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editorial

Boosting parking without paving paradise

By Brian Lee



Water access.

For a place that boasts such a wealth of marine recreation, we have very little of it.

Whether it's the lake or the ocean you're travelling to, launching points are limited to a few congested hubs that are the focus of increasing complaints by residents who live near them.

A key concern is parking.

The problem of where to store our cars while we go about the rest of our life has plagued just about everywhere else but has never really been an issue here.

Until now.

Before roads were built, our commercial hubs evolved to accommodate people who arrived by boat to purchase supplies.

For some time now, the congestion fanning out from the public wharves in Madeira Park and Egmont has been growing.

The same can be said about the launching ramps of Ruby and Sakinaw Lakes.

Each weekend offers any number of creative parking displays as visitors, desperate to start their holiday, hope for the best by leaving their trucks and boat trailers as nuisance obstacles until they return.

And they often get away with it because nobody is really watching.

We might swear at the empty vehicle as we drive around it but we accept the offender is unlikely to be removed.

As the number of visitors travelling to nearby lakes, islands and inlets swells each season, so too does the number of cars abandoned.

And it's not just recreational property owners.

Adventure seekers like kayakers expect to be able to take advantage of our recreational opportunities without concern for their vehicle, and so they should.

Narrow roadways near access points become clogged with shoulder-parked cars and when that runs out, bad things happen.

An ongoing dispute between property owners in the Bear Bay neighbourhood of Sakinaw Lake (see p. 8) has brought to light another example of why the parking situation needs to be looked at more closely.

A subdivision application for water access-only property on the lake required the owners to show they could provide adequate space for the cars left behind.

The lot purchased to store future property owners cars sits in a quiet residential neighbourhood three kilometres away, near an already congested road end right-of-way used for lake access.

With so much local development taking place on the water, what are the rules for parking access?

The SCRD requires new water access developments to provide on-land parking but not everybody's comfortable with rezoning residential lots for car and trailer storage.

And as recreation properties get handed down and shared by more family members, the problem is expected to be compounded.

It is just one of the issues that will surface later this summer when work on the Area A official community plan gets underway.

There's still plenty of undeveloped land in offshore Area A and if we expect to attract more residents and visitors, we will need to find space for the cars that carry the money our micro-economy requires.

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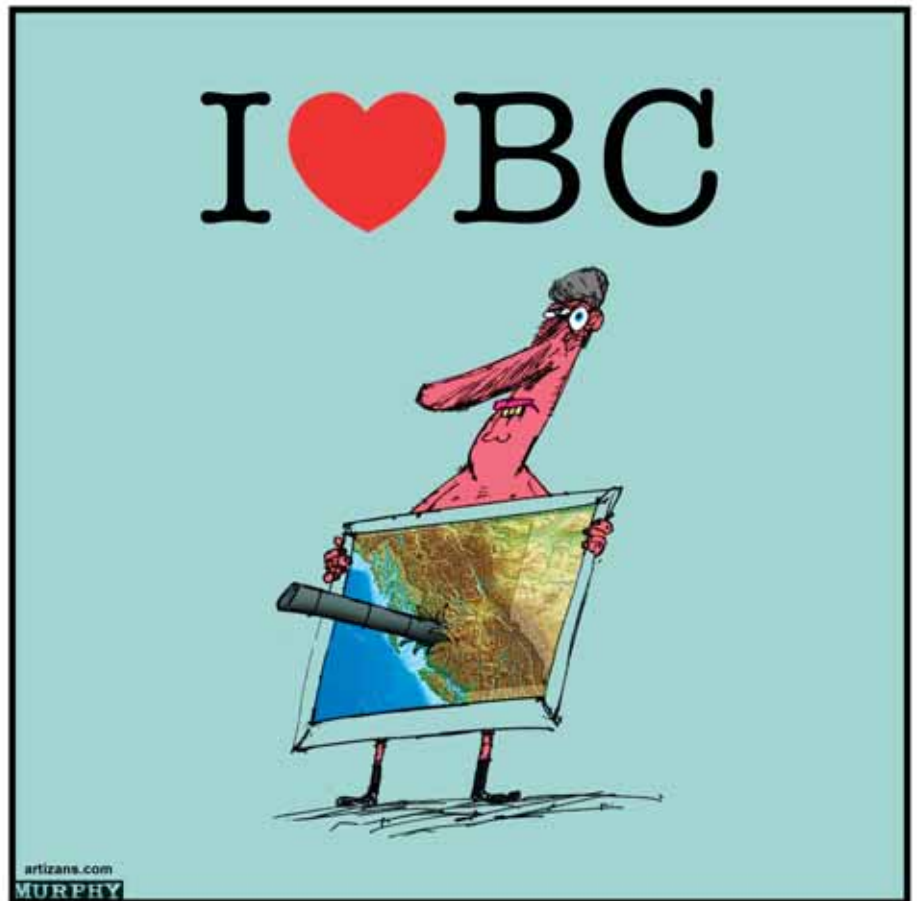
Where can you find fresher salmon, oysters, prawns and chowders than a seafood dinner in Egmont? These are just some of the local specialties offered, with all the trimmings and side dishes, at the Egmont Community Club's fourth annual fundraiser dinner at (and for) the Egmont Community Hall.

HWY 101 FESTIVAL: July 18-20

The Hwy. 101 Music Festival is back for its third year boasting its best line up of musical talent yet. Headlining at the P. H. Lions Park this year are Juno award-winning Barney Bentall and the Legendary Hearts. Other acts include Doug and the Slugs, Steve Kozak and Matt Watson. Shuttle bus service will offer return transportation along Highway 101 this year, leaving the grounds 15 minutes after the last act each night. The cost is \$10 per trip to and from Gibsons, Roberts Creek, Davis Bay or Sechelt, \$7 per trip to and from Halfmoon Bay and \$5 per trip to and from Madeira Park. Space is limited so please reserve a seat. Check www.hwy101musicfest.com for more details.

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HALFMOON BAY	- HWY 101 SOUTH	5:40 PM	11:00 AM & 1:45 PM	11:00 AM
MADEIRA PARK	- SCHOOL	6:00 PM	11:20 AM & 2:00 PM	11:20 AM

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Dan Murphy/Artizans

Construction of Pender Harbour Hotel underway



Proposed southern exterior entrance of the new Pender Harbour Hotel building.

The rebuilt Pender Harbour Hotel should be open for business in the spring of 2015.

So says owner Bik Brar who is hoping to have the beer and wine store reopened even sooner than that.

"We're trying to get the beer and wine store set up for November or December," says Brar.

"The reason for the long delay is because we have to add three-phase power... and we're going to install underground services from the road up so we'll be ripping up the road too."

Wakefield Construction has been contracted to build the new hotel and crews are currently building the forms for the foundation.

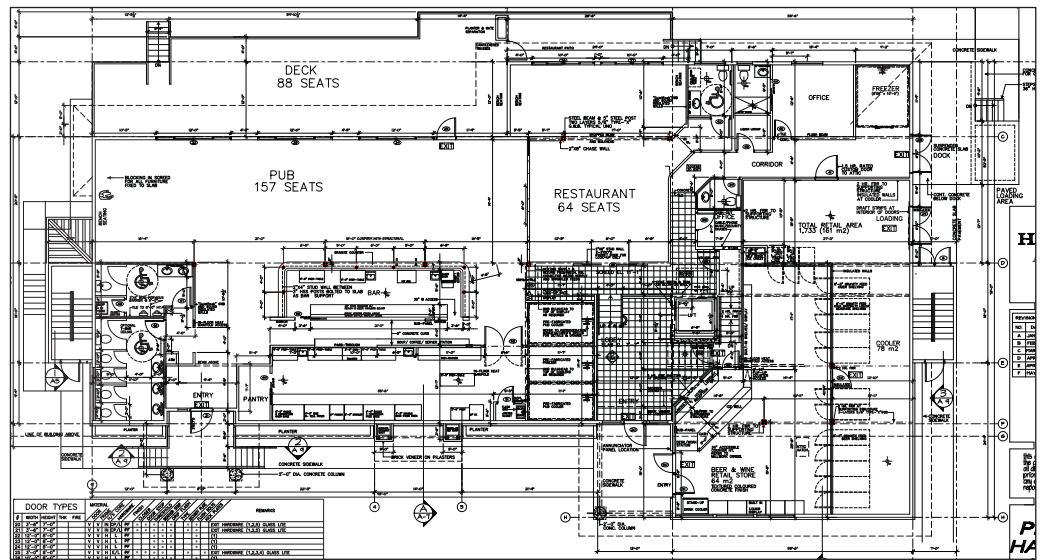
The exterior design is described in SCRD planning documents as a "...modern Tudor building [that] will include a metal roof with brick and cement board siding."

