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INTRODUCTION:

The Fort St. John and District Mukluk Rendezvous Society welcomes you to Mukluk Rendezvous 1985.

The non-profit Rendezvous society is the co-ordinating body for the groups and organizations putting on events in our annual winter carnival. The purpose of the celebration is to provide family entertainment in the middle of a long and cold winter. The Rendezvous society hopes you enjoy the events that are scheduled and encourages your participation.

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GETTING READY: Button Night — Northwoods Inn, Saturday, January 19th.

One of the many advantages of buying your Official Mukluk '85 membership button in this popular evening at the Northwoods Inn. Wear your button and admission to Rumors Nightclub is free on this evening. Buttons are available at the door.

Mukluk Drink Contest — Northwoods Inn, Wednesday, January 23rd.

This is the 3rd year that Northwoods Inn is the host of this event. In 1983 the winning drink was the Dog Musher, in 1984 it was the Icicle. We hope you enjoy the official drink of Mukluk Rendezvous 1985.

Contestants in the Mukluk Drink contest consist of amateur and professional bartenders. Concoctions can have up to 2 ounces of spirits. The official drink of Mukluk Rendezvous 1985 is available at all community minded licensed premises. There's one waiting for you!

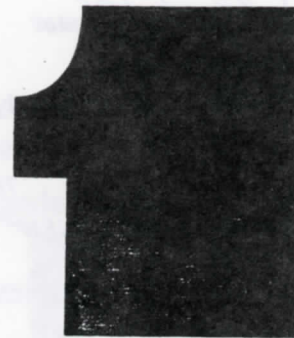
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But don't think you are safe just because you are wearing a button. A pledging phone caller can buy a warrant for your arrest, and have you picked up and thrown in jail by the corrupt Mukluk law enforcement officers. Proceeds of this Mukluk event go to the Fort St. John Junior Huskies.

Tournaments. For the sports enthusiast, a variety of events take place over the 10 days of Mukluk. These include the Mukluk Bonspiel at the Fort St. John Curling Club, the Fort St. John Chess Club Tournament, and a new event for Mukluk. The first annual Mukluk-Pioneer Inn open racquet ball and squash tournament at the Fort St. John Racquet Courts.

What would Mukluk be without hockey? Three tournaments are planned including the Oldtimers, Hi-Tower Hornets Bantam A, and the Fort St. John Juvenile Elks.

The Sub Zero Running Club's third annual "Freeze Your Buns Fun Run" is Saturday, January 26th at 12:30 p.m. Costumed runners will run three kilometers for fun and exercise. There are no winners or losers, all participants are eligible for a variety of spot prizes, including those for best costume in childrens and adult categories. Everyone completing the run will receive a commemorative t-shirt and a post-run warmup drink. The run starts and finishes at the Fort St. John A & W on Mackenzie Street. Registration is \$3.00.

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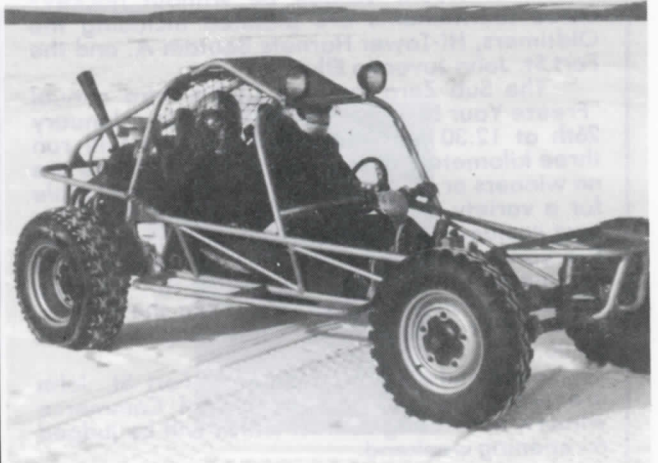
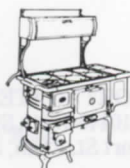
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ARTS ALIVE

Crafts, demonstrations and local performances by arts groups combine to make the Arts Alive Mukluk Event exciting and traditionally well attended. This year Arts Alive will be sponsored by the Needlecraft Guild and the Craftsmens Association which are both active groups of the Arts Council. All kinds of unique and intricate crafts and kits are on show and amission is just \$1.00. Arts Alive will be at the Artspace from 11:00-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 26th.

