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editorial

Squeaky wheel politics and the DMP



Brian Lee

Pender Harbour learned last month that a 15-year fight over how docks are to be managed is over.

But I haven't heard cheering.

That's because the meaningful consultation that the Penner report confirmed was lacking, still is.

As proof, this dock management plan differs little from the draft that shocked residents three years ago.

Predictably, science has confirmed that Pender Harbour's environmental and archeological health are affected by the people living here.

Many might even agree that curtailing the construction of docks is a laudable goal.

But not like this.

Interpretations of how Aboriginal title should be applied is so complicated that our top courts continue to stumble over it.

Certainly our politicians are no better equipped to interpret the legal landscape with respect to First Nations in Canada.

They should be forgiven for their inability to find a solution — but they shouldn't be forgiven for being lazy.

The concept of reconciliation is threatened by mistrust and turmoil if property owners can no longer count on a clear definition of their rights.

Folks rightly fear a transfer of power on matters as important as who governs freehold and Crown property.

Perhaps even more so when that power is transferred to an organization that lacks the transparency we expect from decision-makers.

But if we as a nation have decided that outcomes like the DMP are an acceptable cost of reconciliation, then governments have a responsibility to step up and shoulder the burden on behalf of all taxpayers.

Instead, this plan and policies like it — such as increasingly common requirements for expensive archeological assessments — foist costs on property owners in an arbitrary scatter according to whims of a local government we didn't elect.

That isn't reconciliation.

It's hopeful politicking by bewildered bureaucrats who have identified that the path of least resistance is to accommodate First Nations demands over the rest of us.

If there was an honest attempt to listen to the Pender Harbour community in this process, those empowered to dictate policy like the DMP might understand that the unwavering resistance of the past 15 years comes from a perceived attack on our maritime culture.

Many are sympathetic to the concept of limiting docks in Pender Harbour but many also know the tag "Venice of the North" wasn't applied to Pender Harbour by accident.

Our community developed from the water, and it fostered a culture of moving around it by boat.

That wouldn't have been possible without a network of docks.

Should the culture that evolved in Pender Harbour over many generations be any less meaningful than claims of cultural value from an Indigenous person?

It seems it is, and that's the crux of the problem.

CORRECTION: Last month's editorial, 'The SCRD's Great Betrayal (2010)' erred in omitting the name of a voting member of the SCRD board at the time — former Sechelt mayor Darren Inkster. Inkster also voted to close the P. H. Landfill. ~ Ed.

PENDER HARBOUR ADVISORY COUNCIL TOWN HALL MEETING: Sunday, May 6, 2:30 p.m.

The Pender Harbour Advisory Council will host a spring town hall meeting on May 6 at the Pender Harbour Community Hall at 2:30 p.m. Items on the agenda include news about an easier nomination process for the PHAC/Rotary volunteer awards, information about a new “good neighbour” program emerging in Pender Harbour. Plus, there will be updates on derelict boats, dock management plan and other issues of vital interest. Renew your membership and participate in your community.

MOTHER’S DAY: Sunday, May 13

Admit it — you were poorly behaved as a child. Make it right by taking your mom out for breakfast on Mother’s Day. Luckily, you have two options this year — the annual P. H. Lions Mother’s Day pancake breakfast will run all morning at the Lions Park in Kleindale and the Rockwater Secret Cove Resort hosts a Mother’s Day Brunch buffet.

73RD ANNUAL PENDER HARBOUR MAY DAY: Saturday May 19, all day

It doesn’t get any bigger than this (in our community). This one may be the biggest yet with a beach volleyball tournament, four-kilometre fun run, fishing derby (for kids 12 and under), bouncy castle, face painting, a dunk tank, longboard hockey tournament, the P. H. Lions’ famous pancake breakfast, live music, petting zoo, plenty of food and vendors, a kids’ dance and the kickoff event — the May Day parade at 11 a.m. Enter your float by May 15 and become part of history by taking part in the May Day parade. The theme for this year’s May Day is “Pirates of Pender.” Arrrrrr.

