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editorial

Sorry Sechelt — it's not you, it's the Internet

Brian Lee



Pender Harbour and Sechelt share a close, yet complicated, relationship.

Old rivalries in sport and politics were fueled by distinct cultures — fishing versus logging, rural versus urban and in the case of the schools, green versus blue.

At one time, locals joked the road only went one way — meaning people from Pender would regularly travel to Sechelt for supplies or events while the reverse rarely happened.

Admittedly, there wasn't a lot to draw people up here, but that seems to have shifted in the last decade.

Whether it's May Day or blues fest or April Tools, I've noticed more south-Coasters in attendance.

Back in the day, if you invited someone from down Coast up to Pender, they might reply with a witty, "Will there be banjos?"

Nowadays, kids from Pender and Chat sometimes even date.

That was unheard of in my day — it's even been rumoured that inspiration for Shakespeare's Montague and Capulet families came from this Sunshine Coast taboo.

So, now that Sechelt has finally accepted us, it's ironic that our dependence on it has loosened its grip.

Most specialty purchases once required a trip down Coast.

Peek in the back of the Madeira Park post office to see what the Internet has done to our shopping habits.

There you will find stacks of boxes containing anything from furniture to office supplies, marijuana, cosmetics or clothing.

It came just in time too.

Sechelt planners continue to excel at finding new ways to make their business core more inaccessible.

The town's parking hassles and rush hour traffic snarls are compounded by ubiquitous four-way stops and puzzling access points to commercial properties.

Case in point:

Fill up at the Wharf Street Petro Canada Station (because it's 10 cents cheaper than Kleindale) and try to head back to Pender Harbour without making an illegal U-turn.

It's not easy.

I interviewed Realtor Bill Hunsche this month (p. 8) on the occasion of his retirement and even he talked about out how isolated this community was before online shopping.

"You gotta be special to walk away from the comfort of the city to live here," Hunsche said.

"I used to say [to clients], 'If you're a consumer, don't come.'"

The joyful imperative of traveling somewhere else to buy stuff used to be a defining characteristic of living in the country.

The Internet took that away.

But it's not just our computers that have helped cut fuel bills and time spent shopping.

Over the past decade or so, Pender Harbour and Egmont have acquired a sturdy mix of services and shops with competitive pricing.

We don't even need to leave the safety of the shire to dine anymore — we boast excellent Japanese, Mexican, Chinese, Indian and fine dining restaurants nearby.

It means Sechelt may soon be obsolete to us North folk.

For those like me who list shopping and driving as chores, this change in habit is welcomed.

We will still pop down for Timbits and Big Macs but sorry old friend, we've changed.

EGMONT COMMUNITY CLUB SEAFOOD DINNER: Saturday, June 29, 6 p.m.

The annual seafood dinner hosted by the Egmont Community Club will be held Saturday, June 29. Doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m. On the menu this year are salmon, cod, prawns, chowders, sushi, vegetables, salad and dessert — so attendees are urged to come hungry. For more information visit www.egmontcommunityclub.webs.com.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC COFFEEHOUSE: Friday, July 12, 7:30 p.m.

This month's School of Music Coffeehouse features the Dynamic Three (Wanda Nowicki, Ken Dalgleish and Budge Schachte), Ryan Enns (guitarist, singer from Australia) and HUGS (local ukulele band). At the Pender Harbour School of Music, Madeira Park. There will be coffee and goodies sold with a \$10 suggested donation at the door.

JAN WATSON MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT: Saturday, July 13, shotgun start 11 a.m.

The Pender Harbour Golf Club hosts the second annual Jan Watson Memorial Golf Tournament fundraiser on July 13. This fun, 18-hole modified Texas Scramble will include competitions such as longest drives, putting, chipping, sand trap and closest-to-the-pin contests. The day will wrap up at the Clubhouse Restaurant for a barbecue steak dinner, auction, door prizes and award presentations. Tournament entry deadline is Tuesday, July 9 (noon). Jan Watson was a founding member of the Pender Harbour Golf Club and very passionate about the game and encouraged everyone she met to participate, learn and, most importantly, have fun.

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PHSS grade 11 student Ella Nya Goulette recently attended a four day 'Adventures in Healthcare' program hosted by the Rotary Club of Prince George. Goulette was joined by nearly fifty other young healthcare hopefuls, all housed in the University of Northern British Columbia student dormitory. The four day schedule included tours of the campus, hospital and extended care facilities as well as a series of guest speakers made up of health professionals and students. Her expenses were jointly sponsored by the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour and Sunshine Coast Healthcare Auxiliary.



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Small Craft Harbours looks to divest two docks in Pender Harbour

Fisheries Oceans Canada recently approached the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour about divesting two HAPH-managed wharves in Pender Harbour.

The HAPH is made up of ten volunteer directors who manage four public docks in Secret Cove, Hospital Bay, Whiskey Slough and Madeira Park on behalf of DFO's Small Craft Harbours program.

"There's absolutely nothing confirmed," said Frank Mauro, HAPH president.

"Small Craft Harbours does an assessment of all their assets and I think they always have pressure to reduce costs."

Small Craft Harbours is a nationwide program run by DFO with a mandate to "operate and maintain a national system of harbours to provide commercial fish harvesters and other harbour users with safe and accessible facilities."

According to the SCH website, the divestiture program "aims to transfer ownership of designated harbours to a third party, such as those that are derelict, low activity or recreational."

Mauro wouldn't say which docks are being considered but in an email to the *Harbour Spiel*, Robin Richardson, SCH senior program advisor, described a proposal for the eventual divestiture of the facilities at Whiskey Slough and Hospital Bay.

"They are no longer critical to support the needs of commercial fishing," wrote Richardson.

"These needs can be met by the existing Madeira Park and Secret Cove small craft harbours."

Richardson told the *Harbour Spiel* that the SCH divestiture process may take five to 10 years to complete.

"They're judiciously looking



Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour

Small Craft Harbours recently opened discussions with the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour to divest these two public docks at Gerrans Bay and Hospital Bay.

around to see if things are not being utilized and if they're not, they look at divesting it to the community somehow," said Mauro.

"They're looking at all aspects, but their priority is commercial fishing and we're fortunate we still have a fishing industry."

Richardson told the *Harbour Spiel* that if the divestiture process is successful, the dock facilities in Whiskey Slough and Hospital Bay would be transferred to a third party.

"We circulate potential interest to federal, provincial, First Nation, municipal, not-for-profits and, finally, private interests," wrote Richardson.

"No parties have been ap-

proached yet regarding this potential divestiture."

Richardson said that as part of the transfer agreement, whoever takes over the operation of the docks will be required to maintain the current level of public access for five to 10 years.

In Nov. 2013, Transport Canada transferred ownership of Gambier Island's New Brighton public dock to the Squamish Nation as one of 15 other similar divestments in Canada.

"We've had discussions and made our position clear that we support the fishing industry and support all harbours here," said Mauro.

"It will ultimately be a Small Craft Harbours decision."



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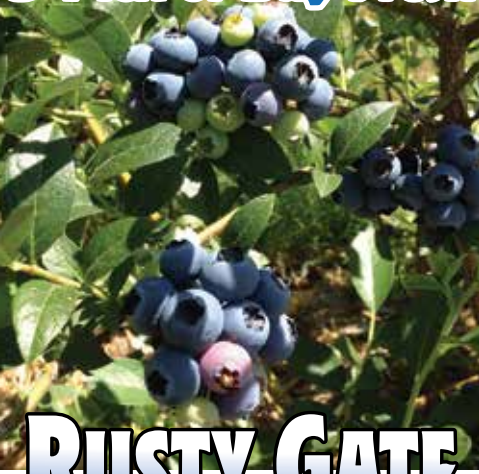


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THEFT

Between May 26 and June 1, a suspect has been stealing gas from a boat moored at a marina in the 4800 block of Pool Lane, Garden Bay.

The suspect emptied one of two tanks the first time and returned again days later and emptied out both tanks.

No other theft or damage was reported.

Anyone with any information about these incidents is asked to contact RCMP, reference police file 2019-3354.

THEFT

Sometime between October 2018 and May 2019, a suspect stole two lounge chairs from a property in the 12000 block of Bryan Road, Madeira Park.

The heavy greyish-beige plastic loungers have the brand name "Garden-Life" and "Made in Spain" on them, and are very sturdy and durable.

Anyone with any information about this theft is asked to contact RCMP, reference police file 2019-3327.

VANDALISM

Sometime between May 24 and 30, a suspect damaged an art installation in the 12800 block of Mainsail Road, Madeira Park.

The multi-media piece included a grey foam beaver that was broken off from the main body of the piece.

Anyone with any information about this mischief is asked contact RCMP, reference police file 2019-3353.

FOUND PROPERTY

On June 2, a container with cash inside was found in Irvine's Landing.

Owner may claim within 90 days with detailed description.

Please reference police file number 2019-3384.

MVA

On June 5, police attended a single vehicle accident in the 13200 block of Highway 101, Garden Bay, after a northbound vehicle went off the road and rolled over.

Both the driver and passenger were taken to Sechelt Hospital for non-life threatening injuries.

The vehicle was towed from the scene.

The driver said that he swerved to avoid a pedestrian who did not remain at the scene.

The matter has been referred to ICBC.

THEFTS

Between June 8 and 9, a suspect stole two prawn traps that had been set off Thormanby Island.

The two traps had large floats attached which were marked with the name "UPTON" and the owner's phone number.