CRAFTS AUCTION

The Spinners and Weavers consist of 30 experienced and inexperienced North Peace Spineers and Weavers who are sponsoring this years crafts auction during Arts Alive in the Artspace at 4:00

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p.m. The auction includes handmade quality crafts by local artisans. Local craftsmen and artists have proven their high standard of work in recent shows and sales. Proceeds from the auction will assist the arts council in support of the Artspace budget.

ETHNIC PERFORMANCE:

The Artspace sponsors Ethnic Performance every year during Mukluk Rendezvous. Many Ethnic elements have found their way to Fort St. John from all corners of the world. Scottish and Irish, Native and East Indian, Ukranian and Russian songs and dances have been part of the Ethnic Performance in the past. See the show at the Artspace for \$2.00 Sunday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m.

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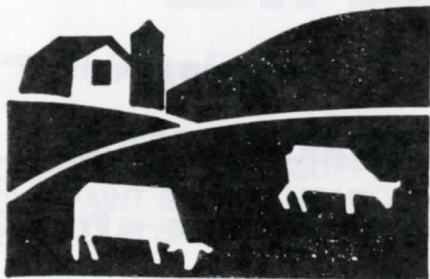
Cries of "Fore" will once again be heard across the frozen domain of the Red Barn Golf and Country Club as CKNL presents the 9th annual Snow Golf Tournament. The only event that requires no skill because skill is useless, Snow Golf has grown in popularity each and every year of it's existence in Fort St. John. On Sunday, January 27th at 10:00 a.m., hundreds of swingers will converge on the fairways, trying to land purple balls on the greens???? and then into the ice cream pail. This is no ordinary game of golf, so low handicap or not, anyone can take a stab at Snow Golf.



First prize will remain the traditional trip for two to the World Snow Golf Championship held in Prince George, February 8-10. Costume prizes, hidden hole prizes, the most original club trophy, and team prizes will be awarded at the end of the day in the Red Barn. Did we forget to tell you that only one club is allowed? A frozen salmon, baseball bat, or your mother-in-laws broom will do. Enter for the same price as last year, just five dollars per person, at CKNL Radio or at the Artspace.

**ICE FISHING
POND BACK**

Ice Fishing Pond Back — An overwhelming success last year, the ice fishing pond will once again return to the 19th hole of Snow Golf. Pay one dollar, catch an ice cube, and win a prize! Every fishman is guaranteed a prize, with ice cubes marked by colored paper. The NL Radio Children's Fund makes the big catch, with all proceeds from the pond and from Snow Golf going to the fund. Last year, the Children's Fund purchased and installed playground equipment in Centennial Park. Happy golfing and fishing on Sunday, January 27th at the Red Barn Gold and Country Club (for a day. . .).



