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## Parents urged not to lose heads over lice infestation

By Greg Huneault  
the News

During school, children can share a great deal of things with each other. Unfortunately, head lice is one of them.

With another school year beginning, the perennial problem of these nasty little pests heads the list of concerns for many parents.

Despite the negative beliefs associated with head lice and the occasional public hysteria accompanying outbreaks, Cathy Withers says the little fleas are relatively

harmless.

Withers is the Public Health Nurse serving Terrace Bay schools. She and Brenda Asmusen, who provides health care to schools in the Schreiber area, work out of the Schreiber office of the Thunder Bay District Health Unit.

The job of educating the public about and controlling head lice is among their responsibilities.

There has been mention lately among some local professional hair stylists and residents of an outbreak, but Withers said that

nothing is out of the ordinary.

She told the News there have been three or four families from Schreiber who have experienced an outbreak of head lice within the last month, but said the number of affected members "is certainly not unusual." She did not say how many reported cases there have been in Terrace Bay.

She noted that the Schreiber spread is under control and the families have been treated.

When official or unofficial reports of people infested with

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## Go fly a kite!

So that's what they did. A group of mothers and their daughters could be found running up and down the windswept Terrace Bay Beach on Monday as they tried to get a variety of kites aloft. This unique kite had a tail of about 30 feet. And yes, it did fly.

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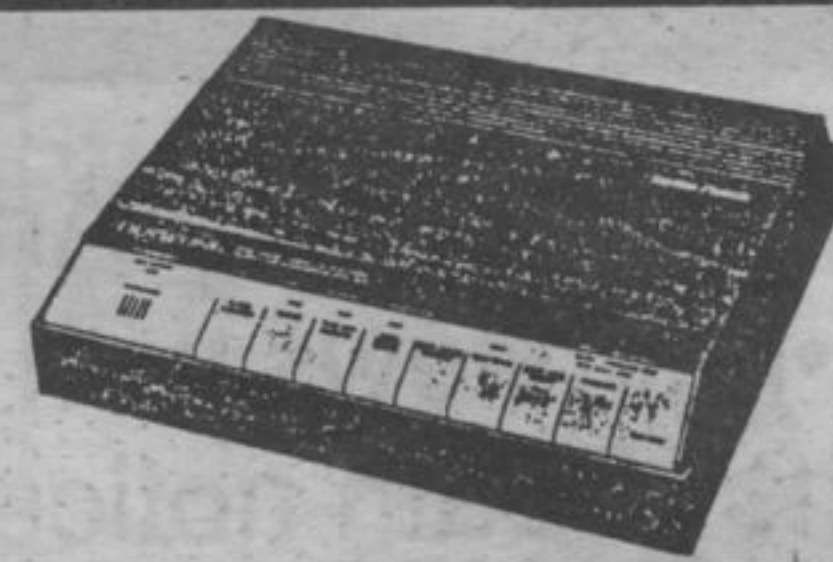
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