

HARBOUR SPIEL

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Madreia Park - Garden Bay

BRIDGING THE GAP at GUNBOAT NARROWS

WHY

The estimated 20-minute travel time savings between Madeira Park-Francis Peninsula and Garden Bay-Irvine's Landing will decrease traffic on Garden Bay Road and Highway 101 (Kleindale) with these results:

- *Pollution of Garden Bay Lake (oil, gas, asbestos, etc.) and risk of a hazardous-material spill (propane, etc.) in the lake virtually eliminated;*
- *Accidents on Garden Bay Rd. (especially on the hill) reduced;*
- *Tourist traffic on Garden Bay Rd. (and related lake pollution) reduced;*
- *Deterioration (and required maintenance) of Garden Bay Rd. minimized.*

Residents commuting locally for business and social reasons will benefit:

- *Fuel consumption (and related expense and pollution) greatly reduced;*
- *Ferry traffic on Hwy. 101 avoided;*
- *Travel time to Langdale Ferry Terminal from Garden Bay area reduced;*
- *Travel time to Pender Harbour Clinic and St. Mary's Hospital from Garden Bay area reduced;*

These emergency and service vehicles can respond faster and operate more efficiently:

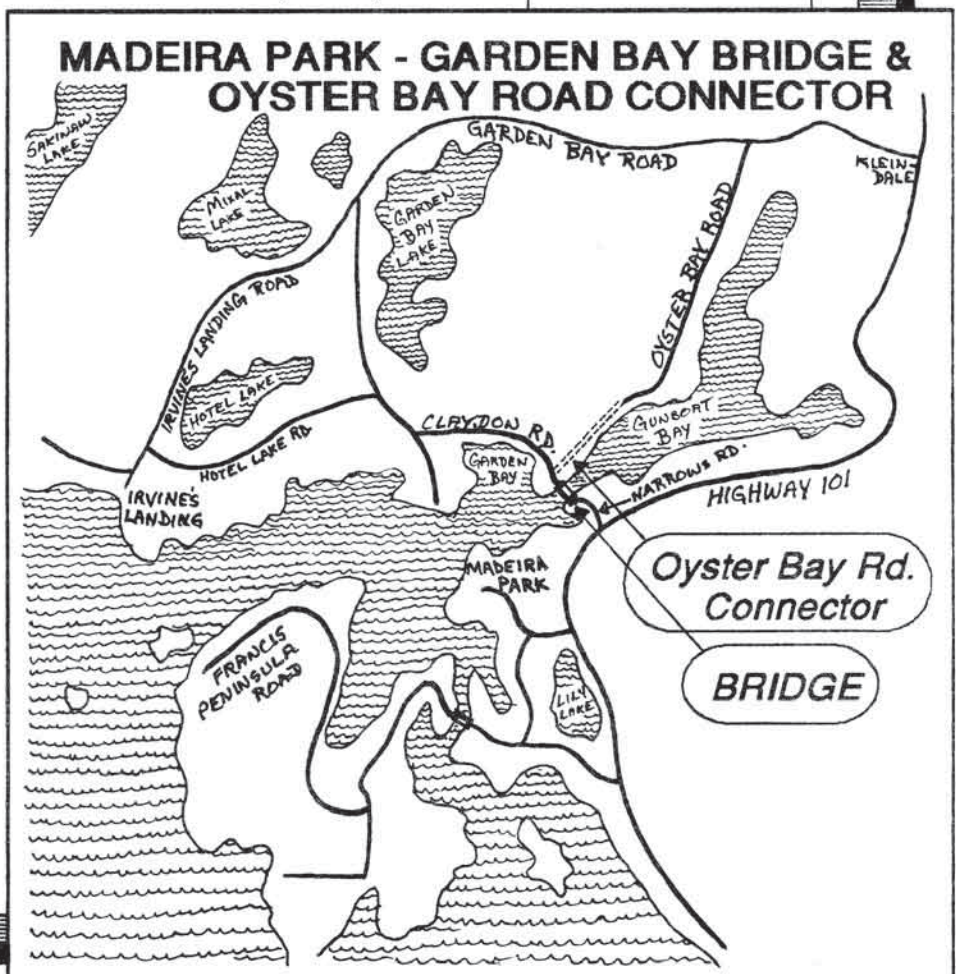
- *Ambulance; Fire Trucks; Police Vehicles; Tow Trucks; School Busses; Capilano Highway Services Snow Removal and Other Vehicles; BC Hydro and BC Telephone Repair Vehicles.*

An internal road system uniting Pender Harbour will provide these benefits:

- *Co-operative activities are more easily arranged and thus more successful;*
- *Events in either area are more accessible to all residents of Pender Harbour, thus are more successful;*
- *Shoppers have easy access to businesses in all of Pender Harbour rather than their immediate area.*

WHY NOT

- *Initial expense;*
- *Possible decrease of business in the Kleindale area;*
- *Traffic increase and upgrading of Oyster Bay, Narrows, and Claydon Roads;*
- *Loss of private-use property in bridge area (although a right-of-way exists).*





HOLIDAY STORE HOURS:

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Dec. 26.....9 am - 5 pm

New Year's Day.....9 am - 5pm

Dec. 25.....Closed

Dec. 31.....8:30 am - 7 pm

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY: Thursday Dec. 3

Wishing your family a happy
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~ Troy, Lorie and staff



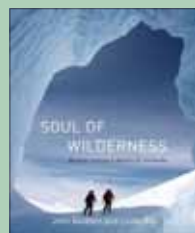
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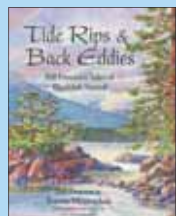
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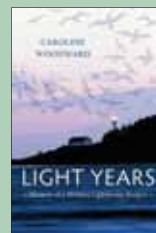


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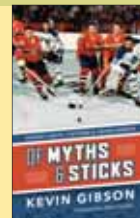


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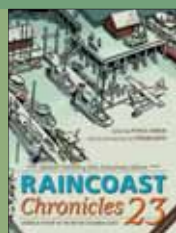


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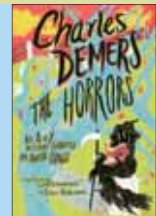


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editorial

25 years ain't so long

By Brian Lee



One of the smothering realities of punching this thing out every month is that there's very little time to peer farther

ahead than the next deadline.

I hold that up as my excuse for not doing more for the *Harbour Spiel*'s 25th birthday.

The 300th issue is a significant milestone that, had I more time, deserves nothing short of flying in Lil' Wayne and Beyonce for an A-list wingding at the community hall.

Maybe I'll save that for the 30th.

In December 1990, Myrtle Winchester mailed out a Christmas greeting on two letter-sized pieces of photocopied paper.

She called it the *Upcoast Journal* but for reasons explained in her next issue (see p. 20), she changed it to its present name.

The first issue of the *Harbour Spiel* was mailed in February of 1991.

Math whizzes will note the 300th issue should land in January but one month was missed in 2003 when Winchester was undergoing medical treatment.

For a publication so reliant on a single person to push it out the door each month, that too is significant.

Because of back spasms and crashed hard drives, I too have come close to missing an issue, but have managed to squeak through so far.

I'm proud of my record but am humbled by the fact that I'm still six years away from Winchester's 15 and haven't even had my first heart attack.

When I took over the *Spiel* in 2006, that 15 years seemed like an incredibly long time.

Since then I've come to appreciate how change creeps up almost imperceptibly, sometimes taking decades to reveal patterns of progress.

So it is with this place.

Muriel Cameron still organizes bingo at the hall on Thursday nights, Sunny Charbonneau still cuts hair, Bill Hunsche still peddles real estate and Egmonsters still go without cable.

And despite large numbers of new residents arriving since 2000, our year-round population still charts flat.

We're a community that once feared that too many newcomers could destroy what is unique about Pender Harbour and Egmont.

I like to think that wariness of newcomers explains why so few stick around long enough to shed the tag.

But the sky didn't fall.

The people that landed here during the last real estate boom have not only fit in but revitalized many volunteer organizations that form the core of our community.

Richness of experience has finally trumped the number of years planted here and the latter doesn't seem as relevant anymore.

Yes, our community has changed since the first issue of the *Harbour Spiel* but read through it (see p. 19) and you'll probably recognize something familiar too.

The activism, responsibility and community concern voiced by residents reads like recent times.

There's some history, neighbourly thank yous, a call for what would later become GRIPS and an announcement that Centre Hardware is changing to Taffy's clothing store.

If you jump back 25 years and consider the accomplishments yet to come, a pattern does emerge.

And it seems we'll be just fine.

It ain't real
if it's not in the Spiel.



spiel picks

P. H. ROTARY'S 8TH ANNUAL HOP SCOTCH: Dec. 5, 7 p.m

Featuring fine whisky, beer and appetizers at the Sarah Wray Hall. Tickets (\$99) are available at Royal LePage Sussex office in Madeira Park or the Madeira Park Vet.

SANTA'S OPEN HOUSE AT THE GARDEN BAY FIREHALL: Dec. 9, 6 p.m

Everyone's welcome for hot dogs and refreshments while you wait for Santa to arrive. Featuring fire hall tours and equipment demos. At the Garden Bay Fire Hall on Deller Road.

POLAR EXPRESS CHRISTMAS LIGHT TOUR: Dec. 15, 7 p.m

Get on board the Polar Express at the P. H. Community Hall to judge local Christmas light displays. The train pulls out at 7 p.m. Golden \$5 tickets are available at Earth Fair Store and Harbour Insurance.

PENDER HARBOUR CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE: Dec. 18, 6 p.m

This year marks the 51st running of Pender Harbour's Christmas tradition. Light up your boat and bring something warm to the Madeira Park wharf for a 90-minute carol cruise around Pender Harbour. Afterward, meet for a sharing of nibblies and a glass of cheer on the docks at Fisherman's Marina. To take part, advise Charlie at cpark@dccnet.com or (604) 883-0453.

