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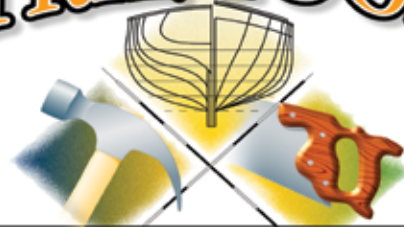
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The SCRD's great betrayal (2010)



Brian Lee

Last month the SCRD announced that the Coast's only landfill in Sechelt has a shorter life span than previously thought — less than 10 years.

CAO Janette Loveys' Feb. 22 report should serve as a starting point for her staff and the SCRD board to set out on a search for a solution.

That will include locating a site to build a new landfill — not an easy task.

It's ironic then, that in 2010, the SCRD board forced the closure of a perfectly good landfill in Kleindale, one their consultant's report predicted had at least 60 years of further viability.

Of the current SCRD board, only Area B's Garry Nohr and Area E's Lorne Lewis took part in the debate that makes their current Chapman Lake water scrap seem cordial.

In 2008, the SCRD was forced to deal with the end of its current phase of landfilling at the Pender Harbour site.

The resulting Sperling Hansen report provided options for the landfill's expansion of 16 and 29 years.

Naturally, the consultants also weighed options for closing the landfill and maintaining a transfer station (to truck our garbage 50 kilometres to Sechelt), resulting in an eight- to 13-per cent cost savings by doing so.

Despite an SCRD staff report estimate that the Sechelt landfill had only 20 years capacity left, from the first meeting I attended, it was clear the five directors from the south favoured snuffing our landfill.

At the time, Nohr and Lewis were joined on the board by Area A's Eric Graham, Sechelt Mayor Darren Inkster, Area F's Lee Turnbull, Gibsons' Mayor Barry Janyk and Roberts Creek's Donna Shugar.

Oh, the cost.

And what about the danger to the environment?

I wrote in an editorial that "leachate" had become the battle cry of the hysterical after opponents made false claims that the landfill could be "leaching into our watershed" of Garden Bay Lake.

That assertion was refuted by the presence of Mt. Daniel, a Nov. 2009 SCRD staff report and the 2008 Sperling Hansen report itself:

"Overall the system should be able to cope with the western expansion and continue treating leachate at the present standard."

And, by all accounts, the "present standard" was excellent.

But claims of environmental liability fit the narrative of the landfill's opponents and it was trotted out whenever convenient by the board.

But the central argument for closing the landfill and trucking our waste to Sechelt was the fact that the Pender dump was costing money.

Tipping fees at the larger Sechelt landfill created a surplus that offset the cost of maintaining our dump — similar to how Area A's waterfront property assessments ensure we often carry a disproportionate burden in shared functions at the SCRD (like solid waste).

Regardless of cost, I made the point in an editorial at the time that a licensed landfill is something that should be preserved as a long term resource.

Polling of Area A residents indicated we were even willing to pay it alone.

In reply, directors and staff insisted Sechelt needed Area A's garbage to qualify for a fancy methane gas recapture system that would turn it back into energy to be sold to the BC Hydro grid.

As if we yokels weren't already blinded by the sheer greenness of that idea, a late deal sweetener promised a resource recovery centre.

The regional district painted a happy picture of transfer station recycling elves separating our waste into reusable resources (for artists and the like), thereby eliminating garbage — and transport trucks — altogether.

Unfortunately, the gas recapture idea was investigated further after our dump was closed and a 2015 SCRD staff report concluded that the "landfill gas to electricity project scope is not found to be economically viable."

And we're still waiting for the resource recovery centre.

At the March 2010 SCRD board meeting, while considering whether to proceed with a referendum (to be paid for by Area A), Janyk suspiciously returned from a short recess and moved to convert the landfill to a transfer station.

I quoted Janyk at an earlier meeting (Nov. 5, 2009), explaining how he felt the board should ignore the wishes of Area A and vote to close the landfill:

"I would prefer the method of explaining to your child why he needs a flu shot."

Though this item wasn't even on the agenda, it quickly passed five to one, with Graham voting against it and Turnbull abstaining because she felt that, "we didn't complete the process on this."

The landfill was lost but as Howard White wrote in a letter to the *Harbour Spiel* (Nov. 2009), the issue had already shifted to something much more serious:

"Local autonomy has been abused over the years but never on an issue of such high profile as closing the landfill and never when local opinion had been stated so strongly."

Now, here we are — the addition of Area A's garbage has pushed us to less than 10 years to site, permit and open a new landfill large enough to accommodate the entire Sunshine Coast.

And thanks to some shamefully misguided politicking, we have no choice but to go along for the ride.



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LIVE MUSIC AT THE BACKEDDY: April 7, 14, 20, 28

Another sure sign of summer, the Backeddy Pub is hosting a stellar lineup of musicians throughout the season. Where else can you watch the tide rip by, be entertained and be completely free of cellphone interruptions?

MOUNTAIN GRIND: April 21, 7 a.m.

Over 358 participants took part in last year's Mountain Grind and more are expected this year at Pender Harbour Lions Park. The 10-plus kilometre course features an ever-changing variety of challenging obstacles and lots of Kleindale's rich mud. A map showing spectator viewing areas and course parking can be found at the event website, www.mountaingrind.ca.

APRIL TOOLS WOODEN BOAT CHALLENGE: Sat. April 28, 10 a.m.

The unofficial end to winter, competitors find out what design or material challenges will be thrown at them by 10 a.m. Boat building begins at 11 a.m. and stops abruptly at 2 p.m. Then the races begin. There will be wet people, food, things to do for the kids, heritage displays and everyone you know. A fun time not to be missed.

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Two students at Madeira Park Elementary School won first prize in the Coast-wide Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day poster contest held throughout the Sunshine Coast. Royal Canadian Legion command only recently announced the results and now the posters 'have since been sent up the chain for further judging as the winning posters from there will end up in Ottawa.' Seen here are the two students receiving framed certificates, cheques and pins. l-r: MPES principal Glen Smith, Lyn Charlton, Kat Dion (first prize for junior black and white), Cady Silvey (first prize winner in the junior colour poster contest) and Bill Charlton.

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MP Goldsmith-Jones delivers funding in person

Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, Member of Parliament for West Vancouver–Sunshine Coast–Sea to Sky Country, dropped by the Royal Canadian Legion in Madeira Park March 15 to announce two local recipients of recent funding awards.

The Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 received \$25,000 through the New Horizons for Seniors program.

That money will be used by the Legion to renovate the washrooms in order to make them more accessible.

Goldsmith-Jones told the 20-plus people in attendance that the RCL No. 112 received the maximum available under this program.

The MP's second announcement came as part of a \$1.3 million federal funding initiative — the Oceans Protection Plan Abandoned Boats Program — aimed at removing

abandoned and derelict vessels from coastal communities.

The Pender Harbour Advisory Council received \$10,000 for the “assessment” of two infamous sunken vessels in Gerrans Bay — the *Kwatna* and the *Lulu Island*.

Goldsmith-Jones acknowledged this funding is only sufficient to assess options for the boats' removal but she said she expects next year's budget will bring funding to complete the project.

Goldsmith-Jones also recognized the hard work of Penny Harrison and Eliza Kinley of the PHAC for submitting excellent applications.

Kinley said at the meeting that they are currently working on submitting funding applications to tackle issues with three other vessels in Gerrans Bay.



Brian Lee

MP Pamela Goldsmith-Jones speaking to approximately 20 people gathered at the Royal Canadian Legion in Madeira Park on March 15.

Egmonsters and Telus talk 'connectivity'

Six Telus representatives visited Egmont March 19 to discuss connectivity options for the community.

The meeting came after two previous meetings, scheduled in October and November to tackle issues surrounding Egmont's lack of cellular service and high-speed internet, were abruptly cancelled.

Ned Hodaly, Telus general manager for the Sunshine Coast, apologized to the dozen people gathered in the Egmont Community Hall before describing the connectivity issues facing the community.