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Pender and Egmont water users remain on stage one for now

Despite an extended dry spell through the spring, Pender Harbour and Egmont remain on stage one water regulations until further notice.

On June 7, the Sunshine Coast Regional District declared stage two water restrictions for all water users south of Pender Harbour.

The lower Sunshine Coast has reached the stage four restriction in three of the past four summers.

Stage four restrictions do not allow for any outdoor watering.

From a May 27 SCRD press release:

“The warm weather and little precipitation over the past month has resulted in snow depth equal to that in late-June of 2018.

“Given the current weather forecast, it is expected that this will result

in a decrease in Chapman Creek flows much sooner than last year.”

Though Area A remains on stage one regulations, those restrictions have tightened from 2018.

Stage one now restricts watering of lawns to two days per week — Thursday and Sunday for even numbered addresses and Wednesday and Saturday for odd numbered addresses.

The hours prescribed to water lawns has been reduced to one hour on those days (7 a.m. to 8 a.m.).

In 2018, stage one restrictions allowed three days of watering per week with two hours in the morning and two in the evening.

Stage two does not allow any watering of lawns except in permitted cases of establishing new sod.

Currently, trees, shrubs and

flowers can be watered three days per week — Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday for even numbered addresses and Monday, Wednesday and Saturday for odd numbered addresses.

Watering on those days can take place between 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Hand watering is permitted at any time, as is washing vehicles or boats, sidewalks or exterior building surfaces or fences and filling swimming pools or spas.

The fine for a stage one infraction is \$200 and rises to \$300 for a stage two infraction.

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Forty years of pushing Pender: Bill Hunsche retires from real estate

Brian Lee

Bill Hunsche retired June 30 after 40 years of selling real estate in Pender Harbour.

He takes with him an infectious sense of humour and four decades of acquired knowledge about property development in Pender Harbour and Egmont.

Like many careers, his started by accident.

Hunsche and his family moved to Pender Harbour in the mid-1970s.

At the time, his dad Fred and Uncle Dick owned and operated three Chevron service stations in East Vancouver.

Hunsche had recently completed an economics and commerce degree at the new Simon Fraser University and had some experience working for a GM dealership in Edmonton.

They looked to the growing Sunshine Coast as a prime location to open a new General Motors dealership.

"They had the money, I just had the ideas," laughs Hunsche.

After a deal fell through to purchase a property on Sechelt's busiest corner at Wharf and Highway 101, they heard of a closed Chevron service station that had gone broke up in Madeira Park.

They saw it as a way to get a foothold on the Sunshine Coast.

The service station cost \$210,000 and came with a nearby home that sat on 10 acres of waterfront.

So, it was there in 1978, on the corner of Francis Peninsula Road and Highway 101 that the junior Hunsche found himself pumping gas, waiting for an opportunity.

"I'll never forget — there was six inches of snow in Pender Harbour



Brian Lee

Bill Hunsche, just weeks away from retiring after four decades selling real estate in Madeira Park.

and the highway was all buggered up," said Hunsche.

"John Breen comes into the Chevron in a blue Impala and asked for a hand because one of his tire chains had become wrapped around the tail pipe.

"So, I'm lying in the snow trying to get that chain from around his tail pipe and he says, 'What are you doing with your life?'"

"Why don't you get a real estate licence?"

At the time, there were only four realtors serving the Pender Harbour area — Art Alexander, Olli Sladey and Pender Harbour Realty, the team of Breen and Jock Herman.

After thinking for a day about Breen's advice, Hunsche applied to UBC for a correspondence real estate course.

Soon after, he found himself working for Sechelt Realtor Stan Andersen who was developing 30 lots in the Lee Bay subdivision.

"Andersen thought it would be good if there was somebody up here

representing that project, so that's why I went to work for him," said Hunsche.

The Royal Bank had just vacated the office beside the EarthFair store in the IGA shopping centre.

"Bob Beaupre and I went in there as agents and we didn't know shit from Cheyenne," laughs Hunsche.

"We didn't know anything.

"You know, you're supposed to have a managing broker kind of looking over your shoulder."

It was 1980 and Hunsche had recently married.

For the first three or four months of opening the office, Hunsche recalls they enjoyed a "normal" market.

"And then the next thing you know, the interest rates start to creep up."

According to Hunsche, normal rates then hovered around 10 per cent.

Within a couple years of entering the business, rates topped 20 per cent, effectively putting a halt to sales.

"That tightened up the area," said Hunsche.

"The only thing that kept the doors open was the waterfront, the other stuff you couldn't give away."

Hunsche recalls the buyers who kept him alive during this period were folks from Vancouver looking to fulfill their recreational dream — a cottage with a dock so they could go sports fishing.

He said he refinanced his home three times to stay afloat during those years and the last time was at 18.25 per cent interest.

At that time the BC Real Estate act stipulated that Realtors couldn't work other jobs.

With bills mounting for his young family, Hunsche took some work roofing with another Realtor.

"We're starving right?"

"But he was a roofer so he asked if I'd come give him a hand.

"Then somebody reports to the real estate council that Hunsche is doing roofs in Sechelt.

"I got a letter saying I can't do that — after I just refinanced."

To compound his problems, in 1982, Andersen walked away from the Pender Harbour office and left Hunsche holding the keys.

Hunsche wasn't licensed to sell homes without a managing broker.

"That was an interesting day."

He approached Herman and Breen who ran Pender Harbour Realty and Harbour Insurance from their office in the RONA shopping centre (Steph's Beauty Boutique).

They accepted Hunsche's offer to share the Madeira Park space and become partners.

To further offset the costs, they rented out a part of the office to the South Pender Harbour water board.

"I stayed in it because in the first six months or so, it was very

good," said Hunsche.

"I'd had a little taste of it and thought, 'Well, it can't stay like this forever because property still sells, right?'"

After 40 years of watching it go up and down, Hunsche is characteris-

tically matter of fact when it comes to real estate sales.

"No matter what's going on today, it still needs to change hands."

Hunsche sees the local real estate market as relatively predictable.

"The up cycles are dramatic and

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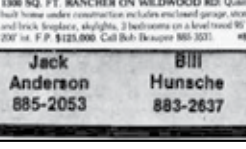
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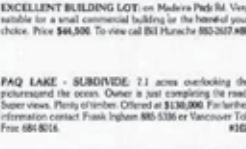


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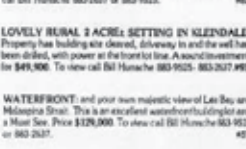
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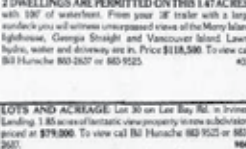
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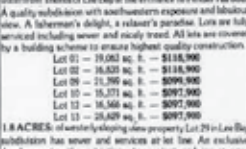
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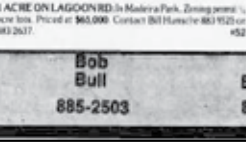
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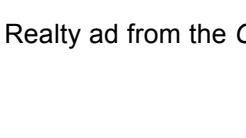
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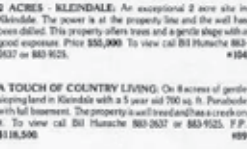


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- ☐ c. TransAlta
- ☐ d. Cloudworks Energy

2. If you are driving on the "Coqui-Hansen," where are you?

- ☐ a. Egmont
- ☐ b. Kleindale
- ☐ c. Secret Cove
- ☐ d. Garden Bay

3. Where is Doriston?

- ☐ a. Agamemnon Channel
- ☐ b. Jervis Inlet
- ☐ c. Narrows Inlet
- ☐ d. Sechelt Inlet

4. First Nations artifact damaged by logging at Sakinaw Lake mouth in the early 1900s?

- ☐ a. longhouse
- ☐ b. defensive shelter
- ☐ c. totem pole
- ☐ d. salmon weir

5. Ethnicity of the man reputed to be the first non-native person to live in Pender Harbour?

- ☐ a. Chinese
- ☐ b. British
- ☐ c. Norwegian
- ☐ d. German

6. Which is *not* a member of the shark family?

- ☐ a. Spiny dogfish
- ☐ b. Spotted ratfish
- ☐ c. Bluntnose sixgill
- ☐ d. Pacific angelshark

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Bill Hunsche (cont.)

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they go for two or two and a half years,” he said.

“The down cycles are slow and painful, and they last four to five years.”

Hunsche said he’s seen this pattern repeat itself at least four or five times now.

He admits the up cycles are sometimes coaxed along by major events and in Pender Harbour Realty’s case, it was Expo 86.

Around this time, Hunsche received his broker’s license and bought Herman out.

As he sold through new subdivisions like Merrill Crescent and Esquire Drive, Pender Harbour Realty took on new agents — Carol Reid, John McDonald and Ross Howe.

It was what Hunsche calls a “normal and predictable market.”

“If you price something and it comes together with a firm and binding contract within 90 days of the listing, that’s normal,” said Hunsche.

He said the longest he held a listing was seven years for an eight acre parcel in Kleindale.

If you can weather those cycles, Hunsche maintains that real estate is a good career.

“It never went down like it did before and always went up more than before.”

After the early 90s, things began to change again.

Hunsche points to developments like Daniel Point and Farrington Cove where the price of land and strict building covenants no longer allowed for small recreational cottages.

This change coincided with a rush of retirees trading homes in the city for rural peace.