NEW YEAR'S EVE WITH APASIONADO: Dec. 31, 6 p.m

A New Years party with live music provided by Apasionado (Randy Rayment and Lori Carmichael). The \$40 ticket includes prime rib dinner. Tickets at the Legion in Madeira Park or Harbour Insurance.

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Local initiative aims to educate Pender Harbour's speed demons

Two local organizations are calling for an end to irresponsible boating in Pender Harbour.

The Pender Harbour Advisory Council and the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour are teaming up to promote safe boating awareness.

The program will focus on buoys, signage, and moorage agreements to encourage boaters to slow down and reduce their wake.

In a press release, Robin Millar, chair of the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour, said excessive speed and large wakes seem to be on the rise in Pender Harbour.

"Excessive speed is a safety hazard for small watercraft like kayaks and dinghies," said Millar.

"Large wakes cause serious damage to docks, gangways, electrical and water systems through wave action.

"Large waves can also cause serious injury to people. You are legally responsible for your wake."

The voluntary program will have two components:

1. Language already incorporated in the harbour authority's moorage agreement encourages boaters to operate at safe speeds and limit their wake production:

"Vessel speed and wake production are significant contributors to boating accidents and property damage.

"We encourage all users of Harbour Authority docks to be respectful boaters by operating their vessels in a manner that does not cause risk to the safety of life or damage to property in the harbours where it operates.

"We encourage boaters to operate at a safe speed for the conditions and by limiting their wake production.

"Operating in a disrespectful manner will result in the termination of docking privileges."

December 2015



P. H. Advisory Council

As part of a campaign by the P. H. Advisory Council and the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour, messages like this one will soon be featured on signs throughout Pender Harbour.

All marinas will be encouraged to add this or similar language to their moorage agreements.

2. Signs and buoys will soon be installed at the entrance to Pender Harbour and at marinas and docks in the harbour calling on boaters to slow down and watch their wake.

"We expect the signs and buoys will be fully installed by the spring and that the Harbour will be a safer place for the 2016 boating season," said Steve Luchkow, Pender Harbour Advisory Council president.

"This demonstrates one more way that the community has expressed concern about a problem and we have

been able to work with other partners to make the Harbour a better place for all."

The installation of the buoys is estimated to cost \$5,000 and is sponsored by the HAPH, which provided the buoys, and Garden Bay Marine, which will handle their mooring and installation.

Individual marina and dock owners will be invited to purchase signs and decals to post in marinas and on docks in the Harbour.

More information is available at www.penderharbouradvisorycouncil.com.

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Brian Lee

With the gravel portions of the Lily Lake walking trail nearing completion, all that remains to connect the two ends is a planned boardwalk (photo right) that will bypass private property at the south end of the lake. The trail can be accessed across the road from the P. H. Health Centre or to the right of the entrance to Lily Lake Village on Lagoon Road. Until the boardwalk is completed, users are requested to respect private property lying between the two ends. The trail is funded by a \$270,000 portion of federal gas tax revenues accumulated for Area A intended to promote alternative transportation such as walking or biking.

Thank You!

To the donors, volunteers, attendees, artists and the Legion, for your support of the
ROTARY CLUB OF PENDER HARBOUR ART AUCTION

Funds raised go directly to these local club projects:

- ✓ Supporting the restoration of Sarah Wray Hall.
- ✓ Bursary and Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly.
- ✓ Herring curtains & enhancement.
- ✓ Sending another outstanding student abroad and welcoming another incoming foreign student.



CONGRATULATIONS to Cypher Clerx for being selected as our outgoing international Rotary exchange student for 2016/2017!

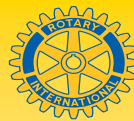
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PHSS RECEIVES INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP GRANT

Pender Harbour Secondary School was one of 17 schools in BC recently rewarded for outstanding work.

The school was awarded a grant under the Ministry of Education's K-12 Innovation Partnership program for \$8,000.

The school was awarded the prize for a proposal "to integrate elements of self-directed learning and student inquiry through their personalized learning program.

"Innovative practices include curriculum integration, exploration blocks and board/authority authorized courses such as coastal ecological stewardship."

The funding will support teacher release time, research and project expenses. It will also provide for collaboration between project teams in order to explore how innovative concepts can be adopted by other school districts.

PODS

On Oct. 26, BC's Lt.-Gov. Judith Guichon announced that she would be an honorary patron of the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society's ambitious plans for an aquarium and marine research centre based in Madeira Park.

As reported in the October issue of the *Harbour Spiel*, the Pender Ocean Discovery Station is a pro-

posed \$10-million facility that will include a year-round conference facility, an interactive aquarium, an outdoor children's classroom, marine research laboratories, interactive exhibits and, of course, a coffee bar.

"After Her Honour visited the Sunshine Coast in July, we had the privilege of meeting her at Government House in Victoria to talk about the Lagoon Society's many successful projects in Pender Harbour and throughout the Sunshine Coast," said RLLS chair Michael Jackson.

"In particular she was delighted to hear about our flagship nature school program which has now been running for 10 years and also about our biodiversity summit in 2012 which led to the creation of the Sunshine Coast Biodiversity Strategy."

EGMONT LIONS RAISE \$335.61

For World Diabetes Day on Nov. 14, two Egmont Lions club members canvassed for donations in the Madeira Park shopping centre and Earls Cove ferry terminal.

As a result, the two raised \$335.61 to help the Pender Harbour Health Centre with education and care for people with diabetes.

The PHHC provides diabetics with education, health care checks, dressing changes and blood tests while the care team also makes home visits for those in need.

ART THEFT

Sometime between December 2014 and February 2015, a thief stole a large bronze sculpture from a property in the 4600 block of Gerrans Bay Road, Madeira Park.

The sculpture is described as a thirty-pound, three-foot tall bronze peacock.

Anyone with any information about this theft is asked to contact RCMP, reference file 15-7590.

MISCHIEF

On Nov. 14 a witness reported two males spray-painting the Canoe Pass bridge on Francis Peninsula Road.

The witness also provided vehicle information for the suspects, including a licence plate.

RCMP located two males covered in spray paint, in possession of equipment and a large number of spray paint cans and nozzles.

The males were arrested for mischief and the file is still under investigation.

Pender Harbour Seniors Housing Society Outreach Healthy Meal Program



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Regional economic development



*Frank Mauro,
Area A Director*

There has been a widespread consensus for many years recognizing that responsible economic development is a necessary component to ensure the long-term viability of the overall Sunshine Coast community.

In the past there have been several attempts to establish a region-wide economic development office.

These attempts failed for several reasons.

In the last attempt, about three years ago, the four local governments could not agree on the governance model for the office.

As a result, in 2014 the SCRD applied for and received funding from

the Island Coastal Economic Trust to hold economic development workshops to look at options.

The objective of the workshops was to develop an economic development plan for the Sunshine Coast.

Subsequently, a plan was developed.

After a short hiatus due to the 2014 municipal elections and the reality of a new group of councillors and directors reviewing and having input to the direction, an economic development charter was agreed to in principle by all parties.

The charter recommends an entity to encourage the responsible expansion of the Sunshine Coast economic base as well as enhance wealth and employment opportunities on the Sunshine Coast.

The main roles and responsibilities were defined to be:

- Attracting business investment, including through providing regional information and marketing;
- Working collaboratively on key regional facilities and infrastructure. Examples may include alternative energy development or tourism-related developments;
- Programs to support workforce development and education;
- A business retention and expansion (BRE) program;
- Lobbying on topics of shared regional interest and,
- Regional information collection and dissemination.

Changes to the above list can be considered through the strategic planning process and/or through the



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Special Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

December 3 at 9:30 a.m.

Infrastructure Services Committee

December 3 at 1:30 p.m.

Planning and Development Services Committee

December 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Regular Board

December 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

December 17 at 9:30 a.m.

Community Services Committee

December 17 at 1:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at **1975 Field Road**, Sechelt.
Agendas are available at www.scrd.ca/Agendas-2015.

North Pender Water system

The North Pender Water system is experiencing higher than normal levels of colour and turbidity due to naturally occurring seasonal variations. Please be advised that the SCRD works closely with the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority in monitoring the water quality. The water continues to meet drinking water quality guidelines and is safe to drink.

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annual work plan and budget approval process.

It is important to note that the intent of the regional partnership is to fill service gaps and enhance the work of those agencies currently receiving local funding to undertake economic development initiatives.

The first step was to strike a small representative steering committee, which will complete its task by April 2016 and be dissolved.

The steering committee will define important items required to establish the entity and make recommendations to local governments on:

- The form the entity will take.

It could be a not-for-profit society or alternately a private corporation.

A main requirement is that it be an arm's-length relationship with local governments;

- The provision of a list of potential candidates for directors of the new entity so local governments can make a final selection, and

- The initial annual budget recommendation and funding formula for the entity.

Some members of the steering committee were tasked with consult-

ing with agencies currently involved in economic development initiatives. These agencies include chambers of commerce, Community Futures, tourism promotion, community resource centre and others.

This work is currently underway.

BIKEWAYS/WALKWAYS PROGRESS

Construction of the portion of the walkway from the Madeira Park business area to the Pender Harbour Health Centre along Lily Lake is almost complete.

The Tyner Park section is also almost complete.

The connector walkway between the two sections is not yet constructed and I request that users of the two sections of walkway respect the private property in between and not trespass.

OPEN DISCUSSION

I can be reached at (604)740-1451 or by email at Frank.Mauro@scrd.ca.

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Helen Crabb

NOVEMBER 14, 1926 — OCTOBER 7, 2015



and Jack moved to Calgary for a short time before retiring to their property in Madeira Park.

Helen was an inspired cook.

Her kitchen was the hub of the home, open to everyone and full of laughter and tantalizing aromas.