“We’re spending about \$220,000 to upgrade [the telephone service] to fibre from Earls Cove to Egmont,” said Hodaly.

“It should improve the quality and the stability of the service for our landline customers in those areas.”

“On the wireless side, we’ve explored a multitude of options.

That includes considering building a cellular tower, he said but, “the cost of that was significant.”

According to Hodaly, the challenge of installing wireless service in the area has much to do with its topography.

“It’s not a flat region where we could put in one cell site and it could

cover most of Alberta.

“We could spend hundreds of thousands of dollars and only cover a small area.”

A common theme of discussions afterward was the prospect of pursuing federal funding to help solve what is seen as a serious safety issue, especially during the busy summer months.

Notably, not one cell phone went off during the meeting.

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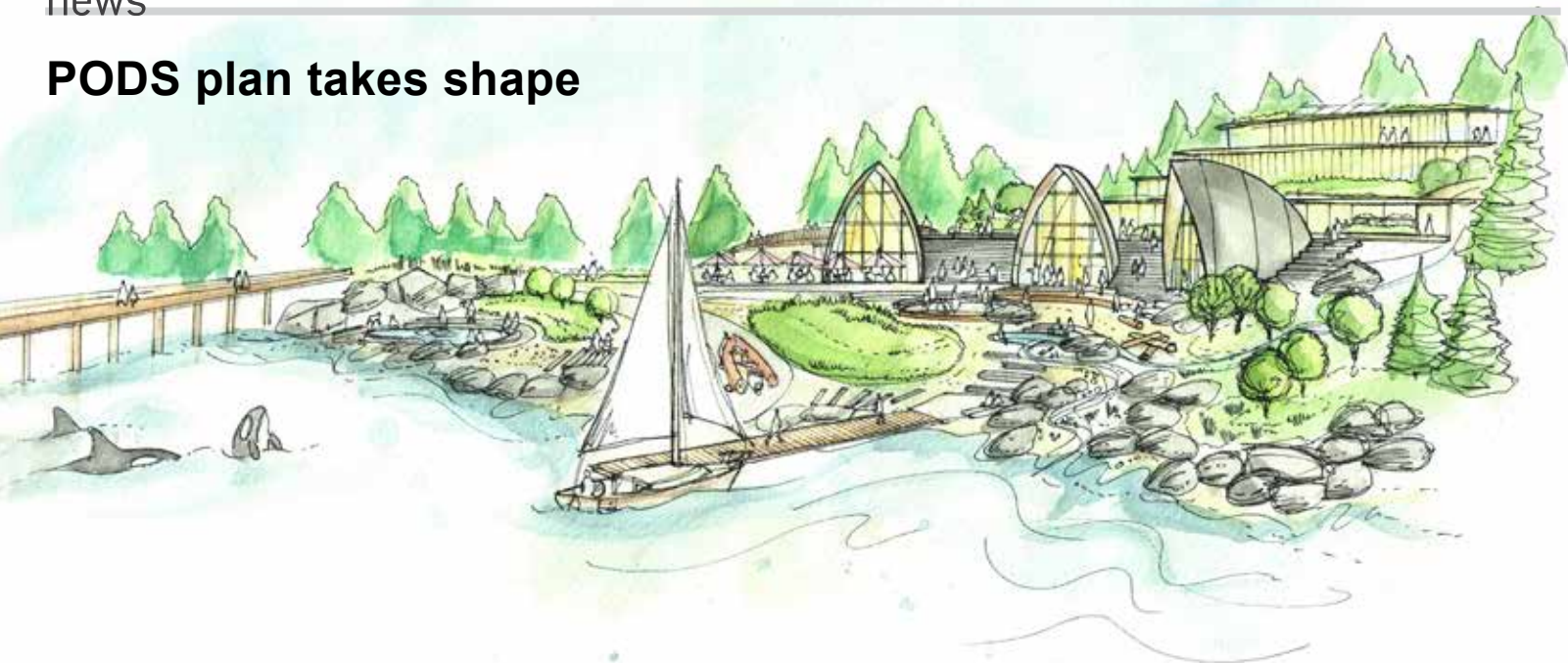
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PODS plan takes shape



Deutscher Architecture

Michael Jackson and the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society presented architect Jeremiah Deutscher's latest design for the proposed Pender Ocean Discovery Station on March 17 and 18 at the Pender Harbour School of Music.

New plans show the Pender Ocean Discovery Station in Irvines Landing will contain much more than the iconic pod buildings that front its exterior.

On March 17, the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society hosted a "St. Paddy's PODS presentation" at the Pender Harbour School of Music.

Michael Jackson, RLLS executive director, ran through the latest submissions from a team lead by architect Jeremiah Deutscher.

Jackson still aims to open the facility in 2020 and said these latest

plans will be close to the final design.

"This is the third round of design changes and there will probably be just one more now before we have to start setting things in stone because if we don't, we're going to get way behind schedule."

A four-level main building will sit behind the iconic pod-like buildings on the foreshore of Joe Bay.

Contained within will be a caretaker's residence, greenrooms and dressing rooms, a staff kitchen area and a large lobby that will serve as an exhibition space.

Occupying much of the top levels will be a 200-seat auditorium with retractable seating to allow it to be used for a variety of events.

"This is the major source of revenue for the whole PODS, said Jackson.

"And the other thing is that it is mainly going to be used for conferences in the winter, not the summer.

"Conferences tend not to happen in the summer."

The auditorium building will also house a two-level parking garage that will accommodate 50 cars.

Jackson said the two parking levels are extremely expensive — costing about \$1.5 million each.

"So we are looking at acquiring another piece of land somewhere else for parking."

With expectations of large crowds in the summer, the PODS plan will see the delivery of most summer visitors by boat from Madeira Park rather than road.

Jackson said this meshes perfectly with their operational plan in

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which the public will visit PODS via scheduled tours leaving Madeira Park rather than random drop-in visits.

Below the auditorium building will be the “gallery experience.”

Besides housing a dive school, classrooms, mechanical systems and research labs, the gallery will provide high-tech interactive educational experience that follows a series of live tanks tracing the water cycle through habitats ranging from the top of Mt. Caren to the depths of the ocean.

“Each one will be a representative habitat to show how valuable each is in terms of what it provides in ecosystem services,” said Jackson.

Three exterior pod-like buildings will each house separate attractions.

The “learning pod” will contain a mini aquarium and interactive displays, the “memory pod” aims to provide visitors with a historical multimedia introduction to the area.

The “gastro pod” will house a two-tier restaurant.

“In one corner of the Gastro pod, we’re hoping to have a little micro-

brewery,” said Jackson.

Outside will be “a beautiful place to sit,” incorporating Nelson Island granite into steps with “some kind of water feature that comes down through it.”

Artwork will be displayed throughout the site and Jackson said that is a key focus of PODS — to merge science with art.

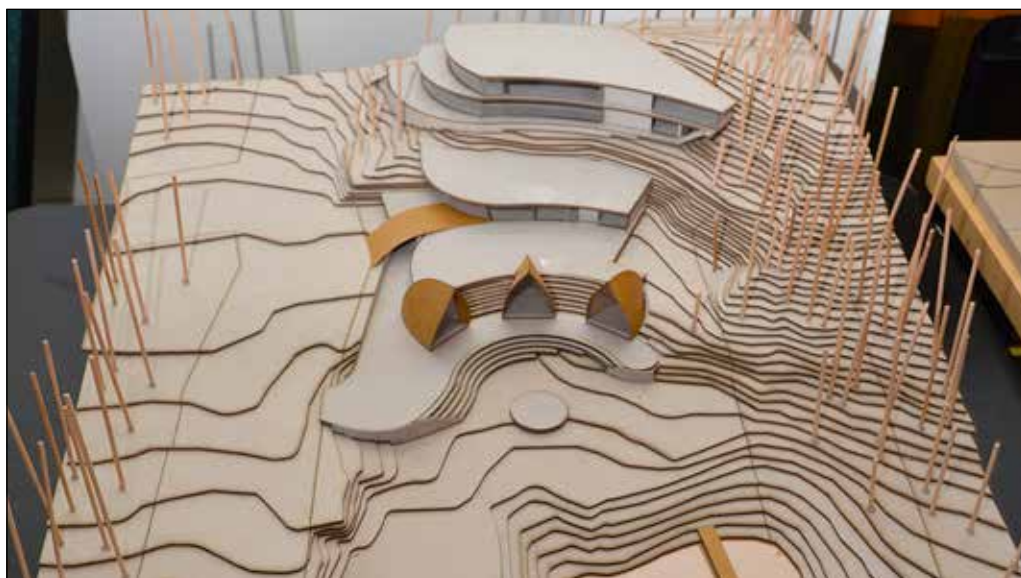
“Scientists are absolutely useless at putting messages across,” he said.

