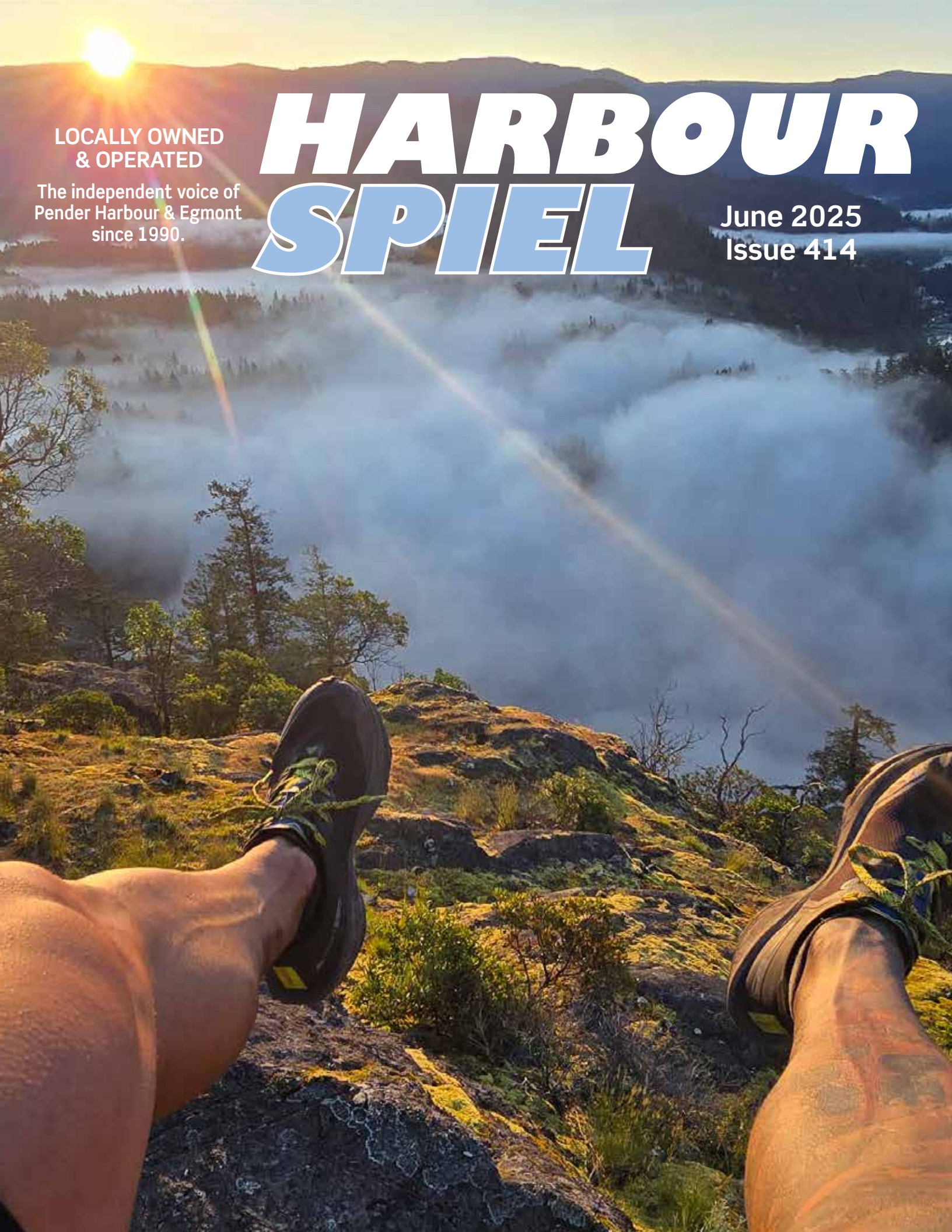


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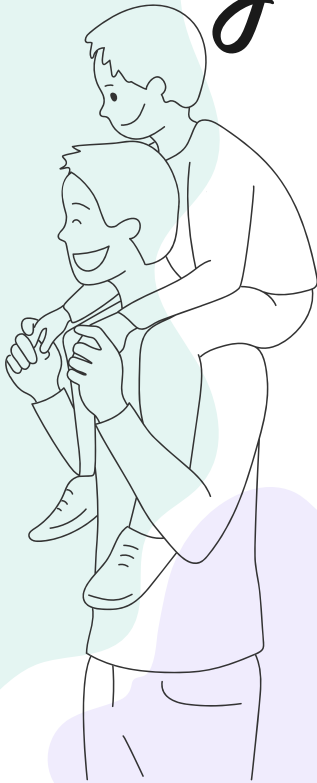
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On May 4, endurance athlete Joel Payeur completed a 24 hour run on the Pender Hill loop to raise money for the Pender Harbour Community Hall roof fundraiser (see p. 15). In this photo, Payeur takes a break at the peak to enjoy the sunrise over the Caren Range. (Joel Payeur photo)

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What is Aboriginal title?



Brian Lee

“Our goal is jurisdiction in getting all of our land back.

“We’re going to be in total control and an authority over all of our land — all the taxes, all the resources in our land belong to us.”

— Calvin Craigan, former shíshálh Nation Chief, from the 2023 documentary “s-yéwyaw: Awaken.”

In January, the province announced negotiations related to granting Aboriginal title to the shíshálh Nation.

The shíshálh traditional territory stretches from the north end of Jarvis Inlet to Pender Harbour and from Lang Bay in the west to Roberts Creek.

In the 2021 census, the population was approximately 20,500 and the Nation makes up about 3.7 per cent of it.

In the absence of treaties — the situation in most of BC — Aboriginal title already exists and has since the Royal Proclamation in 1763.

Aboriginal title includes rights to control the land and decide how it will be used, to use the land for traditional and modern purposes, and to the full benefit and ownership of the lands and resources.

Over 200 years later, in 1973, the Calder decision reaffirmed those rights.

In Delgamuukw (1997), the Supreme Court ruled that Aboriginal title does not negate the Crown’s sovereign title to the land.

Instead, Aboriginal title is a “burden” — a legal acknowledgment of that title — on the Crown’s underlying title.

Delgamuukw also confirmed that for an Indigenous community’s Aboriginal title to be recognized, it must demonstrate the following:

- Occupation of the land in question prior to sovereignty;
- A continuity between present and pre-sovereignty occupation, and
- Exclusive occupation.

In its Tsilhqot’in (2014) ruling, the Supreme Court clarified that Indigenous occupation doesn’t necessarily have to be intensive but may be bound up in histori-

cal practices like seasonal migration or management of hunting or fishing rights.

The shíshálh clearly qualify.

Last year, the province and Canada signed the “Big Tide Haida Title Lands Agreement(s)” affirming the Haida’s Aboriginal title over lands, freshwater bodies and foreshores to the low-tide mark.

The agreements also state the Haida will honour private land interests which will continue under BC jurisdiction.

But, it might not always be that way.

In New Brunswick, six First Nations sought a declaration of Aboriginal title over more than 50 per cent of the province, including 252,758 parcels of fee simple land held by private individuals and corporations.

According to law firm Borden Ladner Gervais, the decision in *Wolastoqey Nations vs. New Brunswick and Canada, et al*, (November 2024) affirmed the possibility of recognizing Aboriginal title over fee simple lands:

However, because it is a procedural ruling on a motion to strike pleadings, the court did not conclude that Aboriginal title exists over the lands in this case.

The decision instead establishes the legal framework under which such a claim could proceed.

The ruling also confirmed that “the Crown alone bears constitutional obligations in this context.”

The court stressed that any resolution of conflicting land interests would fall on the Crown, not private parties, who have “no legal reconciliatory role to play between the Crown and the Plaintiffs.”

Such conflicts would require reconciliation efforts between the Crown and the Plaintiffs, potentially involving expropriation and compensation for private landholders.

So, yes, private land is a concern, but it is not the only concern.

Questions also remain about everything that surrounds fee simple land like docks, fishing, mining and forestry rights, permits, leases, tenures and recreational access to Crown land and parks.

As said at a recent PHARA town hall meeting (see p. 5), the application of Aboriginal title over non-First Nations communities is “like oil and water.”

20TH PENDER HARBOUR BLUES FESTIVAL: Thursday, June 6 to 8, various locations

This year marks two decades for the Pender Harbour Blues Festival, taking place June 6 to 8. The festival is produced by the Pender Harbour Blues Society, a registered non-profit organization “that aims to preserve, nurture and promote BC’s blues in all its forms.” For a full schedule, see p. 35.

EGMONT DAY: Saturday, June 7, all day

Starting at 8 a.m., Egmont Day delivers a full day and night of family fun. The day kicks off with the fishing derby in the morning, a parade that aims to start at 11 a.m. followed by a barbecue lunch, live music, bouncy castles, dunk tank, cake walk, field races and, new this year, laser tag in the hall. Kids are invited to decorate bikes to enter in the parade.

PENDER HARBOUR SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY: Wednesday, June 25, 1 p.m.

Come out to the Pender Harbour Secondary School gymnasium to cheer on and congratulate your favourite grad. There is reserved seating for guests and immediate families as well as plenty of extra room for friends. Please arrive and be seated before 1 p.m.

photojournal



Kane Rushton

On the evening of May 3, someone, once again, decided to vandalize the Egmont Field by hacking doughnuts. According to one Egmonster, pieces of a vehicle including a licence plate (above), were found near a ditch where it looked like the vehicle exited the Egmont field. Afterwards, the hooligan(s) also tore up the parking lot at the Egmont Heritage Centre. The Sunshine Coast RCMP are investigating and the owner of the licence plate may contact them for its return.

