Hope the Mackenzie cuts a narrow channel through a mile or two of limestone, forming sheer cliffs on either side about three hundred feet high which are known as the Ramparts. Arrived at **Fort Good Hope** about 4.30 p.m. The settlement looks very fine from the air, built on a high bank, with a



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coupling without realising what he had done. He then drifted three hundred and ten miles down stream to Norman with the engine roaring round and Tim thinking what a fine speed he was making!

MONDAY, 10th. AUGUST. Up at 7 a.m. Most of the morning in the store.

Talked to Dean about display to which little attention had been given. Also went through the accounts - this is a post which should make a decent profit both on trading and furs, but there is some fairly stiff competition on furs and we shall need a manager here who is a real trader with the adventurous spirit. Visited Tim Gaudet's house and met his Indian wife and three daughters. While in here and subsequently in walking round the Indian shacks, it struck me what miserable people these Indians are, especially compared to the Eskimos - dull-eyed, lazy, lethargic, dirty and with no apparent cheerfulness. Indeed, I imagine that there can be few native peoples who are so entirely lacking in every form of gaiety and 'joie-de-vivre'. In this district they are admittedly a poor type of Indian, but even the much finer type which we met further north had nothing of the jollity and cheerfulness of the Eskimos.

Took off after lunch about 3 p.m. when the weather had cleared somewhat. Though there was a certain amount of mist and storms about, Archie kept us well away from them and we had a perfect flight. The view below us was exactly the same as the day before. Just short of Fort Good Hope the Mackenzie cuts a narrow channel through a mile or two of limestone, forming sheer cliffs on either side about three hundred feet high which are known as the Ramparts. Arrived at **Fort Good Hope** about 4.30 p.m. The settlement looks very fine from the air, built on a high bank, with a

particularly neat appearance. It includes Roman Catholic Mission, R.C.M. Police, Indian Agent, Northern Traders and ourselves. Our post is the fourth of those rebuilt in 1928 but fires have destroyed two of the buildings during the last eight years. The last fire was at the end of 1935 and the present postmanager was living with a bare minimum of furniture, all borrowed. Stevens, the manager, had just arrived back from furlough (I met him in London in November, 1935). He is a nice chap and though he hasn't a particularly impressive manner, he appeared to have very definite ideas as to running the trade. He had had an attack of pleurisy at the end of his furlough and was still feeling a little weak. Into the store, where a bunch of local Indians had gathered to talk to R.P. and make certain complaints, particularly as to the high prices of rifles, nets and tents. R.P. looked through the prices with Stevens and found that in fact the previous manager had charged a great deal too much. Through an interpreter he told the Indians that he was very glad that they had told him their troubles and that he was taking steps to put things right at once. Then I took them outside and, amidst a good deal of laughing and chattering, took movies and stills of them. Finally R.P. told me to give them some tobacco, explaining that I had come out from the "Big Chief in London" and that this was to mark the occasion - an announcement and presentation which caused still more gaiety. Went round the buildings, and then with R.P. and Stevens to supper with Dr. Head, the Indian Agent, his wife and seventeen-year old daughter. A good dinner and interesting talk from the Doctor, who has sound ideas about the Indians and is one of the few Indian Agents who is trying to show some discretion and judgment in the

distribution of relief. He also had no illusions as to the effects of the mission schools. After supper, down to see Danes of the Northern Traders (father of our interpreter at Wrigley), a jolly, good looking chap. Then to the Roman Catholic Mission where the Father showed us round the church - in its way, the most remarkable sight of the North. It was built in 1889 by the three Fathers resident at that time. One made a very elaborate carved altar and reredos, and another did some amazing painting on the altar and altar rails, a series of paintings on the walls and three pictures. The finish and details were extraordinary. They had all been done with home-made paints, and, quite apart from the excellence of the drawings, the colours were as vivid and fresh as in any good oil painting. One of the larger pictures at the side of the altar reminded me strongly, both in design and colour, of an Italian Primitive. It is altogether a most wonderful achievement - wonderful for anywhere but almost unbelievable in the far north.

Back to the store for a talk about the accounts - this is a very lucrative post and should be even more so when merchandise prices are brought more into line. Then a cup of tea and stretched our sleeping bags on the floor on some blankets for a perfect night. Incidentally, at this post I was further north than ever before, being actually about one hundred and fifty miles further north than Lake Harbour and about twenty five miles outside the Arctic Circle.

TUESDAY, 11th. AUGUST. Up at 6.15 a.m. to another perfect morning and a walk through the settlement. Took off at 8 a.m. and went straight up to 4,600' to avoid some low lying clouds - absolutely perfect, calm flight. Arrived at **Arctic Red River** at 9.35

# Old Photos of Fort Norman



Fort Norman,  
December 15th,  
1982. Photo by  
Nicolas Tuele.