“You need artists to convey messages that resonate in a pictorial or performance form.”

The cutting-edge interactive and multimedia technology planned for this most recent design isn’t cheap and Jackson admitted that he expects it to push PODS’ cost higher than the original estimate of \$10 million.

That doesn’t seem to faze PODS’ leader.

“Our experience with talking to potential funding partners is that they don’t want to see another research station — they want to see something really different.”



Brian Lee

A 3D model of PODS displayed at the P. H. School of Music over the St. Patrick’s Day weekend as part of the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society’s ‘St. Patrick’s PODS Update.’ It can be viewed at the PODS showroom in Madeira Park (beside the Earthfair Store).

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Rotary Club of Pender Harbour members (l-r) Len Lee, Bill Charlton and Stuart Harrison volunteered to replace the sign on Madeira Park's Bargain Barn with this new one on March 5.

news

Fixed-link advocates still pushing for 'third crossing'

The dream of a fixed link from the Arbutus Coast isn't dead yet.

The *Powell River Peak* reported last month that the Powell River-based Third Crossing Society is pushing for a new route that would connect Powell River to Squamish.

The plan for the proposed "Ashlu River route" includes connecting to a

deepwater port at St. Vincent's Bay in Hotham Sound.

The highway would carry on up Jervis Inlet and cross it at its narrowest point at Prince of Wales Reach.

A 1.5-kilometre suspension bridge would connect the road to the opposite side where it would follow the Vancouver River up to a

1,311-metre summit.

The route would then follow forestry roads along the Ashlu River into Brackendale.

A previous route from Powell River was investigated by consultants R. F. Binnie and Associates in a report commissioned by the Christy Clark government and completed in 2017.

It estimated a route that travelled overland behind Powell River, skirting Jervis Inlet altogether, would cost between \$4- and \$4.4 billion.

The report also investigated the less expensive land-based route along Howe Sound and a bridge option across Howe Sound.

Though the report concluded both routes were "technically feasible," high construction and operating costs "made their overall feasibility less clear."



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Konzuk and Euspiria Cafe awarded for business excellence

Two local business owners returned from the annual Sunshine Coast Business Excellence Awards gala dinner on March 2 with some happy hardware.

Originally slated for Feb. 23, the gala was postponed one week due to a rare Sunshine Coast snowstorm.

When the snow finally cleared, Karen Konzuk, owner of Garden Bay-based jewelry design business Konzuk, beat out a strong field to win female entrepreneur of the year.

Brittany Sheppard, owner of the Euspiria Cafe in Madeira Park, picked up the award for “community impact,” beating out 19 other nominees in the process.

According to the SCBEA website, this award “recognizes a Sunshine Coast individual or business who has demonstrated exemplary dedication to the people of the Sunshine Coast and who inspires others through volunteering or sponsorship of events or causes in the community.”

Eleven businesses from the upper Sunshine Coast were nominated for the awards, which are organized by the three chambers of commerce on the Sunshine Coast.

Over 100 businesses were nominated across 10 categories with winners chosen by a panel of judges.

Other winners picking up awards at the Roberts Creek gala:



Karen Konzuk



Rick Harmer

Business Excellence Award winners Karen Konzuk (l) and a very pregnant Brittany Sheppard (with partner Brandon Fawkes) at the BEA gala on March 2. Sheppard gave birth to the couple's first child three days after the event.

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Images released of suspects' vehicle in Rona theft

If you know someone with a white sedan who recently came into some new tools, you are urged to contact Sunshine Coast RCMP.

As reported last month, on Feb. 7 at approximately 10 p.m., a break and enter occurred at the Rona store in Madeira Park.

The theft resulted in several thousand dollars worth of tools being stolen, including brand names like Milwaukee, Dewalt and Makita.

Sunshine Coast RCMP said the suspects were captured on security cameras but were well disguised.

Both suspects are believed to be male.

One has a medium build approximately five foot ten to five foot 11 and



Sunshine Coast RCMP

Sunshine Coast RCMP has released these two images taken by a security camera of a car that may have been involved in a theft at the Madeira Park Rona store Feb. 7.

the second, five foot seven to five foot nine.

The suspect vehicle is described as a white or light-coloured sedan and appears to be a late-90s model Toyota (possible Tercel or Corolla).

It is a four-door, with a distinct

light-coloured "B" pillar between the driver's window and the rear passenger window.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to call the RCMP at (604) 885-2266 or Crimestoppers 1 (800) 222-8477 (file SC 2018-837).

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IMPAIRED DRIVER

On March 5, police witnessed a southbound vehicle on Highway 101 near Secret Cove cross over the double solid yellow centre lines, at times by almost half a car, or crossing over to the wrong lane completely.

Police attempted to stop the vehicle which then accelerated, passed another vehicle, and continued in an erratic manner until police stopped it in West Sechelt.

The driver, who was determined not to be impaired by alcohol, was found to be impaired by prescription

medications and other medical issues.

The driver was taken to hospital for assessment and issued violation tickets for failure stop for police and crossing a double solid line.

Police have also requested a driver's medical fitness review.

MVA

On March 8, police attended a single vehicle incident in the 11600 block of Highway 101, Madeira Park, after emergency health services reported a vehicle in the ditch.

The lone driver and occupant of

the northbound vehicle exited on his own and did not suffer injury.

The driver, who was not impaired, advised police that the vehicle started to spin after he braked hard on the corner and when he over-corrected, he ended up in the ditch.

The vehicle was towed from the scene and the matter has been referred to ICBC.

ASSAULT

On March 16 at approximately 8 p.m., a male suspect allegedly took a baseball bat, smashed a driver's side window on a vehicle parked in the 12800 block of Madeira Park Road.

He struck the driver seated inside multiple times, causing significant but non-life-threatening injuries.

The male suspect, who was known to the victim, fled but was later located and arrested by police.

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Once again, the Sunshine Coast literati are well represented at BC's annual book awards.

The shortlists for the 2018 BC Book Prizes were recently announced, with Madeira Park publishers Harbour Publishing and Douglas & McIntyre garnering three nominations.

Both publishers have been recognized in the Bill Duthie booksellers' choice category, awarded to the publisher and author of a book published in 2017 that is most successful in terms of public appeal, initiative, design, production and content.

BC and Yukon booksellers determine the winner of this category by ballot vote.

Titles in the running for this

prestigious prize include *Hello Humpback!* (Harbour Publishing) by Roy Henry Vickers and Robert Budd.

Also vying for the bookseller's award is *Spindrift: A Canadian Book of the Sea* (Douglas & McIntyre).

Edited by Michael and Anita Hadley, *Spindrift* collects the best maritime writing from Canada's most significant literary voices into one volume.

Another Douglas & McIntyre title, *Dirty Windshields: The Best and the Worst of the Smugglers Tour Diaries*, a rock and roll memoir by bestselling author and CBC broadcaster Grant Lawrence, is also up for the same prize.

Ruby Lake author Theresa Kish-

kan is shortlisted for the Hubert Evans non-fiction prize for *Euclid's Orchard and Other Essays* (Mother Tongue).