An increased capacity will allow for expanded seating from 290 to 309 seats and sleeping units from 10 to 16.

Other additions will be a family restaurant with a separate entrance from the pub and an expanded deck.

Both the restaurant and the pub are situated to maximize the northern views while the kitchen and bar areas are planned near the south entrance.

Another addition will be a basement level, the result of 350 loads of



Stephen Hanneman architectural drawing/SCRD planning and development agenda package

Proposed interior of the Grasshopper Pub.

rock blasted and excavated from the site.

Brar says this has enabled them to locate storage and mechanical systems below the main floor in order

maximize the use of space above.

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Parking issues 'subdivide' Sakinaw Lake residents

About 50 property owners filled the P. H. School of Music on June 18 to offer support or oppose a controversial subdivision proposal on Sakinaw Lake.

The public hearing centred on the Saunders family's two-and-a-half-year effort to rezone a two-acre residential lot in the Bear Bay neighbourhood.

The family intends to use the property for offsite parking to satisfy Official Community Plan requirements for their "water access only" subdivision application for a property three kilometres away.

SCRD planner Andrew Allen presented some background for the application including the fact that the subdivision isn't a traditional water access only property.

The property sits among other lakefront properties which all have untenured road access via Hydro right-of-way and a forest service road passing through the Pender Harbour Landfill.

Because that road could some day be closed, the SCRD requires the proponent to provide offsite parking at a lake access point, even though it may never be used.

The proposal would allow 12 parking spaces on Lot 32, wedged between Mixal Road and Shady Lane,



Brian Lee photo

Bear Bay Rd. resident Peter Robson was one of many from the community who oppose an application to rezone a residential lot in their neighbourhood to satisfy parking requirements for a proposed water access only subdivision on Sakinaw Lake.

with a footprint of seven per cent of the total lot area.

Covenants would restrict building size and future uses like bed and breakfast enterprises but it's not good enough for some neighbours who fear it sets a dangerous precedent that could open the door for other neighbourhoods to become parking lots for future developers.

Bear Bay resident Peter Robson lives beside the property and was the first of 17 speakers to address panel.

Robsons pointed out the proposal received 40 letters in opposition while only receiving 34 letters of support of which, "26 are simple form letters."

"What is clear from the letters is an overwhelming opposition among

those who will be directly impacted while the only support is from those who won't be affected at all," said Robson.

Surveyor Larry Penonzek urged the SCRD to pass the rezoning bylaw because the proponent has followed the process requirements.

"When we try our best to follow them [OCP and bylaws] or individuals when they invest in property, it becomes very confusing and gets even more confusing when the goal posts keep changing," said Penonzek.

"When someone... meets all of the requirements of the SCRD and the Ministry of Transportation, then they should be allowed to proceed and get their property rezoned."

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Volunteers with the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour built a sturdy shelter overlooking the lagoon in Garden Bay on May 24. Materials and trucking were donated by local businesses. To see the completed structure, take a trip to Garden Bay and visit the revitalized government wharf entrance.



Brian Lee photo

With the teachers on strike and no school, German exchange student Fabian Schorre helped maintain the community gardens in Madeira Park on June 17. Schorre returns to his home near Munich this month after spending the past year studying at PHSS and living with host family Dave and Kerry Milligan.



Brian Lee photo

Sometime during the night of June 3, the last of two iconic derelict tugs left in Gerrans Bay broke free from its mooring and beached on the south end of Dusenbury Island. The *Kwatna* was built in 1937 by Benson Brothers Shipyard in False Creek. The 53-foot tug was commissioned by Armour Salvage Limited and is currently owned by local resident Ray Kucher, the ship's eighth owner. At press time the 77-year old tug still rested on the island at the high tide mark.

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On behalf of the Pender Harbour Health Centre, Marlayne Williams accepts a cheque for \$1,102 from money raised at a Father's Day event at the Pender Harbour Golf Course and Back Nine Bistro. l-r: Peter Laurie, Williams, Lyle Isaak and Roberta Oleksyn.

RCMP news

GOLF COURSE B&E

On the June 2, at approximately 2:45 a.m., the Sunshine Coast RCMP responded to a report of an alarm at the Pender Harbour Golf Course.

RCMP confirmed thieves had broken into the restaurant and pro-shop by smashing a window and stealing a small amount of cash and liquor.

The Sunshine Coast RCMP are asking anyone with information on this incident to contact Constable MacPherson at (604) 885-2266 or BC Crimestoppers at 1(800) 222-TIPS(8477).

IMPAIRED DRIVER

On June 5, a possible impaired driver was reported after a witness

saw a vehicle almost hit a cyclist on Highway 101 near Garden Bay.

Police stopped the vehicle in Halfmoon Bay. Police immediately noted the driver exhibiting signs of intoxication.

The driver refused to provide a breath sample for a roadside alcohol screening test so was issued a 90-day roadside prohibition for refusal and the vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

Police also issued an inspection notice for the vehicle as it was in poor condition.

IMPAIRED DRIVER

On June 7, police witnessed a vehicle driving well over the posted speed limit northbound on Highway 101 in Madeira Park.

The vehicle was pulled over and police noted the odour of alcohol from the driver. The driver, who advised he had consumed alcohol one hour prior, was given and failed a roadside alcohol screening test.

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Group aims to resurrect amphitheatre site

Though details are hazy, a group of 25 investors has leased much of the Ruby Lake Resort property with an intent to purchase.

In a press release, Keith Duggan, a representative from the “Spirit of the Rainforest Retreat and Village,” said the one-year lease excludes the Ruby Lake Restaurant.

“As far as the actual plans of what we are trying to co-create, I think it is best outlined in the mission statement,” wrote Duggan, who was also a representative of the short-lived Bonfire Festival held on the property in the mid-2000s.

Part of that mission statement: “We promote the emergence of a shared earth culture through ceremony, theatre, music, small festivals, educational programs, and actively network with other communities around the globe.

“We explore and seek to incorpo-

rate today’s most creative innovations with ancient indigenous understanding of living in harmony with nature.”

Despite intentions, the group still faces zoning issues for hosting events at the property’s outdoor amphitheatre structure and has already suffered a setback after intending to hold a June 21 “relaunch” event there.

After meeting with SCRD planning staff, the event was moved down to the lagoon portion of the property to comply with zoning requirements.

Duggan says the group is considering “a membership program, much like a community centre, so that the people attending our small events, workshops, teaching seminars, ceremonies would be part of a private membership group and would be in compliance with the current zoning and the rules surrounding assembly on the property.”

photojournal



Brian Lee photo

Madeira Park Elementary School teachers and support staff are seen here walking the picket lines June 17. The labour dispute ended many of the extracurricular activities to end the school year and forced the PHSS graduation ceremonies into the P. H. Community Hall June 25 (see photos p. 38). l-r: Deyon Chiasson, Tammy Holt, Ursula Hardwick, Martha LaMarche, Rojean Trent, Irene Forsyth and Sage Robson.

