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One of this season's early fawns. (Bill Haskett photo)

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How to get along with locals



Brian Lee

Small communities like ours often observe informal rules that evolve over time to

become accepted behaviour.

Most are common sense, some aren't.

At one time, local fishing families offered a second-born child to the sea for safe passage (this practice was abolished in 2006).

These days, local codes are much less severe but still a valued framework for maintaining civility.

As we welcome more people to our community each summer, conflicts will inevitably occur.

So, consider this a friendly PSA to help visitors avoid a potentially embarrassing conflict with a fed-up local:

• First, and most importantly:

DO NOT risk the wrath of the Bargain Barn volunteers (see p. 29) by leaving "donations" after hours.

They're meaner than they look.

- Garbage admittedly, we suffer a shortage of waste bins but whether it's Waugh Lake or Irvines Landing pier, please take it with you.
- Similarily, if you're on a boat, don't pump your poo overboard.

Pender Harbour already suffers from unacceptable levels of fecal waste from aging septic systems and pollutive liveaboards.

• Watch your wake.

Officially, the speed limit within Pender Harbour (including Bargain Harbour) is seven knots.

Unofficially, even boats travelling below the speed limit while throwing a massive wake may be peppered with paint balls by dock owners.

• Slow down, but keep moving.

Local roads may seem empty but no matter how tempting that real estate sign or unexpected viewpoint might be, your curiosity does not justify parking in the middle of the road.

Or even pulling halfway off.

Be mindful that many here have kids, work and appointments, and don't accept the risk of a head-on collision to get by someone who just spotted an eagle.

- Poaching? Dumping illegally? Go ahead — locals and visitors are itching to dial #7277 to report you.
 - Garbage and wildlife.

Once a bear tastes your leftovers, it will equate humans with food — and will eventually be euthanized.

Fires

There is a total fire ban in place.

If you think it's OK to have a small fire so your kids can have the true camping experience, people will report you quicker than you can say, "The smores are ready."

If you see a wildfire, campfire, or any of the banned activities listed on page 6, dial *5555 on a cell or 1(800) 663-5555 toll-free.

• If you come across a secluded swimming spot and there's already someone there, move on.

There is one exception:

If your group arrives early at Garden Bay Lake and sets up camp on the T-dock, you are jerks.

Parents should encourage their kids to continue to use the dock for its intended purpose and soak your stuff because — lawn chairs on land, kids on T-dock.

• If you plan a day at Dan Bosch Park, leave your music in the car.

Aside from duelling stereos and drunken teens, DBP is one of the safest swimming spots around for children — so please be considerate.

• Tip service staff.

An extreme labour shortage means they are probably overworked.

• Finally, if you're fit and good looking, show it off.

PENDER HARBOUR DAYS: Friday, August 3 to 5

The annual Pender Harbour Days kick off this Friday and run through the weekend. On Friday, a boat parade around Pender Harbour with music provided by the Pender Harbour Pipe Band starts things off at 5:30 p.m. A special School of Music Coffee House starts at 7 p.m. at the P. H. School of Music featuring local musicians.

PENDER HARBOUR SHOW AND SHINE: Sunday, August 12, 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Pender Harbour Rotary Club presents their 15th annual "Show & Shine, Cars n' Cycles" at the Royal Canadian Legion hall in Madeira Park. Viewing is from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Vote for your favourite cars & cycles. Car registration is from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. \$25 includes a driver's lunch at the Legion. Open to all cars and motorcycles. There will be a rod run through Madeira Park starting at 10 a.m, from Highway 101 at the P. H. Health Centre, along Francis Peninsula Road to Lagoon Road, to the Madeira Park Elementary School, then on to the Legion.

PENDER HARBOUR CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL: Friday, August 17 to 19

The Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival returns Aug. 17-19 to bring a weekend of concerts to the School of Music in Madeira Park. Afternoon events begin at 1:30 p.m. and evening concerts at 7 p.m. Visit www.penderharbour-music.ca for program details and to buy tickets online. For more information or to purchase tickets by phone, call (604) 989-3995.





photojournal



Jinny Antilla

Local equestrian Jessa Girard (seen here with partner Airtime) was the only athlete to medal in all three 1.10-metre show-jumping events at the BC Summer Games in the Cowichan Valley July 20-22. Girard won individual gold, silver and bronze medals and anchored her team to help win a team bronze for Zone 5. The 17-year-old trains out of Churchill Bay Farm on Francis Peninsula where she is coached by Jinny Antilla of Trinity Equestrian.

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Seven people rescued from sinking fishing charter

A nearby boater who picked up a mayday call is credited for saving seven boaters after their boat took on water and eventually capsized off the mouth of Pender Harbour on July 20.

The *Reel Devil*, a 30-foot Bayliner fishing charter boat from Pender Harbour, was taking on water when its captain called in the mayday at 5:20 p.m.

David Lacey, station leader coxswain of RCM SAR Unit 61, told the *Harbour Spiel* that a pleasure boat, the *Prime Time*, rescued the seven people before the vessel capsized and before his crew arrived.

"We were on scene in 15 minutes," said Lacey.

"But they were already on their way back to Pender by the time we got there — the boat was overturned and everybody was gone."

Lacey said it serves as a good reminder for boaters to monitor VHF



Dave Lacey

The *Reel Devil*, a 30-foot charter boat from Pender Harbour, took on water and capsized near the Hodgson Islands on July 20. All seven people aboard were rescued by a nearby pleasure boat minutes before the vessel overturned. RCM SAR 61's David Lacey said he took this photo 15 minutes after the distress call was received.

channel 16.

"That vessel *Prime Time* made all the difference for those people.

"If they hadn't been monitoring 16 they might not have known," Lacey said.

"It can make all the difference because if we get there and we're plucking people out of the water the situation is a lot more dangerous."

The *Reel Devil* was later towed to Pender Harbour and refloated.

rcmp news

THEFT FROM VEHICLE

Between June 26 and 28, a suspect cut the lock on a box van parked in the 4300-block of Sea Otter Road, Irvines Landing, and stole a variety of power tools, including some Milwaukee brand, and a sewing machine.

MVA

On June 30, police attended a single vehicle incident in the 16000-block of Highway 101, Ruby Lake, after the lone driver lost control on a bend after reaching down for some food.

The vehicle drifted off the road and got caught up and slid into the ditch.

Fortunately, the driver was able to exit the vehicle on her own, but the vehicle had to be towed due to damage.

SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE AND BREAK AND ENTERS

On July 11, police received a report of a possible break and enter after three suspects were seen leaving a residence in the 5000-block of Panorama Drive, Garden Bay at approximately 5 p.m. on July 10.

The suspects, all described as Caucasians in their mid-20s, included a male about six feet tall with short brown hair, wearing flip flops and shorts, a female with long red hair in a denim skirt, and a female with short black hair wearing white-rimmed glasses and shorts.

They were seen exiting the residence through a door carrying a flashlight.

Anyone with any information

about this incident is asked to contact RCMP, reference file 18-4580.

IMPAIRED DRIVING

On July 20, police witnessed a northbound vehicle on Highway 101 near Brooks Road, Halfmoon Bay, that failed to navigate corners and crossed well over the solid double lines several times.

Police initiated a traffic stop and noted the driver showed signs of intoxication.