Halfmoon Bay's Caitlin Press (and author Andrea MacPherson) received a nomination for the Ethel Wilson fiction prize for *What We Once Believed*.

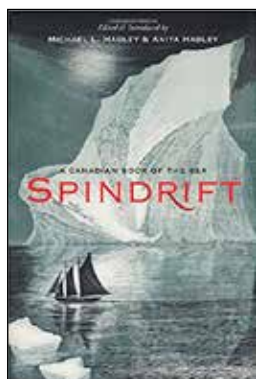
The BC Book Prizes, awarded in seven categories, annually celebrate the finest books published in the province.

Recipients of the awards receive a prize of \$2,000 and a certificate.

This year's winners will be announced at the 34th annual Lieutenant-Governor's BC Book Prizes gala on Friday, May 4 at the Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront in Vancouver.



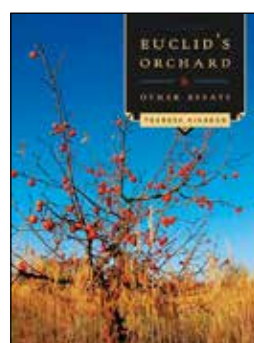
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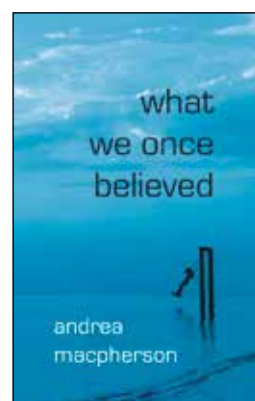
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Budgets and boats



Frank Mauro

SCRD BUDGET

The budget discussions have been completed for 2018 and formal adoption is expected in a couple of days as I write this.

Projects and numbers have been finalized.

As stated in my February article, the average increase for the entire regional district is 16.08 per cent and the Area A increase was slightly lower at 14.7 per cent. That means that if the total SCRD budget spending remained the same as 2017, the apportionment would result in increased taxation of 0.22 per cent overall and a

decrease of 0.24 per cent residential property tax.

So, basically, insignificant changes in taxation amounts are caused by the change in assessments for Area A.

The result of the budget will be an overall tax increase of 4.35 per cent for the SCRD considering all property classes.

For Area A, the overall increase is 3.68 per cent when considering all property classes and 3.21 per cent when considering residential classes, the lowest in the regional district.

It must be remembered that these are all averages, so if your property assessment increased above the average your taxes will increase more than the average tax increase for the area.

The overall SCRD budget for

2018 is \$55.5 million, consisting of \$37.83 million operating and \$17.52 million capital.

To put the number into perspective, the 2017 total budget total was \$53.45 million, with approximately the same ratio of operating and capital.

By far the largest portion of this year's capital budget is for water and wastewater infrastructure, which accounts for 71 per cent of the total.

A large chunk of that percentage is made up by the carryover of the Area A water grants totalling close to \$3 million, and the Chapman expansion totalling some \$5 million.

New water projects include universal metering for the District of Sechelt at \$5.9 million, Chapman water treatment upgrade at \$610,000,

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April 12 at 1:30 p.m.

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April 19 at 9:30 a.m.

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April 19 at 1:30 p.m.

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April 19 at 2:45 p.m.

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April 26 at 9:30 a.m.

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groundwater test drilling program at \$325,000, reservoir feasibility study of \$200,000 and a few others.

These projects are funded mostly from long-term borrowing, grants and also from reserves.

Other larger infrastructure capital costs included transit, ports, Sechelt landfill and Pender transfer station improvements.

Also, the islands cleanup service was extended to include Nelson Island, something the residents there have been requesting.

These projects were mostly funded from reserves and taxation.

The budget deliberations considered a total of 65 projects and most were approved, some with amendments.

Also considered were stakeholder requests such as libraries, Sunshine Coast Tourism, chambers of commerce and Pender Harbour Health Centre, totalling some \$357,000 in new requests and of those about \$71,000 were approved.

I am pleased to say that some small increases were requested by stakeholders in Area A and they were all approved.

A bit of a reprieve was realized with the Sunshine Coast Regional Hospital District taxation as a scheduled debenture debt reset occurred during 2017 resulting in a reduction in

interest payments producing a reduction of \$300,000 in required taxation.

The last of the \$46.7-million hospital project is complete with the opening of the \$6.5-million phase three renovation.

The SCRHD share of the \$46.7 million was \$16.2 million, for which a portion remains outstanding as long term debt.

PROGRESS ON DERELICT VESSELS

MP Pam Goldsmith-Jones attended the legion in Madeira Park to announce, among other items, two \$5,000 grants to the P. H. Advisory Council for the assessment to remove two derelict vessels in Gerrans Bay south of Dusenbury Island (the sunken one and the one on the shore).

We all need to thank the advisory council and, in particular, Eliza Kinley and Penny Harrison, who answered my call and formed the committee spearheading the grant application.

We all appreciate what they have accomplished and are grateful that they have continued their work and have submitted more applications.

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Crews removed and replaced navigation markers on either side of William Island (entrance to Pender Harbour) in March. A Canadian Coast Guard spokesperson told the *Harbour Spiel*, 'The new aids will be fall-arrest compliant and upgraded with new technology lighting and solar components, which are more reliable and energy efficient.'

letters

MPES parent urges caution around school zones and buses

Editor,

If you have been around our community for a bit you may be familiar with the Madeira Park Elementary School mascot — the Winnie the Pooh “slow down” sign.

We regret to inform our community members that due to excessive speed in the school zone our beloved Pooh bear has been struck (twice) and damaged beyond repair.

On countless occasions excessive speed has become a problem and, on a few occasions, has almost resulted in children and adults being struck.

The school zone speed limit is 30

kilometres per hour and we, as parents, are stressing the importance of following the posted speed limit in the school zone.

Along with speeding, some motorist purposely drove over our caution cones as they drove through the school zone.

There also seems to be a problem with children getting on and off the bus at their bus stops.

Yellow flashing lights and the stop sign out on the bus means that motorists are to stop and wait.

Our bus drivers have informed us that too often people are driving right by without stopping while children are

trying to cross the street.

The most notable and dangerous bus stops are the stops on the highway heading north.

This is not only illegal and extremely dangerous but a blatant disregard for our children's safety.

As a mother with children at Madeira Park Elementary School, I encourage anyone who witnesses excessive speeds or purposeful destruction of school property to contact the RCMP with a licence plate number.

This problem will not solve itself — please help our children be safe at school.

Cheyenne Howitt



Brian Lee

With peaks like this nearby, why are we not a community of alpinists? Mount Churchill (Jervis Inlet) from Beaver Island March 15.

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trivia

1. Which bank once resided in the building beside the Earth Fair store in Madeira Park?

- ☐ a. Toronto Dominion
- ☐ b. Royal Bank
- ☐ c. CIBC
- ☐ d. Bank of Montreal

2. Which method is mainly used by local commercial fishermen to catch herring?

- ☐ a. Jigging
- ☐ b. Gillnetting
- ☐ c. Trolling
- ☐ d. Seining

3. Name of the park in the Caren range.

- ☐ a. Spipyus Provincial Park
- ☐ b. Spipyus Provincial Park
- ☐ c. Spipipyus Provincial Park
- ☐ d. Spippyus Provincial Park

4. Who owns the Skardon Islands in Pender Harbour?

- ☐ a. SCRD
- ☐ b. Province of BC
- ☐ c. Islands Trust
- ☐ d. Shíshálh First Nation

5. According to the 2016 census, what is the population of the Sunshine Coast?

- ☐ a. 29,970
- ☐ b. 36,455
- ☐ c. 48,330
- ☐ d. 61,220

6. Former resort on Katherine Lake.

- ☐ a. Sunnyside
- ☐ b. Brightside
- ☐ c. Lakeside
- ☐ d. Seaside

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organizations

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LUNCH WITH PAMELA GOLDSMITH-JONES

The Pender Harbour Chamber of Commerce, the Pender Harbour Advisory Council and the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour invite the community to a luncheon and public meeting with our member of Parliament, Pamela Goldsmith-Jones.

