

Business



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CELEBRATION ON TAP — Tim Jacques, a brewer at the Cannery Brewery, takes a sample of Naramata Nut Brown Ale — their 503rd brew — from one of their new fermenters. The brewery staged a special celebration Friday to mark their expanded brewing area, new retail store and 500th brew.

Money laundering workshop

Merchants Against Money Laundering was the topic of a very informative workshop this past week. Const. Dave Reece with the Organized Crime Unit of the RCMP is doing these workshops across B.C. along with students Emily and Kevin, who led the presentations.

Organized criminals generate large amounts of cash which they must convert and legitimize in order to benefit from and further finance their illegal activity. This is called money laundering.

One of the most common methods they use is called "smurfing," which involves many individuals who deposit cash into bank accounts or buy bank drafts in amounts under \$10,000 to avoid the reporting threshold. Another method is to purchase high-value items such as luxury items using cash and usually in small bills.

For more information come into the Penticton and Wine Country Chamber of Commerce office and pick up the *Merchants Against Money Laundering* booklet. If you suspect money laundering you must report it by going to www.fintrac.gc.ca.

If you are unsure and believe there is a crime being committed, no matter how small, please call our local South Okanagan Similkameen Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222 TIPS (8477) or e-mail soscs@vip.net. Please note that every report stays confidential.



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■ Hijas Bonitas Family Estate Winery is situated at 20623 McDougald Rd. in Summerland. Join them for their grand opening Aug. 15-17, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Enjoy sipping unique wines on the terraza. For more information call (250) 494-5208.

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