CANADA POST STRIKE

In the event of a postal disruption to the mailed portion of the Harbour Spiel delivery, extra copies will be available at all locations including the Madeira Park IGA, Grasshopper Pub, Oak Tree Market, EarthFair Store, Backeddy Pub, John Henry's Store, Lighthouse Pub, Sechelt Library and Bathgate Store. Subscriptions will be mailed after the resumption of postal service.

PHARA town hall tackles a stack of issues while applauding volunteers

Peter Robson, president of the Pender Harbour and Area Residents Association, started off the town hall meeting on April 30 in the Pender Harbour Community Hall with a request for help.

From a high of 13 a few years ago, the board of the 12-year-old organization had shrunk to seven.

"We currently have fewer board members than we need," said Robson.

"Some of our board members including myself, have put in a maximum of six years and it's time for other to stand up and carry on our good work."

PAQ CREEK DAYLIGHTING

One of PHARA's ongoing projects is the potential to open up and restore Paq Creek (draining Lily Lake) that currently runs underneath the Oak Tree Market, IGA parking lot and the Madeira Park Elementary School field through a series of aging culverts.

The school playground, built in 1952, was originally a wetland prone to flooding.

In the 1960s, the creek was directed into a culvert underneath the school grounds.

That culvert has been collapsing, causing dangerous sinkholes.

Despite the hundreds of metres of underground channelling, the creek still provides spawning habitat for cut-throat trout and possibly coho and or chum salmon.

Robson said PHARA has engaged with School District 46 to explore two options — replace the culvert or to daylight the creek.

"Our team and the school district engineers have different views on the appropriate width of the creek bed and the required riparian setbacks," said Robson.



Brian Lee

Pender Harbour and Area Residents Association town hall meeting April 30.

"Based on their interpretation, the school district believes the set-backs would take up half of the school field and would make daylighting unfeasible and more expensive."

Robson said PHARA's position is that a 10-metre corridor remains viable and aligns with environmental best practices but the school has decided to move ahead with a simple culvert replacement.

Robson said PHARA is still exploring future options.

Robson added that PHARA is also working with Grant McBain (former Fisheries and Oceans Canada biologist and community advisor) and the P. H. Wildlife Society to rehabilitate Paq Creek's spawning grounds.

If their application is successful, the group hopes to transplant chum salmon from Anderson Creek.

DERELICT BOATS IN PENDER HARBOUR

Robson updated community members about efforts to remove and

prevent the environmental hazards associated with derelict boats.

Over the past year, Robson said PHARA has continued to monitor more than a dozen vessels of concern in Pender Harbour, maintaining a detailed inventory and record of follow-up actions taken by the association.

Thanks to those efforts, Robson said, a sunken power boat in Hospital Bay was successfully removed.

In March, PHARA members met with Transport Canada representatives and took them on a tour.

"They witnessed and further documented many of the concerns that we have released," said Robson.

"Three boats were tagged by Transport Canada and one has since been removed."

Robson also noted that 60-foot sections of derelict dock and Styrofoam billets in the intertidal zone near the beach at the end of Gonzales Road have been removed.

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PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY GARDENS

Bill Charlton took the microphone next to provide an update on PHARA efforts to acquire long-term funding to maintain the Madeira Park Community Gardens (by the Pender Harbour Community Hall and Highway 101 entrance).

Charlton said that Don Fraser, the gardens' longtime benefactor who maintained them for many years, recently moved out of the community.

Fraser is currently paying a local landscaper to maintain them but Charlton said that can't last and described PHARA's efforts to find support for their maintenance through regional taxation.

PHARA estimates an annual budget of \$70,000 and Charlton said that would amount to approximately \$35 to \$45 per year on parcel tax bills.

PHARA has circulated a petition to show support for an "alternate approval process" through the SCRD.

It will take approximately 1,000 households returning the form to show broad support for an AAP.

Charlton said they have fewer than 100 forms returned.

A copy of the petition can be

found at phara.ca/pender-harbour-community-gardens/.

Forms can be dropped off at the IGA, Oak Tree Market, Marina Pharmacy and John Henry's Marina.

URBAN PLANNING MATTERS

Robson took the microphone back to discuss current planning initiatives at the SCRD.

He worked on Area A's last official community plan, a document that guides decisions about land use, services and development within communities.

Robson said he spent three years as chair of the AREA A OCP committee, which had not been updated since 1990.

Robson said that though the OCP was adopted by the SCRD in 2018, "In the seven years since then, the SCRD hasn't gotten around to updating our bylaw to reflect those objectives."

Robson said their excuse is one that is becoming very familiar — that the lack of updating was due to budget constraints and staffing shortages.

"However, since then, the SCRD did find enough time and money to update the larger zoning bylaw for the rest of the Coast," he said.

Robson said the only change to our area's bylaws since 1990 is a recent bylaw increasing the ocean and riparian setbacks, "a controversial change that, despite strong opposition from our area, was passed.

"So, now what's happening is, according to our Area A director Leonard Lee, the plan moving forward is to combine all the OCPs on the Coast — there's seven of them — into one unified OCP and a single zoning bylaw for the entire Coast," said Robson.

"This move was meant to make long-term planning more efficient and consistent across the region, so it makes less work for them.

"What it also means is that our unique set of bylaws, and the character of Area A, could get lost in a more generic and one-size-fits-all approach."

Robson said Lee indicated that there could be "area specific differences" in the OCP zoning.

Whatever path it takes, Robson said our Area A advisory planning commission will have input as the plan takes shape.

"Density is another issue here," said Robson as he described the potential ramifications of a single OCP.



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“Part of that new single bylaw will be an increase in the allowable housing density on the Coast.

“This is the result of provincial Bill 44 which mandated increasing housing density throughout the province.”

Robson said PHARA is advocating for “gentle density that allows for responsible development while still maintaining a key standard for setbacks, water sewage and parking.”

Next, Robson discussed the topic of pursuing a community sewage system in downtown Madeira Park.

He said the lack of a centralized sewer system is one of the ongoing challenges in Madeira Park, a barrier limiting business development and housing options.

“Properties such as Don Fraser’s lot across from the Oak Tree Market, the space behind the IGA, the Legion property and others can’t be further developed because of the lack of sewage disposal options,” he said.

Robson noted that even existing services like the public washrooms and the community hall have ongoing challenges with sewage.

Robson said this isn’t a new idea and that a community sewer in high density areas like Madeira Park was recommended within Area A’s now-shelved 2018 OCP to accommodate future growth.

PHARA is exploring the idea of a modest sewage treatment plant that would be about the size of a shipping container with the potential to handle wastewater from key commercial properties and public buildings in downtown Madeira Park.

With inspiration from a donor’s offer, Robson said PHARA is working on a long-term planning vision for Madeira Park that could include side-



Brian Lee

Suzanne Yuile and Peter Robson at the April 30 town hall meeting.

walks, improved access, high-density housing and public infrastructure.

Moving forward, Robson asked for help from community members with vision and experience to take part in three committees to explore issues around the town planning project, density and sewage.

PARKS PROJECTS

Next, Robson provided an update on three community improvement projects that PHARA and the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour have been advocating for the past few years — a trail around Katherine Lake, Dan Bosch Park parking expansion and local park signage.

“Unfortunately, each one has been denied funding in the SCRD’s 2025 budget.”

Q&A

Robson opened up the floor to questions next and a number of gripes were aired including the lack of trail maintenance by the SCRD on the Suncoaster Trail, how “shameful” it is that the town hall meeting wasn’t attended

by any elected officials and concerns about the cost of funding the community garden and apprehension about the SCRD taking over management of the community gardens, opening the door to future tax increases.

DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ACT

PHARA director Sean McAllister provided an update on PHARA’s ongoing court challenge to BC’s Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act, the provincial implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

He announced a significant victory in PHARA’s ongoing efforts to protect property rights in our community after the BC government rescinded Order in Council 044/2022 — the order created under the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act that directed ministers to negotiate shíshálh Nation joint decision-making powers under the Land Act for dock

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Where is it?



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☐ a. Madeira Park

☐ b. Garden Bay

☐ c. Egmont

☐ d. Secret Cove



2

☐ a. Skardon Islands

☐ b. Copeland Islands

☐ c. Trail islands

☐ d. Hodgson Islands



3

☐ a. Thormanby Island

☐ b. Jervis Inlet

☐ c. Bjerre Shoals

☐ d. Blind Bay



4

☐ a. Mt. Daniel

☐ b. Cecil Hill

☐ c. Mt. Hallowell

☐ d. Pender Hill



5

☐ a. North Lake

☐ b. Waugh Lake

☐ c. Klein Lake

☐ d. Garden Bay Lake



6

☐ a. Madeira Park

☐ b. Garden Bay

☐ c. Kleindale

☐ d. Egmont

Answers (p. 42): Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

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tenures.

McAllister said that despite this victory, the government signed an addendum to the shíshálh Foundation agreement last August (*Harbour Spiel*, March 2025) which was only disclosed publicly in February — six months after they signed the agreement and “curiously, after the election.”