The lunch will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Madeira Park on Thursday, April 12 starting at noon. Attendees are urged to RSVP to lenlee@telus.net.

P. H. WOMEN'S CONNECTION

On April 10, Chef Alain Levesque and his wife and partner Tricia Keyes offer in-home catering. Alain began his culinary journey more than 30 years ago in Quebec City. After graduating from Ecole Wilbrod Bherer Chef School, he honed his skills at various prestigious establishments in Montreal and Toronto before eventually opening his own restaurant with his wife.

Come join us on April 24 for what is bound to be a very entertaining morning. Many of you will recognize the name Charlotte Diamond, particularly if you have children. Diamond has a life-long interest in music and sang with local folk groups, including performing introductory sets for Pete Seeger and Tom Paxton. When her own children came along she began singing and writing songs for them and the rest, as they say, is history.

RUBY LAKE LAGOON SOCIETY

PODS Trivia Night is April 6. The PODS people will be hosting a fundraiser trivia night at the Madeira Park Legion at 7 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person with a maximum six people per team. Arrive before 6 p.m. to order fish and chips.

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The Pender Harbour Wildlife Society welcomes Ryan Logtenberg from the 2 Degrees Institute on Tuesday, April 17 at 7 p.m. at the Pender Harbour Secondary School.

Logtenberg will illustrate the major sources of our individual and

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This presentation is open to the public and free.

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harbour seals



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Huge seals of approval for **Bill Charlton, Stuart Harrison and Len Lee from PH Rotary Club** for volunteering to remove our old sign and install our beautiful new sign at the Bargain Barn. What a special community this is.

Karen Wells

Harbour Seals of Approval to Wayne of **Pender Harbour Automotive and Tire** for taking a walk-in customer and spending the time to find a fuse buried deep in the underside of the dashboard. I drove out with the problem fixed — great job.

Larry Elliott

Massive seals of approval go out to **Dilys Willams** for her ongoing work and advocacy for animals in need. Another very successful cupcake sale was held March 3 with all proceeds going to our local BCSPCA shelter. More seals of approval for all bakers and supporters of this event.

Karen Wells

A huge Seal of Approval to **Lisa at Mad Park Bistro** for fundraising for new paddles for the Pender Harbour Paddling Club. A big "paddles up" to her.

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SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

APRIL

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

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

1. 12:28 PM -L, 6:26 PM +XL
2. 1:00 PM -XL, 7:15 PM +XL
3. 1:28 PM -XL
4. 1:52 PM -L
5. 7:38 AM +M, 2:26 PM -L
6. 8:18 AM +S, 3:04 PM -L
7. 9:11 AM +S, 3:50 PM -L
8. 4:47 PM -L
9. 7:22 AM -M, 5:36 PM -L
10. 8:19 AM -M, 1:27 PM +S
11. 9:04 PM -L, 2:19 PM +M
12. 9:43 AM -L, 3:05 PM +L
13. 10:19 AM -L, 3:50 PM +L
14. 10:52 AM -L, 4:43 PM +XL
15. 11:23 AM -L, 5:29 PM +XL
16. 11:52 AM -XL, 6:15 PM +XL
17. 12:21 PM -XL, 7:02 PM +XL
18. 12:39 PM -XL
19. 1:18 PM -XL
20. 7:26 AM +M, 2:11 PM -XL
21. 8:19 AM +M, 3:14 PM -XL
22. 9:26 AM +S, 4:22 PM -L
23. 11:01 AM +S, 5:31 PM -L
24. 7:31 AM -M, 12:35 PM +S
25. 1:45 PM +M, 7:54 PM -L
26. 9:29 AM -L, 2:56 PM +L
27. 10:09 AM -L, 3:54 PM +L
28. 10:48 AM -L, 4:46 PM +L
29. 11:22 AM -XL, 5:35 PM +XL
30. 11:46 AM -XL, 6:22 PM +XL

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.



ENVIRONMENT

30%

The percentage of the Earth's resources the United States consumes, despite making up less than five per cent of its population.

100 billion

Number of plastic bags thrown away (according to Worldwatch Institute). Fewer than one per cent find their way into a recycle bin.

1.015 million

Number of cars in use globally in 2010 (excluding off-road vehicles and heavy construction equipment).

\$20 billion

The amount necessary to feed every single malnourished nation. In the U.S., one third of the population is overweight and spends approximately \$35 billion battling it.

\$1,311

The average Canadian household spending on electricity in 2013.

1 tonne

The amount of CO2 equivalent of GHGs of emissions produced by driving a mid-size car about 5,000 kilometres.

2,721,309

Tonnes of garbage landfilled by British Columbians in 2014.

16 tonnes

The amount of sewage Americans dump into their water, every minute.

~ StatsCan, Treehugger.com

APRIL WEATHER

TEMPERATURES, MERRY ISLAND

Our average daily high temperature in April is 11.8 C and our average daily low is 6.2 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 9 C. The highest April temperature recorded is 20.7 C (April 27, 1972); the lowest is -1.1 C (April 3, 1975).

PRECIPITATION, MERRY ISLAND

April has an average of 190.8 hours of bright sunshine and 13 days with measurable rainfall. April averages a total monthly rainfall of 60.4 mm and a total monthly snowfall of 0.3 cm. The highest April daily rainfall on record is 31.8 mm (April 27, 1962); the highest April daily snowfall on record is 5.1 cm (April 3, 1975).

APRIL ASTROLOGY



ARIES: MARCH 21 - APRIL 18

The sign of the ram gives Arians loyalty, generosity, high energy and courage. They love adventure and often fiercely defend the underdog. March and April 2018 promise to be an emotional rollercoaster for Aries born between March 29 and April 4. For the remainder of the year, Jupiter will be holed up in your eighth house of joint ventures and windfalls, which could draw a large lump sum. Think stocks or real estate and go big — this opportunity won't come again until 2026.



TAURUS: APRIL 19 - MAY 20

Taureans are seekers of peace and stability. Although unambitious, they are happy to be the powerhouse behind the scenes. They are usually sensible and blessed with a healthy dose of cynicism. April will deliver Taureans into a deep spiritual struggle. It may involve family members, or a pet, and seem traumatic but when it's over (by late May), Taureans will discover a strength of purpose that will affect the rest of their lives. Don't resist this process — only by moving through it will you reap the spiritual benefits.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending March 17, 2018

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. **The Inner Life of Animals: Love, Grief, and Compassion – Surprising Observations of a Hidden World** by Peter Wohlleben (Greystone Books)
3. **As A Dog Thinketh: Daily Words of Wisdom** by Monique Anstee (TouchWood Editions)
4. **On Island: Life Among the Coast Dwellers** by Pat Carney (TouchWood Editions)
5. **The Spitfire Luck of Skeets Ogilvie: From the Battle of Britain to the Great Escape** by Keith C. Ogilvie (Heritage House Publishers)
6. **Grizzlies, Gales, and Giant Salmon: Life at a Rivers Inlet Fishing Lodge** by Pat Ardley (Harbour Publishing)
7. **First, We Brunch: Recipes and Stories from Victoria's Best-Loved Breakfast Joints** by Rebecca Wellman (TouchWood Editions)
8. **Chilcotin Chronicles** by Sage Birchwater (Caitlin Press)
9. **Canadian Ginger: Anthology of Poems & Prose by and about Redheads** edited by Kim Clark and Dawn Marie Kresan (Oolichan Books)
10. **Chasing Smoke: A Wildfire Memoir** by Aaron Williams (Harbour Publishing)