“The prices in the last couple of



Brian Lee

For four decades, Bill Hunsche (r) has been known for his sense of humour almost as much as for his credentials as a Realtor. Here is hamming it up at a Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department event. (Bob Fielding is on the left.)

years have just gone crazy as far as I’m concerned,” said Hunsche.

“It wasn’t like that back then — it was predictable with prices rising by 10 to 15 per cent a year.”

But what concerns him more is the cost of building new homes.

Hunsche figures the current relative costs of building have gone up by 200 per cent since he started out.

“In the mid-1980s, you could build a good quality home for \$100 to \$125 per square foot,” he said.

“That would get you a nice house.

“Today, I say it’s \$300 per square foot — plus septic, plus driveway, plus water, plus hydro.

“I’ve seen \$145,000 hydro hook ups out there in Daniel Point.”

Hunsche said the costs of labour and materials have gone up but it’s the requirements by agencies like BC Hydro and the SCRD that are making it increasingly prohibitive to build.

Pender Harbour also brings a specific kind of hazard for property buyers and he says one constant

through four decades of selling dreams is this area’s lack of adherence to property lines.

Hunsche said unregistered easements and forgotten property lines will continue to create a burden for future realtors.

“To the older families in the forties and fifties, they didn’t care if you went cross their land — and these were waterfront,” Hunsche said.

“As the decades go by and these \$1 or \$2 million dollar properties need to change hands, it creates major issues for potential buyers and sellers.”

To offset the risks, he says the most important asset a Realtor holds is their market knowledge.

Hunsche senses it is going down. If it follows past patterns, he predicts a surplus of product before listings tend to stick around longer.

Meanwhile, home prices inevitably creep downward.

It’s a familiar cycle and Hunsche says not to panic.

“Property will still sell — it always sells.”

Summer highlights infrastructure woes



*Leonard Lee
Area A director, SCRD*

FRAN PEN PAVING

In 2017, the SCRD received a Federal government “Clean Water and Wastewater Fund” grant to upgrade the north Pender and south Pender water systems.

Work began last October and the north Pender section was recently completed within budget of just over \$1.5 million.

During the south Pender upgrade, much higher than anticipated quantities of rock were uncovered.

Additional blasting was required to complete the installation and, as we all know, it damaged the road surface.

Several water-main locations were unknown, causing difficulty with the installation and alignment of new ones, and increasing costs.

I expect the board to approve additional funding as recommended at the June 20 infrastructure services committee meeting, and the outstanding south Pender paving work to happen this month.

COAST-WIDE GROWTH PLANNING

Recent discussions have noted concerns about Coast-wide growth in the face of limited water in the south, a challenged ferry service and other infrastructure issues.

I often hear, “Let’s restrict growth until the infrastructure catches up.”

This old argument appeals mostly to those with a comfortable income

who moved here for the scenery and a rural lifestyle.

But many of us have spent years promoting economic growth to provide employment for families looking to remain in, return to, and relocate to our area, thus ensuring our community’s future.

Even a temporary initiative to limit growth would be too late as new infrastructure would be in place before its benefits were realized and it would motivate seniors to leave the Coast, discourage new businesses and services, and make the new infrastructure redundant and overly expensive.

This doesn’t mean we should stop advocating for services we need — this is part of the process and if we don’t do it, another community will get the available government funding.



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**Planning and Community
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July 11 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
July 11 at 1:30 p.m.

**Infrastructure Services
Committee**
July 18 at 9:30 a.m.

Policing Committee
July 18 at 1:30 p.m.

Transportation Committee
July 18 at 2:45 p.m.

**Corporate and
Administrative
Services Committee**
July 25 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
July 25 at 1:30 p.m.

Regional Hospital District
July 25 at 3:00 p.m.

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We are now in that tough situation of knowing exactly what we need, but having to wait for design, funding, approval and delivery.

Let's agree to work together because the long-term prosperity of our friendly, Sunshine Coast community is at stake.

REGIONAL WATER

As the SCRD continues to address the water shortage south of Pender Harbour, conferences were held last month in Sechelt and Gibsons, and were all well-attended by the public (detailed information is available at www.scrd.ca).

Although several options remain on the table, I believe that a seasonal abundance of water in the Chapman Creek watershed is lost running down

into the ocean and we should build enough storage so it can refill during the rainy season to be used by residents in the summer.

SCRD DIRECTOR HARBOUR TOUR

Directors met at the Sarah Wray Hall for a briefing on issues of interest to Pender Harbour residents, including the proposed P. H. Living Heritage dinghy dock, waste-water plants, ocean outfalls, land-use planning for submerged lease lands, and the proposed PODS site.

We toured the Sarah Wray facilities, the proposed location of the dinghy dock, Pender Harbour Landing dispersal field and the proposed PODS site.

On Bill and Lyn Charlton's boat, we toured Gunboat Bay, Whiskey

Slough, Lee Bay and Sakinaw Bay.

The directors requested the tour to give them a first-hand look at our area to promote understanding of issues they will help make decisions on.

SCRD GRANTS-IN-AID AWARDED

The following grants were approved last month:

- Pender Harbour Music Society (\$3,000);
- Pender Harbour and Area Residents Association (\$2,700);
- Ruby Lake Lagoon Nature Reserve Society (\$2,200);
- Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society (\$1,800);
- Pender Harbour Lions Club, \$1,500, and
- Pender Harbour Wildlife Society (\$525).

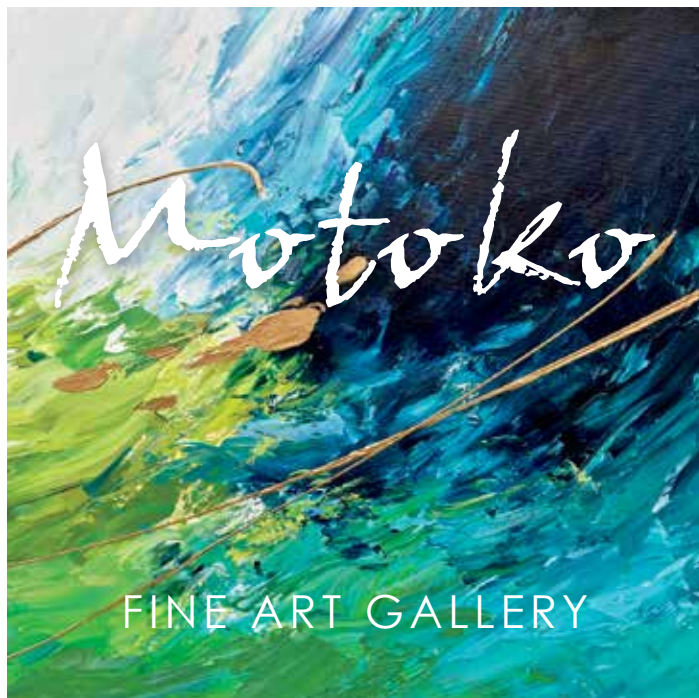
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Wed	31	11.7	12.6	13.5	14.0	13.8	12.5	10.3	7.6	4.9	2.7	1.3	1.0	2.0	4.0	6.8	9.8	12.6	14.6	15.6	15.4	14.4	13.1	11.7	10.9

Robert Livingston (with data provided at www.tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/)

Cooler colour codes indicate lower tides. For kayaks and small boats accessing Canoe Pass (Beaver Island), these colour codes (right) indicate what should usually provide sufficient depth for passage. Note: variability occurs due to barometric pressure, wind conditions, etc.

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PSP a potentially lethal concern without shellfish testing

Editor,

Since the former federal government stopped sanitary surveys of local waters as a cost saving matter, residents and visitors are at risk.

Many will play Russian roulette by sampling shellfish to see if their lips tingle which is the first symptom of paralytic shellfish poisoning.

Late last year a person in Agamemnon Channel was diagnosed with PSP symptoms after eating mussels.

Tingling, numbness, respiratory failure and death in as little as 30 minutes are the key symptoms of PSP and require emergency medical help.

The Canadian Coast Guard collects samples from all official shellfish producers who pay for testing before products are sold.

However, unlike the Washing-

ton State PSP website, there are no longer any other scientific sources of public information on safe areas for wild oysters, mussels, clams or other shellfish in Canada.

Besides PSP, other shellfish contaminants can cause diarrhea, cramps, headache, confusion, and disorientation but they do not kill you.

The BC Centre for Disease Control records approximately 40 poisoning cases each summer of which 10 per cent are estimated to be PSP related.

Research also indicates that about 360 cases of shellfish illness each year are never reported which indicates that there is a real danger that more people are at risk.

The flushing of bilge water from foreign freighters has also introduced new organisms which filter feeders such as oysters, clams, and mussels

concentrate in their bodies.

Norovirus and other bacteria and viruses are also spread by the large plumes of human sewage in effluent outfalls floating everywhere from Seattle and Vancouver to this area.

All in all, it is not a pretty picture if you plan to eat wild, untested shellfish.

Before the federal environment ministry stopped testing local waters, it was a simple matter to know whether local shellfish were safe.

Even the available Fisheries and Oceans Canada website is now unreliable.

We have a long history with the local shellfish industry.

We won't need to look far for blame when someone dies from PSP.

You can help by contacting your Member of Parliament today.

Joe Harrison and Ted Woodard

Prawn wars on on the Shoals?

Editor,

For a couple of weeks before the start of the commercial prawn season, I was having great success fishing for Box crabs in about 200 feet of water on the east side of Bjerre Shoal.

On the day before the start of the commercial prawn season, I was checking my trap and watched a commercial fisherman setting out a prawn trap a few hundred feet from mine.

