

neighborhood profile



Wendy Massey and Meghan Scoullar skate through Highglen area. Citizen photo by Dave Milne

Highglen subdivision was inspired by nearby Highland Park and planned during Prince George's 50th anniversary in 1965. Throughout the province people were harking back to the old days as festivities and special events were held and history of explorers and gold rush days became popular topics of conversation.

Bill Jones, a 25-year-old employee at city hall, was no exception as he named the Highglen streets to honor B.C.'s past with titles like Explorer, Nugget, Portage, Pioneer and Voyageur.

The small subdivision, bordered by Fifth Avenue on the south, Ospika on the east, Tabor on the west and closely following First Avenue on the north, contains Highglen elementary school and Brigade Park.

A wilderness area located next to Pentecostal Tabernacle on Fifth Avenue and Ospika is a reserve for a hydro sub-station.

Street names

How did your street get its name?

**ALEZA CRESCENT** is named for Aleza Lake located about 50 kilometres north east of Prince George along the Canadian National Railway. The lake was named for a Carrier Indian maiden who lived there when the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was being built. The history of the Aleza Lake community has just been published in a book by former resident Ethel MacArthur and is available at the Fort George Museum.

**BEDNESTI CRES-** CENT: Bednesti Lake lies at the head of Tachintelachic Creek east of the Nechako River. Most interested people prefer its meaning from the Carrier Indian language which is satisfied char rather than historian-missionary Father A.G. Morice's pronunciation Pitenistai meaning the bull trout got gutted.

**CLUCULZ AVE-** NUE: Cluculz Lake is an expansion of Cluculz

Creek south of Nechako River. It's a carrier Indian word meaning Place of the Whitefish.

**DAVIE AVENUE** is named for Davie lake, an expansion of Crooked River north of Summit Lake. There is no proof the lake is named for either of two B.C. premiers, A.E.B. Davie — premier from 1887 to 1889 — or T. Davie — premier from 1892 to 1895, nor for Twelve-Foot Davis who packed through this area in the early days.

**EAGLET CRESCENT:** Eaglet Creek runs into Eagle Creek about 30 kilometres northeast of Prince George where eagles nest in rocky hills and cliffs along the shore. The community of Giscome was once located on the shore of Eagle Lake and boasted the biggest white spuce sawmill in the world. Today, only the school, a few area residents and one or two rock-crushing companies are all that remain of the bustling community.

Bikers help out

More than 100 motorcyclists from the Prince George area are expected to take part in the second annual motorcycle toy run Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

The bikers plan to gather at Pine Centre mall before parading through the city from 1 to 1:20 p.m. carrying toys destined for Salvation Army Citadel on Ospika Boulevard.

The new toys will be distributed to underprivileged children at Christmas. Last year about 60 bikers turned over \$6,000 worth of toys to the Fire Department and Kinsmen for distribution.

"We had a heck of a time giving away the toys last year because of the stigma attached to motorcyclists," said one local rider.

"Certain organizations think anything given by us isn't sanitary enough and won't accept our gifts, but when I see a man hock possessions like tools to buy toys for kids, it makes me think there must be a lot of good in him," he concluded.

All motorcyclists wishing to participate by bringing a new toy are welcome. For more information call Darlene at 564-0959.



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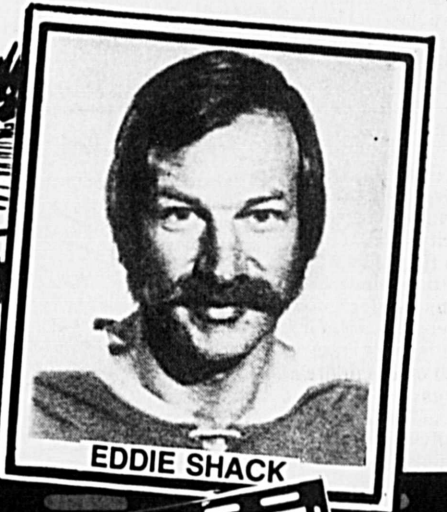
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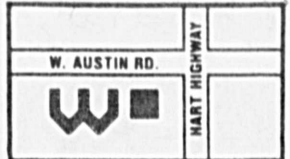


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