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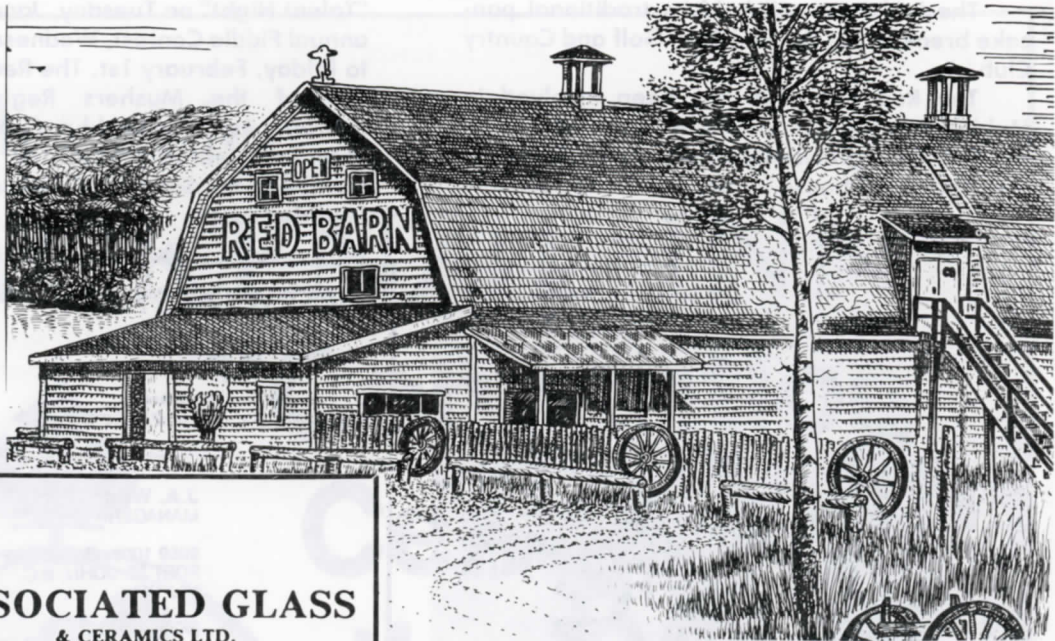
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A total of 3 pancake breakfasts are planned for Mukluk '85. New this year the Knights of Columbus Council No. 4866 will hold a Sunday morning breakfast at the Immaculata Hall on January 27th and February 3rd from 8:30-12:30.

Muklukers can enjoy a feast of hotcakes, sausage, coffee, tea and orange juice for just \$3.00 per plate. All proceeds will go to Knight's charities.

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MUKLUK RENDEZVOUS '85**

Event	Time	Place	Sponsor
<u>Saturday, January 19</u>			
Northwoods Button Night	9 p.m.-1 a.m.	Rumors Nightclub	Northwoods Inn
<u>Wednesday, January 23rd</u>			
Northwoods Drink Contest	8 p.m.	Sam McGees Lounge	Northwoods Inn
? Window Decorating			Chamber of Commerce
Day 1,			
<u>Friday, January 25th</u>			
Huskies Jail	afternoon	Totem Mall	FSJ Huskies
Kin Casino <i>Holy Smoke</i>	8 p.m.	Legion	Kinsmen Club
Oldtimers Hockey			
Tournament	all weekend	Rec Centre	Oldtimers Hockey Club
Mukluk Bonspiel	all weekend	curling club	FSJ Curling Club
Racquetball Tournament	all weekend	FSJ Racquet Courts	
Day 2,			
<u>Saturday, January 26th</u>			
? Window Decorating			
Judging	all day		Chamber of Commerce
Arts Alive	11 am-5 pm	Artspace	Arts Council
Crafts Auction,	4 pm	Artspace	Spinners & Weavers
Charlie Lake Ice Races	Noon	Charlie Lake	Cal's Buggies
Freeze Your Buns Fun Run	12:30 pm	A & W	Sub Zero Run Club
Robbie Burns Night	6 pm	Immaculata Hall	KofC
Snow-ball (Dance)	9 pm	C.L. Com. Hall	CLCC cancelled.
Day 3, <i>Kin Casino Swingshift 8PM</i>		<i>Legion</i>	<i>Kinsmen Club.</i>
<u>Sunday, January 27th</u>			
Pancake Breakfast	8:30 am-12:30 pm	Immaculata Hall	KofC
NL Radio Snowgolf	10 am	Red Barn Golf Course	NL Radio
NL Radio Ice Fishing Pond	all day	Red Barn Clubhouse	NL Radio
Pancake Breakfast	9:30 am-11 am	Red Barn Clubhouse	Red Barn
Charlie Lake Ice Racers	Noon	Charlie Lake	Cal's Buggies
Ethnic Performance	7 pm	Artspace	Artspace
Day 4,			
<u>Monday, January 28th</u>			
Mukluk House (Monday-Friday)	Noon-1:30 pm	Mangy Moose Pub	Northwoods Inn
Day 5,			
<u>Tuesday, January 29th</u>			
Talent Night	8 pm	Red Barn	Red Barn
Day 6,			
<u>Wednesday, January 30th</u>			
Fiddle Contest	8 pm	Red Barn	Red Barn
Day 7,			
<u>Thursday, January 31st</u>			
Fiddle Contest	8 pm	Red Barn	Red Barn

