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## Swim/Fin



Marathon swimmer Fin Donnelley paddled into Prince George on Tuesday on his Fraser 2000 swim. He plans to spend several days in town before continuing south. JOHN MCKENZIE/FREE PRESS

## Rahn Brothers restricted on land use

By CHERYL JAHN

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As of September 15, Rahn Brothers Logging will be somewhat restricted in what business is conducted on its Zilkie Road property.

Justice Ian Meiklem has granted a temporary injunction, prohibited the storage or repair of logging trucks on the property, as per T.H.R. Trucking, though Rahn Brothers can repair and store its own equipment on the land.

The city had sought the injunction, claiming the activities carried out on the 6.9-acre piece of property were in violation of the zoning bylaw, and

neighbours in the area were complaining.

Eric Rahn bought the property in 1979, Gordon Rahn subsequently bought it in 1984. They owned it until 1996, when Rahn Brothers Ltd. bought the property. In October 1998, T.H.R. Trucking began to lease a portion of a large repair shop on the land, fixing and storing eight or nine trucks there. It was only after T.H.R. Trucking began to lease that neighbours began to complain to the city.

In January, at the suggestion of city officials, Rahn Brothers went before city council in hopes of re-zoning the property to Service-Light Industrial. The Development Services department

opposed the change and council refused to approve the application.

Justice Meiklem, in his decision, pointed to the city's obligation to enforce the bylaw because of complaints, and that the complaints did not begin until T.H.R. Trucking leased a portion of the repair shop. With that, he has placed an injunction on using the property as a trucking compound, but has allowed Rahn Brothers to continue the repair and storage of its equipment "at the level of usage that has persisted since 1997."

That injunction will remain in effect until the trial on this matter comes before the court in July 2001.

## Teens suspects in 40 break & enters

To date, two city teens face a single break and enter charge a piece, but the Crown expects plenty more such charges will be laid.

The two boys, ages 14 and 15, were arrested on the weekend in relation to an alleged residential break and enter in August. But the RCMP's Property Crimes Unit alleges these two are responsible for roughly 40 more residential break and enters over the past two months.

The 14-year-old has been released from custody, into the care of his father, with strict conditions, including a curfew. As well, he is to have no contact with his 15-year-old co-accused, who has been remanded in custody to next Monday.

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