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Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival turns 10

By Theresa Kishkan and
Rosemary Bonderud

For the past nine summers, anyone passing the P. H. School of Music during the week leading up to the third weekend of August might have imagined they were dreaming. Dreaming beautiful music — piano chords, violin scales, the warm

notes of a cello, all mingling with the creaking of boats against the government dock and the call of gulls. But that was no dream; it was some of the world’s finest musicians rehearsing for the Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival. Anyone lucky enough to have attended the concerts in those early

years will remember the intimate ambience, the breathtaking music, exuberant flowers — truly a small perfect festival in a lovely space. And this summer is all about celebration as the festival marks its 10th anniversary.

Canadian composer Kelly-Marie Murphy’s piano quintet *In A World of Motion and Distance* has been commissioned for this special anniversary. It receives its world premiere at the opening concert (Sound Impressions, Thursday, Aug. 14) and will be performed by the Lafayette String Quartet (from the University of Victoria) and Alexander Tselyakov, the festival’s artistic director who has guided us since the beginning.

Joining the LSQ and Tselyakov for the weekend will be violinist Gary Levinson, cellist Suren Bagratuni, flautist Eugenia Zukerman, saxophonist Julia Nolan and pianist Baya Kakouberi.

What else can audiences expect? There are five ticketed concerts over four days as well as the popular (and free) “Chamber Music Doesn’t Bite” on the Friday afternoon.

Later on Friday evening, “European Grandeur” will celebrate the music of Central Europe from Bach to Brahms and Haydn.

On Saturday at 2 p.m., audiences will delight in a French afternoon — “Après-Midi.”

Then, on Saturday evening, “Night Songs” explores the romance of trios and meditations and nocturnes by Arthur Foote, Fanny Hensel-Mendelssohn, and Glazunov.

This 10th anniversary festival concludes with a flourish on Sunday afternoon, with “Dynamic Sequences” which will include two compositions by Dmitri Shostakovich.

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By Frank Mauro,
Area A Director

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Removing the colour in your wa-

ter (associated with the organics from the lake) causes changes in the taste.

The treatment of the water also causes a change in the taste as a result of adjustment of the pH, something that was not done in the past.

It is important to remember that the system and delivery of water will be monitored very closely during the transition to ensure the water reaching your homes will continue to be safe.

As well as possible variations in colour and taste, water pressure may drop as pipes are flushed.

This is a normal activity when bringing a new water treatment facility online and it is done to clear the pipes of old water and ensure only new water is delivered.

The SCR D will attempt to communicate on a regular basis through various means including flyers (either

mailed or hand delivered), posters on community notice boards, Coast FM radio, Twitter and Facebook and sandwich boards on street corners if necessary.

Perhaps the most important source of timely information is the SCR D website and I suggest it is the first place to look for information if you have questions.

As mentioned previously in this column, as part of the funding requirements for building the treatment facilities, residents of both North and South Pender Harbour water service areas will be receiving water meters this summer and fall.

The contracts have been awarded and information will be arriving in your mailbox shortly.

Water rates will not change for a minimum of one year.

We invite you to join the conversation at the SCR D committee meetings below:

Infrastructure Services Committee

July 3 at 1:30 p.m.

Community Services Committee

July 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Regular Board

July 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Planning and Development Services Committee

July 17 at 9:30 a.m.

Regional Hospital District

July 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

July 24 at 1:30 p.m.

Regular Board

July 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Our meetings are held at **1975 Field Road** in Wilson Creek at the SCR D **Board Room**. Agendas for these meetings are available at www.scrd.ca/Agendas-2014.

Public Information Meeting

Concerning Bylaw Amendment 337.109 (Marihuana Production Facilities) for Egmont/Pender Harbour. The public information meeting will start at 7:00 pm on Wednesday July 2, 2014 in the Pender Harbour School of Music, located at 2952 Madeira Park Rd, Madeira Park BC. Additional information about each bylaw can be found on the SCR D website at: www.scrd.ca

The SCR D is excited to announce that the transition has begun for residents of South Pender Harbour to receive improved drinking water from the new water treatment plant. Find out more at www.scrd.ca/South-Pender-Water-Treatment-Plant

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SMALL SCALE MARIJUANA ZONING

There will be a public information meeting to solicit community input to consider relaxing the restrictiveness of the pre-emptive bylaw regarding large scale facilities that was adopted earlier this year.

A staff report and associated maps outlining some potential zoning, including the scope and impact of the changes which may be made, will be presented.

The Area A meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 2 at 7 p.m. at the P. H. School of Music.

The staff report was reviewed by the Area A advisory planning commission in May and members provided a variety of comments ranging from leaving the restrictive zoning as it is to removing most restrictions.

Modifying zoning to allow these facilities on smaller lots where agriculture is currently permitted (which includes most zones that are not residential, but are often adjoining residential areas) could create some unintentional adverse situations so it is important that the community provides input.

AREA A OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

A draft terms of reference document has been forwarded to the APC for comment.

The document provides background on the existing OCP, the OCP physical boundaries, the review process and the consultation and engagement plan.

The document is expected to evolve after comments from the SCRDP planning and development committee, the APC and community groups.

An OCP review committee will be struck, consisting of members of community groups, with advertising for members to begin in September.

For more information on this important process see the planning and development agenda for June 19 on the SCRDP website which contains the staff report and the TOR.

OPEN DISCUSSION

I will be available between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Friday, July 4 at the Copper Sky in Madeira Park to answer questions and to listen to your concerns.

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

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Staying safe on forest service roads this summer

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Sunshine Coast RCMP are reminding users of forest service roads to use extra caution and to share the roads with users of all types.

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wilderness.

They're used by hikers, cyclists, ATVers, 4x4 enthusiasts and others.

This can be a dangerous combination when people are driving too fast for the conditions.

"We want people to enjoy the wilderness and use the forest service roads, but to be aware of the safety of

others and themselves," said the Sunshine Coast RCMP's Const. Harrison Mohr.

"There have been some serious collisions on local forest service roads which could have been prevented if people slowed down and drove with caution."

Although an FSR may seem deserted, a hiker or cyclist may unexpectedly come around a corner or out of a trail at any time.

Vehicles handle differently on gravel roads and don't stop or turn as well as on pavement, especially when travelling too fast.

Sunshine Coast RCMP offer the following reminders when travelling on FSRs:

- Although there is no centre line, vehicles are required to keep to the right side of the road;
- Slow down when approaching blind corners;
- All motor vehicles, including dirtbikes and ATVs, require liability insurance and must carry proof of such at all times;
- Be aware of logging trucks and give them plenty of room to pass;
- Impaired driving is illegal on FSRs and drivers can receive tickets for other driving offences, such as driving too fast for the conditions and;
- Cell coverage can be sparse in areas.

Ensure someone knows where you're going and when you expect to return.

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The map on the following page shows the extent of forest service roads on the Sechelt Peninsula.

For a full colour PDF copy, visit:
www.for.gov.bc.ca/dsc/maps/Sechelt%20Peninsula.pdf

Another handy resource is the *Backroad Mapbook: Vancouver, Coast and Mountains(Volume 3)*.

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Sailor, singer and author Dan Rubin returns to the Sunshine Coast to present "A Smile on the Sea: Sailing Songs and Stories from Two Oceans" at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 13, at the Pender Harbour School of Music in Madeira Park.