She had a green thumb and worked tirelessly turning her home into the spectacular garden property it is today.

Together, Helen and Jack built a cottage at Tie Lake, the Junction Dairy Bar at the corner of Highway 93 and 3, worked with the group that started up Fernie Snow Valley Ski Hill and in their retirement, were part of the team that built the Pender Harbour Golf Course (so she wouldn't have to drive so far).

Helen loved bridge and made many lifelong friends through cards.

Her favourite days were ones where she golfed in the morning and played cards through the afternoon.

Helen was an artist who tried her hand at many media, samples of which are distributed throughout the family home.

She was an explorer and loved road trips, travelling across the continent and south through Mexico.

She inspired those around her to work hard, play hard and think independently.

A celebration of life will be held in July.

She will be very dearly missed.

Helen passed peacefully on Oct. 7 after a year-long fight with cancer.

She was in good spirits and was active until the very end.

Born Helen Patricia Wolfer in Wetaskawin, Alta., to Ella and John Wolfer, she was the second of three children.

She was predeceased by her daughter Jennifer, brother Robert, granddaughter Chelsea and her husband of 64 years, John (Jack).

She leaves behind brother Everett and five children — Jacqueline of Madeira Park, Jeri (Harry) of Calgary, Jocelyn of Madeira Park and twins John (Lynn) of Port Coquitlam and Jake (Rita) of Edmonton, with 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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Glen Bonderud

Local homes have 152 more pieces of art to show off than they did this time last month. The annual Rotary Club of Pender Harbour art auction once again filled the Royal Canadian Legion in Madeira Park on Nov. 7. Total sales on the evening were \$18,321 with works from more than 40 artists.

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Note your (dis)approvals.

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To all the **businesses** who donated to our Halloween Fun Night silent auction and the families and friends who came out and volunteered.

Also, a tremendous thank you to the **Oak Tree Market** and **Market-place IGA** for generous donations. Our little town helped raise over \$5,000 for our students.

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1. What year did Pender Harbour's Christmas boat parade begin?

- ☐ a. 1935
- ☐ b. 1945
- ☐ c. 1955
- ☐ d. 1965

2. Which of the following is the name of a local mountain bike/hiking trail?

- ☐ a. Anderson's Leak
- ☐ b. Scary Hill By-Pass
- ☐ c. Wet Head Start
- ☐ d. Meth Cab for Bootie

3. Where is the Pender Harbour Reading Room?

- ☐ a. Forest Ranger Station
- ☐ b. P. H. Health Centre
- ☐ c. Sarah Wray Hall
- ☐ d. P. H. Community Hall

4. Name of the famous inlet attraction that juts off near the head of Jervis Inlet?

- ☐ a. Princess Marisa Inlet
- ☐ b. Princess Louisa Inlet
- ☐ c. Princess Theresa Inlet
- ☐ d. Princess Patricia Inlet

5. Where might the most comfortable anchorage be found when it blows southeast?

- ☐ a. Francis Bay (Francis Point Park)
- ☐ b. Bargain Harbour
- ☐ c. Roberts Beach
- ☐ d. Whiskey Slough

6. First name of Mr. Lloyd of Lloyd's Store in Garden Bay (now John Henry's).

- ☐ a. Al
- ☐ b. Jim
- ☐ c. John
- ☐ d. Sam

Answers: p. 42

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

Stewart McKinnon

DECEMBER 26, 1923 — OCTOBER 31, 2015



Stewart McKinnon (née Hunter) passed away peacefully October 31, 2015 in her 92nd year with her family by her side.

Stewart was predeceased by her husband Neil and sister Betty (Slack).

She is survived by her sister Jessie (Allan) and children Ian (Patricia), Mary (Ted), Bruce (Cynthia) and Hugh (Pamela) as well as grandchildren Matthew (Kimberly), Fraser (Wanda), John (Kai-lie), Erin (Chelsea), Cameron, Spencer, Sarah and Cole.

She also leaves four great grandchildren in Australia (Lacey, Parker, Spencer & Grace) and many nieces and nephews across Canada.

Stewart was born in Edmonton, Alberta and grew up in Burnaby and Vancouver.

In their young married life Stewart and Neil moved to the Peace River country where they had many adventures

with their young growing family.

They moved to the Coast in the early 1960s where they stayed through their final years.

Both Stewart and Neil especially cherished the 15 years they spent at Pender Harbour on the Sunshine Coast.

Stewart lived her life with great dignity and poise and was much loved by many.

The family would like to send a special note of thanks to the caring nurses and staff of Whitecliff (retirement residence) in Surrey, who made her final days so peaceful and loving.

No service by request.

Condolences may be offered at www.victoryfuneralcentre.ca.

Warren Dunaway

JANUARY 24, 1944 — SEPTEMBER 22, 2015



Warren Dunaway passed away on Sept. 22 after being diagnosed with liver cancer on Sept. 1.

The disease, undiagnosed, caused him great distress and pain through the year where he had most recently been living in Gold River.

December 2015

Thanks to the warmth and friendship that was given when he lived in Madeira Park, Warren's happiest times were there.

He really enjoyed the music scene while living on the coast, playing trumpet and drums every chance he had.

Thank you to the musicians who shared these times with him.

He longed to move back to the Coast, but it never happened.

Although our marriage ended soon after we left Madeira Park in 2002, we remained best friends until the end and I miss him terribly.

Please go to his blog site warrendunaway.com, to see pictures and comments.

Your comments on this site would be most welcome.

~ Linda Dunaway

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By John Baldwin and Linda Bily

Excerpted from Soul of the Wilderness: Mountain Journeys in Western BC and Alaska (Harbour Publishing)

The Coast Mountains are defined by water: the ocean and inlets, the mist and clouds, the rain and snow, the creeks and rivers, the glaciers and the icefields.

All these forms of water are continually moving over this land, mould-

ing the character of the landscape.

Nowhere on the coast is this more striking than in southeast Alaska.

Over the last few years we have done a series of spring ski trips in this part of the Coast Mountains, for which we used boats to access the icefields.

On the one hand it seems totally appropriate to a landscape so intimately intertwined with water, but on the other it always seems pretty odd that you can access a ski trip with a boat.

At the beginning of May 2009, we left behind the blossoms of Vancouver and made the long drive north to still-snowbound Telegraph Creek on the banks of

the Stikine River.

Together with Gord Ferguson, Stan Sovdat, Mark Grist, Warren Wright, Don Jardine and Gord Bose, our plan was to ski across the glaciers between the Stikine and Iskut Rivers.

To reach the start of our trip we were hoping to canoe 30 kilometres down the Stikine River, which would take us deep into the mountains on its path to the coast.

Ironically we had to wait for breakup on the river.

We needed snow in the mountains but we didn't want ice on the river.

We launched from the remains of a dock that steamships had used up until the late 1960s.

Chunks of ice still lined the riverbanks.

The leafless branches of willow and poplar gave the surrounding hillsides a desolate appearance, but opening leaf buds added a hint of green.

Strong winds whipped against the fast current, threatening to tip our canoes and kayaks.

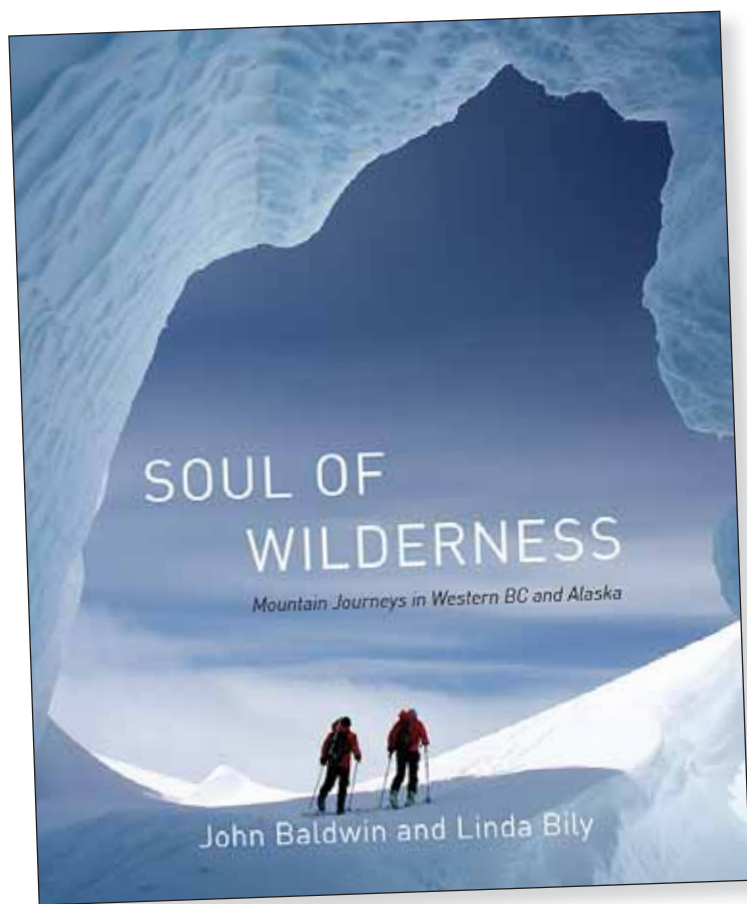
Being on the water was a good way to slowly release our ties with civilization.

Downstream from Yehiniko Creek we left the river, on foot at first but quickly switching to skis.

We followed a rough trail that climbed up into the main valley of Yehiniko Creek.

This was one of the broad, U-shaped interior valleys that over the next three days slowly led us up into the mountains.

Finally at the head of the valley we skied up a gentle glacier, which led us up to a col that was like a gateway to a different world.