There was a nearly empty liquor bottle in the back seat.

The driver was given and failed a roadside alcohol screening test and was issued a 90-day roadside prohibition and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.





Mary Ball

A bobcat skips past the 19th hole at the Pender Harbour Golf Course June 27. Witnesses say it must have had a bad round because it threw its clubs in the car and took off without saying a word.

news

Coastal Fire Centre bans all open burning

Effective July 18, the Coastal District has banned all open burning, including campfires.

This ban also applies to tiki torches, fireworks, firecrackers, sky lanterns, chimineas, burning barrels or burning cages and binary exploding targets.

The prohibition does not apply to cooking stoves and portable campfires that are CSA- or ULC-rated that use gas, propane, briquettes, liquid or gaseous fuel.

The Coastal Fire Centre covers

an area west of the Coast Mountain Range from the U.S.-Canada border at Manning Park, including Tweedsmuir South Provincial Park in the north, the Sunshine Coast, the Lower Mainland, Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands and Haida Gwaii.

PHAC accepting nominations for Pender Harbour volunteer awards

The Pender Harbour Advisory Council is accepting nominations for the second annual Pender Harbour volunteer awards until Aug. 15.

Award categories include volunteer of the year, lifetime contribution and youth volunteer (aged 30 or un-

der).

Award judges will be looking for someone who:

- Exemplifies the spirit of community service
 - Is a leader and role model;
 - Breaks new ground;

- Supports and encourages the development of others;
- Shows vision, initiative and creativity;
 - Makes a difference, and
- Is respected for their contributions.

Application forms explaining the process can be found on PHAC's website at www.penderharbouradviso-rvcouncil.com.

An independent committee nominated by the PHAC and Rotary Club of Pender Harbour will review the nominees and select the award winners.

Winners will be announced at the PHAC town hall meeting on Oct. 7.

For more information contact Karen Dyck at (604) 883-9415.

In 2017, volunteer awards were presented to Doreen Lee, Barrie Wilbee and Bill Gilkes.



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29 register for 29th Malaspina Regatta

David Twentyman

It was 29 for the 29th as the Garden Bay Sailing Club hosted its 29th Malaspina Regatta on June 30.

Though forecasts on the night before indicated light winds, race day dawned grey with a light drizzle, and strong wind from the southeast.

At 11 a.m., only 25 boats arrived at the line — one had engine problems and was delayed, one thought the race was on Sunday and two opted out.

The race started from a line between Martin Island and Nares Rock (just outside the mouth of Pender Harbour) and the first leg took racers three nautical miles out to a mark at Hospital Reef.

By this time, the conditions were ideal with a 10- to 15-knot southeast-erly wind and a two-foot chop.

The first three boats to round the mark were the biggest, *Isabelle-Marie* (skippered by Rick Reynolds), followed by *Elua Makani* (Sean McAllister) and *Wings II* (Andy Paulus).

This mark required the boats to jibe and a couple of boats had some exciting moments as they were caught unprepared and rounded up.

The second three-mile leg travelled north up to Ackland Rock on Nelson Island.

As winds gusted to 17 knots, most of the skippers opted out of hoisting their spinnakers.

For others, the conditions were ideal and many of the boats found themselves reaching speeds of 10 knots, surfing waves as they ran before the wind.

The lead changed before the mark with *Raven Lunatic* (Brad Lowell) leading the field ahead of *Elua Makani* and *Isabelle-Marie*.

The final leg was the longest



Bill Haskett

Racers in the 29th annual Malaspina Regatta making their way to Daniel Point (foreground) on the final stretch to the finish line inside Pender Harbour.

at 4.5 miles and gave the boats the option of staying along the coast of Nelson Island or going out into the bigger breeze in the straits.

Everyone chose the more direct route to the finish that lay inside the mouth of Pender Harbour, at the western end of Skardon Islands.

It proved to be tricky as the southeast wind was sheltered by Beaver Island and many skippers had nervous moments at the end as boats from behind began to catch up and, in some cases, even pass those ahead.

In the evening, 140 crew, friends and family gathered at the Legion in

Madeira Park for a barbecue.

Trophies were awarded for both the GBSC race series and the Malaspina Regatta:

First across the line — *Isabelle-Marie* (Allyson Nelson).

First overall — *Yippee-kai-yae* (Diana Valiela).

Division AA — *Elua Makani* (Sean McAllister).

Division A — *Capella* (Bruce Morris).

Division B — *Frendy* (Charlie Park).

Division C — *Yippee-kai-yae* (Diana Valiela).



Pender Harbour Secondary School awards day

Pender Harbour Secondary School held its annual awards ceremony on June 22 to recognize outstanding achievements in academics, athletics and service.

TOP ATHLETE

- Bantam girls: Annie Vassev.
- Bantam boys: Kelton Nichols.
- Junior girls: Julia Massullo.
- Junior boys: Braydon Zayshley.
- Senior girls: Kim Fielding.
- Senior boys: Cole Charlton.

MOST SPORTSMANLIKE

- Bantam girls: Annie Vassev.
- Bantam boys: Holden Charlton.
- Junior girls: Amelia Gray.
- Junior boys: Derek Ewen, Nelson MacKenzie.
 - Senior girls: Kim Fielding.
 - Senior boys: Julian Chiasson.

SPECIAL AWARDS

- McQuitty award (top junior citizen): Mikayla Kozlof, Amelia Gray.
- Michael Phillips award (top senior citizen): Jordan Haines.
 - Science Fair (Gr. 7): Annie Vassev.
 - Science Fair (Gr. 8): Amelia Sieben.
 - Science Fair (Gr. 9): Jake Roberts.
 - Top senior science student:

Trinity Goodsell.

- Shop award (Gr. 7): Annie Vassev.
- Shop award (Gr. 8): Jayden

Simpson.



PHSS principal Chris Lekakis presents Lilah Soos-Donnahee and Julian Chiasson with the Merle Hately award for top graduating student overall. The award recognizes a combination of academic achievement, service and athletics.

- Shop award (Gr. 9): Jakob Thorton.
 - Shop award (Gr. 10): Amelia Gray.
- Shop award (Gr. 11): Matthew Phillips.
- Shop award (Gr. 12): Julian Chiasson.
- Technical shop award (girls): Ella Nya Goulette
- Technical shop award (boys): Raven Ramsey-Cadell.
- Language award (Gr. 7/8): Annie Vassev
 - Language award (Gr. 9): Sarah

Gooldrup.

- Language award (Gr. 10): Amelia Gray.
 - Writing excellence award
- (Gr. 7): Bennet Kozlof
 - Writing excellence award
- (Gr. 8): Frankie Johnson.
 - Writing excellence award (Gr.
- 9): Keanna McLeod, Teegan Koch.
 - Writing excellence award (Gr.
- 10): Amelia Gray, Hannah Kennedy.
 - Writing excellence award
- (Gr. 11): Johnathen Gooldrup.
 - · Writing excellence award
- (Gr. 12): Lilah Soos-Donnahee.

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PRESCESKY FINE ARTS AWARDS

- Bantam (visual arts): Amelia Sieben.
- Junior (visual arts): Teegan Koch, Amelia Gray.
- Senior (visual arts): Trinity Goodsell.
- Linda Curtiss citizenship award: Lauryn Young.