According to McAllister, in addition to the \$100 million promised over five years, the foundation agreement also provides for two more similar Section 7 agreements to be negotiated.

“But they haven’t told us what the topics are,” said McAllister.

“That’s for us to guess and worry about over the next five years.”

The most troubling development, McAllister said, is the announcement that negotiations between the province and the shíshálh Nation to grant Aboriginal title on the Sunshine Coast will soon begin.

“And what the hell does that mean?” said McAllister.

McAllister said “aboriginal title is a form of ownership that is similar to regular ownership of land that allows for the right to decide how the land is used and gives the Nation exclusive use and occupation and gives the right to the economic benefits of the land.”

He pointed to recent developments in Haida Gwaii granting aboriginal title to the entire island chain while 50 per cent of the residents and landowners are non-Haida.

“Legal scholars that I’m talking to on a regular basis, and I just spoke to one of the revered legal scholars in this area this morning (Thomas Isaac, chair of Cassels Brock & Blackwell law firm’s aboriginal law group), say



Brian Lee

Volunteer of the year Lyn Charlton (left) and lifetime achievement award winner Linda Curtiss (right) received recognition, and art, for their outstanding contributions to the community.

basically, it’s like oil and water — you can’t have the two in the same place.

“So, the government is making this up as they go.

McAllister directs people to read article 26 of UNDRIP, Section 3 of DRIPA and visit *PHARA.ca* for more information about this topic because, “If we don’t get in front of this now, I suspect it will be too late.”

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Robson took the mic back to recognize two outstanding community volunteers.

“Volunteer of the year” was awarded to Lyn Charlton for her wide variety of volunteer efforts including raising money with her “Spreading Kindness” fundraiser for youth and local families in need and her long-time dedication to the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour.

Linda Curtiss received a lifetime achievement award for decades of work contributing to local health care and non-profit community building.

She was instrumental in the creation of Pender Harbour’s first ambulance service (1976) and, in the 1990s,

helped establish the Pender Harbour Community Improvement foundation which continues to facilitate charitable donations to local projects to this day.

She also served as district commissioner for the Girl Guides for 35 years and played an integral role in developing the local healthy meals program for shut-ins and elderly patients.

PHARA AGM

During the AGM that followed the town hall, two new board members were added, Brent Mulhall and Scott Topham.

Another, Bob Baker, joined the board at PHARA’s following board meeting.

They will replace three members who recently stepped down this year — Roxy Engle, Gita Masden and Guy Halford-Thompson.

In addition to Mulhall, Topham and Baker, the PHARA board is now made up of Suzanne Yuile, David Blaiklock, Bill Charlton, Sean McAllister, Peter Robson, Sage Robson and Eliza Kinley.

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Firearms incident in Madeira Park

Sunshine Coast RCMP responded to a report of a serious incident in the Madeira Park area involving a firearm and threats with a knife on April 13.

A call was received from a victim who reported a male had fired a shot in their direction and threatened them with a knife.

Sunshine Coast RCMP officers attended the scene promptly and took the accused into custody without any further incident.

During the arrest, police seized

two long guns including a loaded shotgun.

As a result of the investigation, the following criminal charges have been approved against John Hegyi:

- Pointing a firearm;
- Careless use of a firearm;
- Unauthorized possession of a firearm;
- Assault with a weapon, and
- Failure to comply with release order.

Hegyi was being held in custody for his upcoming trial.



file photo

John Hegyi (in a 2013 *Harbour Spiel* photo).

Food bank stretches its legs with more space and service options

The Pender Harbour Food Bank has expanded into the space vacated by the Pender Harbour Community Church congregation in Madeira Park.

In January (*Harbour Spiel*, Jan. 2025) it was announced that the congregation of the Pender Harbour Community Church in Madeira Park would join those at the former Christ the Redeemer Church location near the Pender Harbour High School.

The combined church in Kleindale now operates as the Pender Harbour Community Church while the church in Madeira Park is now the P. H. Community Church Ministry Centre.

According to PHFB spokesperson Joka Wright, after offering up the church pews to community members, all benches were cleared out in two days.

In an email, Wright told the *Harbour Spiel* that this allowed the food bank extra room to consolidate everything into the repurposed hall.

The extra space has allowed the food bank to expand its operation.

After receiving a grant from the Sunshine Coast Foundation, the food bank was able to add more shelving, another freezer, another commercial cooler and work tables.

“Under the new model of operation, the operative word is ‘choice,’” said Wright.

“Instead of being handed impersonal hampers stuffed with basic food items at the front door, clients are able to enter the ministry centre building.”

Similar to shopping at a grocery store, clients can circulate around the room of shelves and pick from a greater variety of food items, tailoring their choices to personal dietary needs.

The Pender Harbour Food Bank opens every two weeks on Monday mornings and is operated by volunteers.

Thank you to all of the volunteers, community organizations, businesses, clients, family and friends for helping to create a beautiful celebration of life for Rick Smalley.



Such good memories and heartfelt words of appreciation and love were shared in person at his celebration day, through social media, phone calls, cards and written messages left at his veterinary hospital in Madeira Park.



He vowed to be your (and your pet's) “greeter in spirit” every time you are by the front door of the Veterinary Hospital!

We will all miss him, his humour and kindness.

With gratitude from Jan Smalley, Glenn Sernyk, Kirk, Danielle and Evan LeBlanc



P. H. Volunteer Fire Department

On May 14, members of the Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department celebrated the arrival of the department's new fire engine by trying it out. PHVFD members spent several hours with Dennis High from Rocky Mountain Phoenix who delivered the engine and provided training and orientation on the new vehicle. The engine carries a 1,050-gallon-per-minute pump and a 1,000 gallon (4,550 litre) water tank. The purchase was required in order to maintain the PHVFD's current insurance rating. The engine will be outfitted for firefighting and auto extrication and will be based in Madeira Park.

PHSS welcomes principal Patrick Kinghorn

Leadership changes are afoot at Pender Harbour Secondary School.

Next year, current principal Rae-dene Pednaud will take over from principal Mark Saurer at Chatelech Secondary in Sechelt.

Replacing Pednaud as PHSS principal for the 2025/2026 school year is Patrick Kinghorn.

From a S.D. 46 statement:

"With over 15 years of experience as an educational leader in K-12, alternate, online, and French immersion programs, Patrick brings a wealth of knowledge and a deep commitment to inclusive, strength-based learning."

Kinghorn served recently as principal of alternate programs in School District 20 (Kootenay-Columbia).

Described as an "advocate of compassionate systems leadership and



School District 46

Patrick Kinghorn replaces Rae-dene Pednaud as principal at PHSS for the upcoming school year.

collaborative problem-solving," Kinghorn was named a 2024 Champion by Foundry BC, a province-wide network of integrated health and wellness services for young people, for his contributions to virtual student support.

Area A food waste program suspended

The Sunshine Coast Regional District recently announced that it will no longer accept food waste at the Pender Harbour Transfer Station.

On May 1, the food waste drop-off pilot program at the PHTS was suspended due to a lack of private contractors bidding on the service.

"The main reason the program was discontinued is that not enough people took part in it, making it too expensive to keep running," said Marc Sole, manager of solid waste services.

"The fees collected were only covering 25 per cent of the costs which is not enough to sustain the service."

Since October 2022, the SCRCD has required Sunshine Coast residents to separate food waste, food-soiled paper and paper (printed paper and paper boxes) from their garbage.

Unlike most of the Sunshine

Coast, Area A does not have curbside collection of food waste.

The SCRCD now offers three options for disposing of food waste:

- Self-haul food waste to Salish Soils in Sechelt;
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Joel Payeur runs Pender Hill for 24 hours in community hall fundraiser

On May 3, at 10 a.m., self-proclaimed “new resident of Pender Harbour,” Joel Payeur started a non-stop, 24 hour run on the Pender Hill loop.

Payeur was raising money for the Pender Harbour Community Hall roof fundraiser and to push his limits as “a competitive endurance athlete.”

From Payeur’s Facebook page:

“Every year, I take on a personal challenge to raise funds for a cause, and this year, I want to give back to the community that has welcomed me so warmly.”

For 24 hours, Payeur followed a 2.7-kilometre counterclockwise loop that involved running along Lee Road from the Pender Hill trailhead, ascending the southeast side of Pender Hill and descending back down to the main trailhead.

At 10 a.m. on May 4, Payeur pressed “stop” on his GPS watch after logging some incredible numbers.

Payeur managed 31 loops equaling 84 kilometres, or the equivalent of two marathons.

For step counters, he notched 130,000 steps.

Including rests, he averaged 47 minutes per lap and burned well over 9,000 calories.

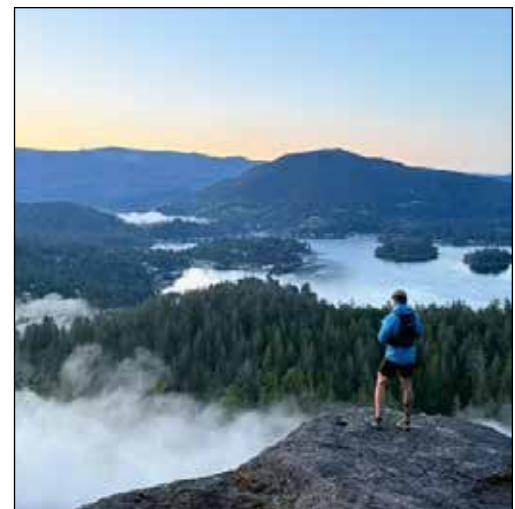
He climbed (and then descended) 6,131 metres (over 20,000 feet).