I guessed that he was just testing the fishing grounds before starting his season the next day.

Sure enough, the next day he had started his prawn line where he had done his test fishery.

To avoid interfering with his efforts, I moved my trap about a 1000

metres down the shoal.

The next day when I checked my trap, the line had been cut and retied and the contents of the trap removed.

I knew that the contents had been removed because the trap harness and closing mechanism had been disturbed.

The next day the contents had also been removed as indicated by the same disturbance to the harness and closing mechanisms.

To avoid any further damage to my trap and gear, I stopped fishing for 4 or 5 weeks.

A few days ago, I ventured out again to the same area because I saw that there was no indication that commercial prawn activity was taking place.

When I checked my trap a few days later, the line had again been cut and tied together but this time the trap was removed from the harness and the float and line left to drift in the current.

Fortunately, I was able to locate the float and line, so not all was lost.

This type of vandalism had been done to me a number of years ago and I am aware of a number of people who have had similar experiences.

It seems that this type of vandalism is their way of marking their territory.

They should realize that they have a lot more to lose if some disgruntled victim decides to vandalize their prawn lines.

Ted White

Pender Harbour Secondary School awards day

Pender Harbour Secondary School held its annual awards ceremony on June 17 to recognize outstanding achievements in academics, athletics and service.

TOP ATHLETE

- Bantam girls: Annie Vassev.
- Bantam boys: Brody Ewen.
- Junior girls: Sarah Gooldrup.
- Junior boys: Holden Charlton.
- Senior girls: LuLu Kammerle.
- Senior boys: Brayden Zayshley.

MOST SPORTSMANLIKE

- Bantam girls: Annie Vassev.
- Bantam boys: Brody Ewen.
- Junior girls: Ameilia Sieben.
- Junior boys: Holden Charlton.
- Senior girls: Amelia Gray.
- Senior boys: Derek Ewen.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

Soccer tournament: Michelle Fielding, LuLu Kamerle, Lauryn Young.



Brian Lee

The Merle Hatley award for top graduating student overall was shared by Lauryn Young, Michelle Fielding and Johnnathen Gooldrup. The award recognizes a combination of academic achievement, service and athletics.

Basketball (junior girls): Trinity Doyle.

Basketball (senior): Julia Massullo.

SPECIAL AWARDS

- McQuitty award (top junior citizen): Sarah Gooldrup.
- Michael Phillips award (top senior citizen): Lauryn Young.
- STEM (Gr. 7): Sarah Noel.
- STEM (Gr. 8): Annie Vassev.
- STEM (Gr. 9): Jake Roberts.
- Science 10: Sarah Gooldrup.
- Top senior science student: Johnnathen Gooldrup.
- Shop (Gr. 7): Cady Silvey, Brody Ewen.
- Shop (Gr. 8): Hanna Bolton, Gabriel Fiddick.
- Shop (Gr. 9): Ameilia Sieben, Kelton Nichols.
- Shop (Gr. 10): Nolan Johnson, Jakob Thornton.
- Shop (Gr. 11): Raven Ramsey-Caddell, Amelia Gray.
- Shop (Gr. 12): Michelle Field-

ing, Matthew Phillips.

- Language (Gr. 7): Trinity Doyle.
- Language (Gr. 8): Kailey Noel.
- Language (Gr. 9): Ameilia Sieben.
- Language (Gr. 10/11): Annie Vassev.
- Humanities (Gr. 7): Trinity Doyle
- Humanities (Gr. 8): Annie Vassev.
- Humanities (Gr. 9): Holden Charlton.
- Humanities (Gr. 10): Teegan Koch.
- Humanities (Gr. 11): Amelia Gray.
- English 12: Johnnathen Gooldrup.

PRESCESKY FINE ARTS AWARDS

- Bantam (visual arts): Stella Koch.
- Junior (visual arts): Frankie Johnson, Evan Williamson, Teegan Koch.
- Senior (visual arts): Emma

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Noel, Amelia Gray.

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ACADEMIC AWARDS

As girls and boys mature at different rates, male and female top academics are selected with a requirement of a minimum 86% average.

Aggregate awards are based on a combination of high academic achievement, service and sports involvement.

GRADE 7

- All-year honour roll: Arrianna Chiasson, Trinity Doyle, Brody Ewen, Katelyn Halvorson, Jolie Johnson, Sean Landry, Julie Sieben, Cadence Silvey.
- Top academic: Sarah Noel, Brody Ewen.
- Top aggregate: Trinity Doyle, Brody Ewen.

GRADE 8

- All-year honour roll: Lei Lani Blundell, Hanna Bolton, Madisyn Bychkowsky, Marshall Curtiss, Rowan Goodsell, Stella Koch, Kailey Noel, Annie Vassev.
- Top academic: Marshall Curtiss, Annie Vassev.
- Top aggregate: Marshall Curtiss, Annie Vassev.

GRADE 9

- All-year honour roll: Holden Charlton, Grace Soos-Donnahee, Frankie Johnson, Ameilia Sieben.
- Top academic: Holden Charlton, Ameilia Sieben.
- Top aggregate: Holden Charlton, Grace Soos-Donnahee.

GRADE 10

- All-year honour roll: Kaleigh Charlton, Sarah Gooldrup, Teegan Koch, Mikayla Kozlof, Jake Roberts.
- Top academic: Teegan Koch, Jake Roberts.
- Top aggregate: Sarah Gooldrup, Jake Roberts.

GRADE 11

- All-year honour roll: Ella Nya Goulette, Amelia Gray, Nelson MacKenzie, Julia Massullo, Emma Noel, Brayden Zayshley.
- Top academic: Amelia Gray, Brayden Zayshley.
- Top aggregate: Julia Massullo, Brayden Zayshley.

GRADE 12

- All-year honour roll: Thomas Badley, Michelle Fielding, Trinity Goodsell, Johnathen Gooldrup, Nick Haines, LuLu Kammerle, Lauryn Young

A.L. THOMPSON AWARD (TOP GRADE 12 ACADEMIC)

- Trinity Goodsell, Johnathen Gooldrup.

THOMPSON SPIRIT AWARD

- Michelle Fielding.

MERLE HATELY AWARD (TOP AGGREGATE GRADE 12)

- Michelle Fielding, Johnathen Gooldrup, Lauryn Young.



Brian Lee

PHSS principal Chris Lekakis(l) and teacher Dave Stoddard (r) presented this year's A. L. Thompson award for top academic grade 12 student to Trinity Goodsell and Johnathen Gooldrup.

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Kenneth Joseph Lee

DECEMBER 9, 1951 – MAY 15, 2019



Kenneth Joseph Lee was 67 when he died peacefully at home surrounded by his loved ones on May 15 after a battle with multiple cancers.

Throughout, he maintained a

positive attitude, determination, courage and humour.

He will be remembered for his huge heart, his infectious smile, his laughter and extreme thoughtfulness.

It was a magical day celebrated with nature.

His loved ones were joined by a young eagle fishing, a seal playing on a rolling log, a small pod of porpoises and a loon, followed by a huge sundog around the sun.

His love of nature and the Coast blessed his journey.

In his earlier years, Lee created beautiful fishing rods and worked at the Pender Harbour prawn plant as assistant manager.

Later he was manager at G.R.I.P.S. for 11 years before retiring.

He loved flowers, gardening, nature and the outdoors.

He is remembered with love by spouse Heidi Bennett, sons Christopher Lee, Matthew Lee (Kaitlyn), Byron Bennett, daughter Kristine Bennett (Jaclyn) and grandchildren Kaden, Titan, Audrey and Theodore.

Lee was preceded by his parents James and Kathleen Lee and brother Ronald Lee.

He is remembered with love by brothers Ernest Lee, James Lee (Theresa), sister Karen Taylor (Mike), their children Jordan, Mandy and Lauren and nephews Kaleb and Jett.

There will be no service as per his wishes.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to cancer research.

Lloyd Henry

JUNE 13, 1953 – JUNE 4, 2019



Sadly, Lloyd Henry died on June 4 after a brief illness, with no time for treatment after diagnosis.

Henry was a private person and

one who never complained.

He and his partner/best friend, Kelly Reid, enjoyed road trips, beach-combing, soaking up the sunshine and enjoying life's simple pleasures.

Henry moved to the Sunshine Coast in 1999 and worked in the aquaculture industry until 2016.

Most recently, recyclers will remember him from working at GRIPS for the last two years.

Sport fishing, golfing, and arm-chair sports were his pleasures.

Henry also had an artistic flair, creating masks (from cedar corks and found beach pieces) and whimsical Christmas decor from driftwood (one

of his driftwood arches is pictured here.)

In addition to his partner's family, Henry is survived by his mother Germaine, his sister Dixie (John Percy) and brother Pat (Diane).

Henry is also survived by three children — Tracy, Steve and Andrea, plus six grandchildren and four nieces and nephews.

He was pre-deceased by his brother Blair.

Henry loved the Grinch so a Dr. Seuss quote seems appropriate:

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory."

OBITUARIES: The *Harbour Spiel* publishes obituaries free (for local residents) as a longstanding effort to recognize those who lived in Pender Harbour and Egmont. Submissions must be timely and include the date of birth and date of death. The editor will edit for length and to remove first-person and personal messages as required to maintain editorial consistency.

Jim Hawke

AUGUST 17, 1922 – JUNE 10, 2019



James Edgar Hawke was born in Dauphin, MB, the first born of Sophia Hendry (McDonald) and James Hawke.

