

Past Present

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Louis Riel and his Councillors (circa 1869)
Back Row (L-R): Bonnet Tromage, Pierre Delorme,
Thomas Bunn, Xavier Pagé, Andre Beauchemin,
Baptiste Tourond, Thomas Spence. Middle Row
(L-R): Pierre Poitras, John Bruce, Louis Riel,
William O'Donoghue, François Dauphinais.
Front Row (L-R): Hugh (or Bob) O'Lone, Paul Proulx.





In 1986, Port Coquitlam Senior Secondary was renamed Terry Fox Senior Secondary School in honour of 1976 graduate Terry Fox.

The Métis Nation British Columbia in partnership with The BC Sports Hall of Fame would like to express its deep gratitude to the Fox family for sharing your family history and photographs so that others may continue to be inspired by your Métis family ethic and legacy that Terry so graciously left us

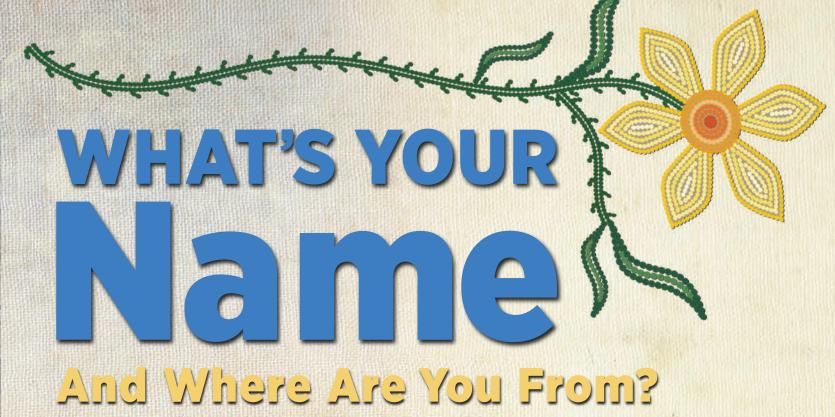
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erry Fox's family came to the Northwest as fur traders with the North West Company. His ancestors, Francois Dubois, Francois Vivier, Antoine Pilon and Andrew J. Harkness were hired out of Montreal and served as middlemen during their canoe voyages through Upper Canada (now Ontario) into Rupert's Land. These families became associated with the Red River community of St. Norbert. At the time. St. Norbert was comprised of seasonal Buffalo hunters and mixed farmers. In November of 1869, several of Terry Fox's ancestors signed a declaration opposing the establishment of a Provisional Government. This was not because they were opposed to Louis Riel or a Métis government, but as they were buffalo hunters, they supported the continual governance of the area by the Hudson's Bay Company. As plains hunters they benefited financially trading their goods with the Hudson's Bay Company.

Another branch of the Family settled

(should we say who? ie Great x 3 grandmother?) in the Red River district of

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The Journey of Terry Fox's Métis Family

Shortly after the Canadian military occupied Red River (in what has become known as the Reign of Terror, under Colonel Garnet Wolseley,) in approximately, 1878-1879, the Dubois and Gladue families moved to North Dakota. Both Claude Gladue and Adeline Dubois were born in North Dakota - they married in the early 1900s and their child Marian Gladue was born in 1910. Claude was drafted into service during the First World War and about this time, the family returned to Manitoba (where in Manitoba? Could show on map). Marian Gladue married John Wark in 1928 and within ten years their child Elizabeth "Betty" Wark was born. Betty and Rolland Fox married in 1956. Terry Fox was born two years later...(when did they move to BC?)



Clockwise from to left: Fox Family circa
19__. Terrance, Rolland, _____,
and Elizabeth Fox.

Top: "The daffodil is a symbol of strength, courage & life" – Canadian Cancer Society