That is the altitude equivalent of climbing from Mt. Everest base camp to the peak and back.

Mount Waddington, the highest peak entirely within BC, is only 4,016 metres above sea level.

“In a small town like ours, a community hall is more than just a building — it’s a gathering place, a space that brings people together from all walks of life,” Payeur wrote.

“My goal isn’t just to raise funds but to create a sense of unity, to



Joel Payeur

On May 4, Joel Payeur completed a non-stop 24 hour run on a 2.7 kilometre loop that involved running up one side of Pender Hill and down the other to raise money for the Pender Harbour Community Hall roof fundraiser. Seen here, Payeur completes his feat with two shots overlooking Pender Harbour taken during feat.

turn strangers into neighbors, and to strengthen the bonds that make Pender Harbour special.”

So far, Payeur has raised over \$4,669 in donations.

To contribute to his efforts, e-

transfer phcommunityclub@gmail.com or mail a cheque to the Pender Harbour Community Club (Box 92, Madeira Park, BC, V0N 2H0).

Mark both with ‘Joel 24 Hour Challenge.’

Organics interruptus and wastewater plants



*Leonard Lee
Area A director, SCRD*

ORGANICS INTERRUPTUS

Residents and SCRD directors alike were surprised by the recent suspension of our food waste drop-off program at the Pender Harbour Transfer Station.

This pilot program, established in 2022 and funded by tipping fees and a provincial grant, ended with the grant's expiration, triggering a scramble to establish a new funding source, which we hope to have in place to resume the service by late June.

Organics tipping fees were set the same as other solid waste to avoid having to run through the scale twice when dropping off solid waste and

organics.

Because of the low volume of organics, we were effectively paying to haul air to Sechelt.

Solid waste, organics or not and regardless of volume, must be hauled regularly.

Taxation covers the cost of handling organics to protect our environment and avoid the cost of burying other items that can be recycled into usable products.

Examples of taxes used to accomplish these goals include metal, wood waste and green yard waste taken to our transfer station and recyclables — plastic, paper, cans, etc., taken to GRIPS.

Home composting remains the most economical way to deal with organics, but it's unfortunately not viable for everyone.

WASTEWATER PLANTS AND PLANS

Subdivision developers must include two sewage dispersal areas per lot while ensuring drinking water, public health and the environment is protected.

Alternately, they can include a wastewater plant, operated with the same protective measures by the developer, a community association or the SCRD.

Property owners pay an annual fee to cover operations and maintenance of their wastewater service, to ensure their system works properly throughout its lifespan.

Plant components have a limited lifespan, about 80 years for collection systems, 50 for treatment plants (less for filters etc.) and 40 for drain fields.

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Board and Committee Meetings

Committee of the Whole
June 12 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
June 12 at 1:00 p.m.

**Electoral Area Services
Committee**
June 19 at 9:30 a.m.

Agendas are available at www.scrd.ca/agendas.

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tasks include repairs, preventive maintenance, readings, effluent sampling, (treated) water testing, inspections, assessments, and record keeping of plant operations, laboratory test results and maintenance.

Asset management planning is a long-term undertaking funded by money collected to make sure that scheduled maintenance can be conducted and capital assets (pumps, motors, pipes, etc.) can be repaired, upgraded and replaced without resorting to fee increases, loans and rarely -available grants.

The SCRD maintains two main reserve-fund classes: operating reserves and capital reserves, with funds generally collected before they're needed to fund planned and unanticipated projects and to avoid sudden and large fee increases.

A good asset management plan typically begins with what seems like high user fees followed by modest increases that cover expenses and build capital reserves sufficient to prevent large fee increases to upgrade components.

In 10 years, user fees would seem affordable, and in another 10 years, they would seem reasonable.

A poor asset management plan, including insufficient user contributions, causes O and M task neglect and delays, which increase maintenance, often render the plant out of service, always shortens its life, harms the environment and necessitates large user-fee increases, loans and an often-futile search for government grants.

A TALE OF TWO PLANTS

Merrill Crescent and Lee Bay wastewater plants, both built in 1982, set up different management plans, with the Merrill developer choosing

low annual fees and the Lee Bay managers following a fully-funded model.

By 2018, Merrill Crescent was in physical and financial trouble while Lee Bay chugged along pretty much to plan.

In 2019, the SCRD changed user fees to ensure both plants would be compliant by 2023 and have predictable future rates, with adequate reserves and minimal year-over-year increases.

In 2019, Lee Bay user rates peaked at 19.7 per cent and in 2020, Merrill Crescent user rates topped out at 107.7 per cent.

From 2018 to 2023, users saw total rate increases of 197.9 per cent at Merrill Crescent and 73.0 per cent at Lee Bay, which translates to 15.3 per cent (Merrill) and 8.9 per cent (Lee Bay) per year.

Merrill required government grants for 23.7 per cent of its revenue while Lee Bay did not require any.

Today's rate increases compared to 2023 are 2.0 per cent at Merrill Crescent and 6.3 per cent at Lee Bay.

Both plants have been significantly upgraded, have acceptable lifespan projections, and have stable reserves to help fund future upgrades.

Merrill Crescent can expect a 10-year lifespan for its treatment system and 45 years for its collection system, and Lee Bay can expect 24 years for its treatment system to 65 years for its

collection system.

Lee Bay plant users seem satisfied with their service while Merrill Crescent users wonder what happened while they're saddled with high rates.

While both plants' futures look bright, Merrill Crescent property owners swallowed a tough pill, one that could have been avoided if good asset management principals had been applied when their plant was built.

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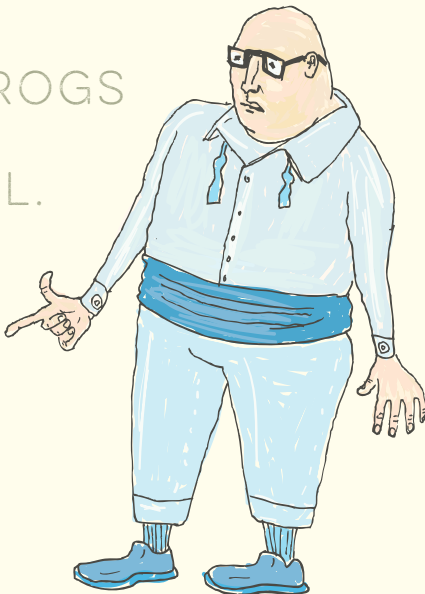
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- Extra batteries
- Small first-aid kit and personal medications.
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- Copy of your emergency plan.
- Copies of important documents, such as insurance papers and identification.
- Cash in small bills.
- Local map with your family meeting place identified.



- Seasonal clothing and an emergency blanket.
- Pen and notepad.
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Aline E. Ainslie

FEBRUARY 14, 1952 — MARCH 30, 2025



Aline E. Ainslie died on Sunday March 30 at the age of 73 surrounded by her close family and pets.

Ainslie was born in Gagnon, France on Feb. 14, 1952.

She is predeceased by her father Ted Staszko, sisters-in-law Elizabeth

Staszko and Judy Ainslie, survived by her husband Lee, mother Jeanette Staszko, her three sons Chris (Michelle), Jason (Jonny), Ryan (Ricci), brother Richard Staszko (and his son Jonathan), three grandchildren Harlin, Hazel, Vaughn plus all the animals — Kiley, Toba and Theo.

Ainslie moved from Toronto to Vancouver with Lee in 1972 leaving her job with Sony Canada.

She held various bookkeeping jobs then settled in West Vancouver to raise her boys.

She was an avid member of Hollyburn Country Club where she could be found in aerobics and yoga classes.

She worked a few days per week at Marilyn's Clothing Store in Caulfield until 2005 when she made the move to Pender Harbour.

Her family thank Dr. Christopher Honey, Dr. Oh, Dr. Chahal, Dr. Lemmo and Dr. Yu at Hummingbird clinic in Sechelt, Dr. Ben Bauer, Dr. Carmen Goojha, Dr. Kricken, caregiver Barb Ellison, Jen, Roslyn and the staff at the Pender Harbour Health Centre

Her wishes were to be cremated, with her ashes to be spread around her garden in Bargain Harbour, Hotham Sound and Zihuatanejo.

In lieu of a funeral, her wishes were for a big celebration with great food, drinking, music and dancing.

The party will be held at the Polygon Art Gallery in North Vancouver beside Lonsdale Quay on Friday June 20, from 6 p.m. onwards.

There will be another gathering on the Sunshine Coast this summer (details TBA).

OBITUARIES: The *Harbour Spiel* publishes obituaries without charge to recognize and record those who lived in Pender Harbour and Egmont. Submissions must be timely, include the date of birth and date of death and be submitted in a digital format. Submissions will be edited for length and to remove first-person and personal messages as required to maintain editorial consistency.

photojournal



Christine Alexander

On May 6, Bob Baker, president of the Royal Canadian Legion 112, welcomed residents to a meeting on emergency preparedness. John Lucas of the Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department spoke about the current fire situation in Pender Harbour. Diana Mumford of the Sechelt Residents Association brought extensive displays and offered insight into preparing an emergency kit to shelter in place and 'go bags' to use in an evacuation.

