*Island Arc has substantially reduced its program at Todd Creek due to tough financing.

*Reconnaissance exploration in the **Rancheria** district is being conducted by Fairfield Minerals from Swan Lake near the Yukon border.

*Placer Dome are prepared to sell the Kerr Cu-Au porphyry (104B 191) and perhaps Sulphurets Gold (104B 182) deposits.

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OFFICE ACTIVITIES

- *Office displays on **Huckleberry** development and building/decorative stone prepared with help of Carolyn Adema, Grade 11 student on June 10.
- *Attend EA meeting on Telkwa Coal project on June 11.
- *Minerals North lunch wrap up meeting with Houston & district Chamber of Commerce staff on June 11. Recomendations for 1998 in Mackenzie.
- *Two school presentations- Walnut Park grade 5 (rocks & minerals, mining & use of metals) with Daryl Hanson and Christian High School grade 10 (B.C. climate and landforms) on June 12.

EXPLORATION STATS

Year to date: 44 major projects

84 minor projects

7 reclamation projects

Total 135 Mineral exploration

and **73**

73 Placer projects

1997 Mineral Exploration expenditures estimated at \$25 million.

9 Visitors signed into Research Library in June.

TIME DISTRIBUTION

Number of days

Field work (Cari, Fireweed, Gataga, Midway,

Fireside, Kutcho, Zymo)

Smithers office

Paul Nijdali

Meetings and Classroom visits

TOTAL

16

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22 (2 extra days)

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