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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: Hanna Bolton, Marshall Curtiss, Stella Koch, Mia Mackenzie, Kailey Noel, Annie Vassev.
- Top academic: Marshall Curtiss, Mia Mackenzie, Kailey Noel.
- Top aggregate: Marshall Curtiss, Annie Vassev.

GRADE 8

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

GRADE 9

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

GRADE 10

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

GRADE 11

- All-year honour roll: Trinity Goodsell, Johnathen Gooldrup, Lauryn Young.
- Top academic: Trinity Goodsell, Johnathen Gooldrup.
- Top aggregate: Johnathen Gooldrup, Lauryn Young.

GRADE 12

• All-year honour roll: Cole Charlton, Julian Chiasson, Hannah Stewart.

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

• Hannah Stewart, Cole Charlton.

THOMPSON SPIRIT AWARD

• Julian Chiasson.

MERLE HATELY AWARD (TOP AGGREGATE GRADE 12)

• Lilah Soos-Donnahee, Julian Chiasson.



Brian Lee

This year's A. L. Thompson award for top academic grade 12 student was shared by Hannah Stewart and Cole Charlton.



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Illegal dumping and Area A OCP public hearing



Frank Mauro

With the SCRD Trash Bash scheduled in our area this year I was planning to write about illegal dumping. Fortunately for me,

the following article was published in the online SCRD Coast Current newsletter and I quote from it as I definitely could not have said it any better:

LAUNCH OF ILLEGAL DUMPING PREVENTION PROGRAM

This summer, the Sunshine Coast Regional District is launching a "keep our community clean" program aimed at preventing illegal dumping across the region.

As part of ongoing initiatives to stop illegal dumping in the region, the SCRD, in partnership with the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities, has developed a public educational video about this issue.

The video highlights the impact of illegal dumping and reminds residents how to report an illegal dump site.

Dumping waste such as garbage, hazardous waste and even green waste is illegal, with fines up to \$1 million or six months in jail.

Residents who witness illegal dumping or spot an illegal dump site in our region should document as much information about violators and their vehicles as possible and note the exact location.

This information should be reported to the Ministry of Environment's 24-hour hotline (RAPP line) at 1-877-952-7277 (#7277 from cell-

phones).

Ministry staff have the authority to issue fines.

The SCRD continues to work on a number of initiatives to address illegal dumping in our region such as collaboration with multiple on-coast government agencies on prevention and enforcement solutions.

The SCRD co-ordinates the Good Samaritan program, which funds tipping fees for community clean-ups of illegal dump sites.

The SCRD also hosts the annual Backroad Trash Bash event, which last year had 82 volunteers clean up 7.8 tonnes of material from forests and back roads in the West Howe Sound and Elphinstone areas.

This year's seventh annual Backroad Trash Bash is set to take place on Saturday, Sept. 15 at the Pender

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

The SCRD does not hold Board or Committee meetings in August. Please check back with us in September.

Watch for updates on the development of the new Egmont/Pender Harbour Official Community Plan, Bylaw 708, here: www.scrd.ca/egmont-penderharbour

STOP LANDFILL FIRES BEFORE THEY START

We need your help to prevent fires at the Pender Harbour Transfer Station throughout the dry, hot summer months. DO NOT put hot, flammable or explosive items in any garbage destined for the transfer station.

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www.scrd.ca 604-885-6800 info@scrd.ca Harbour Lions Park, focusing on the cleanup of dump sites in the Pender Harbour and Egmont areas.

Most commonly dumped materials can be properly disposed of for little to no cost, either at SCRD waste management facilities or through recycling depots.

For example, large appliances such as washers, dryers and stoves can be dropped off at the Sechelt Landfill and Pender Harbour Transfer Station for \$70 per tonne which is, on average, \$5 to \$6 for a stove and \$10 for a washer/dryer.

Small appliances and electronics can be dropped off at the Gibsons and GRIPS recycling depots for free.

To view the educational video and find out more information about the Good Samaritan program and this year's Backroad Trash Bash, visit: www.scrd.ca/illegaldumping and www.scrd.ca/trashbash.

OCP REVIEW PUBLIC HEARING

The Egmont/Pender Harbour official community plan (bylaw 708), received first reading on April 27, 2017.

After this, the OCP was referred to agencies such as several provincial ministries, Shíshálh Nation and the Egmont/Pender Harbour Advisory Planning Commission.

Many of the comments received have been incorporated, resulting in improvements to the OCP, which is intended to serve as a guiding policy document into the future.

The OCP version, with changes marked is available at www.scrd.ca/agendas-2018 by clicking on "planning and community development, July 12 part 1."

The planning and community development committee recommended second reading of the bylaw, which will set in motion the public hearing step for the OCP.

The public hearing is a formal process where comments can be made by the public and are recorded, documented and reported on.

The report is used to help directors consider whether further amendments need to be made before third reading.

The public hearing is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Sept. 5 at the P. H. Community Hall in Madeira Park.

CONTACT

For answers to your questions or concerns please contact me at 604 740-1451 or by email at *Frank.Mau-ro@scrd.ca*.



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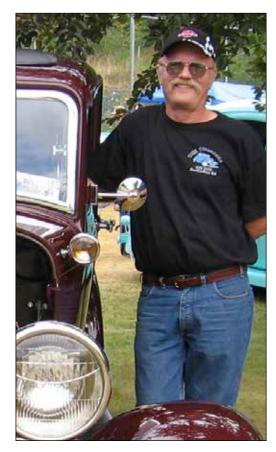
Nick Loenen

After a mishap in last year's Malaspina Regatta that left her demasted (left), Nick Loenen's *Lady Jayne* has once again been a frequent sight sailing around Pender Harbour. Owner/builder Loenen told the *Harbour Spiel* that she has missed all Saturday harbour races since the accident. Loenen built *Lady Jayne* at Lee Bay between 2000 and 2006. She is an old Scandinavian design and much admired for her bright woodwork. Loenen said that, during this past winter, the Sitka spruce mast was repaired with long,1:12 scarf joints. In spite of a diligent search by local boating enthusiasts, no Sitka spruce could be found on the Coast or in Vancouver. Finally, suitable wood was found in Sidney and she is once again a regular in the Garden Bay sailing club's Saturday races. The Garden Bay Sailing Club saw 16 boats take part in the race on July 7 when *Lady Jayne* was photographed along the north side of the Skardon Islands (right). She will be on display at the Madeira dock during Pender Harbour Days, Aug. 3 to 5.



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Bruce Peter Brown JANUARY 29, 1951 — APRIL 20, 2018



Bruce Brown had just finished restoring his sixth classic car — a 1966 Mercury Parklane — when he suddenly passed away from an abdominal aortic aneurysm at age of 67.

Bruce was born in Edmonton, to the late Mary and Dennis. He grew up in Vancouver and, in June 2000, he and his wife Donna purchased their home in Madeira Park. He was a heavy duty mechanic at Coast Mountain Bus for 30 years until retiring to Madeira Park in 2008.

He is survived by Donna, his wife of 44 years, sons Christopher and Jeffery; sisters Mavis and Brenda; granddaughter Annabelle; many friends and members of the Coasters Car Club.

He also leaves behind his dog Brie.