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Linda Bily photos

'I thought of the wilderness we had left behind us, open to sea and sky, joyous in its plenitude and simplicity, perfect yet vulnerable, unaware of what is coming, defended by nothing, guarded by no one.' (Edward Abbey)

Peaks jutted out from between layers of mist as we transitioned into the glaciated landscape that we would follow for the next two weeks.

Quiet nights and corn snow.

That is mostly how it was except for the snoring; three tents high on the glaciers of the northern Coast Mountains.

Day after day we moved south through this serene landscape.

The terrain was perfect for travel on skis: long glaciers threaded their way through steep mountains and each river of ice connected to the next.

A side trip gave us views of the sheer northeast face of Ambition Mountain, while another gave us glimpses of the high summits west of the Stikine River.



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Madeira Park - Garden Bay

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WHY

The estimated 20-minute travel time savings between Madeira Park-Francis Peninsula and Garden Bay-Irvine's Landing will decrease traffic on Garden Bay Road and Highway 101 (Kleindale) with these results:

- *Pollution of Garden Bay Lake (oil, gas, asbestos, etc.) and risk of a hazardous-material spill (propane, etc.) in the lake virtually eliminated;*
- *Accidents on Garden Bay Rd. (especially on the hill) reduced;*
- *Tourist traffic on Garden Bay Rd. (and related lake pollution) reduced;*
- *Deterioration (and required maintenance) of Garden Bay Rd. minimized.*

Residents commuting locally for business and social reasons will benefit:

- *Fuel consumption (and related expense and pollution) greatly reduced;*
- *Ferry traffic on Hwy. 101 avoided;*
- *Travel time to Langdale Ferry Terminal from Garden Bay area reduced;*
- *Travel time to Pender Harbour Clinic and St. Mary's Hospital from Garden Bay area reduced;*

These emergency and service vehicles can respond faster and operate more efficiently:

- *Ambulance; Fire Trucks; Police Vehicles; Tow Trucks; School Busses; Capilano Highway Services Snow Removal and Other Vehicles; BC Hydro and BC Telephone Repair Vehicles.*

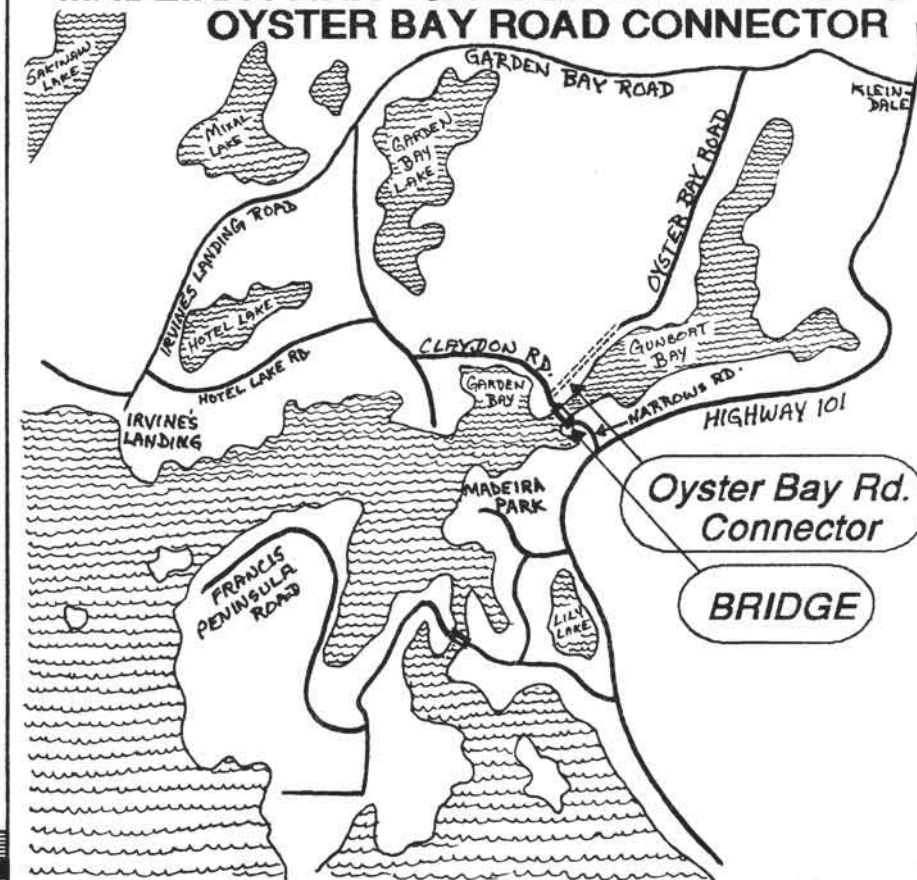
An internal road system uniting Pender Harbour will provide these benefits:

- *Co-operative activities are more easily arranged and thus more successful;*
- *Events in either area are more accessible to all residents of Pender Harbour, thus are more successful;*
- *Shoppers have easy access to businesses in all of Pender Harbour rather than their immediate area.*

WHY NOT

- *Initial expense;*
- *Possible decrease of business in the Kleindale area;*
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Editorial

CONGRATULATIONS Pender Harbourites and Egmonsters, you now have your very own publication, the Harbour Spiel!

Just before Christmas I published the "Upcoast Journal," which was (for those of you who missed it) a 1-page newsletter.

I published it to test the reader and advertiser waters of the area, and the feedback I got convinced me that we need our own publication and that our local businesses are willing to support it.

An aside here about the name of this publication, which was meant to be Upcoast Journal: after careful consideration and consulting with many people, it was changed to the Harbour Spiel.

"Upcoast Journal" is too much like "Sunshine Coast Journal," a Gibsons magazine. "Upcoast" is in fact too close to "Sunshine Coast" in general, and I don't want anyone to think that I'm still associated with the Sunshine Coast News. Nouns like "Journal" and "News" and "Press" and "Review" lack originality.

In short we need a name as unique (if not eccentric) and independent as the average local. We don't like being lumped in with the rest of the coast. Thus, the Harbour Spiel.

Many groups and individuals submitted material for publication in this issue, and I thank them for their work, time, interest, and support. I regret that I didn't have space to print it all, but the Harbour Spiel will soon grow.

The Harbour Spiel is a voluntary operation (no one gets paid), and advertisers covered the bill for printing and distribution. Let them know that you saw their ads here, and maybe even thank them for giving you the Harbour Spiel.

The Harbour Spiel is not my publication, it's yours. I will print (space permitting) whatever is given to me about local events and activities, or whatever else you might like to read about that pertains to life here.

I will correct any mistakes that I see and do the typesetting, and ask only that you type or print clearly material that you submit. Send it to Box 178, Madeira Park, or drop it off at the Paper Mill.

Listings in the Harbour Calendar (on the back page) are free. Don't forget to let me know about events in March for the next issue.

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Look for more pages in the Harbour Spiel, more articles, a cartoon, and lots more letters and classified ads. Suggestions? I'd love to hear them.

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Letters

PENDER HARBOUR . . . A Lot More Than They Bargained For

Dear Editor,

My wife and I moved to Pender Harbour 16 months ago because we couldn't afford to buy a house in Vancouver. We were also tired of fighting traffic. I don't remember discussing the move (or thinking about it) in terms of how our interactions with our neighbours might change. In a way that makes sense: in 20 years' living all over Vancouver, I was rarely on more than nodding terms with my neighbours.

I realise that sometimes "thankyou's" can be spread so thinly, they become almost meaningless (I'm constantly wishing people would remember this at award ceremonies) - nevertheless, Lora and I wish to extend a heartfelt collective thankyou to everyone in Pender Harbour

who has made us feel so welcome. I cannot tell you how strange it felt to have a neighbour bring over a dish of hot food shortly after the birth of our son, to have new friends come by and help us with our plumbing, to have people around who seem to have a genuine interest in our fate, in how we are doing.

In short, we got a lot more than we bargained for. Of course we didn't know about power-outs, about lettuce being \$2.00 a head, about the Kamikazi 4X4's, and we certainly didn't think the Jehovah's Witnesses would be willing to negotiate our 500-foot driveway. But that doesn't matter. We gratefully take the whole package.

Guy Francis Bennett

PROTECTING THE PEACE ACTIVISTS: Fighting For Freedom

Dear Editor,

My blood begins to boil when I see so-called "peace activists" protesting the Gulf War. Why weren't they "active" when Saddam Hussein violated his own people, the Kurds in northern Iraq, attacking them with mustard gas and cyanide gas, leaving innocent women and children to die a painful death? Why weren't they "active" when Iraq was at war with Iran? And where were they on August 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait, violating the human rights and sovereignty of the Kuwaitis, raping women and murdering babies? Why didn't they protest then? Where were they in the five months preceeding January 15 during which our world leaders tried to settle the Middle East situation through embargoes and diplomacy while Saddam prepared for war? They certainly weren't very "active" then!

I am a mother. I do not advocate violence or war. I do not believe in the law of the desert: "... an eye for an eye."

But I do believe that when our basic human right is violated, we must fight to get it back. If it were not for that basic human right, these "peace activists" would not be able to protest and demonstrate, because that basic human right is FREEDOM!

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

by Gordon Wilson, Area A Director

I was greatly encouraged by the Jan. 15 public meeting (on the proposed new by-law) at the Pender Harbour Legion.

While it was clear that there were many concerns about some of the language in the proposed new by-law, I came away feeling that the people who attended finally believed what I have said all along, that there is no hidden agenda here, and there will be adherence to public input and public involvement in the by-law.

Since the meeting the SCRD planning staff have been reviewing their notes with a view to amending the proposed by-law to better reflect and take care of the people's concerns as expressed at the meeting.

Look for changes and another public session in the near future. And, thank you to all who took time to come forward and participate in the process.

* * *

Protection of the lakes in our area is of the highest priority on the 1991 planning agenda. Terms of reference for the Area A lakes study are complete and work is underway. As an added bonus, it seems

Forestry is prepared to consider introducing an integrated water management plan for Nelson Island. This plan will respect existing water licences, residents who take water from the lakes, and existing cutblocks and forestry licences.