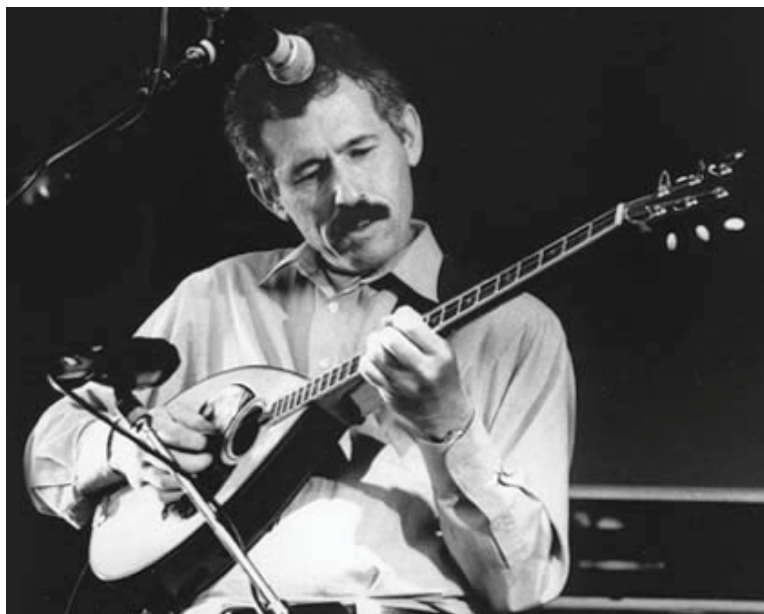
Rubin is now a resident of Newfoundland but he knows the BC coast from his days sailing here on his schooner, *August Moon*. He is the author of *Salt on the Wind*, the authorized biography of Allen and Sherie Farrell, two notable adventurers and boatbuilders who made Pender Harbour their home in the mid-twentieth century.

Rubin is a versatile composer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist whose musical career began with formal study of violin and piano in California and Oregon.

He became established as a performer playing with a number of Vancouver BC artists, including Casey Burke, Leon Bibb, Rick Scott, Shari Ulrich, Bruce Miller, Jack Smith and Joe Mock. Over the years Dan has presented more than 500 concerts and has registered more than 270 compositions with SOCAN.

Rubin will share his music and recollections in this benefit event for the Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society. Tickets are available at EarthFair Books in Madeira Park, John Henry's Marina in Garden Bay, the Sunshine Coast Museum and Archives in Gibsons or through the society website at www.penderharbourheritage.ca.

Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$10 for children (12 and under).



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Fishing club kids are hooked

By Patti Soos

Every Friday after school, the P. H. Community School fishing club kids walk across the street to the Madeira Park Government Wharf and drop fishing lines off the docks.

On a typical day there are 10 to 15 kids fishing, aged between five and 12 and split pretty evenly between boys and girls.

Back in February, while talking with a mom about different activities she'd like to see her son involved in, the idea of the fishing club was born.

Our first adventure was to bus the

kids up to the Pender Harbour Aquatic and Fitness Centre for a water safety lesson.

They got to experience swimming in water wearing a lifejacket with all of their clothes on.

They loved it and were excited about how it felt so heavy and how their clothes stuck to them after getting out of the pool.

After this initiation, we were ready to go fishing.

Dave Davies at our local Harbour Authority contacted Bob Anstead from Bob's Fishing Barn who arrived at our first official fishing day bearing

fishing rods and tackle boxes.

In addition to teaching the kids the basics of fishing, Bob was keen to share his joy of fishing.

As a special treat, he brought a bag of shark's teeth and gave one to each child — you can imagine their excitement.

As he was handing them out, Bob explained that fishing is about more than just catching a fish — it's an opportunity to get outside and to enjoy and notice our beautiful surroundings.

It's also a way of connecting with the culture of our marine community.

Along with a handful of parents, we have two official leaders, Tom Talarico and Ron Ostler, both of whom are local characters with extensive fishing experience.

Tom and Ron patiently show these young fishing people how to cast and reel in their lines and help them get untangled from various situations.

The younger kids seem to really enjoy changing their lures with every cast so it keeps Tom and Ron busy.

Even though our fishing club began early in the fishing season (and perhaps a little too early for actually catching fish) not one child complained about the fact that nothing had yet been caught.

But then, on the ninth of May, we caught our first ever fishing club fish.

It was truly exciting, everyone jumping up and down cheering — it was a fabulous moment.

The fish was small but it was a victory nonetheless.

That fish lived in a bucket for the duration of the class for all to admire and was then released.

Since then, the fishing club made their debut in a public appearance as part of the annual Pender Harbour



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May Day celebrations where we had a float in the parade.

The kids decorated the float with fishing nets and cut-out fish and starfish.

The fishing club has been a true success; you can see it in the smiles on the kids' faces, the easy way it works out with parents and community members coming out to help and the real joy it is bringing it to everyone involved.



Brian Lee photos

The Madeira Park kids' fishing club had a bountiful day on May 30 filling a bucket with shiners and bullheads and other things. All creatures were safely released afterwards to be caught again.

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 July 9: **Silas White and Danielle Silvey.**
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 July 12: **Betty Silvey and Bill Jack.**
 July 13: **Steve Morris, Amy Coombes, Terry Cowan and Daron Petraschuk.**
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 July 29: **Randy Edwardson, Connie Sutherland and Tucker Pan-tages.**
 July 30: **Darlene Fowlie, Shane McCune and Marvin Wutzke.**
 July 31: **Parker Hohn, Bonny Shotropa and Ron Sim.**

JULY ASTROLOGY

CANCER: JUNE 21 – JULY 22

Cancer can be one of the most challenging Zodiac signs to get to know. Emotion runs strong for this sign, and when it comes to family and home, nothing is more important. Sympathetic and empathetic, Cancerians are greatly attuned to those around them. Devotion is the keyword for this sign, making them wonderfully sensitive people to be around but also really hard to get rid of. In a majority of cases, serial stalkers turn out to be Cancerians. Beware of Internet dating with members of this zodiac sign.

LEO: JULY 23 – AUGUST 23

Lions are idealists and romantics, honourable and loyal. Always individualistic, they are usually stylish, charismatic and flamboyant. They might feel a little overworked this month so it might be a good idea to take some time alone to rest or self-medicate. Also, some sensational news will rock your community and will have tongues wagging. Be sure to confirm the facts before jumping to conclusions and ruining someone's life — again.



DATE/TIME - SIZE (small, medium, large, **extra large**),
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July 1	1:42 pm -L, 8:38 pm +XL
July 2	8:03 am +S, 2:22 pm -L
July 3	9:11 am +S, 3:02 pm -M
July 4	10:37 am +S, 3:59 pm -M
July 5	11:50 am +M, 5:11 pm -M
July 6	1:02 pm +M, 6:42 pm -S
July 7	2:12 pm +L, 7:57 pm -S
July 8	7:13 am -L, 3:16 pm +L
July 9	8:16 am -L, 4:15 pm +L
July 10	9:20 am -XL, 5:08 pm +XL
July 11	10:16 am -XL, 5:47 pm +XL
July 12	11:05 am -XL, 6:33 pm +XL
July 13	11:52 am -XL, 7:14 pm +XL
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July 16	8:06 am +L, 1:32 pm -XL
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July 28	12:28 pm -L, 7:19 pm +XL
July 29	12:55 pm -L, 7:36 pm +XL
July 30	1:30 pm -L, 7:55 pm +XL
July 31	2:12 pm -L, 8:17 pm +XL

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.

OF JULY

FIRE RESTRICTIONS NOW IN EFFECT

Since June 3, the size of open fires is restricted in the Coastal Fire Centre area to campfires only. This prohibition will remain in effect until Oct. 15, or the public is otherwise notified. There are currently no campfire bans in effect for the Coastal fire centre but as the dry season continues, that may change.

CAMPFIRES

A campfire means an open fire that burns piled material **no larger than 0.5 metres in height and 0.5 metres in diameter**.

A person may light or make use of a campfire when:

- There are no other restrictions in place for doing so;
- Doing so is, and will continue to be, safe;
- Reasonable precautions are taken to ensure the fire is contained;
- The person is equipped with a hand tool, such as a shovel, or at least eight litres of water and attends the fire to prevent its escape;
- The person maintains a fireguard;
- The person carries out fire control and reports the fire if it spreads beyond the burn area;
- The person ensures the fire is extinguished before leaving the area.

