

# The Edge

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## MLA VISITS EDGE

Blair Suffredine visited The Edge on November, after his no-host luncheon at Carol's Garden Café. Topics of discussion at the Café ranged through such diverse topics as the future of Edgewood's water supply, the Needles Bridge Project, and the possible impending take over of the Edgewood Red Cross Outpost by Interior Health. At The Edge however, everyone was focused on the future of communications in Edgewood. MLA Suffredine was able to see the completed Edgewood and Inonoaklin Valley Virtual Museum, a project that was still very much a work in progress the last time he visited. Special attention was given to the museum section which covered the period of the flooding of Old Edgewood, to give the MLA some perspective on why BC Hydro's plan to start charging people in Edgewood for their water had some tempers running high at the meeting. Afterwards, the discussion turned to the future, and staff gave him a first glimpse of the proposed Edgewood and Region Broadband Proposal. This project, if successful, would not only benefit the Edgewood region directly, but could be used a pilot for helping other small communities get high speed Internet access for a fraction of the cost of the cell tower or DSL and cable systems which are currently the only way to break the dialup barrier. Blair Suffredine was intrigued by the proposal, and has provided The Edge with several phone numbers and resource referrals to help make it happen!

## Christmas Pictures

The Edge will have digital picture services available at the Edgewood Christmas Fair. Be sure to plan some time to get family photographs at this festive holiday event!



MLA Suffredine, pictured here trying to steal attention from Stacey Kendall's 13lb trout

## Castlegar Station Museum Feature

The Castlegar Station museum CAP site is located in the old Castlegar Train Station. It is a lovely historical building, and has many great displays of artifacts from different eras of Castlegar history. Some of the most eye catching included an old Harley Indian Motorcycle and a helmeted diving suit. Deb McIntosh was very welcoming. She obviously takes great pride in her site and the services it offers, which include not only computer access but also a variety of classes and individual computer training sessions. "It would be very hard to offer these services without a Youth Intern." She replied, when asked whether the CAP YI program was meeting the needs of her site.

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