



# RAVEN REPORT

November 2012

## Back to Front (of our building that is)

It was worth it! After all the brouhaha and noise of construction through the summer and fall we have our new drop-off and depot in use. Come by and see it if you haven't already. We've been using the new setup for over a week now and we're ready for the grand re-opening on 17th November. We'll be giving away door prizes and cake between 10 and 5 that day. Also we'll be selling hot dogs and pop to raise money for our styrofoam machine. With our new sMRF setup, see Did You Know? for more details on sMRFs, we've reduced the amount of sorting needed by our customers. The new bunker system we have in place means that it's easier for you to drop off your recyclables and for us to collect and sort them.

The depot is now renovated and has a bright new look that is also easier to keep clean. We've added running water to our sorting tables, meaning you can rinse your refundables and wash your hands right in the depot. The free store has also had a face-lift with new shelving in place as well as bins for separating items. No more searching through piles of clothes. There'll be bins for toques, shirts and so on. Let us know what you think of the new setup. Call or email us at the newsletter address.

### RECYCLING CLUB NEWS

With the final day for collecting points approaching "like a shoal of eels who have just seen something that eels like a lot", our office administrator has been practicing her deep breathing and reciting her mantra "Don't Panic" in preparation for the influx of certificate requests. Yes, 17th November is the last day to collect points and then you have until 19th December to ask for your certificates. We do honour all requests received up to 11.59PM on the 19th, it just takes some time to process them all.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Raven has now become a small Materials Recovery Facility (sMRF). A MRF (pronounced "murf") is a plant that receives, sorts and prepares materials for recycling. The difference for you can be seen in our new bunkers. Previously, we asked everyone to sort their plastics into separate bins. With our MRF setup you can put all your plastics into one bunker and Raven staff will sort the plastic as it moves along a conveyor belt. The same goes for paper as well, We still get more money for bales of white paper but we will sort the paper here. Sort less, recycle more.

People Behind Raven



Danny Lewis, Raven's Education Coordinator, has been working with Raven Recycling for 6 years. Prior to this position he worked as an owner/operator of another recycling company in Whitehorse for 11 years. He has travelled the globe and, after experiencing the waste creation and disposal methods of many cultures around the world, decided to try and help educate people on the importance of reducing their waste footprint and learning not only to recycle what they have, but produce less in the first place. Danny is available to help educate the Yukon on recycling practices and methods and to help encourage all Yukoners to reduce their waste.



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