* * *

Highway construction is still underway, but it is important that we don't stop at Miracle Mile. It appeared that this section would not be worked on this fiscal year, but after meeting with Highways Minister Rita Johnson and putting our case before the transportation task force, priorities seemed to change and highway construction continues.

The major bonus here is that most work is conducted through day labour contracts, meaning that work is tendered in small enough chunks to keep our local businesses busy.

* * *

Lastly, let me congratulate Ms. Myrtle Winchester for getting this publication off the ground. Good luck!

Until next time, keep smiling.

MEMBER'S REPORT

by Ray Skelly, MP

On Jan. 2 the House of Commons concluded one of the longest debates in Parliamentary history. The motion, by Joe Clark, was:

"That this house reaffirms its support of the United Nations in ending the aggression by Iraq against Kuwait."

It passed by a vote of 317 to 47.

I argued against it, as did my NDP colleagues. We believe sanctions should have been given a chance to work, and now the world will never know what the outcome of that strategy may have been.

Now Canada, famous as a peace-keeping nation, is at war. The question is, how do we get out of it?

During the debate I urged peace groups, church groups, labour and business organizations and community groups to join together in a committee to stop the war. It is important to define Canada's role in the Gulf. We are a trusted nation, without blood on our hands and without an axe to grind. We have a history of peaceful contribution to the world community. We have the ability to foster peace and the friendship of nations through means other than violence.

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A SHOPPING WE WILL GO, 1940'S STYLE (by Al Lloyd)

Doing the week's shopping was not a fun thing for the Harbour housewife of the 40's. It required careful planning:

First, get someone in to babysit, with luck a close neighbour you could get to easily as relatively few people had phones, much less cars.

Secondly- stoke up the kitchen range. With luck you had some good, slow-burning fir bark.

Thirdly- get your foul-weather gear on, as this was before we were the "Sunshine Coast."

Fourthly- down to the float in front of the house, wipe the seagull "do" off the kicker seat, take the cover off the little Briggs engine, say a silent prayer that it would start, as you had to untie the lines before starting the engine.

With luck it would go after two or three pulls with a wet starting rope. Now head for the store of your choice (Irvines, Murdocks, Mervyns), bailing as you went

to get rid of rain that collected in the bilge.

Fifthly- arrive at the store, tie up the boat, cover the engine, and up the ramp to the store.

Sixthly- give your order to the clerk while you clutched your shopping list in your hand. It went thusly:

"Two cans peas." Clerk walks over and picks them off the shelf, comes back to the counter, writes in your book:

2 peas @ .19 - .38

"Two cans beans." Clerk walks over and picks them off the shelf, back to counter, writes in book:

2 beans @ .18 - .36

This labourous routine was repeated until your week's groceries were assembled. Now pack up the whole deal- not for them the plastic bags of today, but cardboard or wooden boxes- carefully, with soft items like buns and meat on top.

This was often loaded on a wheelbarrow and wheeled to the head of the

ramp. Good-looking young wives would likely find a gentleman more than willing to do the wheeling, but most wives had to fend for themselves.

Seventhly- and this was no lucky number, pack the boxes, one at a time, down the ramp and place them in the boat.

Seagulls, being smart birds, would keep an eye on the contents. While you went back up the ramp for a second box, they would nip down, peck holes in as many loaves of bread as they could, and be away before you returned with a second box (which would likely receive the same treatment).

Lastly, the trip home, with the rain soaking those cardboard boxes so that when you went to pick them up the bottom fell out and all your precious groceries rolled into the bilge.

Shopping was truly a test of character, and the wonder is that the wives put up with it at all.

RANDOM NOTES

• The P. H. Wildlife Society will hold an open house at Lions Park on Feb. 3 from 1-4 p.m. Officials will display maps and plans for discussion about our parks, and input will go to the Min. of Parks' "Parks Plan 90" meeting in Sechelt.

• Winners of January pool tourney at the Legion - Al Ruscheinsky, A Event; Rick Higgins, B Event.

• Barb Rees, new owner of Centre Hardware, will open "Taffy's," a workwear-type clothing store at the same location next month.

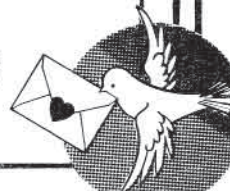
• The 4th Annual Harbourside Poetry and Jazz Evening, Feb. 22, will feature Theresa Kishkan, Jay Hamburger, the Les Fowler Trio, and lots more.

• Good luck to our Harbour Seals swim club at the Jr. Provincial competition in Surrey Feb. 22 -24.

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by June Maynard, Principal

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The first is to explore a variety of resources and strategies to enhance the learning/teaching environment.

The philosophy supporting this goal is that the community can be used as a classroom and members of the community can enhance learning by acting as mentors or guest speakers in the school.

We are compiling a list of outdoor areas in the community (ponds, parks, etc.) that can extend our studies in science, social studies and environmental awareness.

We are also developing a list of community members who are willing to assist our gifted/enriched student program in a specific subject area such as architecture, writing, painting, photography, etc. or who would act as guest speakers on any topic.

Our second goal is closely related to the first.

Madeira Park Elementary School is developing ways to improve interactive communication within the school, the community, and the district.

To this end, we are encouraging community involvement in creating a logo for our school. We will also contribute on a regular basis to the Harbour Spiel.

Since learning is a life-long pursuit, we encourage our community to become part of the "Madeira Park Learning Team." Call June Maynard at 883-2373 if you are interested in acting as a mentor or a guest speaker.

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(P.H. Wildlife Society)
- 4 Mon. • CHORAL SINGING course
(Cap. College) by Lyn Ver-
non, 7 p.m., Music School
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meeting, 7:30 p.m.
P.H. Community Hall
- 12 Tues. • WILDLIFE SOCIETY
meeting, 7 p.m., MPES
• P.H. HEALTH CLINIC
meeting
- 13 Wed. • QUILTERS' GROUP
Egmont School, 1 p.m.
- 14 Thur. • VALENTINE'S DAY
• PARKS PLAN 90
public meeting, Sechelt
- 16 Sat. • VALENTINE'S DANCE
8 p.m., P.H. Legion
• GRIP SURVEY *deadline*
- 18 Mon. • P.H. LEGION *meeting*
- 20 Wed. • MEXICAN COOKING
course, 7 p.m., PHSS
- 22 Fri. • POETRY & JAZZ NITE
7:30 p.m., Music School
- 25 Mon. • CHAMBER OF COMM.
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Sun.	3	1:45	6.1	3:00	6.9
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Thur.	28	5:35	15.1	4:55	13.5
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Pender Harbour	high tide +7 min. -1 ft. low tide -1 ft.
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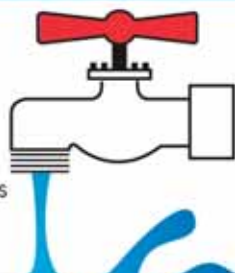
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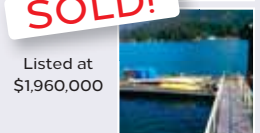
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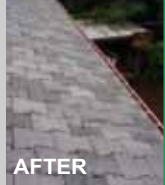
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 Dec. 5 ~ **Gaye Beardmore, Andrea Curtiss, Andy Curtiss** and **Logan McCormack**.
 Dec. 6 ~ **Ryan McDonald** and **Bill Reid**.
 Dec. 7 ~ **Dianne Rousseau, Dan Gifford** and **Jennifer Reid**.
 Dec. 8 ~ **Keenan Clerx**
 Dec. 9 ~ **Michelle Beardmore** and **Robert Purdy**.
 Dec. 10 ~ **Trevor Jones** and **Cathy Thompson**.
 Dec. 11 ~ **Grace Donnahee, Bill Griffith, Patti Reid** and **Al Wendland**.
 Dec. 12 ~ **Malcolm Duncan** and **Pat Martin**.
 Dec. 13 ~ **Cody Edwardson-Zayshley**
 Dec. 15 ~ **Kay Langsford**.
 Dec. 16 ~ **Ginger Taylor** and **Cassandra Whelan**.
 Dec. 17 ~ **Ian Campbell, Joi Phillips** and **Doreen Wilgoose**.
 Dec. 18 ~ **Tony Adamson** and **Niki Verzuh**.
 Dec. 19 ~ **Tyson Carswell, Helen Garrett** and **Jamie Bouvette**.
 Dec. 20 ~ **Nicole Fletcher, Cole Hawker** and **Tyler Silvey**.
 Dec. 21 ~ **Harvey Langton** and **Josh Young**.
 Dec. 22 ~ **Gwyneth Bryant, Steven Fouts, Shane Hardie, Rob Nieuwenhuis, Dani Thompson** and **Christine West**.
 Dec. 23 ~ **Kate Thompson**.
 Dec. 24 ~ **Tatiana Phillips-Campbell, Chris Phillips** and **Clifford Silvey Jr.**
 Dec. 25 ~ **Peter Schmidt**.
 Dec. 26 ~ **Peter Fritz**.
 Dec. 28 ~ **Steve Boyd** and **Jeff Girard**.
 Dec. 29 ~ **Diane Gamble** and **Jesse Hawker**.
 Dec. 30 ~ **Dean Bosch, Bryan Edwardson, Andy Ross** and **Jean Minch**.
 Dec. 31 ~ **John Brimacombe, Nathaniel Johnson, Fara Priest** and **Scott Bruce**.

DECEMBER ASTROLOGY



SAGITTARIUS: NOV. 23 – DEC. 21

Sagittarians love excitement and adventure. They are easily bored but often trendsetters. They are bold and impulsive, natural explorers who thrive on change and mental stimulation. Last month's boredom ended with a bang didn't it? Venus has taken the wheel so prepare for a month of vitality. Venus is never wrong nor will she lead you astray. It's time to sit back and let fate guide you. Put off any major decisions for a bit — Venus is guiding fortune your way. Wait until after Christmas to take your life off autopilot.