~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- April 2 ~ Marty Lowe, Elizabeth Buhlert and Desiree Leech.
- April 3 ~ Jamison Warner and Sandi Whelan
- April 4 ~ Frank Roosen Jr., Mike Legge and Bev Thompson.
- April 5 ~ Doug Silvey and Breanna Clay.
- April 6 ~ Mike Bathgate and Ursula Dornbierer.
- April 8 ~ Andrea Clerx and Gloria Fritz.
- April 9 ~ Laurie Saunders.
- April 10 ~ April Charlton.
- April 11 ~ Mackenzie Sutherland.
- April 12 ~ Irene Doerksen, Matthew Phillips and Tilley Dougan.
- April 13 ~ Bonnie Lindsay, Geoff Warner, Billy Petraschuk and Don Priest.
- April 14 ~ Dan Leech and Ann Landry.
- April 15 ~ Teresa Sladey and Cathy Collins.
- April 17 ~ Sheila McCann and Carly Campbell.
- April 18 ~ Russ Foster, Talon Mclean, Howard White, David Brimacombe, Kalen Zayshley and Ron Calvert.
- April 19 ~ John Field.
- April 20 ~ Sue Kammerle and Katie Tenbroek.
- April 22 ~ Dan Choquette.
- April 23 ~ Kathy Morant, Sue Richardson, Heidi Vaughan and Jordan Kammerle.
- April 24 ~ Len Silvey and Alex Dore.
- April 25 ~ Zena Lanteigne, Samantha Stewart and Dietta Edwardson.
- April 26 ~ Teyjah Xaveress and Blake Campbell.
- April 28 ~ Jeanette Penson.
- April 29 ~ Ruth Langton.
- April 30 ~ Kasey & Kelly Smith, Marie Reid, Hazel Higgins, "Prawntrap" Patty Jackson, Bill Sutherland, Jeff Wilbee and Ava Young.

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April	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	6.3	7.1	8.8	11.0	13.1	14.6	15.2	14.6	13.1	10.9	8.6	6.7	5.7	5.7	6.8	8.7	10.9	12.8	14.0	14.2	13.4	11.8	10.0	8.3
Mon 02	7.3	7.3	8.3	10.0	12.0	13.7	14.8	14.8	13.8	11.8	9.5	7.3	5.7	5.0	5.5	7.0	9.1	11.3	13.2	14.2	14.3	13.4	11.9	10.2
Tue 03	8.9	8.2	8.4	9.5	11.1	12.7	14.0	14.5	14.0	12.6	10.5	8.2	6.3	5.0	4.8	5.6	7.3	9.5	11.7	13.4	14.3	14.2	13.4	12.1
Wed 04	10.6	9.5	9.1	9.5	10.5	11.8	13.1	13.9	13.9	13.0	11.4	9.3	7.2	5.6	4.8	4.9	6.0	7.8	9.9	12.0	13.5	14.3	14.2	13.4
Thu 05	12.2	11.1	10.2	10.0	10.3	11.2	12.2	13.1	13.5	13.1	12.0	10.3	8.4	6.6	5.4	4.9	5.3	6.5	8.2	10.2	12.1	13.5	14.2	14.0
Fri 06	13.4	12.4	11.5	10.8	10.6	11.0	11.6	12.3	12.8	12.8	12.3	11.0	9.5	7.8	6.4	5.4	5.2	5.7	6.9	8.6	10.4	12.1	13.4	14.0
Sat 07	13.9	13.4	12.7	11.9	11.3	11.1	11.2	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.2	11.6	10.4	9.0	7.6	6.4	5.7	5.6	6.1	7.2	8.8	10.4	12.0	13.2
Sun 08	13.9	13.9	13.5	12.8	12.1	11.4	11.1	11.1	11.4	11.6	11.8	11.7	11.2	10.2	8.9	7.7	6.6	6.0	5.9	6.4	7.5	8.9	10.5	12.0
Mon 09	13.2	13.8	13.9	13.5	12.8	12.0	11.3	10.8	10.7	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.5	11.1	10.3	9.1	7.9	6.9	6.2	6.1	6.6	7.6	9.1	10.7
Tue 10	12.2	13.4	13.9	13.9	13.4	12.5	11.5	10.7	10.2	10.1	10.4	10.9	11.4	11.6	11.3	10.5	9.4	8.1	7.0	6.3	6.2	6.7	7.9	9.4
Wed 11	11.1	12.6	13.7	14.0	13.8	13.0	11.8	10.7	9.7	9.3	9.5	10.0	10.8	11.6	11.9	11.7	10.9	9.6	8.2	7.0	6.3	6.2	6.9	8.3
Thu 12	10.0	11.7	13.2	14.0	14.0	13.4	12.2	10.8	9.5	8.6	8.4	8.9	9.9	11.0	11.9	12.4	12.1	11.2	9.8	8.3	7.0	6.3	6.4	7.3
Fri 13	8.9	10.8	12.5	13.8	14.2	13.8	12.7	11.1	9.4	8.1	7.5	7.7	8.6	10.0	11.4	12.5	12.9	12.6	11.4	9.8	8.2	7.0	6.4	6.8
Sat 14	8.0	9.8	11.7	13.3	14.2	14.2	13.2	11.6	9.7	7.9	6.7	6.4	7.1	8.5	10.3	12.0	13.2	13.5	12.9	11.6	9.9	8.2	7.1	6.8
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Mon 16	7.4	8.3	10.0	11.8	13.4	14.3	14.2	13.0	11.0	8.6	6.4	4.9	4.4	5.0	6.7	9.0	11.3	13.3	14.4	14.4	13.5	11.9	10.1	8.7
Tue 17	8.0	8.2	9.4	11.0	12.8	14.0	14.4	13.7	12.0	9.6	7.1	5.0	3.8	3.7	4.8	6.8	9.4	11.9	13.9	14.9	14.7	13.7	12.1	10.4
Wed 18	9.2	8.7	9.2	10.4	12.0	13.4	14.2	14.1	12.9	10.8	8.3	5.8	3.9	3.1	3.3	4.8	7.1	9.8	12.3	14.2	15.1	14.9	13.8	12.3
Thu 19	10.8	9.8	9.5	10.1	11.3	12.7	13.7	14.1	13.6	12.0	9.7	7.2	4.9	3.3	2.8	3.3	5.0	7.4	10.1	12.6	14.4	15.2	14.9	14.0
Fri 20	12.6	11.3	10.5	10.3	10.9	11.9	13.0	13.7	13.8	12.9	11.1	8.9	6.5	4.5	3.2	2.9	3.6	5.3	7.7	10.3	12.7	14.4	15.1	14.9
Sat 21	14.1	12.9	11.8	11.0	10.9	11.3	12.1	12.9	13.4	13.2	12.2	10.5	8.4	6.3	4.6	3.5	3.3	4.1	5.7	7.9	10.4	12.6	14.2	15.0
Sun 22	14.9	14.2	13.2	12.1	11.3	11.0	11.3	11.8	12.4	12.8	12.7	11.8	10.3	8.4	6.6	5.1	4.1	4.0	4.7	6.2	8.2	10.5	12.6	14.2
Mon 23	15.0	14.9	14.3	13.3	12.2	11.3	10.8	10.8	11.2	11.8	12.2	12.2	11.6	10.4	8.9	7.2	5.8	4.9	4.7	5.2	6.6	8.6	10.7	12.7
Tue 24	14.3	15.0	15.0	14.3	13.2	11.9	10.7	10.0	9.9	10.3	11.0	11.6	11.9	11.8	10.9	9.6	8.0	6.6	5.7	5.3	5.8	7.1	9.0	11.1
Wed 25	13.1	14.5	15.2	15.0	14.1	12.7	11.1	9.8	9.0	8.8	9.3	10.2	11.2	11.9	12.1	11.5	10.4	8.9	7.5	6.4	6.0	6.4	7.7	9.6
Thu 26	11.7	13.6	14.9	15.3	14.8	13.5	11.8	10.0	8.5	7.7	7.7	8.4	9.7	11.1	12.1	12.6	12.2	11.1	9.7	8.2	7.1	6.6	7.1	8.5
Fri 27	10.4	12.4	14.1	15.1	15.2	14.3	12.6	10.5	8.5	7.0	6.4	6.7	7.9	9.5	11.2	12.5	13.1	12.8	11.8	10.3	8.7	7.6	7.3	7.9
Sat 28	9.3	11.2	13.1	14.6	15.2	14.7	13.4	11.3	9.0	7.0	5.7	5.4	6.1	7.7	9.7	11.6	13.1	13.7	13.4	12.3	10.7	9.2	8.2	8.0
Sun 29	8.7	10.2	12.1	13.7	14.8	14.9	13.9	12.1	9.7	7.4	5.6	4.6	4.7	5.9	7.9	10.2	12.3	13.7	14.2	13.8	12.6	11.0	9.6	8.8
Mon 30	8.8	9.6	11.1	12.7	14.0	14.6	14.2	12.8	10.6	8.2	6.0	4.4	4.0	4.6	6.2	8.4	10.9	13.0	14.3	14.6	14.0	12.8	11.3	10.0