Hawke was predeceased by his parents, brother John, brother Bill, sister Marion and brother Bob.

He is survived by sisters Eileen

Marvin, Ruth Chase, children Myrna (Al), Linda, Jim (Carol) and Gerald (Patricia).

He is also fondly remembered by many grandchildren, nieces, nephews, step children and great grandchildren.

Hawke outlived five wives, Geneva (Wood) Norrie, Jeanette (Chavin) Hawke, Shirley (Harper) Hawke, Anona (Anderson) Hawke, and Connie Hobbs.

Women loved him and he loved them in return.

A Renaissance man, most endeavours Hawke turned to were accomplished with creativity and flair.

He found his singing voice later in life and discovered that he loved singing as much as he loved women.

As a young man during WWII, he joined the Royal Canadian Navy.

Stationed on the East Coast, he worked the engine rooms of the Canadian Navy ships.

This was the beginning of a life-long fascination with diesel engines.

The later years of his life found him hauling ancient diesel engines to his workshop in Madeira Park and bringing them back to life.

He found his bliss living in Madeira Park and he shared his workshop, technical skills and tools with his neighbours and many friends.

On Friday nights he made his way to the local Legion sharing the odd bit of gossip over a cold one.

The world was a better place because he was in it.

Interment of Hawke's ashes at the Madeira Park cemetery will be announced at a later date.



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A homeowner's guide to Scotch broom

Halfmoon Bay Citizens' Association

Scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*) is a perennial leguminous shrub native to western and central Europe.

After being introduced to North America in the 1800s, Scotch broom has become especially common west of the Coast-Cascade Mountains in southwest BC and the southern end of Vancouver Island.

Because it competes with native plants and forms dense stands that are difficult to manage and remove, Scotch broom has been classified as an invasive species.

HABITAT AND REPRODUCTION

This escaped garden ornamental invades exposed, well-drained mineral soil, and is shade-intolerant.

Scotch broom is a perennial species that reproduces by seed and lateral bud growth.

Mature plants can produce up to 3,500 pods, each containing five to 12 seeds.

DISPERSAL

As seedpods dry, they split and spiral, expelling the contained seeds up to five metres.

The plant can also spread to new disturbed areas through seed transport by vehicles and machinery.

Due to its affinity for light-domi-



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Scotch broom is pretty — pretty invasive and destructive to surrounding ecosystems.

nated, disturbed areas, any disturbance activity, such as road construction near infested areas, can encourage its spread.

NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF SCOTCH BROOM

- Broom is a fire hazard.

Mature Scotch broom plants contain a large percentage of dead wood which, when combined with internal oils and resins within the plant, can create a significant hazard of wildfire during long dry spells.

On long corridors (e.g. forest service roads, hydro transmission lines, highways, pipelines), a fire starting on the corridor may move at great speed along the corridor setting fire to the forest that bounds the corridor.

- It's allelopathic.

The roots of the plant exude chemicals that negatively impact the growth of other plants by reducing growth and vigor.

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analysis has demonstrated the loss of millions of dollars in commercial tree production due to the negative impact of Scotch broom on per acre commercial productivity.

- It forms extremely dense thickets.

Scotch broom plants can create virtually impenetrable thickets which impede or prevent the movement of animals and people through the thicket.

These dense thickets overshadow native plants and when combined with the chemicals released from the roots, create a monoculture of Scotch broom on the site.

- It's a public health concern.

Pollen from broom is a notorious problem for people with allergies to plant pollen during springtime.

The seed pods are toxic — especially to young children and some animals.

MECHANICAL CONTROL

Young plants with stems less than 1.5 cm in diameter may be pulled by hand, including all roots.

Hand pulling may encourage broom growth due to the high level of soil disturbance.

If pulling will result in soil disturbance, plants can be cut as close to the ground as possible.

Mature plants need to be cut off at ground level using loppers, pruning saws or chainsaws and the trunk needs to be split with an axe, thereby negating the need to apply glyphosate to the stump.

Remove broom before it flowers (late winter, early spring) to prevent seed maturation.

CONTROL OF SCOTCH BROOM

Scotch broom is difficult to con-



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Large quantities of Scotch broom present a serious fire hazard.

trol once it has established on a site due to the massive production of seeds that are spread in the area.

For mature and dense infestations of Scotch broom, aggressive control methods are required.

After cutting mature Scotch broom, the base should ideally be painted with glyphosate.

Be sure to follow all safety precautions when applying glyphosate.

On the Sunshine Coast, volunteer groups such as the Halfmoon Bay Broom Busters (www.broombusters.org)

organize work groups to mechanically remove Scotch broom.

This group can be contacted at (604) 741-9846.

For updates on disposal options, contact the SCRCD at (604) 885-6800.

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Turning 15 in 2019: The Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival

Theresa Kishkan

There won't be fireworks to celebrate the Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival's 15th anniversary on the weekend of Aug. 16 to 18, or at least not the kind that shoot into the sky and explode in trails of stars.

But there will be the musical version — five concerts over three days, and an original commissioned composition to create magic inside the music school for those lucky enough to be in the audience.

Artistic director Alexander Tselyakov has invited a stellar group of musicians to perform together.

The New Zealand String Quartet, violist Evan Hesketh, double bassist Dylan Palmer, Christie Reside and her flute, clarinetist James Campbell, Graham Campbell on guitar, and pianist Tigran Saayan join pianist Tselyakov for a wonderful weekend exploring a wide and eclectic range of music.

The festival opens with "High Tide" on Friday afternoon.

Festival musicians will offer a sampling from the chamber repertoire, including flamenco and tango.

This is a free concert, though seating is limited.



Christie Reside



James Campbell



Dylan Palmer



Alexander Tselyakov



Evan Hesketh

Tickets are given out 45 minutes in advance.

Friday evening's "In the Fullness of Time" features Beethoven, Hoffmeister, and a beautiful clarinet quintet by Johannes Brahms.

The *Toronto Star* calls James Campbell, "Canada's pre-eminent clarinetist and wind soloist," and the Brahms quintet will offer the perfect opportunity to listen to this master.

Those musical fireworks?

Expect them on Saturday afternoon during "Music in the Very Heart of the Noise" when we'll hear Piazzolla tangos and some lively contemporary pieces.

Included will be the festival's anniversary commission, Graham Campbell's *Pender Harbour Paradise*, performed by New Zealand String Quartet, James Campbell (Graham's father), Tselyakov and Graham himself — an accomplished jazz and classical guitarist.

The audience will also be treated to an arrangement of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*.

Listeners will be enmeshed in "Tangled Passions" on Saturday evening, with the elegiac *Sonata for*



Graham Campbell



Tigran Saayan



New Zealand String Quartet

Viola and Piano, Opus 147 by Shostakovich, and *Raven and the First Men* by Canadian Timothy Corlis, inspired by Bill Reid's sculpture depicting the dawn of human history.

One of the best things about the music school, the venue for the festival, is the backdrop to the stage with wide and generous windows overlooking the water.

The final concert on Sunday afternoon, "Wide Windows," pays homage to these windows and how they open our musical hearts to complex harmonies, sustaining melodies, intricate conversations between string and wind, and the ornate echoes of brass and percussion.

We'll hear Saint-Saens, Diabelli, and Mendelssohn's *Piano Sextet in D major*.

If there are no actual fireworks, we can imagine them through those windows, cascading over the water.

Afternoon concerts begin at 1:30 p.m. and evening concerts at 7 p.m.

For more information on this year's festival, please visit penderharbourmusic.ca.

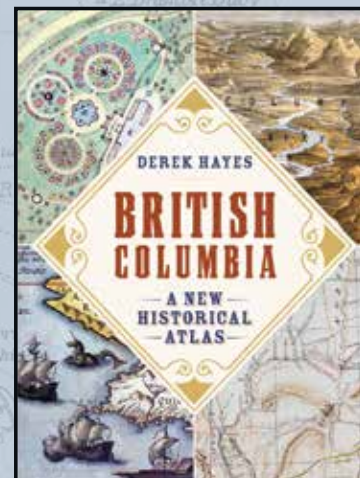
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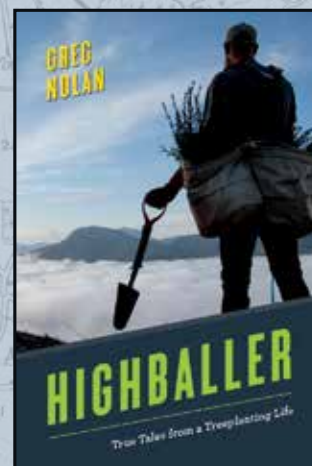


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July 2009: Pender residents clear — don't trash our landfill



Brian Lee

This news story originally appeared in the Harbour Spiel, July 2009 issue.

Over 100 residents packed into the Pender Harbour Legion Hall June 13 to hear Dion Whyte, manager of sustainable services for the SCRD, present various options available as the current permit phase of the landfill nears maximum capacity.

At issue is whether or not to close the Pender Harbour Landfill and ship future waste from Area A to the Sechelt landfill.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Using information provided in a report by independent consultants Sperling Hansen Associates, the SCRD has identified four options to deal with future waste disposal in Area A:

1. Expand westward by adding 5,424 square metres to the current footprint. This option would see the forest service road that borders the landfill moved higher so waste could continue to be layered on top of the current site. This option would increase the landfill's lifespan by 16

years.