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Event	Time	Place	Sponsor
Day 8,			
<u>Friday, February 1st</u>			
Hi-Tower Hornets Bantam A Hockey Tournament	all weekend	Rec Centre	Hi- Tower Hornets
Juvenile Elks Hockey Tournament	all weekend	Kids Arena	Juvenile Elks
Cultural Dinner	6 pm	Friendship Centre	Friendship Soc.
Mushers Registration	7 pm	Red Barn	Mighty Peace Mushers
Dart Tournament	8 pm	Old Senior Cit. Hall	Elks League
Fiddle Contest Finals	8 pm	Red Barn	Red Barn
Over the Line Hospitality Night	8 pm	Red Barn <i>Centennial Park</i>	FSJ OTL league
Talent West	8 pm	Racquetball club Elks Hall NO. 1	FSJ Co-op
Day 9,			
<u>Saturday, February 2nd</u>			
Dart Tournament	9 am	Old Senior Cit. Hall	Elks League
Over the Line Ball	9 am-4 pm	Centennial Park	FSJ OTL League
12th Annual Sled Dog Races	10 am	Charlie Lake	Mighty Peace Mushers
Chili & Bannock Con.	all day	Charlie Lake	BC Native Womens Soc
Bean & Bun Booth	all day	Charlie Lake	Highschool Rodeo Club
Chess Tournament	TBA	TBA	FSJ Chess Club
Garage Sale	10 am-5 pm	Stedmans Building	CDC Parents Aux.
Kids Toboggan Races			
& Disco <i>50¢ per person</i>	1 pm	<i>Dance Simon Kops - hot dog + juice</i> Northwoods Inn	Northwoods Inn
Mushers Ball & Citizen of the Year	7 pm	Elks Hall No. 1 <i>Mackenzie Inn</i>	Elks Club
Elks Casino	7 pm	Elks Hall <i>Mackenzie Inn</i>	Elks Club
Mukluk Contest & Dance	8 pm	Red Barn	Red Barn
Day 10,			
<u>Sunday, February 3rd</u>			
Pancake Breakfast	8:30 am-12:30 pm	Immaculata Hall	KofC
Dart Tournament	9 am	Old Senior Citizen Hall	Elks League
Over The Line Ball	9 am-4 pm	Centennial Park	FSJ OTL League
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Bean & Bun Booth	all day	Charlie Lake	Highschool Rodeo Club
Chess Tournament	TBA	TBA	FSJ Chess Club
Flour Packing & Log sawing	12:30 pm	Charlie Lake	FSJ Metis Assoc.
Tea Boiling & Bannock Baking	2 pm	Charlie Lake	BC Native Womens Soc.
2x4 A-Go-Go	2:30 pm	Charlie Lake	FSJ Oilwives
Lucky Program Draw	4 pm	Red Barn	Mukluk Society
Mushers Draw	4 pm	Red Barn	Mighty Peace Musher
Wrap-Up Party	all afternoon	Red Barn	Mukluk Society
Bowl for Millions Kick-off	5-7 pm	Fort Bowling Lanes	Big Brothers & Big Sisters



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This year there are two lucky program prizes. The Early Bird prize of a night for two in the Executive Suite of the Northwoods Inn, and a bottle of champagne will be drawn on Wednesday, January 23rd, at the Northwoods Inn Mukluk Drink Contest. Winner must be present to claim prize.

This year's grand prize is a \$300.00 gift certificate at the Skyway Butcher Shop. The grand prize will be drawn on the final day of Mukluk, Sunday, February 3rd in the Red Barn after the dog races. Anyone buying a Mukluk program is eligible for this prize. Your lucky number is stamped on the front cover of this program. Be listening to NL Radio, Sunday, afternoon for the lucky number to be announced.