STEPS TO A BETTER CAMPFIRE

- Check with authorities to find out if there are restrictions on the use of campfires.
- Consider wind conditions. If the wind is strong enough to carry sparks to combustible material, don't burn.
- A fire break must surround your fire — create one by scraping down the dirt — one metre around the fire.
- Keep the fire a reasonable distance away from any flammable materials, including all trees and wooden structures.
- Keep your fire small. The best cooking fire is small and hot.
- Keep a shovel and at least eight litres of water nearby in case the fire escapes.
- Never leave fire a campfire unattended.
- Extinguish your fire by stirring



Brian Lee photo

This Pender Hill fire in July 2008 took days to put out. It was started by careless youths letting off fireworks on top of the local landmark.

water into the ashes until it is cold to the touch — hot coals can reignite the fire.

~BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

JULY WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high temperature is 21° C and low is 14.3° C giving us a mean daily temperature of 17.7° C. The highest July temperature recorded is 29.4° C (July 12, 1961) and the lowest is 9° C (July 1, 1979).

JULY PRECIPITATION

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

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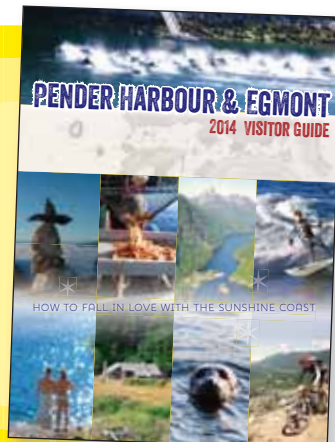
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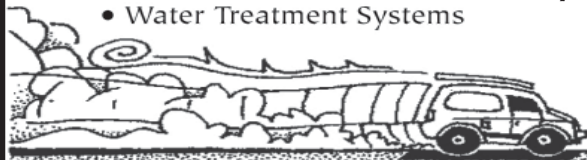
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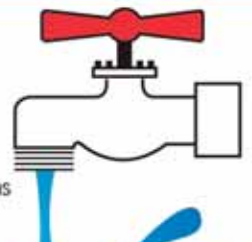
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The Quest, a full-length musical by composer/producer/performer Kenneth Johnson, received prolonged standing ovations from audiences at its June 5 and 6 premiere at the P. H. School of Music. Fourteen Sunshine Coast vocalists practiced for months to learn the highly complex and challenging score exploring the moral and ethical choices presented by the modern world. Highly imaginative staging transformed the music school into a small off-Broadway theatre. Johnson hopes to take his talented cast and crew to other venues in the coming months. The cast (l to r): Brianna Cerkiewicz, Ramon Kubicek, Joanne Mauro, Nancy Pincombe, Karen Edgar, Jim Edgar, Brittany Liska, Laurie Frissell, Jon Eriksson, Jena Wren, Shelley Nienhuis, Mark Brezer, Sandy Matches. Not shown (off-stage) was Allan Nienhuis. Revenue from *The Quest* was donated to the Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society for use in projects such as the placement of heritage signage around the Harbour.

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First week of June went ‘without walls’ for MPES students

Madeira Park Elementary School’s second annual “Week Without Walls” left school classrooms empty during the first week of June.

A Week Without Walls offers students an “experiential education” blitz in which students explore local outdoor education opportunities for the entire week.

Principal Barry Krangle says the Grade 5 and 6 students hiked Mt. Daniel and up to Klein Lake from the Iris Griffith Centre, kayaked around Ruby Lake and enjoyed a day trip over to Thormanby Island.

The younger students piled on the Slo Cat for a historic tour of the Harbour, studied the ecosystems and water systems around Madeira Park and hiked through Francis Point Provincial Park.



Barry Krangle photo

MPES Grade 5 and 6 students hiked Mt. Daniel and proceeded to wreak havoc on photographer’s attempts to get a shot of this iconic view of Pender Harbour.



David Campbell photos

Madeira Park Elementary’s lower grades explored Tyner Biodiversity Park, a short 2 km walk from the school. Left: Lee Ann Ennis reads from Vi Tyner’s memoir, *Tails Across the Kitchen Floor*, recently excerpted in the *Harbour Spiel*. Right: students examine a series of newly-installed educational panels offering ‘tips for wildlife friendly backyards and gardens.’

News from the *John Antle*: Excerpts from *The Log*

In 1904, the Columbia Coast Mission was established by the Anglican church to provide seagoing medical care and assistance to isolated camps and settlements on the BC coast. The area covered stretched from Sechelt in the south to as far north as Kingcome Inlet and Cape Scott. Rev. John Antle started the mission and held the role of superintendent from 1904-1936.

Rev. Alan Greene took over as superintendent after Antle and stayed until 1959, often making his rounds in a boat named in his predecessor's honour, the *John Antle*. The Columbia Coast Mission also operated St. Mary's Hospital in Garden Bay requiring the *John Antle* to be a regular visitor to Pender Harbour. During this period, Rev. Greene edited *The Log*, a newspaper published by the CCM. The following are selected excerpts from the July-August 1941 issue.

NEWS FROM THE M.S. JOHN ANTLE

Since the last issue of *The Log*, the *John Antle* has made two complete tours of its area.

Wally (the Skipper) and George (the engineer-cook) have made their well-earned holidays, David Brackley (an English war guest from Brentwood College) has joined the crew for the summer and I have become almost convinced that I am not a good sailor.

One of the most interesting visits of the past month was that made to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blakely at Egmont.

Here on their little rock island they have, by long and diligent work, built a very beautiful flower garden and very profitable vegetable garden.

I say, "built," for that is just what they did. All the soil was brought over, pail by pail, from the mainland and deposited in beds made out of rock.

From some of these small plots, four crops are reaped; tulips in April or May, potatoes in July, tomatoes in

September and cabbage in December.

The hospital-ity found on this little island was just as abundant as the cultivation.

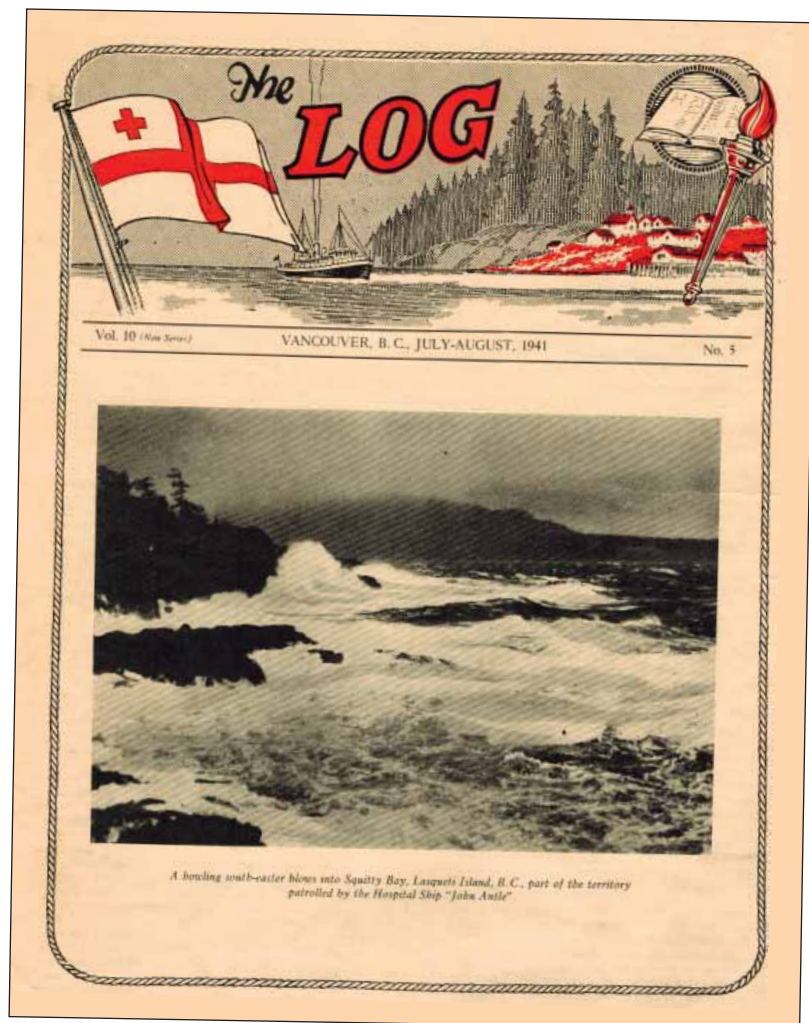
On Sunday morning (July 6), Divine service was held in the "little red schoolhouse" at Egmont.