2. Expand the site northward, adding an additional footprint of 14,744 square metres. This would increase the lifespan by 29 years.

3. Close the landfill and maintain a transfer station that would see all future waste hauled to the Sechelt landfill in standard bins.

4. Close the landfill and maintain a transfer/compaction station that would see future waste hauled to the Sechelt landfill in compacting bins.

The report projects a cost savings if waste were shipped to the Sechelt site.

BACKGROUND

The Pender Harbour Landfill is one of two landfills operating on the Sunshine Coast and has the potential for at least 29 more years of use.

The Sechelt Landfill is estimated to have approximately 25 years left before it reaches capacity but needs costly upgrades in the near term.

Whyte said that shipping waste from Area A would reduce its capacity by about two to four years, although closure costs and upgrades required for the Sechelt Landfill were not factored into the figures included in the presentation.

Several members of the audience recalled past debates as the landfill reached phase capacity, requiring expansion or modifications.

"Thirty years ago... the sky was falling and the dump was going to close in three months," said Vera McAllister.

"The next time it was leachate. Each time, Area A voted to keep the landfill in Area A and we have done this consistently.

"The regional board keeps spending money on these studies that tell



Brian Lee

Dion Whyte, SCRD sustainable services manager, fields questions regarding the future of the Pender Harbour Landfill.

us we have to close and Area A keeps telling them we don't want it closed so they find a solution."

Many, if not most, who spoke at the meeting were concerned about the need for better recycling initiatives as an alternative to landfills.

Though sometimes off topic, suggestions for how the SCRD could reduce the amount of waste entering our landfill drew considerable support from the crowd.

THE PROCESS

Local governments are required by the Ministry of Environment to hire independent consultants to present options as they wade through the Environmental Management Act's permit renewal process.

Hinting at future pressure they might face when it comes to landfills, Whyte included a portion of a letter he received from Ashley Smith, an Environmental Protection Officer with the Ministry of Environment.

"It should be noted that the min-

istry is making an effort to close small rural, usually inefficient landfills and replace these facilities with transfer stations,” wrote Smith.

“The waste would then be shipped to a ‘regional landfill’ that contains current pollution control works.”

Several who spoke at the meeting voiced their perceptions of an ongoing effort by the SCR D to close the Pender landfill.

If there is a desire on the part of the SCR D to close the Pender Harbour landfill, it’s coming from some of the directors on the board — not the staff, said former Area A director John Rees.

“The issue is, and always was, whining by some directors about the Pender Harbour landfill not breaking even,” said Rees.

Landfill service on the Sunshine Coast is combined into one budget function (No. 350) which includes the operation of both landfills.

Historically, tipping fees have provided a healthy surplus at the Sechelt landfill while the Pender site has operated at a loss.

“I always had total support from staff as far as the operation of the Pender Harbour landfill is concerned because they considered it one service for the entire Coast,” says Rees.

“Every year, when we got to Function 350 in the budget process, one of the directors would start complaining about the burden of the Pender Harbour landfill... Some functions will break even and some will cost money — that’s the nature of municipal services.”

Rees says his last battle over this issue was in 2008 when it concided with the dramatic increase in assessments for Area A.

Pender Harbour Landfill Options (Sperling Hansen Associates figures)

Lifecycle Cost Assessment Summary	Western Expansion	Northern Expansion	Transfer Station (Standard Bins)	Transfer Station Compacting Bins
Capacity	53,284 m ³	100,619 m ³	n/a	n/a
Lifespan	16 yrs	29 yrs	n/a	n/a
Closure	2025	2038	2010	2010
Hauls to Sechelt	n/a	n/a	every 4-5 days	every 10 days
Capital Costs	\$155K	\$267K	\$146K	\$300K
Closure Costs	\$990K	\$1.48M	\$670K	\$670K
Operational Costs	\$13.53M	\$14.66M	\$12.43M	\$10.98M
Post Closure costs	\$620K	\$730K	\$480K	\$480K
Lifecycle Cost	\$15.5M	\$17.3M	\$13.7M	\$12.4M
Lifecycle (\$ per tonne)	\$139 per tonne	\$156 per tonne	\$124 per tonne	\$112 per tonne

Sperling Hansen Associates

Preliminary figures provided by consultants Sperling Hansen Associates suggest a cost savings in closing the Pender Harbour Landfill. These figures were the focus of dispute for some who attended the public meeting on June 13.

Rees drew up some figures showing the per capita contributions to the landfill function.

“(They) saw immediately that while we were paying about \$45 per resident to support landfill, Gibsons residents were paying about \$17.”

Rees says he often pointed out that, while the operation of the Pender Harbour landfill was costing more than the revenue it provided, building permit applications from Pender Harbour had carried the other rural areas for six years.

THE NEXT STEP

The SCR D board members will soon meet to discuss the preferred option.

Residents at the meeting were very clear what they thought that was — they want to keep the landfill in Pender Harbour.

“I’m glad John France (SCR D chief administrative officer) and Garry Nohr (Director Area B) are here,” said current Area A Director Eric Graham.

“This is a unique community — what other communities want to keep

their own damned garbage?”

Responding to a question by Louise Todhunter about whether or not the other directors on the SCR D board might vote down the wishes of Area A residents, Graham said he couldn’t speak for the other directors but said Area A could be forced to pay for the landfill in a separate function.

It’s all up to Graham to push it through at the board level, said Rees.

Graham said a decision might not be reached until early 2010.

“There’s going to be seven other directors who are going to have their say,” said Graham.

“All I can say is that they’re all bigger than me.”



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• Sunshine Coast Better At Home.....	(604) 989-6171
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BC Ministry of Health

BC Ministry of Health officials are warning the public about recent incidents involving the invasive East African hornet (*Vespula felinus*). Unlike native species of wasps, it doesn't carry venom or sting but leaves its unfortunate victims with a nasty bite that often requires stitches.

organizations

EGMONT COMMUNITY CLUB SEAFOOD DINNER

The annual seafood dinner hosted by the Egmont Community Club will be held Saturday, June 29. Doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m.

On the menu this year are salmon, cod, prawns, chowders, sushi, vegetables, salad and dessert — so attendees are urged to come hungry. For more information visit www.egmontcommunityclub.webs.com.

SOM COFFEEHOUSE

This month's School of Music Coffeehouse is on Friday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m.

The lineup features the Dynamic Three (Wanda Nowicki, Ken Dalglish and Budge Schachte), Ryan Enns (guitarist, singer from Australia) and HUGS (local ukulele band).

There will be coffee and goodies sold with a \$10 suggested donation at the door.



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Brian Lee

Apparently, someone nicknamed 'Goof Thief' abandoned their truck at the start of this forestry road in Kleindale. Since then it has turned into what looks to be a permanent art installation. Note the colour and composition.

harbour seals



Note your seal of approval or disapproval.

By email only: editor@harbourspiel.com. Include full name and telephone number. (Editor will edit for length.)

Harbour Seals of Approval to **the gentleman** who dropped off a slide to add to our grandson's playhouse.

A very warm thank you from the Campbell family.

Kim Campbell

Harbour Seals of Approval to **the dedicated people who bring the Blues Festival** to our community. We appreciate your effort in attracting such talented musicians. Gets better every year.

Gary and Karen Strong

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Brian Lee**, editor of the *Harbour Spiel*, for providing free obituary space. This kindness, that is extended to all locals, is appreciated.

Kelly Reid

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **the hard working volunteers — Heather and Nigel Macklin, Teyjah Xavier, Joyce Garbers, Sharon Halford, Don Matheson, Sharon Croft, and the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour** — who helped me at the Connecting Garden Bay barbecue on June 1.

Caron Hawrychuk
Connecting Garden Bay coordinator

Seals of Disapproval to **the boaters who empty their sewage** (between 4 and 5 a.m.) so that it flows into the lagoon that stretches from the Loughed residence to the junction of Lagoon Rd and Francis Peninsula Rd.

Between Sept. 8, 2018 and May 5, there was a total of 12 deposits. So much sewage rests on the beach that the birds will no longer step on it.

Judith Carson

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SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

JULY

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

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

1. 10:23 AM -XL, 5:45 PM +XL
2. 11:08 AM -XL, 6:33 PM +XL
3. 11:51 AM -XL, 7:17 PM +XL
4. 12:35 AM -XL, 7:58 PM +XL
5. 6:19 AM +M, 1:22 PM -XL
6. 7:13 AM +M, 2:14 PM -XL
7. 8:17 AM +M, 3:02 PM -XL
8. 9:42 AM +S, 3:59 PM -L
9. 11:14 AM +M, 5:04 PM -L
10. 12:40 PM +M, 6:24 PM -M
11. 1:59 PM +L, 7:43 PM -S
12. 9:07 AM +XL, 3:12 PM +L
13. 10:04 AM -XL, 4:15 PM +XL
14. 10:55 AM -XL, 5:07 PM +XL
15. 11:40 AM -XL, 6:04 PM +XL
16. 12:20 PM -XL, 6:38 PM +XL
17. 12:41 PM -XL, 7:14 PM +XL
18. 12:18 PM -XL, 7:46 PM +XL
19. 6:09 AM +M, 12:45 PM -XL
20. 6:54 AM +M, 1:18 PM -L
21. 7:45 AM +S, 1:55 PM -L
22. 8:50 AM +S, 2:37 PM -L
23. 10:08 AM +S, 3:30 PM -M
24. 11:19 AM +M, 4:25 PM -M
25. 12:21 PM +M, 5:53 PM -S
26. 1:37 PM +L, 7:15 PM -S
27. 6:54 AM -L, 2:46 PM +L
28. 7:59 AM -L, 3:49 PM +XL
29. 9:12 AM -XL, 4:45 PM +XL
30. 10:10 AM -XL, 5:34 PM +XL
31. 10:59 AM -XL, 6:28 PM +XL

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.

harbour almanac



54%

In 2016, small businesses in BC accounted for 54% of private-sector employment.