He loved restoring classic cars. If you couldn't find Bruce in the garage, he would be taking care of his extra property at the pond behind his garage.

He maintained it like a park for all to enjoy a stroll through the beauty of nature.

He also enjoyed summer vacations at Lowe's Resort in Madeira Park for over 30 years and winter vacations in Mexico.

Bruce will be dearly missed by his wife, family and friends.

Donations were received for the Coasters Car Club for the mechanics class at Pender Harbour Secondary School.

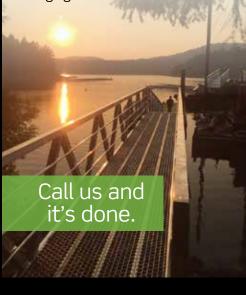
Thank you all for the donations. A celebration of life will be planned at a later date.

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.

CORRECTION: In last month's obituary for Bill Course, Rod and Win Course (Bill's parents) moved to Pender Harbour in 1955 and built the home in which Course later lived. After Bill retired he moved to Pender Harbour and was never married.

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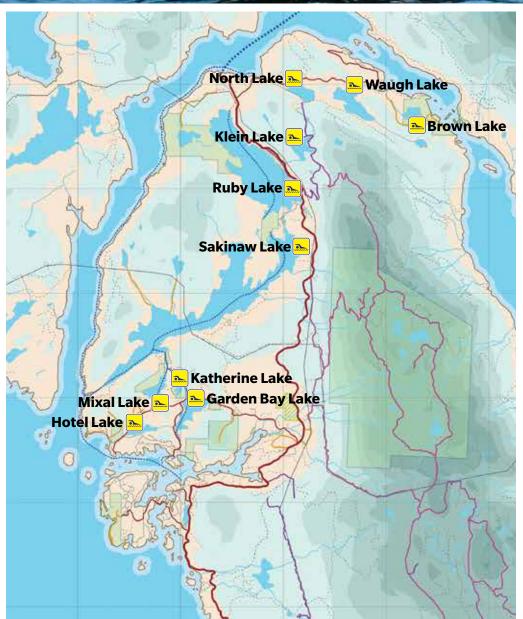
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Sunshine Coast writers' festival: There are still tix for four top picks

With files from Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts program

It's too late to get tickets for some of the talent appearing at the 36th running of the Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts.

But that's not a reason to despair because here are four shows that still have seats available and promise an entertaining appearance at Sechelt's Rockwood Centre.

But hurry, because they too will likely sell out before opening night on Aug. 16.



John MacLachlan Gray is likely



John MacLachlan Gray

best known for Billy Bishop Goes To War, a theatrical collaboration with Eric Peterson which won numerous awards, including the 1982 Governor General's award for drama.

In addition to being a celebrated playwright, Gray is a composer, pianist, actor, broadcaster and journalist, with stints as a columnist with both the Vancouver Sun and The Globe and Mail. He is also the author of two



works of nonfiction and six novels.

His most recent book, The White Angel, was inspired by the 1924 unsolved murder of Scottish nanny Janet Smith in wealthy Shaughnessy.

Called "one of the best books of the year" by *The Globe and Mail*, Gray vividly portrays a Vancouver few of us would know — a town on the edge of the Empire, moved by scandal, rife with racism, inept policing and secret societies.

FIRESTORM: **EDWARD STRUZIK AND AARON WILLIAMS**

(in conversation with Sean Eckford) Saturday, Aug. 18, 10:30 a.m.

The danger and anxiety that forest fires present hit very close to home in 2015 with the old mine site fire in

Sechelt: eerie smoke-filled days; the constant rattle of helicopters; the uncertainty of whether the intense flames could be contained as they claimed the life of Creeker John Phare and threatened to overtake us.

Around the world, communities are at risk from bigger and increasingly intense wildfires.



Edward Struzik

Edward Struzik's book, Firestorm: How Wildfire Will Shape Our Future, examines the role forest management policies, changes in climate, insects and economics have

played in creating unhealthy forests that put people and environments at risk.

Joining him is eight-year firefighter Aaron Williams.

His book, Chasing Smoke: A Wildfire Mem-



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A memoir that in parts reads like a thriller, Williams' story authentically captures life on the front line.

This event will be hosted and moderated by festival director and journalist Sean Eckford.

CHARLES DEMERS Sunday, Aug. 19, 4 p.m.

Charles Demers is one of those rare human beings born and raised in Vancouver.

Not only that, he is wickedly funny and seriously insightful at the same time.

In 2005 he was chosen as Vancouver's funniest new comic,



Charles Demers

and he's been on a roll ever since, being featured in magazines, at festivals, and on CBC's "The Debaters."

He's the author of Vancouver Special, nominated for the Hubert Evans Nonfiction Prize, The Horrors: An A to Z of Funny Thoughts on Awful Things, and The Dad Dialogues, cowritten with literary luminary George Bowering.

His first novel, The Prescription Errors, dealt with issues of mental illness and community identity, while his most recent, Property Values, addresses housing affordability.

With trademark humour, Demers delivers the story of Scott who, in order to buy out his father-in-law, stages a drive-by shooting to force down the asking price on his beloved home, only to succeed in drawing the attention of local gangsters.

TOM WILSON

(in conversation with Vicki Gabereau) Sunday, Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Is there anything Tom Wilson can't do?

Frontman for not one, not two, but four popular rock/folk bands? Check.

Design award-winning album covers?

Check

Be a success-

ful songwriter and painter? Triplecheck.

Tom Wilson

Rebuild a big block Chevy engine? No problem.

Write a poetic and haunting memoir? Absolutely.

Growing up in Hamilton, Wilson dreamed of becoming a rock star while at the same time wondering why his parents didn't have photos of him as a newborn.

Beautiful Scars tells the emotionally raw story of how he discovered, at 53 years of age, that he had been adopted and that his heritage was Mohawk.

With incredible honesty and sure pacing, Wilson peels back the layers of secrets about his true identity that were kept from him for his own "protection."

There's never been a sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll memoir quite like this one.

Sunshine Coast musicians Joe Stanton and Simon Paradis will open this event.

This event is hosted by former radio and television host Vicki Gabereau.

For more information, visit www. writersfestival.ca.



Chasing Smoke

Aaron Williams

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On the Line: A History of the British Columbia Labour Movement

by Rod Mickleburgh

Excerpted from

On the Line: A History of the BC Labour

Movement (Harbour Publishing)

The outbreak of the ghastly "war to end all wars" in 1914 had a profound impact on the BC labour movement, as it did on almost every aspect of provincial life.

Among the 55,000 British Columbians who went off to the butchery in Europe were many workers, motivated both by patriotism and a deep recession that made jobs hard to find.

The war and a slumping economy cut BC union membership in half, from 21,000 in 1913 to less than 11,000 in 1915.

The longer the war went on, however, the more matters began to change.

Labour shortages increased unions' bargaining power, while paycheques eroded by wartime inflation whetted an appetite for fighting back.

Workers not in the trenches flocked to join unions once again.

By 1917, BC union membership was back over 21,000, a trend that continued until 1919, when an impressive 40,000 workers, representing 20.8 per cent of the workforce, held union cards.

At the same time, the terrible death toll in a conflict that seemed to

have neither point nor end hardened class attitudes

What could be more unjust than an economic system allowing capitalists to profit from a war that was killing millions of workers?