The Griffith children came early and helped clean up the school and placed some flowers on the teacher's desk, which was to be used as a pulpit.

The splendid attendance was augmented by a few loggers from Agamemnon Bay and some families from the other side of the "Chuck."

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL

The long discussed road from the main highway into the hospital is actually under construction and is work-



The front cover of the July-August 1941 issue of the *The Log*, the official publication of the Columbia Coast Mission, edited by Rev. Alan Greene.

ing its way from Mitchell's toward the hospital.

Seven or eight men form the crew and with the aid of powder and a powerful bulldozer they are actually getting there.

During my visit I had the pleasure of seeing five very young Canadians and their mothers in the hospital and, if noise indicated anything, each of the babies was very much alive and eager to express his or her opinion about life from the mature age of one to 10 days.

It was certainly mother's week at St. Mary's as at the far end of the hospital there was only one male patient.



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- **Did you hear** about the Mexican train killer? He had locomotives.
- **How did** the hipster burn his tongue? He drank his coffee before it was cool.

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Many Harbour Seals to the **ladies' club mentors** who helped me with the "Black Tee Tuesdays" program at P. H. Golf Club in May and June 2014: **Anita Caspersen, Cathy McEachern, Reni Ducich, Stephanie Garner and Kathy Bergman.**

With your help, the program was again a great success.

Wendy Simmonds,
BTT organizer

Harbour Seals of Approval to **Pender Harbour** for supporting the Driftwood Players dinner theatre.

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Huge Harbour Seals of Approval to **Troy and Melisa of the IGA, volunteers Doug, Rod, Wendy, Dolly, Mary, Linda, Bonnie, Hans, Pat, Bill, Mike, Sandy, Laurie, Wayne, Doug D. and Lorne.**

Thank you very, very much.

Becky Udy
P. H. Legion May Day BBQ

A big Seal of Approval to the "Friends of Rotary" for helping us build the Garden Bay Lagoon picnic shelter: **Swansons Concrete, Rona, Tom's Signs, Ken and Melanie Ewen, Wayne Archbold, Lucy at John Henry's and LaVerne.**

Jon Paine
Rotary Club of Pender Harbour

Harbour Seals to **those who bought tickets** for the PHSS girls soccer team raffle. We raised \$2,000.

Thank you to the **Painted Boat Spa and Resort** for and to **Robin Millar**, our hardworking and dedicated coach.

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*Information provided by
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The harm caused by UV includes premature aging (such as wrinkles, and age spots) skin cancers and permanent, sometimes blinding damage to our eyes.

Some health conditions such as lupus can be made worse by the exposure to UV rays.

Medications such as antibiotics, antidepressants, diuretics or water pills and retinoids can also make people more sun sensitive.

There are many great products that will make your life sun-safe, including sunglasses, sunscreens and protective clothing such as hats with a three-inch brim.

Sun protective clothing should offer an ultraviolet protection factor of 30-plus which means that it will block 97 per cent of the UV rays.

Sunscreens are best if they are a broad spectrum and have a sun protection factor of 30-plus.

Sunscreen should be applied at least 20 minutes before exposure and then reapplied every two hours while exposed to the sun.

This is important for people on the water or those working outdoors.

Protection should begin as soon as a baby is born and continue all through their life.

This is especially true if people are fair skinned and have light eyes.

Babies should be kept out of direct sunlight as it is not recommended to apply sunscreen to babies less than six months.



Babies should wear protective clothing, hats and sunglasses. As a child grows, this practice of UV protection should become as routine as brushing their teeth.

Adults should routinely check their skin for abnormal skin areas or areas that are changing colour or shape. These would need to be checked out by their doctor.

If you get a sunburn here are some steps you can take to limit the damage and help with the pain.

Sunburns peak at 12-24 hours and usually subside at 72 hours.

1. Have the person soak in a cool bath or apply cool compresses to the affected area. This will cool down the burnt area and provide relief.

2. Apply aloe vera gel to affected areas as this will reduce the itching and inflammation.

3. Take an anti-inflammatory such as Ibuprofen to help ease the pain.

4. Apply lotion to help rehydrate the skin and prevent peeling.

5. People who have had an

extensive sunburn with blistering and severe pain may require hospitalization for IV fluid replacement and pain management.

SUMMER HOURS 2014

For several years, the P. H. Health Centre has opened on Saturday mornings in the summer season to allow residents and visitors access walk-in treatment from our nurses.

This year, the program will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays between July 5 and Aug. 30.

No booked appointments or laboratory services will be available and there will not be a physician on site.

Recently, despite advertising in the community newspaper, posted flyers and word of mouth, utilization of the Saturday opening has been declining.

Please be advised that the health centre will review 2014 usage at the end of the summer and then make a decision about whether the Saturday service will be offered in 2015.

Tails Across the Kitchen Floor: An excerpt from Vi Tyner's ode to

By Vi Tyner (Excerpt transcribed by David Campbell)

The late Vi and Jim Tyner purchased their property at the southern end of Lily Lake in 1946 and lived there for many years. Vi Tyner wrote, illustrated and self-published *Tales Across the Kitchen Floor*, a book (with extremely small type) describing her relationship with the property and the creatures she shared it with.

In 2003, the Tyners bequeathed their 5.3-acre parcel to the "residents of the Sunshine Coast for their use and enjoyment in perpetuity as parkland." Their property is now a regional park.



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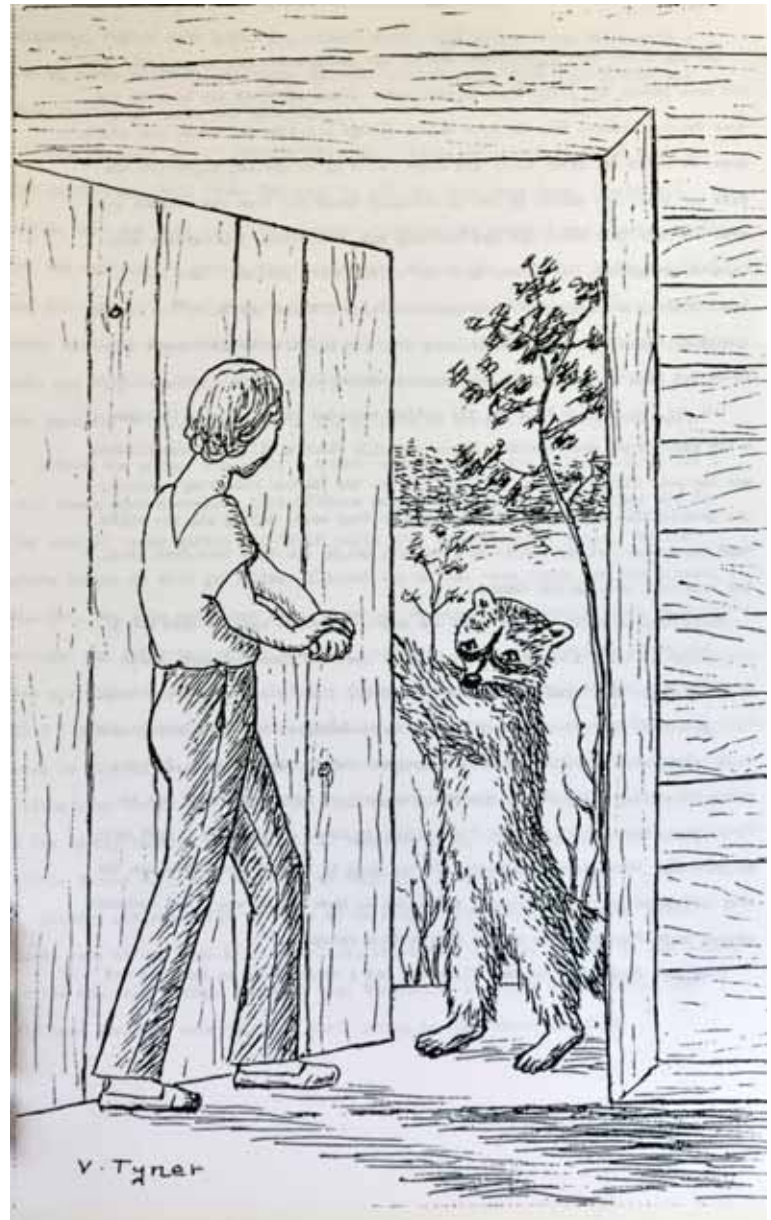
(Continued from *Harbour Spiel*, June 2014)