19.2%

The growth rate of the fastest growing sector — information and cultural services — in BC's small business employment (from 2011 to 2016).

17.5%

The growth rate of the second fastest growing sector — construction — in BC's small business employment (from 2011 to 2016).

79%

In 2016, the percentage of small businesses in B.C. with fewer than five employees.

32%

BC small businesses were responsible for 32% of all wages paid to workers in B.C. in 2016 (the national average is just under 27%).

\$15.8 billion

In 2015, small business exporters in BC shipped \$15.8 billion worth of goods to international destinations — 42% of the total value of goods exported from the province.

728

Number of employed workers in Area A in 2018.

54

Number of Area A businesses with 1 to 4 employees.

~ BC Stats

JULY WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (Merry Island)

Our average daily high temperature is 21° C and low is 14.3° C giving us a mean daily temperature of 17.7° C. The highest July temperature recorded is 29.5° C (2015) and the lowest is 9° C (July 1, 1979).

JULY PRECIPITATION (Merry Island)

July averages seven days with rainfall with a total of 41.5 mm. July has an average of 283 hours of bright sunshine. The highest daily rainfall recorded in July is 37.1 mm back on July 19, 1968. Total rainfall for the month averages 41.5 mm.

JULY ASTROLOGY



CANCER: JUNE 21 – JULY 22

Those born under the sign of the crab value security, enjoy the safety and comfort of familiar surroundings and activities.

Cancerians should watch your health this month. This month will prove a respite from the hassles and awkward sexual fumbling of the past 7 weeks. Expect your luck in most things to improve by the middle of July. If you don't get a raise by July 20, consider changing employment. BEWARE: An ex-lover figures out your social media password on July 7.

LEO: JULY 23 – AUGUST 22



Lions are idealists and romantics, honourable and loyal. Always individualistic, they are usually stylish, charismatic and flamboyant. Hopefully you took advantage of

the Sun is making its way through Gemini and your eleventh house last month. If you didn't, you're in for a bout of social setbacks. Shoulder the embarrassment until mid-August when the Jupiter-Neptune square is completed, assuring a return to your dull routine of fitting in and achieving your goals. Avoid stimulants (coffee, cocaine, sugar) until then.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending June 15

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.

1. **Sockeye Silver, Saltchuck Blue** by Robert Budd, illustrated by Roy Henry Vickers (Harbour Publishing)
2. **The Secret Wisdom of Nature** by Peter Wohlleben (Greystone Books)
3. **Along the E&N: A Journey Back to the Historic Hotels of Vancouver Island** by Glen A. Mofford (TouchWood Editions)
4. **A Deceptive Devotion: A Lane Winslow Mystery** by Iona Whishaw (TouchWood Editions)
5. **The Grizzlies of Grouse Mountain** by Shelley Hrdlitschka & Rae Schidlo (Heritage House Publishing)
6. **Island Home: Out and About on Vancouver Island** by Anny Scoones (TouchWood Editions)
7. **Trout School: Lessons from a Fly-Fishing Master** by Mark Hume, with Mo Bradley (Greystone Books)
8. **Chop Suey Nation** by Ann Hui (Douglas & McIntyre)
9. **Moccasin Square Gardens: Short Stories** by Richard Van Camp (Douglas & McIntyre)
10. **A Year on the Wild Side: A West Coast Naturalists Almanac** by Briony Penn (TouchWood Editions)

~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- July 2: **Richard Massullo.**
 July 3: **Loy Haase, Bill Jones and Roy LaFave.**
 July 4: **Don White and Stephanie Phillips.**
 July 5: **Ali Fraser, Wendy Lowings and Andrew Vickers..**
 July 6: **Bryce Viitanen.**
 July 7: **Cypher Clerx, Shaun Georgison and Alexa Dornbierer.**
 July 9: **Silas White and Danielle Silvey.**
 July 10: **Tanner Haase, Beau Sladey, Sage Wright, Candy Whittaker and Maureen Luck.**
 July 11: **Brittany Bouvette and Skinny Jimmy Dougan.**
 July 12: **Betty Silvey and Bill Jack.**
 July 13: **Steve Morris, Amy Coombes, Terry Cowan and Daron Petraschuk.**
 July 14: **Malcolm Ingram.**
 July 15: **Ty Campbell and Fred Baldwin.**
 July 16: **Jane McOuat, Shelly Brown, Danielle Gough and Jodee Young.**
 July 17: **Amanda Civitareale.**
 July 18: **Maxine Gilkes and Lisa Johnston.**
 July 19: **Wade Lajlar.**
 July 20: **Dwight Young and Grace Pazur.**
 July 21: **Eric Phillips, Karen Purnell and Marlayne Williams.**
 July 22: **Buck Rice, Lee Walters, Mike Zacharias, Christina Wharton, Wyatt Baldwin and Tiffany Baldwin.**
 July 23: **Brody Pantages.**
 July 24: **Paige Coombes and Renee Harper.**
 July 25: **Adam Dornbierer.**
 July 26: **Chris Schroeder.**
 July 28: **Kevin Farrell, Keith Mackie and Rick Wagner Sr.**
 July 29: **Randy Edwardson, Connie Sutherland and Tucker Pantages.**
 July 30: **Darlene Fowlie, Robert Hynd, Shane McCune and Marvin Wutzke.**
 July 31: **Parker Hohn, Bonny Shotropa and Ron Sim.**



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What is wrong with this online claim?

It has all the hallmarks of quackery, or pseudoscience — it make sensational claims of miraculous cures, and is promoting the sale of a product.

If you read further you would see that it is full of scientific jargon, which is used to distract the reader from the fact that there is no actual evidence presented to back up the author's claims.

While this is an obvious example of pseudoscience, more subtle websites employ many of the same misleading strategies:

- Sensational writing style that uses lots of exclamation points and play on your heartstrings;
- Presents an advertisement as scientific research.

Check the “about” section of the website to look for corporate affiliations;

- A lack of supporting evidence.

Many pseudoscience sites rely on testimonials or anecdotal data.

Similarly, many authors cite research that is published in open journals, not subject to scrutiny by scientific experts.

- Use of highly technical language that doesn't really make sense.

For example, the product being described in the introduction purportedly works by “elongating the elec-



tron shell of pathogens,” and

- Can not be substantiated by other sources.

If something is well-researched, you should be able to validate the author's assertions with other primary sources.

As you can see, it can be difficult to separate pseudoscience from accurate information when making health decisions.

However, one excellent strategy is to follow the following search method.

Start with a trusted Canadian source like HealthlinkBC or the public health agency of Canada.

This will ensure that you are getting accurate, current information that reflects how health care is delivered here in BC.

From a reliable site you can follow links provided to delve further into the topic you are researching.

You can often link directly to primary sources (the scientific research on your topic) and also to trusted, not-for-profit groups such as the Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Use online research as a starting point for discussions with your primary health care provider.

When you have thoughtful conversations with others who understand the research, you can be supported in making better choices for your health.

If you are having trouble getting out to see your doctor or nurse, you can always call 811 to speak with a registered nurse or dietician.

Finally, with the recent explosion in the amount of online information, what we see on our social media feed is becoming more and more important in helping us create our beliefs about health.

It is important to remember how powerful our online voices are and to be mindful that we are sharing only credible information.

Be careful what you share.

P. H. HEALTH CENTRE SUMMER WEEKEND HOURS

The Pender Harbour Health Centre will be open on Saturdays beginning on June 29 and running until Aug. 31, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This month in recreation

PHAFC

PHSI

PHCS



P. H. Aquatic Society directors Michael Miller, Rob Campbell, Gil Yard and Siemon Altman set up for their annual barbecue on the last day of swimming lessons for the kids and their families.



The PHAFC had all of the MPES students in for lessons during water safety week (June 1-8). Pictured here are Miss Haines with the Grades 2, 3 and 4 class with instructors Gwen Walwyn and Natalie Ingram.



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Level 3 and 4: Mon/Wed/Fri 12:15-12:45 pm July 3-24

Level 5 and 6: Tue/Thur 12:15-12:45pm July 2-Aug 1

Level 7-10: Classes will be added based on community needs.



MYPASS CLASSES

Aquafit, Gentle Waves, Land meets Water, HIIT (mornings) and Mix It Up all continue until the week of July 29-Aug 2

JULY HOURS

OPEN: Monday-Friday, 7:30am-1pm

CLOSED: July 1 and all evenings and weekends.

2019 ANNUAL MAINTENANCE CLOSURE

From August 3 - September 7, the facility is closed to the public in order to implement annual maintenance of the whole facility.

All the staff wish everyone a happy and water safe summer!



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Gone fishing!

The Community School is closed July and August
Harbour Learning Centre will reopen Tuesday, Sep 3
Have a great summer!

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LAVENDER FARM TOUR: Tuesday, July 9

Duck Bus departs PH Community Hall at 10:30am. Lunch in Sechelt to follow. Call Marlene 604 883-9900 to reserve a seat. Cost \$10 for bus plus what you order for lunch.