Official Mukluk Song

Refrain:

It is Mukluk-time again in Fort St. John,
Yes, the Mukluk-spirit catches on,
And if that Mukluk-fever got you too:
Then join us at the MUKLUK RENDEZVOUS!

1.)

The North-land is Fun-Land, no matter if it's cold,
go ski-ing, go skating, it is for young and old,
make a snow-man or ride around on your Ski-doo,
but remember when it's Mukluk-time:
we meet at the MUKLUK RENDEZVOUS!

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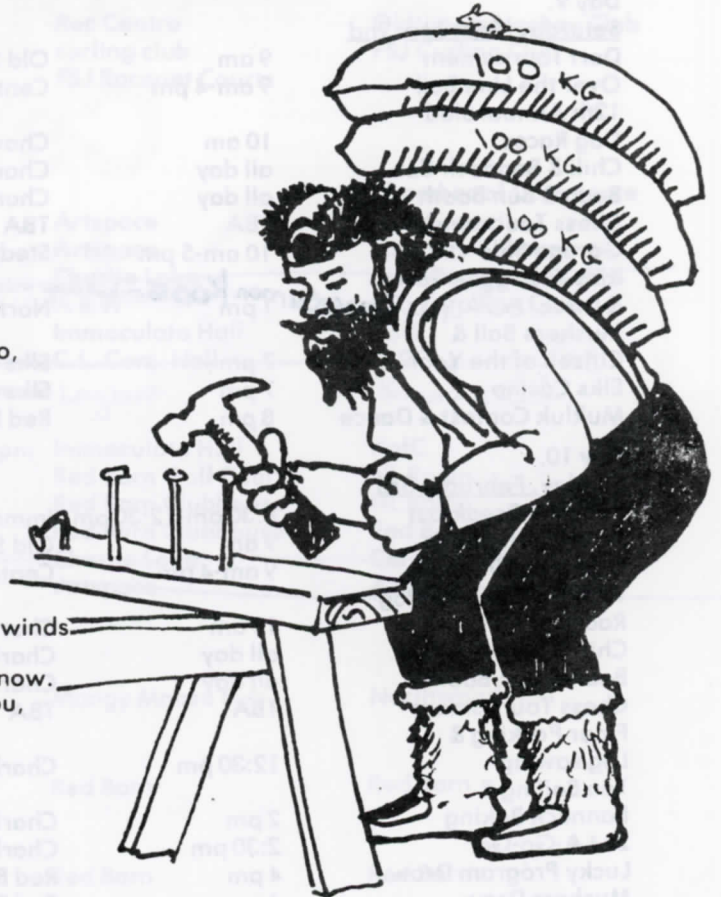
2.)

The North-land is Fun-land, no matter how winds
blow,
we feature the out-doors, because we love the snow.
Go ice-fishing, or ride your sled, or what suits you,
but remember when it's Mukluk-time:
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This year's talent show will be held in conjunction with the MUKLUK DAYS to show our interest in local social concerns and activities as well as operating a successful business. Sponsoring such events is in keeping with the Co-operative Retailing System's goals of improving the quality of life for Canadians and of gaining more recognition of Co-operatives as a positive force in today's world.

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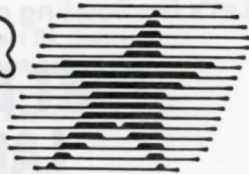
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**OVER THE LINE
SNOWBALL 1985**

This will be the Third Annual O.T.L. Snowball Tournament held as a part of Mukluk Rendezvous! This year promises to be the biggest ever held in Fort St. John.

The Snowball Tournament will consist of Men's and Mixed Divisions.

The competitions this year will take place at the Fort St. John Centennial Park.

Entry forms will be available at In-steppe Shoes and the Fort St. John Racquetball Club.

Trophies, Prize Money and Merchandise Certificates will be awarded to the Champions in each division.