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John Rathbone, recently hired as the P. H. Health Centre finance and administration manager, receives a cheque for \$20,000 from Bargain Barn president Linda Pearson. The money was raised from community donated items sold at the Bargain Barn and will be used to assist in providing a variety of health care needs for the community.



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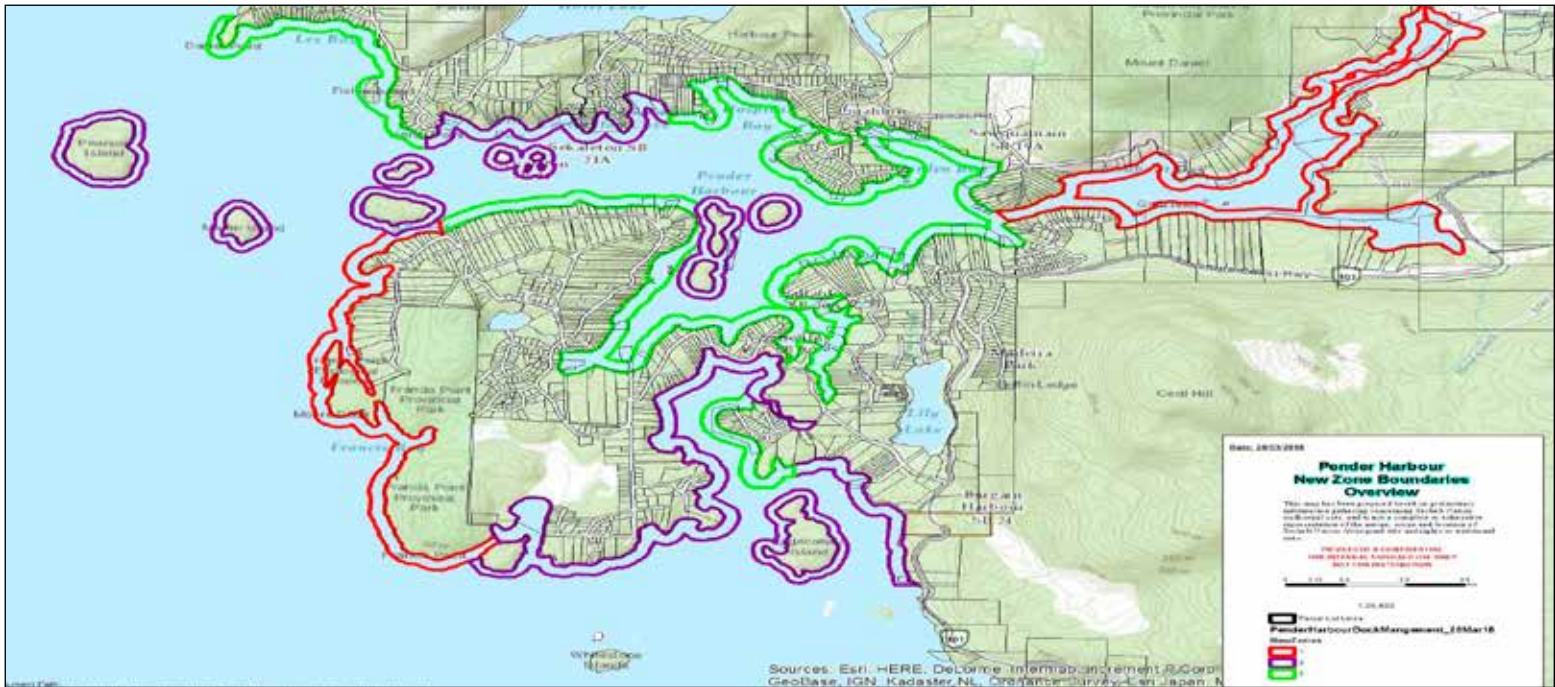
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Province releases Pender dock management plan 2.0



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Pender Harbour dock management plan zone map.