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Local health matters

Better at Home launches 'Conversations in the Woods'



Haida Bolton
Program Coordinator for
Better at Home

On May 5, a small group of seniors gathered at Tyner Park. The sun sparkled, the robins sang and the breeze rustled the leaves. We shared our stories of meaningful memories in nature which sparked excitement, joy and wonder. Afterwards, the experience received a 9/10 rating as a great event to attend. Consensus was reached that we should do it again and invite more people.

Are you over age 60? Do you enjoy sharing your stories of memories spent outdoors, whether it was climbing a tree, sowing a garden, sleeping under the stars, or sitting by a babbling brook in a forest? Maybe you used to explore underwater, climb mountains, or observe the birds and insects that frequented your yard.

I have a world full of memories outdoors exploring wild Africa, swimming with sharks in Australia, and singing with ravens in Pender Harbour. What are your stories?

Whatever your memories are, we want to hear them at our upcoming events called "Conversations in the Woods" held at Tyner Park on Fridays, June 13th, 20th and 27th from 1:30 to 3:30. Feel free to attend one, two or all sessions. There is no cost. Tea and biscuits are included.

"Conversations in the Woods" is a new program of Pender Harbour Better at Home that aims to increase social connections in a beautiful environment that simultaneously boosts our happiness and well-being.

Loneliness is a universal human experience that has considerable health impacts, particularly when left unaddressed. Research suggests that social disconnection is more harmful than obesity and sedentary living, and just as harmful as smoking 15 cigarettes per day. Overcoming loneliness can be challenging, but with support, it is possible to build a healthy social life.

Better at Home aims to facilitate valuable social connections to keep our older population healthy. "Conversations in the Woods" is a welcoming, safe place to create meaningful social connections.

To register for one or more "Conversations in the Woods" events, please phone the Better at Home office at 604-212-2232 or email Haida. bolton@penderharbourhealth.com.

Registration is required to ensure enough chairs and stools are present. This event is limited to 12 participants. Please note that the walk to the meadow is a short and easy walk with a few small stones to navigate.



'Conversations in the Woods' will meet at Tyner Park on Fridays, June 13, 20 and 27 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Reserve a stool by contacting the Better at Home office at 604-212-2232 or email Haida.bolton@penderharbourhealth.com.

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June 12 Pender Harbour Branch

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Lowther begs to differ on 'irresponsible idiots with dogs'

Editor,

A recent *Spiel* editorial stated that dogs have become a local hazard.

It indicated that the problem seems to lie with entitled "idiot" dog owners who don't know they're "idiots."

And it suggested that a bylaw regulating "idiots" might be called for, although the FIDO advocacy group screening exercise that was included only maintained one "might" be an "idiot" dog owner, which sounds like a bet being hedged.

As a dog owner, I took the screening exercise and found I had to answer "yes" twice, which means, congratulations, I might be an "idiot."

I beg to differ.

As a public service I offer the following screening exercise from the advocacy group Weaners Of Our

Fidos, or WOOF:

- Does your dog lack proper training possibly because there are few trainers on the Coast, the word is that they're all busy or full and the one you've contacted twice has yet to respond?

- Does it get less than 60 to 90 minutes of daily exercise because the weather is dreadful, or possibly that while you're a loving and caring owner, at your advancing age, you can't always muster the energy, or because the only fenced-in off-leash park is over half an hour away in Sechelt?

- Do you allow it to go unleashed in parks or public areas but have it on a harness at all times anyways, and can quickly re-leash it, and always have bags ready to clean up after it?

- Does it only feel like it weighs more than you do, possibly only when

you return home to get the kind of greeting that a loving dog gives better than any loving human?

- Have you ever said, "I'm sorry my dog nipped at you because he was frightened, unsure, or stressed, but please believe me I'm doing all I can to train and wean him into a wonderful pet despite the woeful lack of resources to render assistance?"

That there are "idiots" out there with dogs is undeniable.

There are also "idiots" with cars, shopping carts, unruly kids, fireworks, chain saws and myriad other things that sadly don't necessitate a bylaw.

Editorials that generalize don't help.

And I trust you got the pun with "weaners."

Mario Lowther
Madeira Park

seals



Note your Harbour 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 **12 wonderful and talented ladies** who helped to bake cookies, cakes and loafs for the P. H. Community Club plant and bake sale to raise approximately \$1,000 for one of the communities most used buildings.

A big thank you to everyone who bought our baked goods.

Patti Gaudet

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval, plus boatloads of splashy thank yous and soaking wet hugs, to **Jackie Ordronneau**, our very lucky community's truly invaluable organizer of the annual April Tools Wooden Boat Challenge since 2001.

Judy Renouf
P. H. Living Heritage Society

A huge flower pot full of Harbour Seals of Approval for **Lesley Durrant** for spearheading an awesome and successful Plant and Garden and Vintage Sale in April. All proceeds benefit our community hall.

Naomi Lazar

Harbour Seals of Approval to the **provincial government** for funding the FireSmart program work in Katherine Lake around the campground.

Seals also to **SCRD parks staff** for the work to keep the bridge access to the walking trail on the west side of the lake to Falconbridge Road.

The park has not looked this good in many years.

Grant McBain

Harbour Seal of Approval to **Darlene Fowlie** for organizing her annual MayDaze Golf tournament. We see all the work you put in!

Anne Pino and your friends



RECYCLING & BOTTLE DEPOT

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- Multi-material recycling
- Beverage container refund centre

Plus, recycling of:

- Small appliances and electronics
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Hwy. 101 & Menacher Rd.

OPEN: 8:30am to 3:30pm

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Celebrate for Seniors!

June 19



Aging vibrantly
by continuing to
exercise, eat healthy
and be social!

Seniors' activities for June!

HARBOURSIDE FRIENDSHIPS: Thursday drop-in, 10:30am – 1pm

In the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Lunch will be served at 12pm. Cost: \$10 pp.

June 5 – Haida Bolton to give update on the Better at Home Program

June 12 – Line Dancing

June 19 – Celebration for Seniors: Free Lunch for all who attend
and music with Skinny Jimmy.

June 26 – Rummoli Challenge

CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, June 4, 11, 18 & 25

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall, 1-3 pm. Cost \$3.

CHAIR YOGA: Mondays & Fridays, June 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 26 & 30

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall 11am – 12pm with Carole Logtenberg or Kristin Tracey. Improve your balance, strength & flexibility with gentle moves. Cost: \$3.

CHAIR YOGA: Wednesdays, June 4, 11, 18 & 25

At the Sarah Wray Hall from 11–12pm. Improve your balance, strength & flexibility with gentle moves with Carole Logtenberg or Kristin Tracey. Cost: \$3.

CONVERSATIONS IN THE WOODS: June 13, 20 & 27

Seniors sharing stories and tea social at Tyner Park from 1:30 - 3:30pm. Limited to 12 participants. RSVP Haida Bolton at 604-212-2232

Seniors
Helping
Seniors

PENDER HARBOUR SENIORS INITIATIVE

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(604) 883-9900**

CFSC
\$200.00

June 14th, Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00pm
&
June 28th, Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00pm

Two course offerings:

At the Pender Harbour Community School.
Space is limited. Please call for more information.

C.O.R.E.
\$250.00

June 20th, Friday 6:00pm - 9:00pm
June 21st, Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm
June 22nd, Sunday 9:00am - 3:00pm

At the Pender Harbour Community School.
You will receive a manual when you register.
Space is limited. Please call for more information.

Pickleball
@ PHSS Gym

Monday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Tuesday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Wednesday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Thursday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Last Day June 12th

Pender Harbour Community School will have reduced hours
during July and August.

Phone and email will be checked throughout the summer. Please
email or call with any questions during summer closure.



**PENDER HARBOUR
COMMUNITY
SCHOOL**

**HARBOUR LEARNING
CENTRE HOURS:**
Tuesday to Friday
9am to 3pm

5012 Gonzales Road
PO Box 232
Madeira Park VoN 2Ho

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phcs@dccnet.com

www.pendercommunity.ca



PENDER HARBOUR AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTRE

Come swim with us, join a fitness or aquatic fitness class or work out in the weight room!

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The facility will be closed on Tuesday, July 1 (Canada Day).

Get Ready for Summer Registration!

Registration for summer programs starts on June 4 at 7am.

~ Swim lessons, Exercise & Fitness programs and more! ~

TENTATIVE HOURS OF OPERATION (please check website before you go)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday & Sunday
7am to 1pm	June 3, 10 & 17:	June 4, 11 & 18:	June 5, 12 & 19:	7am to 1pm	CLOSED
June 23:	7 am – 1 pm	7 am – 1 pm	7 am – 1 pm	June 27:	
7 am – 1 pm (gym only)	3:30 pm – 8 pm	3:30 pm – 8 pm	3:30 pm – 8 pm	Gym: 7am – 1pm	
	June 24:	June 25:	June 26:	Pool: 7am – 9am	
	7 am – 1 pm	7 am – 1 pm (gym only)	Gym: 7am – 1pm		
			Pool: 7am – 9am		

Drop-in Fitness Classes

Admission with MYPASS or pay admission: \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors (60+)

Land Meets Water.....Tue & Thu.....10:30am (no class June 26)

Mix it Up.....Thursday.....9am (no class June 19)

Aquafit Class.....Monday/Wednesday/Friday.....9 am (no class June 18, 20 & 27)

20m, 4-lane pool
hot tub, sauna, gym &
weight room

On lower level of
P. H. Secondary School:

13639 S.C. Hwy.

604-885-6867

www.scrd.ca/recreation



Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department photo collection

Pender Harbour Fire Hall (pre-1973)

Prior to 1973, this familiar Madeira Park building was the fire hall for the Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department. Prior to that, it was the location of the Bank of Montreal which later moved into the building across the street (now Earthfair Bookstore).