CAPRICORN: DEC. 22 – JAN. 20

Capricorns often experience hardship early in life, but their resourcefulness makes them survivors. Sometimes hard to get to know, they are loyal, responsible and down-to-earth. December will bring a harmony you haven't experienced for many years. Work, family and lifestyle will come together in a way that will make you pause to reflect on how good you've got it. Don't expect it to last — something gets stolen Dec. 28 — just enjoy it while it does.

BC BESTSELLERS

(For the week of November 22, 2015)

The BC bestseller list uses sales data from over 80 independent bookstores in BC representing sales of BC published books released within the calendar year.

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| 1. <i>The Wild in You</i> by Lorna Crozier | 6. <i>Soul of Wilderness</i> by John Baldwin & Linda Bily |
| 2. <i>Gut</i> by Giulia Enders | 7. <i>British Columbia and Yukon Gold Hunters</i> by Donald E. Waite |
| 3. <i>Light Years</i> by Caroline Woodward | 8. <i>Slick Water</i> by Andrew Nikiforuk |
| 4. <i>Tide Rips and Back Eddies</i> by Bill Proctor & Yvonne Maximchuk | 9. <i>The Butcher, the Baker, the Wine and Cheese Maker By the Sea</i> by Jennifer Schell |
| 5. <i>Orca Chief</i> by Robert Budd & Roy Henry Vickers | 10. <i>Cold Case Vancouver</i> by Eve Lazarus |

~ Assn. of Book Publishers of BC

CHRISTMAS NOT JC'S BIRTHDAY

Although most Christians celebrate Dec. 25 as the birthday of Jesus Christ, few in the first two Christian centuries claimed any knowledge of the exact day or year in which he was born. Most scholars assume his date of birth falls between 6 and 4 BC but nobody knows for sure.

The oldest existing record of a Christmas celebration is found in a Roman almanac that tells of a Christ's Nativity festival led by the church of Rome in 336 A.D.

To early Christians (and to many Christians today), the most important holiday on the Christian calendar was Easter, which commemorates the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. However, as Christianity began to take hold in the Roman world, in the early fourth century, church leaders had to contend with a popular Roman pagan holiday commemorating the "birthday of the unconquered sun" (natalis solis invicti) – the Roman name for the winter solstice.

Researchers believe the Roman Catholic Church settled on Dec. 25 for that date's ties to the winter solstice and Saturnalia, a festival dedicated to the Roman deity Saturn. By choosing this day to celebrate Jesus' birthday, the church could co-opt the popular pagan festival, as well as the winter celebrations of other pagan religions.

~ various Internet



Jesus Christ

DECEMBER WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high temperature in December is 6.5 C and our average daily low is 3.2 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 4.9 C. The highest December temperature recorded is 13.3 C (Dec. 14, 1962) and the lowest was -11.7 C (Dec. 28, 1968).

PRECIPITATION (MERRY ISLAND)

December has an average of 54.9 hours of bright sunshine. It usually has 19 days with measurable precipitation, an average monthly rainfall of 140.1 mm and an average monthly snowfall of 10.6 cm. Our average month-end snowfall is 4 cm. December has the highest snowfall of the year (November has the most rain). The highest December daily rainfall recorded at Merry Island was 66 mm (Dec. 25, 1972). The record daily snowfall was 40.6 cm (Dec. 31, 1968).

SKOOKUMCHUCK viewing times



DATE-TIME-SIZE (small, medium, large, **extra large**)

EBB (-), FLOOD (+) - Standing wave is best on large flood (tide flowing into Sechart Inlet).

1. 8:50am +XL, 3:37pm -L
2. 9:34am +XL
3. 10:15am +XL
4. 10:57am +L
5. 11:39am +L
6. 12:22pm +L
7. 1:04pm +L
8. 9:06am -S, 1:45pm +M
9. 9:52am -M, 2:31pm +M
10. 10:35am -M, 3:07pm +M
11. 11:16am -M
12. 11:58am -M
13. 12:40pm -M
14. 1:34pm -M
15. 2:23pm -M
16. 3:15pm -L
17. 9:00am +XL
18. 9:41am +XL
19. 10:25am +XL
20. 11:13am +L
21. 12:06pm +L
22. 1:04pm +L
23. 9:15am -M, 1:58pm +L
24. 10:08am -M, 2:47pm +M
25. 11:05am -M, 3:34pm +M
26. 11:52am -M
27. 12:37pm -M
28. 1:22pm -L
29. 2:08pm -L
30. 2:55pm -L
31. 8:35am +XL, 3:43pm -L

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.

ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTORY

• Blues Society	883-2642
• Bridge Club	883-2633
• Chamber of Commerce, P. H. & Egmont	883-2561
• Coast Guard Auxiliary, Unit 61	883-2572
• Community Policing.....	883-2026
• Egmont Community Club	883-1379
• Egmont & District Volunteer Fire Department	883-2555
• GRIPS (Recycling Society)	883-1165
• Garden Bay Sailing Club	883-2689
• Guides, Brownies, etc.	883-2819
• Harbour Artists	883-2807
• Harbourside Friendships (Thur. 10:30 -1 p.m.)	885-1365
• Health Centre Society	883-2764
• Health Centre Auxiliary (Last Monday, 1p.m.).....	883-9957
• InStitches (Last Thursday, 11 a.m., PHHC)	883-0748
• Lions Club, Egmont.....	883-9463
• Lions Club, Pender Harbour (1st & 3rd Tues.).....	883-1361
• Men's Cancer Support Group.....	883-2393
• P. H. Aquatic Centre Society.....	885-6866
• P. H. Choir (7 p.m., Tuesday).....	883-9248
• P. H. Community Club.....	883-0211
• P. H. Community School Society	883-2826
• P. H. Garden Club.....	883-2595
• P. H. Golf Club	883-9541
• P. H. Hiking Club (8:30 am, Mon. & Wed.).....	883-2930
• P. H. Living Heritage Society.....	883-0744
• P. H. Music Society (bookings)	883-9749
• P. H. Paddling Society	883-3678
• P. H. Piecemakers (quilters).....	883-2573
• P. H. Pipe Band.....	883-0053
• P. H. Power & Sail Squadron	883-1366
• P. H. Ramblers (walkers, every Fri. 10 a.m.).....	883-1191
• P. H. Volunteer Fire Dept (Wed. evening).....	883-9270
• P. H. Reading Room (library)	883-2983
• Rotary Club (noon Fri. Garden Bay Pub)	883-2544
• Royal Canadian Legion No. 112	883-2235
• Ruby Lake Lagoon Society	883-9201
• Skookumchuck Heritage Society.....	883-9994
• SC. Healthcare Auxiliary (2nd Wed., 1:30 p.m.).....	883-2563
• Seniors' Housing Society	883-2819
• Serendipity Child Care Centre.....	883-2316
• Sunshine Coast Better At Home.....	989-6171
• Sunshine Coast SHROOM.....	883-3678
• TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly).....	740-1509
• Wildlife Society (3rd Tues. PHSS).....	883-9853
• Women's Cancer Support	883-9708
• Women's Connection (2nd & 4th Tue.)	883-3663
• Women's Outreach Services.....	741-5246

organizations

51st ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE

Bob Fielding (*Adagio*) and Charlie Park (*Frendy*) invite all local boat owners to participate in the 51st annual Christmas boat parade around the Harbour on Friday Dec. 18. You will need to decorate your vessel with Christmas lights and meet off the Madeira Park docks at 5:30 to 6 p.m. Communications will be on VHF channel 6 and your parade position will be assigned by *Frendy*.

The parade will get underway at 6 p.m. and will be led by *Adagio*. After the parade ends, around 7:30 p.m., participants and their guests will meet for a sharing of nibbles and a glass of cheer on the docks at Fisherman's Marina where there will be ample dock space for all participants to tie up their vessels for the party. An award will be given by the Garden Bay Sailing Club to the best dressed vessel. Thanks to Allyson Nelson for the use of the docks at Fishermans.

If you would like to take part in this fun event, please advise Charlie at cpark@dccnet.com or (604) 883-0453 or Bob at ggardenb@dccnet.com or (604) 740-2400.

SIUNSHINE COAST HOSPICE SOCIETY

Sunshine Coast Hospice Society "Lights of Life" is an opportunity to remember those in our lives who have died. You are invited to write a love note(s) to be placed on the Christmas tree. Pender Harbour hospice volunteers will be available on Dec. 5, 12 and 19 between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. outside Marketplace IGA to listen, answer questions about hospice and accept donations.

HARBOUR GALLERY

During their Christmas sale, for their silent auction, the Harbour Gallery members have painted and put together a collage entitled "Bearly."

The proceeds will go to their Ada Priest memorial art bursary which will be awarded to a PHSS art student.

Mark your calendars for all Saturdays: Nov 28, Dec. 5, 12 and 19 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 12953 Gonzales Rd., Madeira Park.

Contact June (604) 883-2807 or Nefri (604) 885-4366.



Harbour Spiel

Winter golf arrives as snowbirds exit



Jan Watson

The official season has drawn to a close and most of the “snowbirds” have departed for warmer climes.

There are still a number of golfers taking advantage of the golf course which is in great shape.

The weather was amazingly good through mid-November with the odd wet spot caused by a few very rainy days.

The Pro Shop is open every day at 9:30 a.m. but check for frost delays and note power carts should remain on cart paths.

DIRECTORS TOURNAMENT

On Oct. 16, the annual Directors Tournament was held.

It's a nine-hole net event for past and present directors and this year's winner with a net 33 was Carol Reid.

The runner up was Lorne Campbell with 34.

KP for the ladies was Reni Ducich and for the men, Lorne Campbell.

