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COMMUNITY NOTICES

MIKE MORRIS TOWN HALL
Join Mike Morris, MLA, for a Town Hall October 13th, 6 to 8 pm, Callahan Room at the Rec Centre.

ACOUSTIC SONG CIRCLE

MEET N’ GREET BONSPIELE:
Hosted by Curl Mackenzie Oct 16, 10 am. Proceeds to the Kin 2 Arena, Prince Valley Rush! 50/50 starts at 5:30 pm and Oct 10th 9:45 am, Kin 2 Arena, Prince George. Proceeds to the Canadian Cancer Society.

OUT OF TOWN
“PINK IN THE RINK” BCEHL’s Northern Capit­als against the Fraser Valley Rush! 50/50 starts at $500. Saturday Oct 9th, 6 pm and Oct 10th 9:45 am, Kin 2 Arena, Prince George. Proceeds to the Canadian Cancer Society.

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- By Online Form; gov.bc.ca/eao - click ‘Commenting on Projects’
- By Mail: Katherine St. James
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- By Fax; 250-356-7477

The Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate and other public engagement materials are available on the EPIC website at: https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca, click on ‘List of Projects’, then search; ‘Mt Milligan Mine’.

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Register as a team or individual at the Rec Centre. All ages and abilities welcome. Proof of vaccination required. Call 250.997.1672 for more information

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