

Welcome to the next newsletter! It's mid-summer now, and we're concentrating on Food while the rest of Wells and Barkerville loads you up with Entertainment. We're swamped with guests who are coming to enjoy the great food, and more importantly, to catch all the stuff that's going on. This Newsletter is a little more to the point than previous ones because we're run off our feet, but we want to keep you informed.

The Bear's Paw is working with Island Mountain Arts, Sunset Theatre, Theatre Royal, and Newberry Productions to support Music and Performance in the Cariboo! Read On...'cause there are lots of things you have to see this summer!!



MR. SOMETHING SOMETHING was the most awesome concert I have ever been to! And to think that we hosted it seems incredible. These guys far exceeded their billing, and if you missed the concert, then make sure you book the time to see them when they swing through again for Artswells, August 4-7.

MUSIC EVENTS at THE PAW and About

Clear the calendar!

There is a lot going on from now on, and I'm going to touch on a few of the bigger ones, and all of my favourites!!!

August 1st

WOW!!! Sponsored by IMA, and hosted at the Sunset. One night and the following performers.

Ken Hamm....one of Canada's premier blues guitarists, and slide guitar master.

- Kevin Kane... of the Grapes of Wrath
- Ex Linda McCrae.... of Spirit of the West
- Kara Luft... of the Wailin Jennys
- Kia Kadiri... awesome hip hop soloist, (brought down the house at Artswells last year)

Only \$20

August 4 to 7

- Artswells Indy Music Festival....over 40 acts, dozens and dozens of workshops, from Web design for musicians, to the history of the saxaphone, to songwriting, and dance. Great venues at the Wells School Grounds and evening performances at the Historic and Magnificent Wells Community Hall
 International 1 minute play Festival, www.imarts.com
- **Breathe**, Stunning theatre(5 shows) by Rebecca Starr, at the Sunset Theatre, details at <u>www.sunset-theatre.com</u>

<u>August 10, 11</u>

At the Sunset...**The Velvet Devil**, a film adaptation of Andrea Menard's brilliant story of a 40's era Metis woman who runs away to Toronto to search for fame as a lounge singer

August 12

Rocky Horror Picture Show...Bring the cult to Wells, and come and enjoy this now 25 year old classic film....Fund Raiser for the Sunset.

August 16

The IMA Harp School is in full swing...Their **Annual Harp Concert and Dinner** is this night. The Lung Duck Tong is already filling up with dinner reservations for this very special evening that includes a very unique harp concert put on by the international harp instructors who will be teaching at the school. This is a brilliant and beautiful event.



Some Harpist's will remember this photo from two summers ago!

<u>August 17</u>

Day of the Daves....Anyone named Dave eats for free at the Bear's Paw!

August 19

- 10th Annual Canadian Gold Panning Championships. Anyone would be interested in this amazing event, regardless of your interest in Gold Panning.
- ی Harp Ceildh at IMA
- Mid Autumn Moon Festival...One of the highlights of our year. This Chinese celebration is punctuated by daytime workshops in Paper lantern building, Evening Parade through the streets of Barkerville to Chinatown, brilliant reproduction of an ancient Chinese folk play which describes the origin of the festival, fabulous buffet of Chinese fruits, treats and desserts in the late evening air. This is one those events that we will be closing the café early so we can attend this very special evening.



August 20

Outdoors at the Bear's Paw...Our outdoor concerts have been a fabulous success, in a beautiful setting. Make sure you make time to take in this one.

Emaline Delapaix and the Delistocracy: Five talented female musicians, forged into a working unit. Folk Jazz Roots, Pop, Latin featuring

Emaline Delapaix on guitar and vocals, Anjuli Dawn on acoustic guitar, mandolin, vocals & bouzouki, Aurora Bangarth on percussion, kit & marimba, Monique Giroux on viola & violin, and Kate Phanie on piano & vocals www.sonicbids.com/emalinedelapaix3

August 25

Plaid Tongued Devils, Celtic Klezmer Band!! These guys are going to rock Wells, with their energetic style at the last live show of the season at the Sunset Theatre.

Running All Summer

- Theatre Royal in Barkerville continues to have 3 shows daily throughout August, including a 7 pm show. The shows at the Theatre have never been better, and the actors and directors are getting rave reviews for the writing and performance of these shows. Bravo! http://barkerville.ca/pages/Theatre.html
- Weekly/Daily Theatrical and Musical performances at the recently restored Sunset Theatre in Wells <u>http://www.sunset-theatre.com/programming.html</u>

Lots of Parking and RV spaces available, visit <u>www.wellsbc.com</u> for accommodation details. Email us at <u>thebearspaw@whitegold.ca</u> or call the café at 1-866-994-2345 for information, discounts, or dinner reservations.

<u>HIKES – PAST AND FUTURE</u>

7 Summits in 7 Days.

It's on again. Climb any 7 of 8 specific day hikes sometime this summer, collect the token in the summit cairn, stop in at the café for your free token holder/key chain, give us a picture for our wall of fame. Collect 7 tokens and get the GRAND PRIZE, (or is that a token prize), Delicious piece of Cranberry Carrot Cake and a cup of tea of your choice! This year we're putting together a September Bike and hike race....7 summits in one day! Stay tuned for developments; the professional division is not for the faint of heart! More pics at website www.whitegold.ca/7summits.htm



Mount Magnus

Whitegold Adventures <u>www.whitegold.ca</u> is now offering scheduled Day Hikes to Mount Magnus, every other Saturday. This group to the left dodged rain/hail and sun to get some great views of the Bowron Chain!

Mount Patchett.

We hiked Patchett early in July and got some great video of some crazy boot skiing too! Here's a couple of shots of Dave cutting tracks on the way back down from the summit.





AND JUST YESTERDAY...On the Mathew River, near Ghost Lake.



Felix and Dave have a nice day



Call us: locally at 994-2345, or toll free at 1-866-994-2345 to make a dinner reservation at the Bear's Paw for one of our music nights.



The Sunset Theatre, in conjunction with the Wells Hotel and the Bear's Paw Dinner Café, is offering a discount package for the month of August. Attend one of their performances and get a discount at the door, dinner at the Bear's Paw Café, and 20% off your hotel room at the Wells Hotel

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