Before the summer was over, a mother raccoon with three babies came. The baby coons were adorable, like kittens only cuter, their faces seemed big for the rest of their bodies and their tails were skinny little wisps, the fur grows longer as they get older. I named the mother coon Jomma and the babies, One Bit, Two Bits and Three Bits.

A mother raccoon is extremely tough with her babies. She tries to eat all the food herself, quite the opposite of an old hen who will stand back and let the chicks have it. It didn't matter how much food I put out, she would do her best to prevent the babies from getting any, even shoving them aside. Then she would take them down to my garden where the little ones turned over the rocks that were in front of my flower garden to get a few unwary insects underneath. As they did this, they complained in chirpy little voices that said as plain as English, "I'm starving."

Raccoons are wonderful to clean up on slugs. Often when they came, their hands were sticky from handling slugs, which they subsequently ate. As long as we had coons we had scarcely a slug. Jim said that the mother raccoons were smarter than old hens for they were teaching their young to find their own food.

I was fascinated when one of the young coons ran up an apple tree and then became too frightened to come down. Jomma stood at the base of the tree issuing orders, but the poor little fellow was petrified and wouldn't move. He cried and cried until his mother went up to him and supported him with her body. She talked to him in sooth-



Vi Tyner's artwork inside *Tales Across the Kitchen Floor*.

ing tones and then she started down. Once on the ground, the mother gave him a real sharp lecture. Just like a human mother, she sounded very cross and stern. I think she said, "You stupid bonehead, why did you go way up there when you haven't the courage to come down? Let this be a lesson to you because another time I won't help you."

One day, to toughen them up, the mother took the young ones up the side of a big cedar tree. She carefully chose the side of the tree where a climbing rose grew and the poor little fellows' feet were hurt by the thorns. When they stopped, she ordered them on and because she was up ahead, so they went, crying all the while. When the mother got the babies to a certain height she took them down

little living things

again the same way, through the thorns.

Junie used to fight with me over the door. She would want it open and I would want it shut. I would want it shut to keep the coons outside. Junie would hold the door with one hand on each side. I would put on a bossy tone. "Let go of the door, Junie" and I would tug holding on to the doorknob. Junie would smile, with her black eyes twinkling, and tug to keep it open. If you never had a door fight with a raccoon, you have no idea how strong one is. There were times when I thought I was going to lose, even though I must have weighed five times more than Junie. It was hard to believe that this was the same little animal that I hoped I could get to know better and I was somewhat amused to be fighting over my own door with a raccoon.

Sometimes Junie came inside. She would get a fixed stare in her eyes and go straight to my houseplants, plunge both hands under a potted plant and lift it out, then mangle the roots as she felt for insects. All this was done in about three seconds. Any dish would get the same treatment, whether it was a drink of water, a dish of soup or a bowl of jelly. This is the reason that I struggled with the door to

keep my little pal outside. Jingtai and Jomma got so that they would come in too, with Jomma's small bits following her as they all went after the plants.

Another raccoon with three young ones came. I named the mother, Jyp and the young ones, A, B and C but I didn't know my letters apart. The only way I knew Jyp from Jomma was that Jyp had a nick out of her left ear and Jomma had a nick out of her right ear.

After a while a bigger coon came — an old coon. I could tell she was aging by the dull eyes which had a whitish hue as if they were growing cataracts. She had three babies, smaller than Jomma's or Jyp's. Two of them were lively and playful and the third was smaller and very thin with skimpy fur of a lightish shade of coon color. She looked as if she wouldn't live long. I named her Jot because I thought she would never amount to anything and I named the mother, Jemima. The other two were just the boys. They used to follow me around and run up and down the trees in front of me, always coming down head first, which amused me. The boys always put on a show for us.

(Continued next month)

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Golf club fundraiser nets \$1,102 for the health centre



By Jan Watson

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On Sunday June 15, the golf club celebrated Father's Day, their 28th anniversary and the official opening of the Back Nine Bistro.

The occasion was used as a fundraiser for the Pender Harbour Health Centre.

After a rather wet start, the sun came through and everyone enjoyed the putting and chipping contests.

There were golf specials for Dad to play free, a great barbecue and raffle.

All in all \$1,102 was raised for the Health Centre.

MENS' CLUB

A Stableford on June 3 was won by Jamie Tufford with 25 points.

Second was Lorne Campbell with 21 points and third was Rob Cameron with 20.

Low gross winner was Matt Hadfield with 75 and low net winner, Jamie Tufford with 67.

KP on No. 3 Rusty Ellis, No. 6 Mike Reid, No. 12 Garry Noble and No. 15 John Maveety.

June 10 saw individual stroke play and low gross winner was Rusty

Ellis with 80.

Low net winner was Larry Honeybourne with 65.

KP on No. 3 was Rusty Ellis and on No. 12, Al Wendland.

LADIES' CLUB

After winning the home match, the ladies lost the return leg at Sechelt on June 2, losing by just two points overall and relinquishing the trophy.

The ladies won the home match against Sunshine Coast on May 26 by 13 points, lost the away leg at Roberts Creek by 11 points but won overall by two points, thus keeping the trophy.

June 5 saw a modified Stableford which was won by Lorraine Wareham with 17 points while Anita Caspersen came in second with 14.

A low-putt game on June 12 was won by Linda Klikach with 13 putts on the front nine and Lorraine Wareham with 15 on back nine.

Ladies Steak Night and Scramble on Friday the 13th saw 20 ladies have a fun evening with the winning team of Kathy Bergman, Shannon Andres, Carol Reid and Lorraine Wareham shooting par 36.

Second place went to Jeanie Byrd, Lorna Lycan, Kathy Needham and LaVerne Richardson with 38.

KP on No. 3 was Heather Cranston and on No. 6, Wendy Haddock.

THE 19th HOLE

IT'S THE LAW (of golf)

You will miss a two-foot birdie putt just after sinking a twelve-foot putt to save par on the previous hole.

MONDAY TWILIGHT SCRAMBLES

May 26 was the first of the season with four teams.

Three teams tied with a score of 37 and after a tiebreaker, the winners were Ross and Kim Elliott, Cathy McEachern and Reni Ducich.

KP on No. 6 was Merv Oleksyn.

June 2 saw six teams competing, with winners Bob and Reni Ducich and Kent and Marg Lindsey with 36.

Second after a tiebreaker were Don and Joyce Quart and Walter and Moira Martin who shot 41.

KP on No. 3 was Gord Scott.

June 9 winners were Hub and Marge Matsuzaki, Carol Reid and Merv Oleksyn with 35 and the only KP was Heather Cranston on No. 3.

June 16 saw four teams with winners Hal Byrd, Rob Metcalfe, Lorna Lycan and Sandra Pylypiuk with 35.