Inspired by the 1917 Russian Revolution as well, many workers — particularly in the West — became increasingly militant and radical.

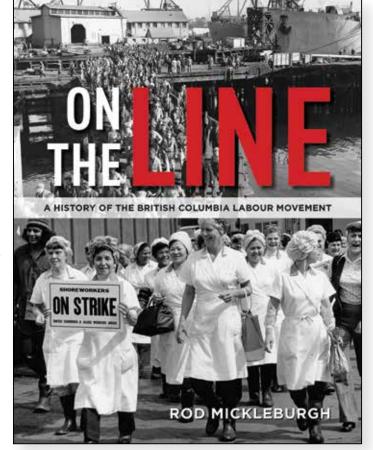
The federal government's promotion and eventual enactment of conscription was a tipping point.

At the 1917 convention of the BC Federation of Labour,

delegates elected a socialist slate bitterly opposed to conscription, a key rallying point in the growing class war.

They were further infuriated by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, powered by eastern-based craft unions, which had swung behind mandatory military registration.

"The labour movement of the east is reactionary and servile to the



core," stormed the BC Federationist.

A resolution to fight conscription with a general strike received over-whelming support from Vancouver trade unions.

Although the conscription strike didn't happen, workers were downing tools throughout BC, from the mines of the Crowsnest and Kootenays to the shipyards, laundries and shingle mills of Vancouver.

All told, upwards of 14,000 BC trade unionists hit the bricks in 1917, followed by more than 16,000 in 1918.

Such labour turmoil was unprecedented to that point in the province.

This simmering anti-capitalist anger erupted into out-and-out rage when charismatic union activist, socialist and organizer Albert "Ginger" Goodwin was fatally shot on July 27, 1918, by special constable Dan





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book excerpt

Campbell in the woods overlooking the working-class bastion of Cumberland.

Goodwin, a vice-president of the BC Federation of Labour, had been hiding out to avoid a politically suspicious order that he report for military duty.

The order, which followed his equally dubious reclassification from unfit to fit for service, took place during a strike he led for an eight-hour day by Trail smelter workers.

The Dominion Police had been tracking him for months.

Although the precise circumstances of Goodwin's killing remain inconclusive, there is no doubt he died a martyr to the cause of working-class struggle, pursued solely for his trade union leadership.



Cumberland Museum and Archives

Ginger Goodwin (1887–1918), labour martyr, seen here two years before his death. Location unknown.

On the Line: A History of the British Columbia Labour Movement

By Rod Mickleburgh
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8.5 x 11, 320 pages, \$44.95

Rod Mickleburgh is a former labour reporter for

the Vancouver Sun and Province and former senior writer for the Globe and Mail.
He is also the co-author, with Geoff Meggs, of The Art of the Impossible: Dave Barrett and the NDP in Power, 1972–1975 and, with Rudyard Griffiths, Rare Courage: Veterans of the Second World War Remember.



Lucie McNeill



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

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Pender Harbour Days makes splash August 3

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Pender Harbour Days launches Friday, Aug. 3.

The weekend kicks off with a boat parade around Pender Harbour with music provided by the Pender Harbour Pipe Band and a special School of Music Coffee House at 7 p.m. at the P. H. School of Music featuring local musicians.

Saturday morning will start at 8 a.m. with breakfast by the Lions Club at the Madeira Park wharf.

A flotilla of classic boats will be moored there and most will be open for public visits throughout Saturday and Sunday.

Free kids' events will run Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and include miniature boat-building, facepainting and a rock art table.

On land, there will be demonstrations by the fire department and the search and rescue teams, and First Nations stories and art work.

On the water, there will be sailing races and a lifesaving exercise conducted by RCM SAR.

Hard-hat divers will descend to the sea floor from the wharf and transmit video of the harbour underwater environment.

Saturday night will offer a choice of a dinner and dance at the Legion or a night of jazz at the School of Music with Nicki Webber's musicians.

After the Lions Club breakfast on Sunday morning, the Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society hosts a heritage talk at 10:30 a.m. at the P. H. School of Music together with displays about the Scandinavian families of the early Sunshine Coast.

On the water there will be boat races and a sail-past by the Allen Farrell heritage dory, *Buttercup*.



Brian Lee

Pender Harbour Days kicks off this weekend.

The moored classic boats will be open for viewing and Pender Harbour Living Heritage will offer free short trips in classic small vessels.

The festival will wrap up Sunday afternoon with draws for the 50/50 pot and the hand-built canoe produced by Rick Crook's boatbuilding class.

Co-chairs of Pender Harbour Days 2018 are Len Lee and Mike Price.

Information will be posted and updated as events are added to the Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society website at www.penderharbourheritage.ca.

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Valedictorians Hannah Stewart and Lilah Soos-Donnahee hold back the tears.



John Gooldrup and Trinity Goodsell accepted the 'Key of Knowledge' on behalf of the 2019 graduating class.



Brian Lee photos

Guest speaker, and former teacher, Jennifer MacInnes shares some wisdom to successfully navigate life ahead.



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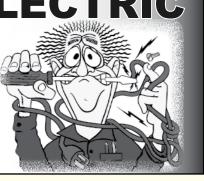
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For the latest information on our events, Sarah Wray Hall hours, hall rental, September art classes, and our online photos, visit penderharbourheritage.ca.

photojournal



Watch out kitty. BC's Conservation Officer Service is warning pet owners to be aware of a previously unknown species of predatory squirrel (Canis catmunchii). It is thought this carnivorous hybrid is the result of an increasing common phenomenon in which squirrels mate successfully with coyotes.





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submitted

The volunteers who run the Bargain Barn in Madeira Park celebrated another successful year raising money for the Pender Harbour Health Centre with a luncheon and party on July 15.

harbour seals



Note your seal of approval or disapproval.

Send to: editor@harbourspiel.com. Include full name and telephone number. (Editor will edit for length.)

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the **Coasters Car Club** for managing the memorial fund in memory of Bruce Brown. Funds were donated to the Pender Harbour Secondary School for the mechanics class.

Mike Shanks and Ken Begg

On behalf of ourselves and all who frequent or visit Hospital Bay government dock, a heartfelt Seal of Approval to **Brenda and Lou Drummond** for transforming the landscape into a vibrant garden.

Thank you.

Susan Ahby and John Mattison

Huge seals of gratitude to **Pat Anderson (Clean Sweep)** for his very generous recent cash donations to the Bargain Barn.

Karen Wells

Huge Seals of Approval and a hearty thank you to all the first responders who helped in our recent car accident. Your services are so appreciated in this community.

Special thanks to Chelsea Scoular and an unknown young man who kept mom comfortable until the paramedics could get to her.

Wendy Webb and Dolly Clayton

Huge Seals of approval to the **volunteers, sponsors and partici- pants** who made the Jan Watson memorial fundraiser a great success.

We would like to send out a special Seal to the IGA's Troy Callewaert for supplying treats, the Hot Diggity Dog boys Doug Rae and Clark Sayers, auctioneer Richard Massullo and scorer Merv Oleksyn.

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MODERN PARENTING

51.1%

Percentage of Canadian couples with at least one child.

34.7%

Percentage of Canadians between the ages of 20 and 34 who still live with their parents.