On October 17, the club held its annual general meeting and the following directors were elected:

- Jamie Tufford (president);
- John Forward (vice president);
- Alex Thomson (finance);

- Jan Watson (secretary/member-ship);
- Brett Hallborg (greens);
- George Brown (publicity);
- Cathy McEachern (house/junior development);
- Rusty Ellis (men's captain), and
- Wendy Haddock (ladies' captain).

The Awards Night followed later in the evening.

Members enjoyed an excellent dinner at the Back Nine Bistro which was followed by presentation of trophies to the various champions.

HUSBAND AND WIFE AND ODD COUPLE TOURNAMENT

October 18 was the Husband and Wife and the Odd Couple Tournament. Bill and Linda Klikach won the Husband and Wife trophy with a net score of 138.

Runners up were Bob and Reni Ducich with 142.

Odd Couple winners were Lori Wilson and Terry Cowan with 133.

Second were George Brown and Carol Reid with 141.

KPs on No. 3 were Lorne Campbell and Sandra Pylypiuk while on No.6, Terry Cowan and Stephie Garner.

A BIT OF HISTORY

Why do golfers shout “Fore” when they hit an errant shot?

THE 19th HOLE

GOLFER:
Why is golf like fishing?

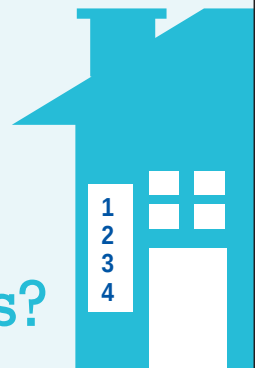
GOLF PRO:
They both mysteriously encourage exaggeration.

The word fore is Scottish in origin, and is a shortened version of the word before or afore.

The old Scottish warning, essentially meaning “look out ahead,” probably originated in military circles, where artillery men used the call as a warning to troops in forward positions.

Golfers as early as the 18th century adopted this warning cry for use on the golf course.

Can
Santa
see
your
address?



The SCRD maintains a formal addressing system for the entire Sunshine Coast. A visible address ensures that emergency responders, delivery drivers, and of course Santa, can find you day or night!

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NURSING SERVICES – 883-2764

RNs are on duty 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. weekdays

- Blood tests • ECGs • Injections • Blood pressure
- Home Care/Palliative care • Dressings

DENTISTRY – 883-2997

Dr. Robert Hynd, Dr. Lisa Virkela

Darlene Fowlie – Hygienist

- Braces • Cosmetic Dentistry
- Restorative Dental Care Consulting
- Dentures • Surgical Extractions

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – 883-2764

- Well Baby Clinic
- Child and Adult Immunizations
- **All travel immunizations done in Sechelt

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER – 883-2764

Annaliese Hasler, NP

- Women and Youth Health Services

FOOT CARE NURSE – 740-2890

Sharon Gilchrist-Reed LPN

- Foot care nursing
- Reflexology/Kinesiology

REGISTERED MASSAGE THERAPY

Brigit Garrett, RMT (604) 741-1202

- Monday (alternate), Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Ellen Luchkow, RMT (778) 888-2012

- Monday (alternate), Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

COUNSELLING SERVICES

Siemion Altman – MD Psychiatrist – 885-6101

Tim Hayward – Adult Mental Health – 883-2764

PHYSICIANS – 883-2344

Drs. Cairns, McDowell, Robinson & Justin L Smith

Monday to Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., by appointment only

CHIROPRACTORS – 883-2764

Dr. Blake Alderson, DC

- Chiropractic care by appointment.
- Walk-in patients welcome after 3 p.m.
- Home visits available: (604) 741-8972

Dr. Terry Dickson, DC, BSc, ART provider

- Second to third Saturdays and Mondays of the month, 8 a.m. – noon, by appointment.
- Please call North Shore Wellness Centre, (604) 980-4538 or email: info@nswellness.ca

MINISTRY OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT:

CHILD AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

**Elaine Hamel and Rhonda Jackman, child and youth
mental health clinicians available:**

- Mental Health Assessments & Therapy:
Children age 0-19
- For more information call: Child & Youth Mental Health
Intake (604) 740-8900 or (604) 886-5525



THE SUNSHINE COAST HOSPICE SOCIETY: Compassionate, respectful end-of-life and bereavement care. Whether you want to talk with one person or to join a bereavement group, trained volunteers are available. Call (604) 883-2764.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets Wednesdays at 8 p.m. – everyone welcome.

TEENS' DROP IN CLINIC: Offered every Tuesday between 3 and 5 p.m.

LOAN CUPBOARD: Crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, commodes, raised toilet seats, respiratory nebulizers etc.

First-class health care for the people of the Pender Harbour area.

FAQ: Nurse practitioners

Annaliese Hasler, MN, NP (F)

WHAT IS A NURSE PRACTITIONER?

A nurse practitioner has graduate training at a master's or doctoral level in advanced-practice nursing and medical education.

This enables NPs to assess, diagnose and treat patients.

In doing so, an NP can perform an assessment, write a prescription, order labs or other tests as necessary, as well as refer to specialists.

Like many professionals, NPs work within a scope of practice, closely monitored by a regulatory body, the College of Registered Nurses of BC.

They are expected to complete annual continuing education credits, be involved in research and have their practice audited for patient safety at regular intervals.

The rigour involved in accrediting and evaluating NPs in British Columbia is unlike that in any other province or territory in Canada.

WHY DO WE HAVE NURSE PRACTITIONERS?

About 70 years ago, advanced practice nurses were called upon to help address health care demands as physician numbers were low.

Since that time, many countries have acknowledged the benefit of the NP role and have developed education programs and legislation to implement and integrate the profession.

The role of the NP continues to grow provincially and globally, as needs increase with aging populations, with multiple conditions and demand for services, as well as the awareness that physician availability is continually dwindling.



WHERE DO NURSE PRACTITIONERS WORK?

Nurse practitioners work in all areas of health care including team-based, collaborative and solo practices.

British Columbia has many NPs working in both the inpatient (hospital) setting and in outpatient settings, including medical clinics, long-term care homes, BC Cancer Agency, public health and various primary care clinics.

An NP can provide primary care, complementary care, and/or specialty care.

This means an NP can be your primary health care provider, or they can provide a service to you and collaborate with your primary health care provider, like a family doctor.

Currently in BC, most NPs work alongside other NPs, physicians and within interdisciplinary teams.

HOW CAN I FIND A NURSE PRACTITIONER?

There are currently 332 qualified NPs in BC.

Due to limited funding options, restrictive operational implementation and old-fashioned opposition, NPs have struggled to find footing in an otherwise enthusiastic province.

However, dedicated communities, agencies and organizations continue to advocate for and secure the integration of a profession that has proven it has a place in the health care setting.

The Sunshine Coast is one of those communities.

I am an a practising NP at the Pender Harbour Health Centre.

I currently conduct a women's health clinic on Tuesdays.

These clinics offer "well woman" appointments to address the health concerns and questions experienced by women.

This may include a Pap test, menopause counselling, sexual assault follow-up, contraception counselling and prescription, STI testing, breast health questions, etc.

I support the Tuesday afternoon youth health clinic from 3 to 5 p.m. in partnership with PHHC registered nurse Susan Nattall.

For more information or to book an appointment with me, please call the PHHC at (604) 883-2764.

Of course, if you are so inclined, you can always speak to your local MLA and/or health authority about how you think your community could benefit from a NP.

This month in recreation

PHAFC

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PHCS

SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING

A discussion about

Food needs & solutions

for our community.

Tuesday, December 8th @ 4:30pm at the Legion in Madeira Park

Are you someone whose organization offers a food program or are you someone who just loves to share a meal? Perhaps you know about community kitchens?

No matter your background, we want you to be a part of the conversation!

If you are concerned or curious about the food needs in our community or if you have some knowledge to share or to gain — we invite you to join the discussion.

Hosted by Pender Harbour Community School and the Healthy Meals Outreach Program

RSVP or call for more info: 604.883.2826



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LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY FOOD NEEDS & SOLUTIONS

Tue, Dec 8 ~ 4:30-6:30pm @ Madeira Park Legion. Hosted by PHCS/Healthy Meals Program

EMERGENCY FIRST AID FOR PARENTS

Are you a parent of small children and wanting to learn about First Aid for your family?
Please call if you're interested 604.883.2826.

THANK YOU MADEIRA PARK BUSINESSES

for decorating our town with a great collection of scarecrows this year.
The "best dressed" winner was Emelle's Madeira Bistro ~ congratulations to Lisa and staff!

GARDEN BAY FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS SANTA'S OPEN HOUSE

Wed, Dec 9 ~ 6-8pm, Garden Bay Fire Hall, Deller Rd ~ Hot dogs, drinks, all welcome!

NEW PROGRAMS @ SARAH WRAY HALL

Get ready for Yoga classes with Carol starting up in January. More offerings to come!

BE A PART OF YOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL!

Share your skills, be a tutor, facilitate a sports program, join the board, make a program suggestion, attend a class, drop in and participate. We are a non-profit society whose mission is to collaborate with individuals and groups to sustain a vibrant community by offering educational, leisure, and skills development opportunities. Contact us with your ideas on courses, events, activities or presentations that you'd like to see offered in the New Year.

SCHOOLS WILL BE CLOSED MON, DEC 21 TO MON, JAN 4

(We'll all be back on Tuesday, Jan 5, 2016.)

WISHING YOU JOYFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND THE BEST IN 2016!

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All programs are
drop-in and all are
welcome!