KP on No. 3 was Pat Hallborg and on No. 6, Jan Watson.

Black Tee Tuesdays are finished for the second year and were once again a great success.

Credit goes to organizer Wendy Simmonds who would like to thank the Ladies' Club volunteers who were mentors for the program — Anita Caspersen, Cathy McEachern, Reni Ducich, Kathy Bergman and Stephanie Garner.



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The free Saturday show was one of the best attended ever thanks in no small part to the calibre of musicians sharing the stage: Steve Kozak on guitar, James Harman vocals and harp and David Vest on keyboards.

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- Why Women Weight Train
- Travel Fitness
- 25km Swim Challenge
- Metre Eater Kids Swim Challenge
- Saturday morning HIIT Fitness
- Healthy Start: Education and exercise for those living with a chronic disease, in partnership with the P. H. Health Centre
- Jolly Jumpers (babies and toddlers)
- Tumble Tots (ages 3-5 yrs)

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- Saturday weekend hours 9am-12pm
- Begins Sept. 13
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- Begins Sept 14
- “My Pass” membership options
- Beginning September

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The Class of 2014's guest speaker, former teacher Michele Mocellin.

July 2014



"Thanks for saying all that stuff," said Teaguen Craig as she accepted the Key of Knowledge with the shortest speech ever witnessed at a grad ceremony.

Sunshine Coast Writer's Fest: There's still tix for three top picks

With Steven Galloway, Miriam Toews and Richard Wagamese of the Sunshine Coast Writers Festival already sold out, author groupies might be wondering where to rest their affections.

Here are three authors, each on different days, that should prove to be as interesting as they are varied in style and topic.

BILL GASTON

Friday, August 15 at 2:30 p.m.

The *Globe & Mail* has used his name in the same sentence as Atwood, Findlay and Munro and called him one of Canada's literary treasures.

Can't argue that. The most recent of his seven novels is *The World*, winner of the Ethel Wilson Fiction Prize.

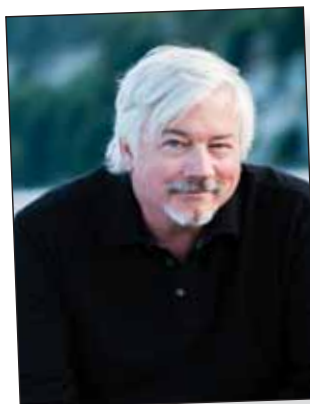
Imagine this:

A guy, just a regular guy, is about ready to burn his mortgage but instead accidentally burns his house down.

That is when the book becomes a road story that turns into a relationship story that eventually is taken over by a book called *The World* within this book called *The World*.

It's not as complicated as it sounds and is a great read.

Gaston is the author of six volumes of short stories, including *Mount Appetite*, nominated for the Giller Prize and the Ethel Wilson Prize, and



Bill Gaston

Gargoyles, nominated for the Governor General's Award. He is also the author of three plays, a memoir and a book of poetry.

If you are already a fan you will know that Bill Gaston, in print and in person, is always entertaining.

HEATHER O'NEILL

Saturday, August 16 at 7 p.m.

Montreal is one of the world's great cities; rich in culture, history and joie de vivre.

But like all great cities it has its less savoury side.

That is the part of Montreal where Heather O'Neill sets her stories.

Her first novel, *Lullabies for Little*



Heather O'Neill

BC Bestsellers:

(For the week of June 22, 2014)

1. **Cloudwalker** by Robert Budd and Roy Henry Vickers
2. **Food Artisans of Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands** by Don Genova
3. **The Couch of Willingness** by Maureen Palmer and Michael Pond
4. **Storyteller** by Roy Henry Vickers
5. **Becoming Wild** by Nikki van Schyndel
6. **Heart and Soil** by Des Kennedy
7. **Love You More** by Susan Musgrave and Esperança Melo
8. **109 Walks in British Columbia's Lower Mainland** by Mary Macaree
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Criminals, was a huge international bestseller.

It won CBC's 2007 edition of Canada Reads, was nominated for the Governor General's Award and won the Hugh MacLennan Prize for Fiction.

It is the story of Baby, a 13-year-old girl whose mother is dead and whose father is a heroin addict.

Abandonment, betrayal, abuse, drug addiction and prostitution make growing up about survival for Baby.

O'Neill's follow-up, *The Girl Who Was Saturday Night*, is also a coming of age story and also set in the seedier side of Montreal.

This one concerns the precocious twin offspring of a famous French Canadian folk singer.

Here again, O'Neill explores the nebulous line between childhood and adulthood.

Both novels are deeply infused with references to her own less than idyllic childhood.

Heather O'Neill was born, and still lives in Montreal.

DIANNE WHELAN

Sunday, August 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Filmmaking is pre-dominately a man's world.

The directors are men, the cinematographers are men and the film editors are men.

In the 86-year history of the Academy Awards, only four women have been nominated for best director and of those, only one has taken home the Oscar.

Award-winning Vancouver-based filmmaker and photographer Dianne Whelan is well aware of the odds.

Her most recent independent project is the documentary film, *40 Days at Base Camp*, shot on Mount Everest.

She is the first woman to shoot a film on the world's highest mountain.

Whelan tells the rest of the story in her book *Base Camp: 40 Days on Everest*.

Her award-winning National Film Board documentary, *This Land*, was made during her time as an embedded media person on a historical sovereignty patrol in the Canadian High Arctic in 2007.

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JULY

Wed. July 2.....Public information meeting re: SCRD zoning of marijuana production facilities - P. H. School of Music, 7 p.m.
 Thurs. July 3-5.....Paul Black Band - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m. (three nights)
 Fri. July 4.....Friday Market in Madeira - P. H. Community Hall grounds - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Sat. July 5.....Egmont Community Club annual seafood dinner - Egmont Community Hall, 6 p.m.
 Sun. July 6.....Sunday Jam w/ Russell Marsland - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
 Mon. July 7.....Ruby Lake Lagoon Nature Reserve Society - Iris Griffith Centre, 7 p.m.
 Fri. July 11&12.....Bradley McGillvray Blues Band - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m. (two nights)
 Fri. July 11....."Between a Rock and a Hard Place: New Art from George Connell" reception - Copper Sky Gallery, 6-9 p.m.
 Fri. July 11.....Friday Market in Madeira - P. H. Community Hall grounds - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Fri. July 11.....School of Music Coffee House - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
 Sun. July 13.....Coast School of Celtic Music presents The Traditional Celtic big band - MPES outdoor classroom, 1 p.m.
 Sun. July 13.....Dan Rubin Benefit Concert - P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
 Sun. July 13.....Sunday Jam w/ Bradley McGillvray Blues Band - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
 Mon. July 14.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Mon. July 14.....Open House to celebrate Jack Crabb's life - 4950 Gonzales Rd. (where the geese are), 1-4 p.m.
 Thurs. July 17-19..Jason Buie Band - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m. (three nights)
 Fri. July 18.....Friday Market in Madeira - P. H. Community Hall grounds - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Fri. July 18-20.....Hwy. 101 Music Festival - P. H. Lions Park, 3 days
 Sat. July 19.....Royal Canadian Legion beer garden - P. H. Legion, 1-5 p.m.
 Sun. July 20.....Sunday Jam w/ Gary Comeau and Simon Paradis - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
 Mon. July 21.....1066 - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m. (three nights)
 Thurs. July 24-26..Cannery Row - Garden Bay Pub, 8 p.m.
 Fri. July 25.....Friday Market in Madeira - P. H. Community Hall grounds - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Sun. July 27.....Celebration of Keray Farrell's Life - P. H. School of Music, 1-4 p.m.
 Sun. July 27.....Sunday Jam w/ Steve Hinton - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.
 Mon. July 28.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Thurs. July 31.....Harbour Spiel August issue hits the mail

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 ◊ 2:05 p.m.
 4:30 p.m.
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◊ Mon-Fri except Aug 4 & Sept 1
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