CHAIR YOGA (Sarah Wray Hall): Mondays, July 8, 15, 22 & 29

At the Sarah Wray Hall from 11am -12pm, Drop-In \$3.
Improve your balance, strength & flexibility with gentle moves.

CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

At both the Egmont & Pender Harbour community halls, 1-3 pm. Cost \$3.

CHAIR YOGA (P. H. Community Hall): Fridays, July 12, 19 & 26

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall from 10:30-11:30am. Drop-In \$3.
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HARBOURSIDE FRIENDSHIPS: Thursdays, July 4, 11, 18, 25 & Aug. 1

Thursdays at the P.H. Community Hall. Starting at 10:30am lunch served at 12 noon.
Drop-in \$10.

July 4 – Garden Tour & High Tea at GeoPia's Gallery – Duck Bus departs Madeira Park at 1pm and will pick up along the way. Return @ 4:30pm. Call to reserve \$10pp.

July 11 – Surprise

July 18 – Slocat Harbour Tour. Cost \$30. Bring a picnic lunch to have in the park following tour.

July 25 – Surprise

Aug. 1 – Surprise

The Shíshálh Nation's 'Strategic Land Use Plan'

Completed by the Sechelt Indian Band in 2007, the 110-page *Strategic Land Use Plan* intends to be "a living document for the land use planning within the Shíshálh Nation territory."

Chapters of interest from the SLUP document will be excerpted in upcoming issues of the *Harbour Spiel*. To download the full document, visit www.shishalh.com/docuploads/forms-and-applications/A-Strategic-Land-Use-Plan-for-the-sh--sh--lh-Nation-1416417270-1.pdf.

*Excerpted from the Sechelt Indian Band's
"A Strategic Land Use Plan for the
Shíshálh Nation."*



5.3 HUNTING AND GATHERING

5.3.1 DESCRIPTION OF RESOURCE & SUMMARY OF MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Hunting and gathering has always played an important part in the daily life of the Shíshálh people, and continues to be of cultural and economic significance.

CULTURAL USES

Our diet continues to be quite varied, though dominated by fish, shellfish, small game and wild plant forage.

The hunting of large sea mammals, ungulates and other terrestrial species is a most significant complement to this basic regime.

The specialized nature of some hunting practices combined with requisite ritual and supernatural preparation limits the number of individuals capable of effective harvest.

Sea mammals and s-xwítl'ay (mountain goat) are considered to be most demanding in this regard.

Húpit (deer) is by far the most significant of the land animals for both their meat and skins.

In earlier times, dogs were used extensively to herd them into selected areas for harvest.

A wide variety of hunting techniques are used depending on the physical context and the makeup of the hunting party.



Brian Lee

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Snares, pitfalls, traps, rifles, impounds, spears, slings, staffs and walking sticks have all been used at different times.

S-chétxwen (bears) have been typically taken in spring to avoid any fishy quality associated with their late season diet.

Wálaksya (bobcat), s-kw'élkw'ak'-ám (cougar), wéwekw'-nách-em (wolf) and coyote are not hunted for food though their skins, whiskers, claws and teeth are prominent in ceremonial masks and costume.

Rather than trophies however, these animals are not pursued and are taken primarily through the defense of human settlements.

Smaller game include sk'emtl' (beaver), sk'á?atl' (otter), kayx (mink), sp'ilus (marten), pípk-alh-cháyash (weasel), súspit (rabbit), mélálus (raccoon) and skíyamx (por-

cupine) as well as a wide variety of waterfowl, land birds and their eggs.

All are used for clothing and regalia, and súspit (rabbit) and s-k'emtl' (beaver) are also eaten.

Except during the mating period, húmhum (grouse), stíxwim (willow grouse), xa (geese) and tenks (ducks) are harvested for food, their feathers for mattresses and pillows, headdresses and fans.

Fowl are hunted by use of slings, bow and arrow, nets, rocks and snares, and at least one technique involved a loud chant that effectively paralyzed ducks as they flew overhead.

Xwú-kin (swans), sxíxenik' (owl) and k'áyk'w (eagles) are all considered sacred and their feathers and claws are important in ritual and regalia.

The double-headed k'áyk'w (eagle) remains the most sacred symbol of the Shíshálh Nation.

Wild plant foods include berries, seeds, greens, roots, bulbs and tubers.

Berries are often sun dried in cakes for use in winter, though most other plant foods and medicines are used fresh.

Whether hunting or collecting, many individuals possess the requisite skills to not only reap but also process their harvest for efficient transport and long-term preservation.

Hunters are sensitive to the habits and psychology of individual species, and responsive to fluctuations in wildlife populations and distribution.

Some kinds of hunting require specialized ritual preparation and offerings are made to the animal spirit.

Hunting songs are closely guarded secrets often passed down through clans or families.

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Many seasonal expeditions are organized and systematic, hunting and gathering is also conducted as a matter of course in daily life.

Trap lines have been set along most creeks and river systems and the shorelines of inlets.

Throughout the year, subsistence harvest is shared, particularly with elders or those unable to provide sufficient resources for themselves.

The final harvest of the season of any species is always given away.

Animals that are either economically important or highly revered also supply names for clans, and the

people’s relationship to them is considered a sacred aspect of life.

Following contact with Europeans, and as the Shíshálh Nation has become more centralized due to the policies of the Oblate missionaries and the ravages of diseases, our people’s diet and daily routines have become more removed from these cultural practices of hunting and gathering.

Nonetheless, our cultural and spiritual relationship with the land and its resources is still as strong as ever, and has survived intact in stories, myths and other rituals.

Wild foods and medicinal plants continue to be important supplements to Shíshálh diet and health, and are made all the more valuable as a result of their relative scarcity.

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community calendar

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JULY

Thurs. June 27.....Last day of school for summer break

Sat. June 29.....Egmont Community Club seafood dinner - Egmont Community Hall, doors at 5 p.m.

Mon. July 1.....Canada Day

Mon. July 8.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon

Tues. July 9.....P. H. Seniors lavender farm tour - bus departs P. H. Community Hall at 10:30 a.m.

Fri. July 12.....School of Music Coffeehouse - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.

Fri. July 19.....P. H. Golf Club "Friday Night Mixer" - PHGC, 5 p.m.

Mon. July 22.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon

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



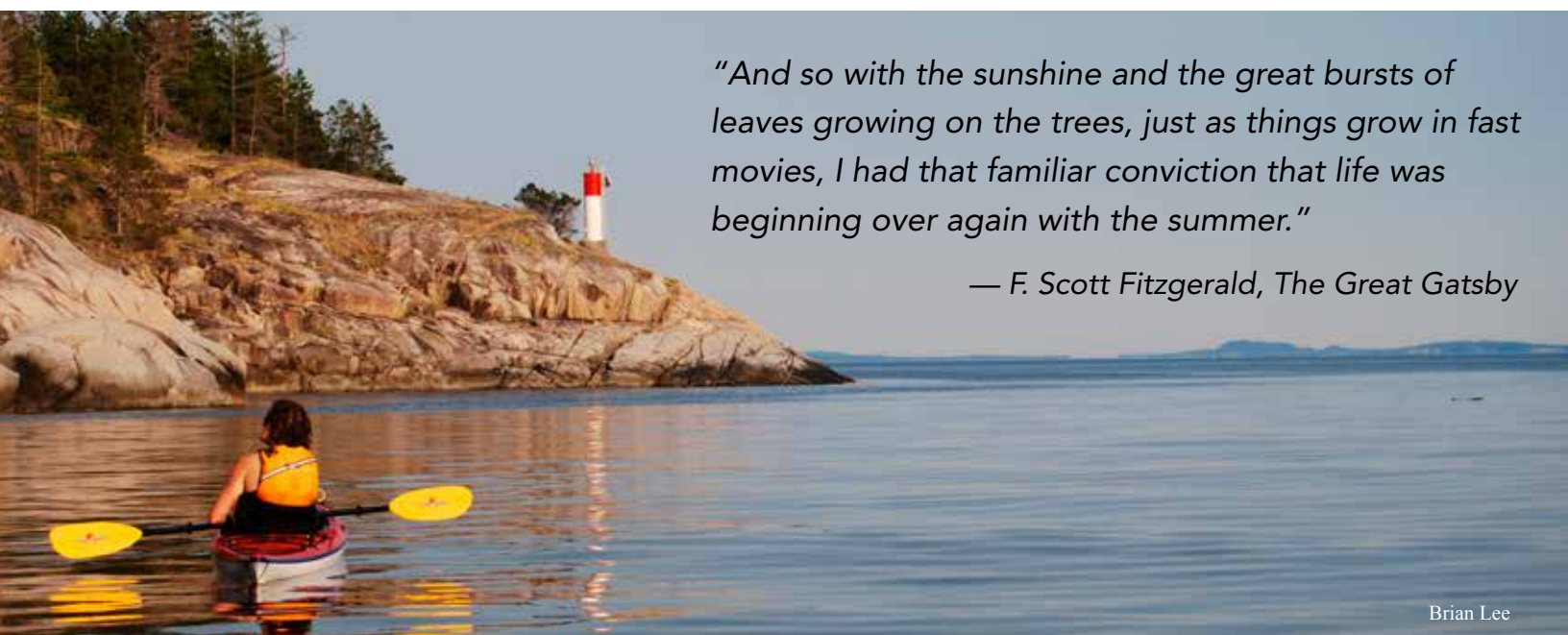
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