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

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

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After 31 years, the Madeira Park hamburger stand is hauled away

Brian Lee

Whatever you called it: the Tiki Hut, Frances's, Willa's, the Hamburger Stand, Tony's or Bud-A Bing Burgers, that venerable old trailer — renowned for serving up the best burgers in town for the last 31 years — is gone.

The iconic little shack has been replaced with a fancy new unit, sparkling with a stainless steel kitchen, ample room for staff and air conditioning.

It was originally used as a mobile Kiwanis Club cook-shack until

IGA owner Morley Luscombe and his butcher brought it to the Madeira Park Shopping Centre in May of 1977.

Its first home was in the parking lot by the ball diamond across from the IGA entrance.

Luscombe hired Frances Laijlar to run it and she bought it from him less than a year later, renaming it Frances's Hamburger Stand.

Laijlar ran the burger shack for 21 years until she sold it to Willa Schroeder in 1998.

In November 2004, Tony McMullen and the Massulo brothers (Oak Tree Market) partnered to purchase

the hamburger stand and to carry on the burger tradition.

Donated to the Sunshine Coast Rod and Gun Club, the trailer still has the original grill, estimated to have cooked over 285,000 hamburgers.

That's over 71,000 pounds of ground beef — or 300 cows.

Had those cows lived out there lives, they would have been responsible for emitting 66 million litres of methane and 694 million litres of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

It proves, once and for all, that eating hamburgers is our environmental responsibility.



Brian Lee

Owner Tony McMullen (in a 2008 photo) is looking forward to a new kitchen after the original Frances's Hamburger Stand (seen here) gets towed away.

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Understanding chronic pain

Elise Dolan, RN

Remember the last time you stubbed your toe?

You may have grimaced in response to the sensation or called out words that aren't in your everyday vocabulary.

Stubbing your toe, biting your tongue or touching a hot stove are examples of acute pain.

This type of pain doesn't last long and when the injury heals, the pain stops.

Chronic pain is different from acute pain in that it lasts beyond the usual healing and recovery time.

It is usually defined as pain that persists longer than three to six months and can vary in intensity from mild to severe.

It may be felt in one area of the body or several areas all at once.

Chronic pain can be caused by a chronic disease such as arthritis or spinal stenosis.

It can have no known cause such as, for example, chronic back pain or neurologic pain.

Studies have shown that approximately 17 per cent of Canadians aged 15 and over live with chronic pain which makes it very likely you, or someone you know, is experiencing chronic pain.

Chronic pain affects a person's quality of life and can interfere with daily activities and family dynamics.

It can also interfere with a person's ability to work.

Poor sleep and insomnia are often experienced by those with chronic pain.

Because chronic pain is frequently long-term, it can lead to additional symptoms such as fatigue, stress,

anxiety, and reduced physical activity.

These additional symptoms can make the pain feel worse.

This cycle of pain combined with these additional symptoms can greatly affect how a person feels every day.

It can be hard to stay happy and optimistic when feeling the effects of chronic pain.

Managing chronic pain can be frustrating and difficult.

The following are some tips to living with chronic pain:

- Learn ways to manage stress so you can better cope with pain;
- Learn meditation and deep breathing exercises to aid relaxation;
- Cut back on caffeine and alcohol, which can affect sleep quality;
- Keep a pain journal and track activities and pain level;
- Find activities or interests that help distract you from the pain;
- Speak to your health care provider about pain management options;
- Seek out alternative therapies including massage, chiropractic treatments, and acupuncture, and
- Don't suffer alone — talk with someone who can support you or join a group with others who are experiencing chronic pain.



The Pender Harbour Health Centre offers a free seminar aimed at supporting members of the community to live a healthy life with chronic pain.

This seminar runs a few times a year and provides knowledge and skills to those who are experiencing chronic pain.

Please contact the health centre to sign up for an upcoming seminar or to obtain more information at (604) 883-2764.

P. H. HEALTH CENTRE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Thinking about digging in the garden?

With the sun shining and temperatures rising, it's time to begin planning for the growing season.

The Pender Harbour Community Garden is entering its fourth year and is happy to welcome new members to come out and join the fun.

There is joy in growing your own food.

For details, please call the Pender Harbour Health Centre at (604) 883-2764.

Raised garden plots are \$10 each per year.

Happy gardening and hope to see you out there.

PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 24, 6-7:30pm @ Harbour Learning Centre



Thank you to the current board members (l-r):

Loretta McDonald, Debra Rand, Deb Cole, Helga Grout, and Ted Woodward (missing is Susan LaCombe).

New board members welcome!



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SPRING PICKLEBALL CLUB MEMBERSHIP: April 3-June 21

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7:30pm, High school gym, \$96 members (that's only \$4/night, for approx. 24 sessions). Or, drop in for \$7

FISHING CLUB WATER SAFETY: Thursday, April 5, 3:30-5pm

Pool staff and the PH Search & Rescue team demonstrate water safety for our kids. Fun!

STANDARD FIRST AID & CPR C & RECERTIFICATION: April 15/16, 9am-5pm

Sunday, April 15 and Monday, April 16, 9am-5pm Ages 15+, Sun @ Community School, Mon @ High School \$ 175. RECERT: Monday, April 16, 9am-5pm, \$ 105

RED CROSS BABYSITTERS' COURSE: Monday, April 16, 9am-5pm

Ages 11-15 at the School of Music, \$60

COOKING with FERDINANDO: Thursday, April 19, 6:30-8:30pm

At PHSS Foods room. Middle Ages recipe for honey spice cookie, \$25 includes take-home samples.

CHEESEMAKING W/ GEORGE: Thursday, April 24, 6:30-8:30pm

In the PHSS Foods room. Learn to make Mozzarella from scratch, take home cheese, \$25.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL AGM: Tuesday, April 24, 6-7pm

Harbour Learning Centre.

FOODSAFE: Saturday, April 28, 9am-5pm

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CHAIR YOGA CLASSES: Fridays, April 6, 13, 20 & 27

With Judy Gideon at the P. H. Community Hall. 10:30 to 11:30am. Drop-In \$3.

HARBOURSIDE FRIENDSHIPS: Thursdays

At the P. H. Community Hall at 10:30. Lunch served at noon. \$10 drop-in.

April 5 – Rannu Gosal presenting an outreach information session on income tax.

April 12 – Lunch at 12pm at the Legion with Pamela Goldsmith-Jones cost \$12

(Note: For this date only there is a time, place and cost change.)

April 19 – A visit from Jennifer Edwards, registered nurse.

April 26 – Heritage scrapbooking with Sheila in collaboration with the P. H. Community School.

