

More services offered with new doctor

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Medical services offered by McCausland Hospital are expected to be expanded with the addition of the area's newest doctor.

Doctor Mark Fowler unpacked his stethoscope and office supplies a little over two weeks ago to establish his practice as a family physician and surgeon.

It has been an interesting journey from the farm in Saskatchewan where he was born and raised. His personal and medical backgrounds almost lend themselves to define him as a "Canadian."

He studied medicine in Saskatoon and continued his university pursuits at Regina and London, Ont.

While attending university, Mark was a journeyman electrician, a job which helped to offset

the high costs of university education.

The price of obtaining one degree is expensive enough, but when you have three degrees such as Dr. Fowler does, it helps to be able to buy the text books!

He has a degree in Archaeology and a Master's in Biochemistry in addition to a Doctorate of Medicine.

Prior to coming to Terrace Bay, Dr. Fowler had practices in the Athabasca Basin of northeastern Saskatchewan and James Bay, Ont.

While in James Bay, he was affiliated with the Schools of Medicine at two universities and was instrumental in helping to coordinate services in that area.

He supervised and taught interns who travelled North to obtain unique training in remote areas.

With his qualifications, he says

he is allowed certain privileges such as assuming the duties of an anesthesiologist. That is the specialist who tells the patient to inhale a mixture of gases and count backwards from 100.

Before a patient can get to 90, they are usually safely under, and the anesthesiologist will continue to monitor vital signs throughout the operation.

With his background in anesthesiology, Dr. Fowler said that McCausland Hospital will now be able to provide a greater range of medical procedures and minor types of surgery appropriate for the existing facilities.

Dr. Fowler told the News that he, his wife Phyllis and their three sons Ben, Mike and Adam are "coming here to stay here barring unforeseen circumstances." He said that the residents have given him and his family a warm welcome and help in settling into his

new home and duties.

The family enjoys flying in their Cessna plane, and it should come in handy when Mark decides to do a bit of fishing and

hunting which he enjoys.

Dr. Fowler now joins the team of Drs. Wilkes and Raczycski, nurses and other health professionals who provide health care to the residents of the area.



Dr. Mark Fowler in his McCausland Hospital office.

'Party hunting' is now permitted by MNR to allow for social contact

Hunters will be allowed to hunt co-operatively as members of a party for adult bull and cow moose this year, Natural Resources Minister Vincent Kerrio announced today.

"Party hunting" for adult moose means that, within certain limits, one licensed moose hunter may shoot an adult moose for which another hunter in his party has a validation tag. Party hunting for calf moose has been permitted since 1986.

"The majority of hunters surveyed recently by my ministry favoured a return to party hunting because it allows for more social contact between friends and family members who go hunting together," Natural Resources Minister Vincent Kerrio said.

"In making this change, we are responding to the views hunters made known in an extensive review of the moose program over the past year," the Minister added.

The Selective Harvest System for moose was introduced in 1983

to increase Ontario's declining moose population. Since then, the moose population has increased and is well on the way to the ministry's target of 160,000 moose in Ontario by the year 2000.

Under the Selective Harvest System, hunters must enter a draw to obtain a validation tag to hunt an adult bull or cow moose. More than 80,000 hunters entered the 1988 draw, and about 32,800 tags were issued.

The number of tags made available in each Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) is calculated on the basis of the size of the herd, the increase in population desired, and the success rate of hunters in harvesting moose in the unit in the past.

Under the limitations for party hunting in 1988, adult moose must be shot only in the WMU for which the adult tag is issued.

The hunters must also have clearly agreed to hunt co-operatively for moose of the age and sex identified on the licences or

validation tags of party members.

Most importantly, as soon as an adult moose has been killed, the member of the party with the correct adult moose validation tag must immediately attach the big game seal from his licence to the animal.

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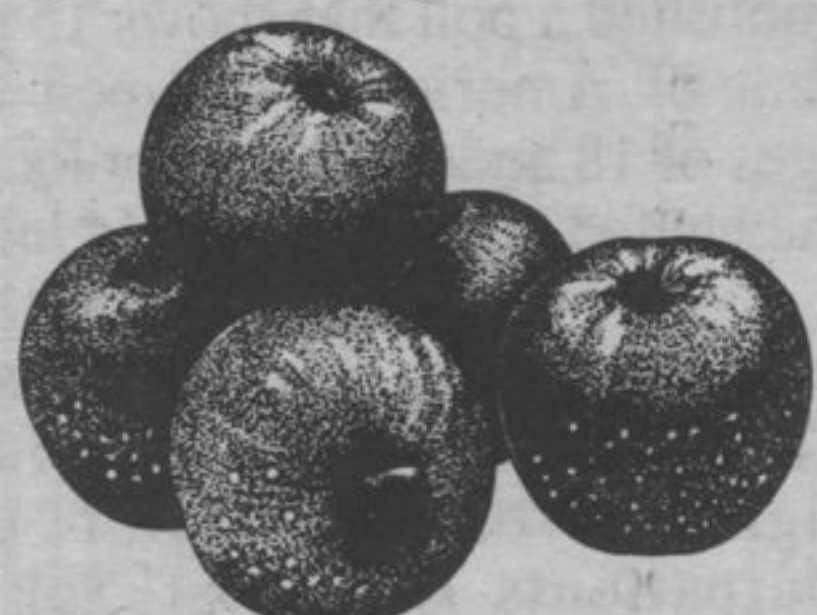
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