1/2

U.S. women of child-bearing years who do not have children.

40%

Percentage of U.S. women without children who say they are 'prioritizing their career.'

13.9%

Percentage of Canadian adults who live alone.

\$350 billion (U.S.)

The global market for kids' products (clothes, toys and food) in 2016

1/5

Proportion of Canadian children in single-parent households (four-fifths of those are with a single mother).

21.3%

Percentage of Canadian couples in 2016 who are common-law — a dramatic increase since 1981 when it was 6.3 per cent.

72,880

The 2016 census count for same-sex couples in Canada (0.9 per cent of all couples).

12%

Percentage of same-sex couples who live with children.

~ Statistics Canada, CBC.ca, Walrus Magazine

AUGUST WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (Merry Island)

Our average August daily high temperature is 21 C and our average daily low is 14.6 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 17.7 C. August averages 22 days with temperatures above 18 C, and the highest August temperature recorded is 32.2 C (Aug. 4, 1961); the lowest is 8.9 C (Aug. 18, 1973).

PRECIPITATION (Merry Island)

August averages seven days with rainfall and a total of 38.1 mm for the month (the lowest of the year). The highest daily rainfall recorded in August was 42.4 mm (Aug. 4, 1962). August averages 275.3 hours of sunshine.

AUGUST ASTROLOGY



LEO: JULY 23 - AUGUST 22

Lions are idealists and romantics, honourable and loyal. Always individualistic, they are usually stylish, charismatic and flam-

boyant. This summer, your personal magnetism has been at an all time high. These powers of charm will wane by Aug. 23 so make sure you get out and share them. Investment plans should be held off until September's new moon (Sept. 9). After that, red is the colour for all things investment-related. Something close to you dies.



VIRGO: AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 22

Virgos value knowledge highly and their methodical approach to life ensures that nothing is left to chance. Although you are often tender, your heart might be closed

to the outer world. Focus this month on boosting your sense of adventure. During the next few weeks, new experiences will bring rewards in many unexpected ways. If pursued, your new adventurous lifestyle may present an unexpected, but welcome, career opportunity on Aug. 17. It is especially likely if your birthday falls between Aug. 29 and Sept. 4.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending July 21

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. Whitewater Cooks: More Beautiful Food by Shelley Adams (Alicon Holdings Ltd)
- 2. **One Eagle Soaring** by Roy Henry Vickers & Robert Budd (Harbour Publishing)
- 3. **105 Hikes In and Around Southwestern BC** by Stephen Hui (Greystone Books)
- 4. 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act by Bob Joseph (Page Two Strategies)
- 5. **E.J. Hughes Paints Van- couver Island** by Robert Amos
 (TouchWood Editions)

- 6. **The Haunting of Vancouver Island** by Shanon Sinn
 (TouchWood Editions)
- 7. **West Coast ABCs** by Jocey Asnong (Rocky Mountain Books)
- 8. The Inner Life of Animals: Love, Grief, and Compassion by Peter Wohlleben (Greystone Books)
- 9. **Ghostly Campfire Stories of Western Canada** by Barbara
 Smith (Heritage House)
- 10. **Jonny Appleseed** by Joshua Whitehead (Arsenal Pulp Press)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Aug. 1: Linda Drought, Kelly Marko and Jen Hardwick.
- Aug. 2: Enya Delaney and Jessica "Lu-Lu" Kammerle.
- Aug. 4: Kathleen White, Daniel White, Carol Reid, Jessica Sutherland and Gloria Keene.
- Aug. 5: **Genevieve Patterson** and **Bill Purnell.**
- Aug. 9: Shirley Adams.
- Aug.10: Bryan Clerx and Norma Martin.
- Aug. 12: **Ileana McBain, Mary White** and **Helga Morin.**
- Aug. 13: Peter Kenny.
- Aug. 15: **Shane Hennan, George Huey** and **Daryl Percival.**
- Aug. 16: Sandy Hegyi, Paul McKimm,
 Anna-Maria Massullo and Justin
 Tiefenbach.
- Aug. 17: Bob Forsyth.
- Aug. 18: Charles Dougan.
- Aug. 20: **Jim Barnet, June Reeder, Glen Spencer, Helga Thiele** and **Rachel Wilson**.
- Aug 21: Kory Francis, Shelley Clay and Klisala Harrison.
- Aug. 22: Buzzard Edwardson.
- Aug. 23: Kelly Reid.
- Aug. 27: Warne Clay and Kailee Yablonski.
- Aug. 28: Wilma Thompson, Mike Ough and Brent Metcalfe.
- Aug. 29: Karen O'Leary.
- Aug. 30: Ruth King, Donna Hobson,
 Megan Watters and Barbara
 Loften.
- Aug. 31: Eric English, Bryce Higgins, Corinne Gamble and Lillea Hohn.

~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

Fireworks spark Pender Hill fire

Brian Lee photos: Brian Lee (unless credited otherwise)

Careless use of fireworks is being blamed for a wildfire that engulfed local landmark and favourite weekend hike, Pender Hill.

It took local volunteer fire crews, BC Forest Service crews and a plethora of helicopters and air tanker planes over two days to completely extin-

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Pender Hill fire consumes large portion of



Alan Stewart photo

guish the fire.

It's alleged four teenage boys camping with their families at nearby Lakeside Resort lit fireworks near the peak of Pender Hill on the morning of July 23.

One of the teens was treated for smoke inhalation on the scene after he tried to put the fire out.

Dry conditions allowed the fire to catch and spread rapidly.

Suppression was hindered by

20-25 km/h winds coming from the southeast which threatened to blow the fire deeper into denser forest on the north side of the mountain.

The terrain of Pender Hill is steep and rugged, accessible onlyby hiking trail or air.

BC Forestry's three-person initial attack crew was on the hill by 2 p.m.

Soon after, BC Forestry crews directed local volunteer fire crews on the hill to set up reservoirs and dig fire lines.

Meanwhile, BC Forest Service helicopters continuously doused hot spots with buckets of ocean water.

By 4 p.m. a fleet of airtankers had dumped fire retardant along the flanks to contain it so fire crews could move in.

The Conair airtankers are stationed in Abbotsford and each contains a single payload.

A spotter plane defines the route for each plane by flying the drop path first while blasting a siren warning ground crews as to the path of the next drop.

By late afternoon, the fire seemed better controlled.

Two helicopters continued watering hot spots into the evening.

Crews were forced to quit at dark leaving numerous spot fires still vis-



Crews stay out of the way as over a half dozen Conair airtankers drop fire retardent along the flanks of the fire before they move in to put out the hotspots.

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park in a battle that takes days to put out



At 1 p.m. the fire was compact but spreading quickly as seen from outside the Spiel office on Francis Peninsula.

ible from a distance through the night.

"By last night it was down to a big snag and a couple of spot fires." said Pender Harbour Fire Chief Don Murray.

Murray kept fire watch through the night checking every one to two hours and reporting to the Coastal Fire Centre in Parksville.

By morning the scarred face of Pender Hill still showed signs of smoke and by 8:30 a.m. crews were back on the hill.

Another crew from Pemberton arrived later in the morning.



By 2 p.m. the fire could be seen to be gaining in size and strength. Photo taken from Hotel Lake.