Fort Norman,  
1970. Canoe  
Races. Photo  
by Norm  
Simmons.







Fort Norman,  
1964. Photo by  
Norm  
Simmons.

Fort  
Norman,  
1964. Photo  
by Ross  
Laycock.



# Celebrating a birthday

Can you find these things in the big picture?



slice of pizza



ballpoint pen



crescent moon



key



trowel



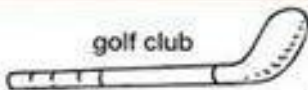
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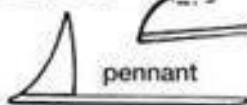
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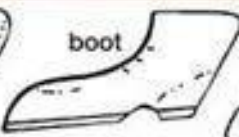
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Santa's hat



teacup

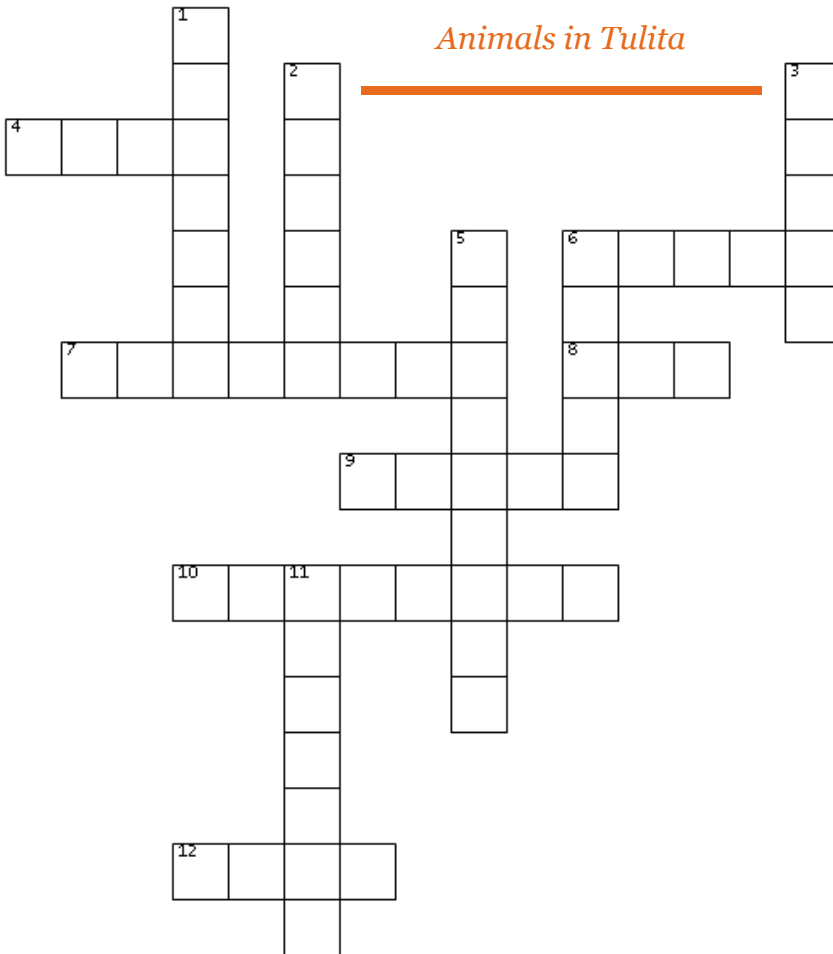


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## Animals in Tulita

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### ACROSS

4. They come into town so much they might as well have its own Post Office Box.
6. Makes everyone scream when it surprises you, tiny and into everything.
7. Steals your stuff you left outside, especially your food.
8. When you hear it at night, it surprises you because they are so rare in Tulita.
9. People hunt for these during Spring and Fall hunts.
10. Makes you question if you are sane at night when a swarm of them descend on you.
12. On its own, not a threat. When you hear multiples howling, retreat fast.

### DOWN

1. Its hard to find these guys unless you know where the herds are.
2. Makes you question your work ethics.
3. On its own, looks nice. With multiple gathering, makes you question if you're in a horror movie.
5. Going into a fight with this animal will make you lose every time. Has a movie with Deadpool.
6. It's pretty darn big and makes you question how tall you really are. Has antlers.
11. They fly back in the summer, white in colour and makes you question the bird when it inhales things it shouldn't.



## *Dene Laws*



*~Share what you have~*

*~Help each other~*

*~Love each other as much as possible~*

*~Be respectful of elders and everything around you~*

*~Pass on the teachings~*

*~Be happy at all times~*

*~Sleep at night and work during the day~*

*~Be polite and don't argue with anyone~*

*~Young boys and girls should behave respectfully~*

**Thank you for reading!**  
**Tulita Land Corporation**