After being vacated by the fire department in 1973, the location served as a drive-in restaurant selling burgers, fries and ice cream for a few years until the Pender Harbour & District Health Centre Auxiliary Society opened the Bargain Barn Thrift Store there in 1977.

The current Hall 1 (4990 Gonzales Road in Madeira Park) was a former gas station and purchased by the Pender Harbour Fire Protection District for use as a fire hall in 1973.

20TH PENDER HARBOUR BLUES FESTIVAL

This year marks two decades for the Pender Harbour Blues Festival, taking place June 6 to 8.

The festival is produced by the Pender Harbour Blues Society, a registered non-profit organization “that aims to preserve, nurture and promote BC’s blues in all its forms.”

This year’s schedule:

FRIDAY, JUNE 6:

- Brandon Isaak, 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (2 seatings)
 - Lagoon Restaurant at Painted Boat
- Joe Stanton with Gary Comeau, 5-8 p.m.
 - Backeddy Pub
- Brent Parkin w/ The Grand Koolios, 8-11:30 p.m.
 - Royal Canadian Legion No. 112, \$35

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

- Blues in the Park, 12-4 p.m.,
 - Pender Harbour Community Hall (by donation)
- Brandon Isaak, 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (2 seatings)
 - Lagoon Restaurant at Painted Boat
- Joe Stanton with Georgia Fats, 5-8 p.m.
 - Backeddy Pub
- Gary Comeau w/ The Grand Koolios, 8-11:30 p.m.
 - Royal Canadian Legion No. 112, \$35
- Brickhouse festival dance, 8-midnight (sold out)
 - Pender Harbour Community Hall

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

- Marcus Mosely gospel show, 12-1:15 p.m.
 - Pender Harbour School of Music, \$25
- Joyce’s All-Star Jam, 3-7 p.m. (sold out)
 - Royal Canadian Legion No. 112

For more information and tickets, visit www.pender-harbourbluesfestival.com.

P. H. MUSIC SOCIETY COFFEE HOUSE

The P. H. Music Society presents this month’s School of Music Coffee House on Friday, June 13. The musicians this month are The Locals (Robin Atchison and Nelson Giles) and Soleil Duo (Ken Johnson and Nancy Pincombe). Doors open at 7 p.m. and music starts at 7:30 p.m. There is a suggested \$10 donation for entry at the door.

PENDER HARBOUR WOMEN’S CONNECTION

The Women’s Connection season wind up is lunch on June 10 at TuBird Restaurant. Tickets must be bought in advance. The PHWC thanks all who participated in the past season’s events and enjoyed their diverse collection of speakers. The PHWC looks forward to seeing you in September for the start of the 2025/2026 season.

ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTORY

- Community Policing.....(604) 883-2026
- Egmont Community Club(604) 883-1379
- Egmont & District Volunteer Fire Department.....(604) 883-2555
- FLAIR Cancer Support Group.....(604) 883-0660
- FOKUS (10:30 a.m., Fridays @ PHHC).....(604) 740-1151
- GRIPS (Recycling Society)(604) 883-1165
- Garden Bay Sailing Club.....(604) 883-2689
- Girl Guides (Guides, Sparks and Embers).....(604) 883-2819
- Harbour Artists(604) 883-2807
- Harbourside Friendships (Thur. 10:30 -1 p.m.)(604) 883-9900
- Health Centre Society(604) 883-2764
- Health Centre Auxiliary.....(604) 741-2646
- InStitches (last Thursday of month, 10 a.m.).....(604) 740-1151
- Lions Club, Egmont.....(604) 883-9463
- Lions Club, Pender Harbour (1st & 3rd Tues.).....(604) 883-1361
- Men’s Cancer Support Group.....(604) 883-2393
- P. H. Aquatic Centre Society.....(604) 885-6867
- P. H. and Area Residents Association.....(604) 883-9205
- P. H. Blues Society.....(604) 741-1186
- P. H. Choir (7 p.m., Tuesday).....(778) 227-8430
- P. H. Community Club.....(604) 883-9900
- P. H. Community School Society(604) 883-2826
- P. H. Garden Club.....(604) 883-9798
- P. H. Golf Club(604) 883-9541
- P. H. Hiking Club (8:30 am, Mon. & Wed.).....(604) 883-2274
- P. H. Living Heritage Society.....(604) 883-0748
- P. H. Music Society (bookings)(604) 883-9749
- P. H. Paddling Society (dragon boating).....(604) 399-9596
- P. H. Piecemakers (quilters).....(604) 883-2573
- P. H. Pipe Band.....(604) 883-0053
- P. H. Power & Sail Squadron(604) 883-2086
- P. H. Ramblers (hikers, every Tues. a.m.).....(604) 883-1191
- P. H. Volunteer Fire Dept (Wed. evening).....(604) 883-9011
- P. H. Library(604) 883-2983
- Rotary Club (noon Fri. RC Legion No.112)(604) 883-2843
- Royal Canadian Legion No. 112(604) 883-2235
- RCM SAR Coast Guard Auxiliary, Unit 61(778) 240-3151
- Ruby Lake Lagoon Society(604) 883-9201
- Skookumchuck Heritage Society.....(604) 883-9994
- S. C. Health Care Auxiliary (2nd Wed., 1:30 p.m.).....(604) 741-8413
- Seniors’ Housing Society(604) 883-2819
- Serendipity Child Care Centre.....(604) 883-2316
- Sunshine Coast Better At Home.....(604) 989-6171
- Sunshine Coast Women’s Outreach Services(604) 741-5246
- Wildlife Society (3rd Tues. PHSS)(604) 883-9853
- Women’s Connection (2nd & 4th Tue.).....(604) 883-0444

pender harbour tides ~ june 2025

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.

Canoe Pass:



June	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM	Noon	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	12AM
Sun 01	15.2	14.2	12.9	11.8	11.2	11.2	11.5	11.9	12.1	11.8	10.9	9.4	7.7	6.0	4.7	4.1	4.2	5.2	6.9	9.2	11.5	13.6	15.1	15.7
Mon 02	15.5	14.8	13.6	12.3	11.2	10.4	10.3	10.5	10.9	11.2	11.2	10.7	9.6	8.3	7.0	6.0	5.6	5.8	6.8	8.4	10.4	12.4	14.1	15.2
Tue 03	15.5	15.1	14.1	12.8	11.4	10.2	9.4	9.2	9.5	10.0	10.6	10.8	10.7	10.1	9.2	8.2	7.4	7.1	7.4	8.3	9.8	11.5	13.2	14.4
Wed 04	15.1	15.1	14.4	13.1	11.6	10.1	8.8	8.1	8.0	8.4	9.2	10.1	10.7	11.0	10.8	10.2	9.5	8.9	8.6	8.8	9.7	10.9	12.4	13.7
Thu 05	14.6	14.9	14.5	13.4	11.9	10.1	8.5	7.3	6.8	6.9	7.6	8.7	9.9	10.9	11.6	11.7	11.4	10.8	10.2	9.9	10.1	10.8	11.8	13.0
Fri 06	13.9	14.5	14.4	13.5	12.1	10.3	8.4	6.8	5.8	5.6	6.1	7.1	8.6	10.1	11.5	12.4	12.7	12.5	11.9	11.3	10.9	11.0	11.6	12.4
Sat 07	13.3	14.0	14.2	13.6	12.4	10.6	8.5	6.7	5.3	4.6	4.7	5.6	7.1	8.9	10.7	12.3	13.4	13.7	13.4	12.7	12.0	11.6	11.6	12.1
Sun 08	12.8	13.5	13.8	13.7	12.6	11.0	8.9	6.8	5.1	3.9	3.6	4.2	5.5	7.4	9.6	11.6	13.3	14.2	14.4	13.9	13.2	12.4	12.0	12.0
Mon 09	12.4	13.0	13.5	13.6	12.9	11.5	9.5	7.3	5.3	3.8	3.0	3.1	4.1	5.9	8.1	10.5	12.6	14.2	14.9	14.8	14.1	13.3	12.5	12.1
Tue 10	12.2	12.6	13.1	13.4	13.1	12.0	10.2	8.1	5.9	4.0	2.8	2.4	3.0	4.5	6.6	9.1	11.5	13.6	14.9	15.2	14.9	14.1	13.1	12.4
Wed 11	12.1	12.2	12.7	13.1	13.2	12.5	11.1	9.1	6.9	4.8	3.1	2.2	2.2	3.2	5.1	7.5	10.2	12.6	14.4	15.3	15.3	14.7	13.8	12.8
Thu 12	12.1	12.0	12.3	12.7	13.0	12.8	11.8	10.1	8.0	5.8	3.9	2.5	2.0	2.4	3.8	6.0	8.6	11.3	13.5	15.0	15.6	15.3	14.5	13.4
Fri 13	12.5	11.9	11.9	12.2	12.7	12.8	12.4	11.1	9.3	7.1	5.0	3.3	2.3	2.1	2.9	4.6	7.0	9.7	12.3	14.3	15.5	15.6	15.1	14.1
Sat 14	13.0	12.1	11.7	11.8	12.2	12.5	12.6	11.9	10.5	8.6	6.5	4.6	3.1	2.4	2.5	3.6	5.7	8.2	10.9	13.3	15.0	15.8	15.6	14.8
Sun 15	13.7	12.5	11.6	11.3	11.5	11.9	12.3	12.2	11.5	10.1	8.2	6.2	4.5	3.3	2.8	3.3	4.7	6.9	9.5	12.1	14.2	15.5	15.9	15.4
Mon 16	14.4	13.1	11.9	11.0	10.8	11.0	11.4	11.8	11.8	11.1	9.8	8.1	6.4	4.9	4.0	3.8	4.5	6.1	8.4	10.9	13.2	14.9	15.8	15.8
Tue 17	15.0	13.8	12.3	11.0	10.1	9.9	10.2	10.7	11.2	11.3	10.9	9.9	8.5	7.0	5.8	5.1	5.1	6.0	7.7	9.9	12.2	14.2	15.5	15.9
Wed 18	15.5	14.3	12.8	11.1	9.7	8.8	8.7	9.0	9.8	10.5	11.0	11.0	10.4	9.3	8.1	7.2	6.6	6.8	7.8	9.4	11.4	13.3	14.9	15.7
Thu 19	15.7	14.8	13.3	11.4	9.6	8.0	7.2	7.2	7.7	8.7	9.9	10.8	11.2	11.0	10.4	9.6	8.8	8.4	8.5	9.5	10.9	12.6	14.2	15.3
Fri 20	15.7	15.3	13.9	12.0	9.8	7.7	6.2	5.4	5.5	6.4	7.7	9.3	10.7	11.7	12.0	11.7	11.1	10.5	10.1	10.2	10.9	12.1	13.6	14.8
Sat 21	15.5	15.5	14.6	12.8	10.5	8.0	5.8	4.3	3.7	4.0	5.1	6.9	8.9	10.8	12.3	13.1	13.1	12.6	12.0	11.5	11.4	12.0	13.0	14.1
Sun 22	15.1	15.5	15.1	13.7	11.5	8.9	6.2	4.0	2.6	2.2	2.8	4.3	6.4	8.9	11.3	13.1	14.2	14.3	13.9	13.1	12.5	12.3	12.7	13.5
Mon 23	14.4	15.1	15.3	14.6	12.8	10.3	7.4	4.7	2.5	1.3	1.1	2.0	3.9	6.5	9.3	11.9	14.0	15.1	15.2	14.7	13.8	13.0	12.7	12.9
Tue 24	13.6	14.5	15.0	15.0	13.9	11.9	9.1	6.2	3.5	1.5	0.4	0.5	1.8	4.1	6.9	10.0	12.8	14.8	15.8	15.8	15.1	14.1	13.1	12.7
Wed 25	12.9	13.6	14.3	14.8	14.6	13.3	11.0	8.3	5.3	2.8	1.0	0.2	0.6	2.1	4.7	7.7	10.9	13.6	15.5	16.2	15.9	15.1	13.9	12.9
Thu 26	12.5	12.7	13.3	14.0	14.4	14.1	12.7	10.4	7.7	4.9	2.5	0.9	0.4	1.1	2.9	5.6	8.8	11.8	14.4	15.9	16.3	15.8	14.8	13.5
Fri 27	12.5	12.1	12.3	12.9	13.6	13.9	13.5	12.1	9.8	7.2	4.7	2.5	1.3	1.1	2.0	4.1	6.9	9.9	12.8	15.0	16.2	16.2	15.5	14.2
Sat 28	12.9	11.9	11.5	11.7	12.4	13.0	13.3	12.8	11.5	9.4	7.0	4.8	3.0	2.1	2.2	3.4	5.6	8.3	11.2	13.8	15.5	16.2	15.9	14.9
Sun 29	13.6	12.2	11.2	10.9	11.1	11.7	12.3	12.6	12.2	11.0	9.2	7.1	5.2	3.9	3.3	3.7	5.1	7.3	9.9	12.4	14.5	15.8	16.0	15.4
Mon 30	14.2	12.8	11.4	10.4	10.1	10.4	10.9	11.6	11.9	11.6	10.7	9.2	7.5	6.1	5.1	4.8	5.4	6.9	9.0	11.3	13.5	15.0	15.7	15.5

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



Isabelle Fernandez



Lily Cowie



Isabelle Fernandez



Brian Lee photos

The Harbour Gallery hosted works from up and coming artists from Pender Harbour Secondary School during the April Tools Wooden Boat Building competition weekend. For three days, April 26 to 28, the Harbour Gallery artists graciously moved their art to the side to make room to showcase art teacher Laura Fitzpatrick's students' artwork. The Harbour Gallery also supports young artists by offering an annual \$1,000 bursary to a graduating student from PHSS carrying on in the fine arts.

SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

JUNE

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

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

1. 3:42 PM -L
2. 4:17 PM -L
3. 12:07 PM +S, 5:23 PM -M
4. 1:09 PM +S, 6:24 PM -S
5. 7:59 AM -L, 2:21 PM +M
6. 9:36 AM -L, 3:21 PM +L
7. 10:13 AM -L, 4:14 PM +L
8. 10:37 AM -L, 5:01 PM +XL
9. 9:39 AM -L, 5:45 PM +XL
10. 10:07 AM -XL, 6:26 PM +XL
11. 10:45 AM -XL, 7:05 PM +XL
12. 11:27 AM -XL, 7:43 PM +XL
13. 12:09 PM -XL, 8:19 PM +XL
14. 6:21 AM +M, 12:54 PM -XL
15. 7:09 AM +S, 1:40 PM -XL
16. 8:06 PM +S, 2:30 PM -XL
17. 9:23 AM +S, 3:24 PM -L
18. 11:02 AM +S, 4:23 PM -L
19. 12:18 PM +M, 5:32 AM -M
20. 1:31 PM +L, 6:59 PM -S
21. 2:42 PM +L, 8:31 PM -S
22. 7:44 AM -XL, 3:51 PM +XL
23. 8:55 AM -XL, 4:54 PM +XL
24. 10:22 AM -XL, 5:50 PM +XL
25. 11:27 AM -XL, 6:41 PM +XL
26. 12:27 PM -XL, 7:27 PM +XL
27. 1:27 PM -XL, 8:09 PM +XL
28. 2:04 PM -XL, 8:47 PM +XL
29. 7:23 AM +S, 2:38 PM -L
30. 8:37 PM +S, 3:00 PM -L

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ANTI-SOCIAL(ISM)

5.65 hours

The average daily mobile phone screen time by Canadians in 2023.

6.33 hours

The average daily screen time of American teenagers on weekends. (The figure falls to 4.5 hours on weekdays.)

76.6%

The increase in Canadian mobile phone usage since 2019.

99 minutes

The additional amount of time U.S. adults reported spending at home daily in 2022 compared to 2003.

~ Statistics Canada, Atlantic Magazine, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

33.5%

Canadians between 18 and 39 years old reported the highest levels of moderate- to severe anxiety of any age group.

1 in 10

Share of Canadians aged 15 and older who said that they always or often felt lonely when asked in the Canadian Social Survey (2021).

45.4%

Canadians with a smart phone who check it at least every 30 minutes.

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As of April 2022, half of Canadian children aged between seven and 11 years were reported to have a mobile device such as a smartphone.

-50%

The decline in the share of U.S. boys and girls who say they meet up with friends almost daily outside of school hours since the early 1990s.

JUNE WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high June temperature is 18.7 C and low is 12.4 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 15.6 C. The highest June temperature recorded is 29.9 C (June 1, 1978); the lowest is 5.6 C (June 1, 1966).

PRECIPITATION (MERRY ISLAND)

June averages 10 days with rainfall and a 46.9 mm total. June has an average of 230.1 hours of bright sunshine. The highest daily rainfall recorded in June is 41.9 mm (June 10, 1972).

JUNE ASTROLOGY



GEMINI: MAY 21 – JUNE 21

Geminis are butterflies by nature, flitting from one attraction to the next. They're easily bored but have lively, stimulating minds and can be witty and charming.