By Saturday, thermal scans showed two remaining hot spots which were extinguished by a small BC Forestry crew.

Murray says his crew would have been helpless to do much other than stand by if not for a donation received last year from Daniel Point developer Les Allen.

After last year's Daniel Point fire, Allen donated \$5,000 which allowed the PHVFD to purchase wild land fighting gear — regular turnout gear is too heavy and cumbersome for wilderness terrain.



BC Forestry Fire Protection Services Initial Attack crew leader Toni Large (middle), talking strategy with PHVFD members as they wait for the airtankers to finish. Large and her crew of two were first on the scene to prepare the ground assault.



Alan Stewart photo

By 3 p.m. the fire had doubled in size from two hours previous. Photo taken from Francis Peninsula.



A helicopter drops a bladder of sea water into the PHVFD's inflatable reservoir, erected on the very peak of Pender Hill, just uphill from the encroaching fire line.





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Paralytic shellfish poisoning

Alicia de Leo, RN

Summer has finally arrived and everyone seems to be getting out on the water and enjoying our beautiful coastline

For some, harvesting seafood is an important summer tradition, but it can come with risk.

Paralytic shellfish poisoning is an illness that occurs from ingesting shellfish contaminated with toxins from plankton.

PSP can cause life-threatening neurological symptoms.

Often associated with red tide, PSP contaminated shellfish can be found in even normal-looking coastal waters.

In Canada, commercially harvested seafood is inspected to prevent PSP in humans, but PSP can be found in self-harvested (non-commercial) shellfish.

PSP toxins produced by algae are taken up by shellfish such as clams, mussels, scallops, and oysters, as well as crab and snails.

You cannot tell the toxin is present in the fish — it smells and tastes normal, and the toxin is not killed by heating or cooling.

When you ingest the contaminated shellfish, you become ill.

The toxin blocks sodium channels in your nerve cells and quickly produces neurologic symptoms such as numbness, tingling, difficulty swallowing, weakness, and in severe cases paralysis.

PSP can cause paralysis of the respiratory muscles, leading to respiratory failure (you may be unable to breathe).

If you have consumed noncommercially harvested sea food and develop the symptoms listed above, it



is important to seek medical care immediately.

In hospital you can be supported while your symptoms resolve, which usually happens over a few days.

People generally recover well when they have been cared for in the hospital.

To prevent PSP, the key is making sure your shellfish are safe.

You cannot tell which areas are

safe to harvest by the colour of the water.

Harvest shellfish only from approved open areas.

You can check for shellfish closures at www.maps.bccdc.org/shell-fish/.

Alternatively, you can purchase shellfish from a reputable supplier.

Fish should have a federal inspection tag.

Pender Harbour Seniors Housing Society

Outreach Healthy Meal Program



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- Aug. 9: Scrapbooking save those memories and put them together in a scrapbook.
- Aug. 16: Photo adventure exploring local waters aboard the *Arlette* w/ Bob & Marlene Daniels.
- Aug. 23: Bus trip to Persephone Brewery and a visit at the Gibsons Public Market. Cost
- \$15 includes bus and tour. Bus departs 10:30am from Madeira Park. Returns @ 4-4:30pm.

Aug. 30 – Music with Joan & Ted.

PRINCESS LOUISA INLET BOAT TRIP: Monday, Aug. 20

Join us for a boat trip with Sunshine Coast Tours. Call Marlene to reserve your seat. We will car-pool as tour departs from Egmont at 10:30am and return @ 3:30pm. Cost is \$135pp.

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Fall program registration starting Aug. 13.

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| 2. Other than the Kleindale Petro-Canada station, where else can you fill your car with gas? a. Egmont b. Middlepoint c. Garden Bay d. Madeira Park | 5. What is the boating speed limit in Pender Harbour? a. 3 knots (5.5 km/h) b. 7 knots (13 km/h) c. 11 knots (20 km/h) d. 14 knots (26 km/h) | | | | | |
| 3. What is PHAC? □ a. Pender Harbour Aquatic Committee □ b. Pender Harbour Aggregate Corporation □ c. Pender Harbour Ambulance Centre □ d. Pender Harbour Advisory Council 6. Which lake sits the highest above sea level? □ a. Kokomo □ b. Klein □ c. Lyons □ d. Freil | | | | | | |
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Two-plus: **Newbie**

Moe's guide to summer drinking



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The author recommends day drinking because, 'If you start early enough, you get the party and the hangover done the same day.'



Moe Colton

Summer drinking. Summer toking. Nunner thinking, Aller joking.

Everywhere I go I see people radically switching up their booze habits when it gets hot out.

Some simply commit to consuming more while others give themselves licence to experiment.

Alcohol — in all its forms — has been an important hobby of mine since birth, so I enthusiastically endorse this curiosity.

But summer is short and there's so much colourful product at the liquor store this time of year — how do you choose?

I was recently informed by a friend's young daughter that it isn't cool to drink Palm Bays anymore.

That shocked me because I couldn't recall when they were cool.

Perhaps I'm out of touch but for what it's worth, here's what I do know about summer refreshment:

ROSÉ... ALL DAY?

First, summer should be free of pretence and that extends to your choice of beverage.

Never ask, "Red or white?"

After May long weekend, the answer is always, "Rosé."

Rosé wine is something everyone can agree on.

Pop an ice cube in it? Yes.

Mix it with soda water? Yes.

And it's cheap:

At the Mad Park liquor store, you can purchase a full litre of tasty Cono Sur Bicicletta Pinot Noir Rosé for \$11.99.

That won't even buy you a glass at most restaurants these days.

Rosé is like a good unisex summer shirt — it's comfortable, takes the anxiety out of choosing what to wear and doesn't stain.

Plus, rosé doesn't care if you swill it from

a wine glass, margarita glass, beer mug or mayonnaise jar.

Moe's Tip: If you experience judgment for having a glass of "morning rosé," add carbonated water and call it a spritzer.

Similarily, diluting coolers with soda water also works well to stave off hyperglycemia during an extended marathon of day drinking.

COOLERS AND SUCH

Because summer drinking is often undertaken outdoors, portability is key.

Tall cans of Georgian Bay Gin Smash make for an easy haul down the goat trail to the lake.

An added benefit is they won't smash and cut everybody's @#\$%^&* feet after your boozy sister biffs it on the rocks.

Whether on boat or beach, everyone thanks you for leaving your glass at home.

We tend to experiment with sweeter drinks in the summer — and

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Summer drinking (cont.)

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this is especially true for men.

Experimenting with unfamiliar alcohol can be a little like trying fentanyl for the first time — fun, but you wanna go easy.

A little experience with a product often makes the difference between being the "fun guy" at the party and the "loser who puked on my purse."

After their shirts come off, farmer-tanned tough guys who sip rye and water all winter can suddenly be found drinking Pineapple Mango Social Lites at Dan Bosch Park like 16-year-olds — often with similar results.

Awkwardness sets in when a full grown man gets "cooler drunk."

Anyone with experience knows it's a matter of time before he vomits. Or starts to cry.

THOSE NUMBERS DON'T APPLY TO SUMMER

If moderation was a colour, it would be beige.

Moderate drinkers are judgmental and always disappear when it's their turn to buy a round of shots.

If I attend a party and don't leave overserved, trust that I will not return.