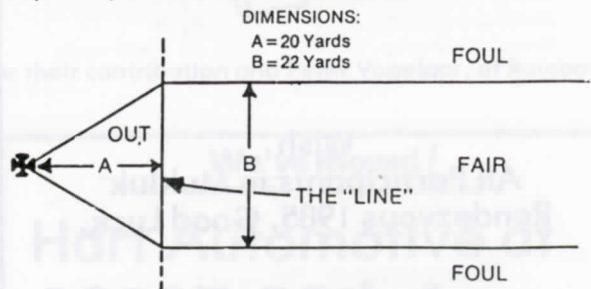
The Tournament will be designed in a true double knockout fashion. Every team participating will be guaranteed two games.

The festivities will kick off with a hospitality night at the Fort St. John Racquetball Club commencing at 8:00 p.m. Friday, February 1, 1985. At this time the draw will be posted for all participants.

Saturday the competitions will get under way at 9:00 a.m. and continue until approximately 4:00 p.m. in the afternoon. A dinner and dance at the Racquetball Club will culminate the days activities.

With a 9:00 a.m. start on Sunday all award presentations at the Racquetball Club should be completed by 4:00 p.m.

O.T.L. is for everyone, the Snowball Association would like to challenge EVERY Softball Organization to participate and HAVE A BALL!!!



O.T.L. rules:

1. Four players per team
2. Batter hits from X, no running involved
3. Team-mate pitches to batter, but must be in front of line
4. Hits are when ball hits in fair territory, without being caught by fielders
5. Home runs are balls hit in air of the farthest fielder, without being

touched

6. Outs are: one missed swing; two foul balls; fly balls caught by fielders; balls hitting in triangle
 7. Three hits in an inning scores a run, with each additional hit in same inning scoring a run
 8. Home runs clear the bases.
- (Note: these are just some of the rules, copies of the complete rules will go to each team.)

THE 6TH ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY CULTURAL DINNER

Traditional Indian foods hi-light this annual Mukluk event, hosted by the Fort St. John Friendship Society. The dinner will be held on Friday, February 1st at 6:00 p.m. in the Friendship Centre, located at 10208-95th Avenue. Advance tickets are on sale at the Centre and more information is available at 785-8566.

MUKLUK DART TOURNAMENT

The first annual Mukluk Dart Tournament is being held by the Fort St. John Elks Dart Club. Events will be held February 1, 2 and 3 at the Senior Citizens Hall with an entry fee of \$10.00 per event per player. The first event is Friday at 8:00 p.m. and will be a "Fun" night with blind draw doubles. Saturday, mixed doubles start at 9:00 a.m., with singles to follow at approximately 2:00 p.m. Depending on the number of teams there may be a super shoot starting at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, followed by team play. All events will require double in-double out. Special rates for out of town players will be available at the Taylor Hotel. For more information call Dale at 785-8649 or Sandy and Shari at 789-3033. The old Senior Citizens Hall is located on Centre Avenue west.

GARAGE SALE

The Child Development Centre Parents Auxiliary is holding a Garage Sale on Saturday, February 2nd between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The Garage Sale wilbe held in the Macleods-Stedmans building located at 10104-100th Avenue, downtown Fort St. John. People interested in renting a table should contact Janis at 785-5660 for more information.



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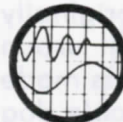
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As in the past, the hi-light of the Mukluk Rendezvous will be the Sled Dog Races. First organized and funded by the Rotary Club in 1974 the races originally started within the city limits until urban sprawl in Fort St. John's boom years made it difficult to come up with a suitable dog trail in or near the city. Consequently, the race site was moved in 1977 to Charlie Lake where the Sled Dog Races have been held ever since. The present location provides good viewing for spectators and unlimited space for the dog trails.

Originally the race featured only one class but it has now grown to include the open or unlimited event (where drivers are allowed to drive as many dogs as they can handle — 14 or 16 is not unusual), an 8 dog class, a 6 dog class and a 4 dog class. The latter event is run for trophy only. Dual starts are held for all races.