Tues, Dec. 1
10am

Meet the Duck
Bus - PH Com-
munity Hall
Shopping &
Lunch, \$10

Wed, Dec. 2
1-3pm

Carpet Bowling
PH Community
Hall, \$3

Thurs, Dec. 3
10:30am

Harbourside
Friendship -
Christmas
Crafts

Fri, Dec. 4
9-11:30am

55+ Yoga - 9am,
Chair Yoga - 10:30am
Drop-In \$2

Wed, Dec. 9
1-3pm

Carpet Bowling
PH Community
Hall, \$3

Thurs, Dec. 10
10:30am

Harbourside
Friendship -
Carols with the
Students

Fri, Dec. 11
9-11:30am

55+ Yoga - 9am,
Chair Yoga - 10:30am
Drop-In \$2

Tues, Dec. 15
Depart 7pm

Board the
Polar Express
Xmas Light tour

See below!

Tues, Dec. 17
10:30am

Harbourside
Friendship -
Christmas Choir
& Lunch
\$10

Fri, Dec. 18
9-11:30am

55+ Yoga - 9am,
Chair Yoga - 10:30am
Drop-In \$2

BOARD THE POLAR EXPRESS

Meet at the Pender Harbour Community Hall at 6:45pm. Depart at 7pm
\$5 Golden Tickets available at Harbour Insurance & Earth Fair Store.

Passengers are the judges of Xmas Lights Tour.

Part of the Chamber of Commerce Shop Local Campaign

Seniors Programs for December



PENDER HARBOUR AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTRE

20m, 4-lane pool
hot tub & sauna
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On lower level of the
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phaquatic@scrd.ca

THE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS: ADVENT CALENDAR WITH A TWIST!

Open the advent calendar for the activity of the day. Could be a fitness challenge, pool challenge or craft project. For every challenge you complete, enter your name into a prize draw. Draw will be December 22, 7 pm.

CHRISTMAS AQUAFIT

Wednesday Dec. 9, 9-10am. Join us for a calorie-burning workout followed by a festive social.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Open regular hours of operation with the exception of:

Dec. 23: 7:30am-1pm

Dec. 24-27 and Jan.1: Closed

Dec. 31: 7:30am-1pm

There will be no drop-in fitness classes Dec. 21 to Jan. 1.

GIVE THE GIFT OF HEALTH THIS CHRISTMAS!

Gift certificates available:

Youth annual pass \$99 • Swim lessons \$60 • 10 pass for fitness, gym or swim • Goggles



B MERRY CHRISTMAS! B

All the staff at PHAFC wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and wonderful Holiday Season!

Watch for the Winter/Spring Recreation Guide in early December.

Three ways to register: On line, in-person or phone. Programs begin the week of Jan. 4.

www.scrd.ca/Recreation (Please register one week prior to start of programs)

Boulders, umbrellas and belly buttons: The Harrisons in Peru (III)



Story by Joe Harrison
Photos by Solveigh Harrison

Part III (cont. from last month)

MACHU PICCHU

The day wasn't promising.

Heavy rain pounded on the hotel's red tile roof all night while the brown foaming river below us thundered over huge boulders.

The valley's stark vertical walls lurked behind curtains of dense fog.

One night previous, we purchased bus tickets to take us up to Machu Picchu for our expensive "one-day-only" entry permit for Feb. 11.

There wasn't much choice.

Either we went back to bed and lose what we'd spent on our entry permit, hotels, taxis and the overpriced train, or we grab umbrellas and skedaddle down the steep cobblestones to join the 2,000 other ticket holders waiting for seats on one of the buses.

Things didn't look better a half hour later when we reached the gates.

Clutching our umbrellas, we ascended hundreds of stone steps through a wall of gray to be on hand for the view if and when the weather should clear.

"Turn left here," said Solveigh who had read the guide map and wasn't deterred.

We knew the weather would be a crap shoot during the rainy season.

"Some wait all day just for a

glimpse," she said.

"That will be the funeral hut," she added, pointing to a thatched stone building, momentarily distracted from the map.

"Appropriate," I thought.

My mood darkened even more as one man offered me a red oxygen canister from a bagful nearby.

Others looked on amused while I, grim, red-faced and apoplectic, looked around unenthusiastically at the younger, lithe and hopeful crowd.

And that's where we went wrong.

We just kept going up when we should have jogged to the right behind the rock beyond the funeral hut.

We had no idea that hundreds of others were already beyond the rock face, laughing and kibitzing, waiting for a weather change while we continued to gasp upwards.

We were soon almost alone except for a knot of conscientious Japanese tourists staring at a wall of stones, paying rapt attention to a harangue from their guide.

The kind wife of the guide eventually looked at us with pity, came over and told us, "You have to go down," peering over her thick lenses at a cliff where there had once been a stairway.

"Which way down?" I asked, but I was too late.

The fog had swallowed her.

You had to hand it to them — listening patiently to a lecture on Inca history 8,000 feet above sea level on a cold wet mountain.

Whatever the outcome, they were determined to get full value from their investment.

We delicately descended until we thought we heard voices below.



The road up to Machu Picchu from Aguas.

As the gray murk cleared a bit, we could see people from all over the planet: the mystics, new-agers, burnt out hippies, honeymooners, old farts and the young go-getters.

Some were searching for the ultimate experience while others, like me, were merely trying to soothe our aching sternums after an archaeological climbing experience while deep breathing in thin air.

A bit like those times when you have laughed so much and for so long, everything hurts.

Spread eagled on a rock and sucking on a water bottle, I was grateful to start breathing almost normally again.

After more than a month in Ecuador and Peru, I knew what happens as your brain swells at high altitude and little bubbles of nitrogen pop out of your blood stream like a bottle of pop when you take off the cap.

I suspected the worst.

At least the guy with oxygen was feeling better.

He had his second wind and was pulling from time to time on another red oxygen bottle, obviously keen to chat up a coy woman in her fifties with too much make-up, and glad of



The sublime payoff for enduring the dizzying effects of altitude.

any attention.

Suddenly, there came a buzz from the crowd, and like magic, it was there.

Within a few seconds, brilliant white sun poured down and Machu Picchu lay before us in its splendor.

The impact was immediate and unforgettable.

I wasn't prepared for the clarity of a masterpiece and immediately saw what all the fuss was about.

History doesn't impress until it

smacks you in the kisser.

Whatever Inti, the Inca Sun God, was about with moving and shaping mountains, there was a truth here.

People are capable of living in harmony with the earth and the elements.

The umbrella came in handy under the hot sun as we went through the site, listening in to the guides.

That night, back in our hotel, we were pleased to relax with a beer and listen to the rain on the roof.

But the rainy season and Inti weren't quite finished with us.

Going over the mountain and down into Cuzco in Jaime's taxi at 3 a.m. to catch our 5:30 a.m. plane, the sky fell on us, flooding streets above the hubcaps.

For a few sputtering, heart-stopper moments, it seemed we might be marooned in the dark.

By the time we were eating breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in Lima, the Sun God was smiling again — a bit self-satisfied I thought.

(The end.)



Built around 1450 and abandoned a century later, only locals knew about Machu Picchu's existence until Yale historian Hiram Bingham exposed it to the world in 1911.

community calendar

Calendar listings are provided free of charge by the Harbour Spiel. Send information to editor@harbourspiel.com by the 15th of the month.

DECEMBER

- Sat. Dec. 5.....Rotary Club of Pender Harbour's 8th annual Hop Scotch - Sarah Wray Hall, 7 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 6.....Sunday Jam - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 6.....Hannukkah begins at sundown
Mon. Dec. 7.....P. H. Garden Club Christmas wreaths - venue TBA, 10 a.m.
Tues. Dec. 8.....P. H. Women's Connection Xmas luncheon and Bargain Barn fashion show - P. H. Legion, noon
Tues. Dec. 8.....Community meeting: Food needs and solutions - P. H. Legion, 4:30 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 9.....Garden Bay Fire Department presents: Santa's Open House - G.B. fire hall, Deller Rd., 6-8 p.m.
Thurs. Dec. 10.....Submission deadline for January 2016 issue of the Harbour Spiel
Sun. Dec. 13.....P. H. Music Society presents Company B Jazz Band - P. H. school of Music, 2 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 13.....Sunday Jam - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 14.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
Tues. Dec. 15.....Polar Express Christmas Light tour - Bus leaves PH Community Hall at 7 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 18.....51st annual Pender Harbour Christmas Boat Parade - Madeira docks, 6 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 19-22.....Live performance of The Nutcracker - Raven's Cry Theatre
Sun. Dec. 20.....Sunday Jam - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 21.....Schools close for holidays (returning Jan. 5)
Fri. Dec. 25.....Christmas Day
Sat. Dec. 26.....Garden Bay Pub's annual Boxing Day party with DJ Moses - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 27.....Sunday Jam - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 28.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
Thurs. Dec. 31.....Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 New Year's party featuring Apasionado - P. H. Legion, 6 p.m.

Harbour Spiel Trivia Answers: 1. c 2. b 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. a



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7:30 a.m. - Sun. only
9:20 a.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
10:10 a.m. - Sun. only
11:20 a.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
12:40 p.m. - Sun. only
1:20 p.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
3:30 p.m. - Daily
5:30 p.m. - Daily
7:25 p.m. - Daily
9:15 p.m. - Daily

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6:20 a.m. - Daily
8:20 a.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
8:50 a.m. - Sun. only
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11:30 a.m. - Sun. only
12:20 p.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
2:30 p.m. - Daily
4:30 p.m. - Daily
6:30 p.m. - Daily
8:20 p.m. - Daily

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6:30 a.m. - Daily except Sun.
7:00 a.m. - Sun. only
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10:25 a.m. - Daily EXCEPT Sun
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4:30 p.m. - Daily
6:30 p.m. - Daily
10:05 p.m. - Daily

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5:35 a.m. - Daily except Sun
6:00 a.m. - Sun. only
7:25 a.m. - Daily except Sun
8:00 a.m. - Sun. only
9:25 a.m. - Daily except Sun
9:55 a.m. - Sun. only
11:20 a.m. - Daily except Sun
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when the need for illusion is deep."*

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