Maggie Colton

'I think my kid drew this for me to apologize for making daddy drink.'

I blame do-gooders like the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health for these uppity attitudes.

It claims that, for men, "at risk" alcohol consumption is having more than three drinks on any single day (or 15 drinks per week).

For women it's two drinks on any single day (or 10 drinks per week).

Psshawww

Another study claims 40 per cent of Canadians consume above these limits.

Next they're going to start telling us that marijuana is no longer an effective treatment for morning sickness

WHEN I DRINK ALONE, I PREFER TO BE MYSELF

If you're like me, you do most of your drinking at home.

A recent survey found that 58 per cent of Canadians' drinking is done at home.

That means 42 per cent of the time we still need to haul our drunk asses home and, around here, that brings up the thorny question of who drives.

On recent evenings, I've followed a couple of people who were either having a stroke or had just knocked off a few six packs.

The authorities and people with children really frown on that type of behaviour, so cut it out.

COCKTAILS

Because of the effort, cocktails are a hosts' least favourite beverage to serve at barbecues. But they need to suck it up because everyone loves a cocktail and they're easy to make.

The low-fuss secret is a 60 ounce cocktail shaker. Mix up a big batch and if you don't empty it on the first round, put it in the freezer until the next one; your guests don't have to know

— all they will hear is the shaking.

Also, ignore recipes that require unusual ingredients like angostura bitters or aperol. Instead, mix your cocktails strong and use what you have in the fridge.

Tip: It will seem obvious after you do it once, but never add carbonated liquid to a cocktail shaker.



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My suggestion?

It's best not to go out at all.

Usually — 29 per cent of the time — Canadians drink with only their spouse anyways.

In my house, that makes it three times as expensive as drinking alone so I have found it's cheaper to cut the old lady out altogether.

And I'm not alone — studies show that 20 per cent of our alcohol is consumed alone.

And why not? Other people get stupid when they drink.

BOOZE THAT REMINDS YOU OF YOUR CHILDHOOD

So far this summer, I've invested a good portion of my liver researching products many would consider disgusting.

Most of the "summer drinks" I've come across do taste like the fluoride they make you swish with at the dental office.

But if you like root beer and want to disguise a drinking habit, those geniuses at Hires have produced a canned product that looks and tastes like root beer but thanks to my buddy vodka, carries a 5 per cent alcohol content.

It also comes in cream soda.

Note: Unless you enjoy cleaning puke from your PlayStation 3, keep this stuff hidden from the kids.

ALE DON'T MAKE A MAN MALE

Finally, beer.

Even people who don't know me can tell it's my favourite subject.

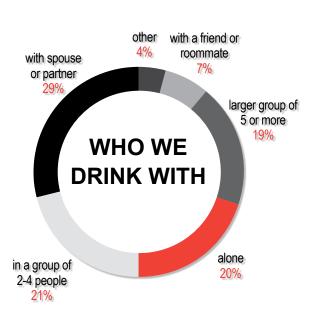
I've already written a column on beer (*Harbour Spiel*, January 2016), so I'll just add a reminder for the fellas:

It's OK to put down the beer bottle and try something new.

We men need to evolve and one way to help this along is by forcing us from our macho camouflage by placing a bubbly pink spritzer in our hand once in awhile.

Trust me, we like it.

Besides, like they say, "Everyone's a little bit gay."



Don't feel bad. You're not alone.



Just like the real thing. If only they had this when I was 11.

MOE'S SUMMER BOOZE BETS

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The third through fourth bottle, not so much, but perseverance is key because by the time you finish the whole sixpack, you'll wish you'd bought two.

Cost: \$11.99 for six (glass only).

One caveat:

This is an American product and everything that comes from that country tastes bad right now.

So, do the right thing and put off your purchase until 2020 when Oprah is president.

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ALL CHAMPAGNE IS SPARKLING WINE, BUT NOT ALL SPARKLING WINE IS CHAMPAGNE

Whatever you call it — champagne, Prosecco, sparkling wine — it's making a huge comeback.

Champagne comes from a specific region in France (Champagne).

It is generally more expensive than sparkling wine and Prosecco, its Italian counterpart.

It's hard not to feel fancy when drinking sparkling wine — especially from a champagne flute.

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Or save some money and dump a 26-er of vodka and a few squirts of lemon into a two-litre bottle of club soda.

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AUGUST

- Fri. Aug. 3......Pender Harbour Days (3 days) Madeira Park wharf and other locations
- Fri. Aug. 3......School of Music Coffeehouse P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
- Sat. Aug. 4.......Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 presents "Let's Dance" Pender Harbour Legion, 6 p.m.
- Mon. Aug. 6......Pender Harbour food bank pickup P. H. Community Church, noon
- Mon. Aug. 6...... P. H. Golf Club's Monday Night Scramble P. H. Golf, 4 p.m. (shotgun start)
- Sun. Aug. 12......Four Lakes 10K/3K run Katherine Lake Regional Park, 9 a.m.
- Sun. Aug. 12......Pender Harbour Show and Shine Royal Canadian Legion, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Mon. Aug. 13......P. H. Golf Club's Monday Night Scramble P. H. Golf, 4 p.m. (shotgun start)
- Wed. Aug. 15.....Deadline for nominations of PHAC Pender Harbour volunteer awards
- Thurs. Aug. 16....Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts (4 days) Rockwood Centre (Sechelt)
- Fri. Aug. 17......Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival (3 days) P. H. School of Music
- Sat. Aug. 18......Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 Golf Tournament P. H. Golf Course, 2 p.m.
- Mon. Aug. 20.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup P. H. Community Church, noon
- Mon. Aug. 20.....P. H. Golf Club's Monday Night Scramble P. H. Golf, 4 p.m. (shotgun start)
- Mon. Aug. 20......P. H. Seniors Initiative Princess Louisa Inlet boat trip departs Egmont at 10:30 a.m.
- Wed. Aug. 23......P. H. Seniors Initiative Persephone bus trip departs Madeira Park at 10:30 a.m.
- Fri. Aug. 24........P. H. Golf Club Friday Night Mixer P. H. Golf Course, 5 p.m.
- Mon. Aug. 27......P. H Golf Club's Monday Night Scramble P. H. Golf, 4 p.m. (shotgun start)

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



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Summer bachelors, like summer breezes, are never as cool as they pretend to be.

~ Nora Ephron

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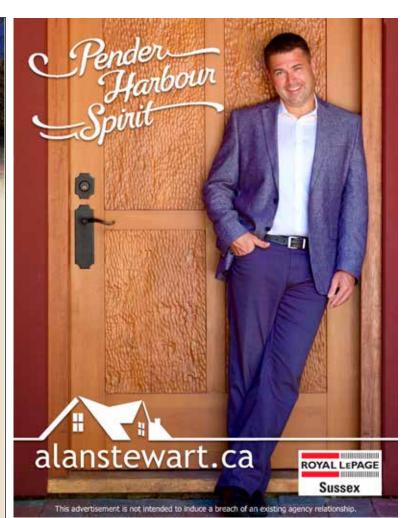
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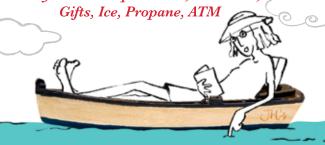




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