The sport of Sled Dog racing has continually developed over the past 80 years to become a popular international event. Mushers entering Fort St. John races since 1974 have come from as far away as New York New Hampshire, Utah, Idaho, California, Montana and Alaska as well as western and northern Canada.

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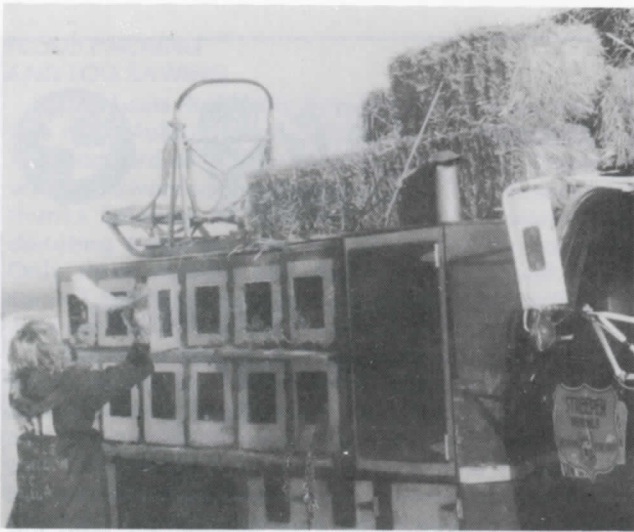
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Visit the starting area and take pictures. Most drivers love to talk about their dogs, except when they are feverishly trying to ready their team for a race. So when they are not too busy, ask!

Please stay clear of the trail. Standing too close may distract the dogs. Also, please don't bring your pets to the races. Injuries have occurred and races have been lost when stray animals bolted onto the course.

A lot of work goes into the organization of the races. Competitors and organizers alike appreciate the support of the local clubs and individuals who buy the tickets, buttons, and programs that fund the races.

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The Fort St. John High School Rodeo Club invites everyone to drop by the "Bean and Bun Booth" set up near the dog sled races at Charlie Lake. While sampling good 'down home' cooking you'll be glad to know that your money is going to support the Fort St. John High School Rodeo Clubs annual spring rodeo.

The B.C. Native Women's Society will also have a concession booth on the weekend of the Sled Dog Races. On their menu will be bannock and chili.



BANNOCK-BAKING AND TEA-BOILING CONTEST

The B.C. Native Women's Society will be sponsoring a Bannock-baking and Tea-boiling Contest once again during Mukluk Rendezvous. This

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event has proved to be very popular for both the young and old. There is no entry fee and trophies will be awarded to the winners.

The B.C. Native Women's Society became active in Fort St. John in 1981 to address the needs of Native Women and Children in B.C. The priority objective in 1985 is the establishment of a Native Children's Receiving Home in Fort St. John, the need of which has been firmly established. All funds raised during Mukluk Rendezvous will go towards this home.

The Native Women's Society also holds bingos the first Sunday of every month at the Friendship Center from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Come and try your luck and help this good cause.

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The Louis Riel Metis Association is the sponsor of this new Mukluk Event, which will be held Sunday, February 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at Charlie Lake. Trophies will be awarded to the winners. The Association thanks Safeway for donating flour, Overwaita for donating trophies, and the Co-op for it's support. Only three months old, the Association will draw some 1,500 Metis people from across the province in June for the 3rd Annual Provincial Assembly.

The main objective of the Society is to assist the Metis people in the areas of Education, Economic Development, Employment and Training, Housing and constitutional issues such as Self-government and Land Base. It is the society's goal to see the betterment of Metis people in these areas. Membership is open to anyone who has interest in the Metis people. General meetings are held once a month for input from the membership which is thought to be the key to the success of the organization. Contact president Geraldine Goulet for more information.

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The Oilwives Club of Fort St. John has been sponsoring this event for a number of years. The clubs motto is to "Foster Friendship", something this event can do. There is no entry fee, and entry forms are available at the Artspace in Fort St. John. Trophies are awarded to the winners of the various classes.

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