May 3 – Fraud prevention and identity theft workshop in collaboration with the P. H. Community School

Seniors Programs for April

STRETCH & BALANCE YOGA: Thursdays, April 12-May 17, 5:30-6:45pm

\$72. Instructor Carole Logtenberg

STEADY FEET: Wednesdays, April 4-May 30, 11:45am-12:45pm

\$76. Instructor Gwen Walwyn

MAT PILATES: Wednesdays, April 18-May 23, 5:45-6:45pm

\$72. Instructor Sandra Buchanan

DANCE, STRETCH & BALANCE CABARET: Thursdays April 5-May 10, 6-7pm

\$60. Instructor Austin Patterson (Ages 19+ years)

DANCE, SALSA SWING: Wednesdays April 4-May 23, 6-7pm

\$80. Instructor Austin Patterson (Ages 19+ years)

SWIM PROGRAMS BEGINNING THE WEEK OF APRIL 3:

Junior Lifeguard Club(8-15 years); Red Cross Swim Lessons (4 months – 12 years); Multi Sport and Swim (16 months – 5 years); Multi Sport (5-8 years); Music & Movement Dance (2-3years); Hip Hop (7-10, 11-14, 15-17 years); Modern/Ballet (4-6 years); Tumble Tots and Swim (3-5 years); Parented Preschool (water babies 4 months – 3 years); Adult Swim Lessons (19+); Swim Paint and Play (3-5 years);

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL ABOVE PROGRAMS.

The Egmont Story



BC Archives

Egmont, 1922. The commercial hub of Egmont was originally situated across the Chuck, on the other side from its present site.

Gladys McNutt

*This article appeared in the
Coast News, April 19, 1956.*

(Continued from Feb. 2017 issue)

When the news came that Japan had declared war, we had just moved from Beaver Creek and our houses were still on floats tied up in the bight just east of Egmont Point.

I remember telling Ted (Hiyashi)

the news and his answer was, "This is bad for us."

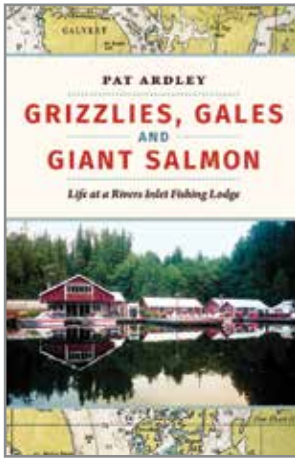
It was afterwards that the government told all of the Japanese on the Coast that they should be prepared to be evacuated at any time.

Time passed and nothing happened.

Maybe it was thought only those under suspicion would be taken.

Local people could report noth-

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ing suspicious against the Japanese except that Ted was interested in radio and photography.

It was said that Maeda Sr. had gone back to Japan and had been called up because he was in the naval reserve.

About 2 a.m. one morning, something crashed into our float.

My husband awoke with imprecations on the head of the one who bashed his boat into our float.

A loud knocking came at the door.

There stood Ted.

"The police have come for us and we have to be ready to go at 8 a.m.

"Please tell everybody in the bay to come down to the store before we go so we can straighten up and arrange for the payment of their accounts."

One of them was making the rounds on the other side and another had gone through the Chuck to Doriston, making the same request.

It was said that Nakashima, a real old-timer, had lit out in his boat but was soon found and taken into custody.

The next day, we went down to the store but they were all gone.

We had forgotten it was daylight saving time.

It was something new then and everyone in Egmont were ignoring it because the tides and fish knew nothing about these man-made laws.

All the Japanese from here and Pender Harbour were put aboard the Union Steamship that morning and sent to Vancouver.

They were not allowed to take more than they could carry.

All of their boats, some of them very fine ones, were towed willy-nilly to the Fraser River where they were

eventually sold for whatever they would bring.

It was said that when Kay Hatashita received the news that she had to be prepared to leave by 8 a.m. the next morning, she tore upstairs and flung open the cupboards and drawers trying to decide what to take and then she sat weeping in the middle of the floor.

As she said afterwards, she had just begun to make the store pay and was very proud of that fact.

It was some time since she had taken stock so she had no idea of its value.

It was only a long time after and with a great deal of pleading that she was allowed to come back alone and take stock.

By that time, stuff had already been sold from the store.

What has since become of the rest of the Japanese families I do not know but Ted and Kay are now married and in the photography business back in Ontario.

Some of the finest pictures of the Chuck were taken by Ted.

He camped out on one of the islands in the middle of the rapids for six hours in order to get them.

He said at the height of the run, the noise was so terrific that the whole island seemed to vibrate.

(Continued next month.)



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APRIL

- Sun. April 1.....Easter
 Mon. April 2.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Wed. April 4Wellness support for chronically ill women - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
 Thurs. April 5.....P. H. Community School's Kids Fishing Club water safety - P. H. Aquatic Centre, 3:30 p.m.
 Fri. April 6.....PODS-hosted Legion Trivia Night - Royal Canadian Legion No. 112, 7 p.m.
 Sat. April 7.....Backeddy Pub live music presents Bonar - Backeddy Pub
 Mon. April 9.....P. H. Garden Club presents Ron Knight - P. H. School of Music, 1 p.m.
Tues. April 10.....GRIPS recycling depot is closed for spring cleaning - GRIPS depot, Kleindale.
 Tues. April 10.....P. H. Women's Connection presents chef Alain Levesque - P. H. School of Music
 Thurs. April 12....Lunch with Pamela Goldsmith-Jones - Royal Canadian Legion No. 112, noon
 Fri. April 13.....Salmon and Grizzlies author Pat Ardley signs copies of her book - Earthfair Store
 Fri. April 13.....SoM Coffee House - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
 Sat. April 14.....Backeddy Pub live music presents Karl Kirkaldy - Backeddy Pub
 Sun. April 15.....Garbage Recycling in Pender Society (GRIPS) AGM - GRIPS Recycling Depot, 1 p.m.
 Mon. April 16.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Tues. April 17.....P. H. Wildlife Society "Our Earth and our carbon footprint" by Ryan Logtenberg - PHSS, 7 p.m.
 Wed. April 18.....Wellness support for chronically ill women - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
 Fri. April 20.....Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society AGM - Sarah Wray Hall (Irvines Landing), 2 p.m.
 Fri. April 20.....Backeddy Pub live music presents Geoff Berner - Backeddy Pub
 Sat. April 21.....Mountain Grind - P. H. Lions Park, all day
 Sat. April 21.....Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 presents the "Giant Garage Sale" - Madeira Park, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Sun. April 22.....P. H. Music Society presents Van Django - P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
 Tues. April 24.....P. H. Community School AGM - Harbour Learning Centre, 6 p.m.
 Sat. April 28.....April Tools Wooden Boat Building competition - Madeira Park wharf, all day
 Sat. April 28.....Backeddy Pub live music presents Simon Paradis - Backeddy Pub
 Sat. April 28.....PODS hosts an underwater/shoreline clean up of the Irvines Landing site - Irvines Landing
 Sun. April 29.....PODS hosts an underwater/shoreline clean up of the Irvines Landing site - Irvines Landing
 Mon. April 30.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon

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



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 3:15 pm - Daily
 3:50 pm - April 1 only
 5:25 pm - Daily
 7:40 pm - April 2 only
 8:55 pm - Daily

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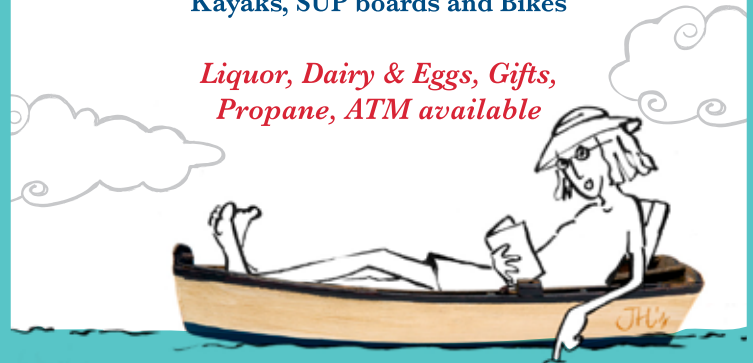
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