This month brings a new moon in your sign on June 6, suggesting a time for introspection. Coincidentally, Mercury moves into Gemini on June 3, amplifying your energy but also your tendencies towards alcoholic aggression. Curb your drinking and focus on positive aspects of your life which may be lacking. Like your children. They need you



CANCER: JUNE 21 – JULY 22

Those born under the sign of the crab value security and enjoy the safety and comfort of familiar surroundings and activities. This June presents a celestial

doldrum for growth thanks to Mars sullyng your seventh house. Once again, Mars will overstay its welcome through the early parts of the month. But despair not as Venus will bring erotic possibilities into your relationship(s) starting on June 29 when it enters your eleventh house. Make sure your eleventh house is clean and stocked with lube.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending May 10

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. The Cost of a Hostage: A Lane Winslow Mystery** by Iona Whishaw (TouchWood Editions)
- 2. Whitewater Cooks The Food We Love** by Shelley Adams, Conner Adams (Alicon Holdings)
- 3. Beneath Dark Waters** by Eve Lazarus (Arsenal Pulp Press)
- 4. I am Connected** by Kung Jaadee, illus. by Carla Joseph (Medicine Wheel Publishing)
- 5. Indigenous Rights in One Minute: What You Need to Know to Talk Reconciliation** by Bruce McIvor (Nightwood Editions)
- 6. The Teachings of Mutton: A Coast Salish Woolly Dog** by Liz Hammond-Kaarremaa with Coast Salish Contributors (Harbour Publishing)
- 7. The Curve of Time: New, Expanded Edition** by M. Wylie Blanchet (Harbour Publishing)
- 8. Best of BC Road Trips** by Sam Burkhart (OP Media Group)
- 9. The Animal People Choose a Leader** by Richard Wagamese, illus. by Bridget George (Douglas & McIntyre)
- 10. Pacific Palate** by Don Genova (TouchWood Editions)

~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- June 1 ~ Kathy Brown, June Percival and Uriah Mees.
- June 2 ~ Ivan Fisher.
- June 3 ~ Ron Fearn and Jordan Krause.
- June 4 ~ Lilah Donnahee and Dale Klassen.
- June 5 ~ Joel Field and Autumn LaFrance.
- June 6 ~ June Malaka.
- June 7 ~ Irene Pratchett, Russell Silvey, Ron Cymbalist, Marlene Cymbalist and Marie Hill.
- June 9 ~ Dennis Gaudet.
- June 10 ~ Darren Vickers, Rob Hoehn and Weylyn Silvey.
- June 11 ~ Kathy MacGreggor.
- June 12 ~ Ken Walters, Kim Cabral, John Griffith and Tai Logtenberg.
- June 13 ~ Brooklyn Krause, Doug Silvey, Pat McQueen and Amber McKeeman.
- June 14 ~ Rick Shymanski.
- June 15 ~ Marie Malcolm, Kay Robinson, Hannah Stewart and John Schroeder.
- June 16 ~ Sonny Reid, Rod Cummings, Paula Vickers, Britney Carswell and Derek Youngs.
- June 17 ~ Peggy Blumenthal and Harry Luck.
- June 19 ~ Darlene Yablonski, Luke Petraschuk and Leah Bernier.
- June 20 ~ Tamara Mackie.
- June 21 ~ Willa Schroeder and Terri Honeybourne.
- June 22 ~ Pat Walsh.
- June 23 ~ Dave McKeeman and Julia Massullo.
- June 24 ~ Alex Phillips and Mike Gaudet.
- June 25 ~ Aisha Chalk.
- June 26 ~ Gerry Krantz, Tammy Holt and Brieanne Gilkes.
- June 27 ~ Barrie Wilbee, Aleezah Charboneau, Kelsey Clay, Jack Donnahee and Neville Lincoln.
- June 29 ~ Lorna Edwardson, Ambrose Mees and Mark Mills.
- June 30 ~ Hanna Stoutenburg.

Correspondence education for dummies: Part 2

Susan Marlatt

*Continued from Harbour Spiel,
May 2025 issue.*

I found that keeping to a schedule was one of the most important strategies for success in teaching correspondence school.

I was informed by Frances Pickens that if you had four children and you kept to the September to June schedule, week by dreadful week, you would be paid as a teacher with a classroom as long as you had two years of university in any discipline.

Pickens, most amazingly, managed all 12 grades for all of her children while living in Blind Bay on Nelson Island.

I did keep to the schedule for the four years, but at one point the oldest Farrell child decided to stay with my friend, Anita, in False Bay on Lasqueti and attend the Lasqueti School.

That left me with only three.

So, I took on Dawn Hope as a student when her parents, June and Brad Hope, were still in Hidden Basin with their Tidal Rush fish farm.

I also attempted to teach Toby Angus, I think, in Jervis Inlet.

I remember nagging Toby by radiophone to do his science.

"Pender Harbour calling Nanaimo Chinook."

"Nanaimo Chinook answering, Pender Harbour."

Since all of the inlet denizens tuned in at 8 p.m. to listen to these phone calls, everyone knew when Toby hadn't completed his science and teased him about it the next day if they dropped by his family's oyster farm.

Most correspondence homes had blackboards on the walls for their kids and the lucky ones had real school



Susan Marlatt

David Farrell and Yolana Marlatt on a 'school day' field trip in the late 1970s on the west side of Texada Island near Sabine Channel. They are joined in this photo by Sabine the cat.

desks.

In the pictures included here of my boys I see it's been a while between haircuts.

I remember there being "code words" on the blackboards, right next to the school work.

Code words were important to use on the radiophone so the listeners wouldn't know what we were talking about.

I do recall that "ketchup" was code for whiskey.

As in, "We need a case of ketchup."

"Didn't we just get a case of ketchup?"

And so on, with the whole inlet listening.

Despite some of the troubles, correspondence schooling allowed the children so much time to play out-

doors and explore job opportunities as very young people since it really took no time at all to get through the work if you got the hang of it and applied yourself.

We would start by 9 a.m. and be done by 10:30 a.m.

Then, out to do more meaningful projects, like sailing Sportyaks with garbage bags for sails or bat cave exploration.

When the kids attended schools on Cortes Island or on the Sunshine Coast, they all commented on how long the school day was.

But, I have noticed that when it came time for my students' own kids to attend school, none chose to live somewhere remote where they would be forced to be a teacher/parent.

They learned very well.

BC's Correspondence School

Elementary school courses by correspondence were first offered by the BC's education department in 1919 when notes and textbooks were provided to 86 children living in isolated parts of the province. Thirteen of those children lived in lighthouses. After 1929, following an amendment of the Public School Act, correspondence schooling became a separate branch of the department and introduced high school correspondence courses. By that time, the Elementary Correspondence School branch was providing courses to over 600 pupils. British Columbia was the first province to provide such instruction.

The "correspondence school" model in use since 1919 was revamped between 1984 and 1990 when the Ministry of Education created the regional distance education schools. In the 1990s, the development and widespread use of the internet had a major influence on the provision of distance education. In 1995, the Ministry of Education established a new policy for distance education which saw the responsibility for overseeing students enrolled in distance education and "electronic education" courses transferred from the ministry in Victoria to the school districts where students resided.



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community calendar

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JUNE

Sun. June 1.....Live music with Magic Carpet Ride - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 2 p.m.
Mon. June 2.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
Wed. June 4.....Sunshine Coast Credit Union merger open house - P. H. Community Hall, 6 p.m.
Thu. June 5.....Harbourside Friendships drop-in (Better at Home) - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Fri. June 6.....20th annual Pender Harbour Blues Festival (3 days) - various locations
Fri. June 6.....Live Music with Eddy Edrik - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 6:30 p.m.
Sat. June 7.....Egmont Day - downtown Egmont, all day
Tue. June 10.....P. H. Women's Connection (Wind up lunch at TuBird) - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
Thu. June 12.....SCRD committee of the whole - SCRD boardroom, 9:30 a.m.
Thu. June 12.....S. C. Credit Union CEO Shelley McDade "coffee chat" - SCCU P. H. Branch, 10 a.m.
Thu. June 12.....Harbourside Friendships drop-in (line dancing) - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Thu. June 12.....SCRD regular board - SCRD boardroom, 1 p.m.
Fri. June 13.....Better at Home's "Conversations in the Woods" - Tyner Park, 1:30 p.m.
Fri. June 13.....Live Music with Eddy Edrik - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 6:30 p.m.
Fri. June 13.....School of Music Coffeehouse - P. H. School of Music, 7 p.m.
Sat. June 14.....P. H. Community School (CFSC) firearms safety course - PHCS, 9 a.m.
Sun. June 15.....Father's Day
Sun. June 15.....Live music with Matchbox Bluze - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 2 p.m.
Mon. June 16.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon
Thu. June 19.....SCRD electoral services committee - SCRD boardroom, 9:30 a.m.
Thu. June 19.....Harbourside Friendships (Celebration for Seniors) - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Fri. June 20.....Live Music with Eddy Edrik - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 6:30 p.m.
Fri. June 20.....P. H. Community School C.O.R.E. program starts (3 days) - PHCS, 6 p.m.
Fri. June 20.....Better at Home's "Conversations in the Woods" - Tyner Park, 1:30 p.m.
Sun. June 22.....Live music with Spindrift - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 2 p.m.
Wed. June 25.....PHSS graduation ceremony, PHSS, 1 p.m.
Thu. June 26.....SCRD committee of the whole - SCRD boardroom, 9:30 a.m.
Thu. June 26.....Harbourside Friendships drop-in (Rummoli) - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Thu. June 26.....SCRD regular board - SCRD boardroom, 1 p.m.
Thu. June 26.....Last day of school
Fri. June 27.....Better at Home's "Conversations in the Woods" - Tyner Park, 1:30 p.m.
Fri. June 27.....Live Music with Eddy Edrik - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 6:30 p.m.
Sat. June 28.....P. H. Community School (CFSC) firearms safety course - PHCS, 9 a.m.
Sun. June 29.....Live music with Raspberry Jam - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 2 p.m.
Mon. June 30.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon

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

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~ Mitch Hedberg



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