If waterfront property owners in Pender Harbour were hoping for good news in the latest version of the province's dock management plan, they are likely disappointed.

That's because there is little change to controversial zoning that will prohibit some Pender Harbour waterfront owners from having docks on their property.

"My first reaction was that they didn't implement Penner's recommendations," said Leonard Lee, chair of the P. H. Chamber of Commerce dock management plan working group.

"But the main thing we're against is the regulation against zones and the fact the government didn't consult with us.

"They consulted with the SIB but not us, and we are stakeholders."

The stated objective of the DMP is to promote responsible dock development in Pender Harbour by:

1. Minimizing and mitigating impacts to marine resource values;
2. Protecting archeological re-

sources from future disturbance;

3. Addressing individual and cumulative impacts of dock development on Aboriginal interests; and
4. Advancing collaborative management between the Shíshálh Nation and the Province of BC.

Unlike the previous draft version of the DMP that divided Pender Harbour into four zones, the new document contains three.

Zone one (red) includes the western portion of Francis Peninsula and Gunboat Bay.

The DMP states that "new applications for docks or boathouses tenure will not be accepted" in this area.

Zone two (purple) combines much of the yellow and purple zones in the previous draft and includes western Garden Bay, the islands and a large portion of Bargain Harbour:

"New applications for group moorage or commercial moorage will be considered provided the application meets the DMP.

"New applications for private

moorage facilities or boathouse tenure will not be accepted.

"The application must demonstrate that the dock does not impact/influence critical habitat."

Zone three (green) includes much of the mainland portion of Pender Harbour and is the least restrictive but will still require applicants to "demonstrate that the dock does not impact/influence critical habitat."

The province will consider new dock tenure applications in this zone but, "in order to reduce the environmental impact of multiple private moorages, residents will be encouraged to pursue group moorage facilities or strata title moorage facilities."

"The only place you can really justify no docks at all is right at the head of the Harbour, up in Oyster Bay itself because it's a saltwater marsh," said Lee.

"We shouldn't put docks there and I don't think anybody in their right mind would argue with that one.

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Dock management plan (cont.)

(Continued from p. 5)

“But the bulk of Gunboat Bay is rock and straight into deep water.

“There’s no way there’d ever be any archeological remains on the foreshore and there’s no way you would ever grow eelgrass there.

“So why they made that zone all red, we don’t understand.”

Area A director Frank Mauro acknowledged that some will be frustrated with the new version of the DMP.

“There’s going to be folks that are certainly not happy in the red zone, most particularly in Gunboat Bay with regards to this current plan which really hasn’t changed much.”

Also included in the DMP are mandatory requirements for dock design and construction to meet environmental and archeological concerns.

For new tenures, the province encourages prospective applicants to “engage with the Shíshálh Nation early.”

After that, the DMP states it will require the applicant to provide the following information as part of the application:

1. The identification of any critical habitat within the tenure area and dock footprint and the plan for the protection of any identified critical habitat;

2. A preliminary field reconnaissance assessment of archeological resources in the foreshore of the tenure.

If the PFR identifies new archeological sites, then the provincial process under the Heritage Conservation Act applies.

3. A management plan, including specifications regarding the design of the dock and describe how ongoing maintenance activities will be consistent with the best management practices set out in section 8.0.

“My feeling is that this will be translated and be done to the rest of the province,” said Mauro.

“That being said, I’ve commented that I don’t believe that the dock width should be a maximum of 1.5 metres.

“That’s not really feasible in the ocean with associated winds.”

But Mauro accepts the necessity for dock owners to comply with the requirements for dock construction.

“Docks do last a long time so it’s going to take some time for existing tenures to be rebuilt to the point where they meet the current standards.

“So I don’t see that as being a huge issue,” he said.

DMP ARCHEOLOGICAL STUDY

In October 2017, consultants In-

lailawatash conducted an archeological survey of Pender Harbour.

The Inlailawatash report indicates that 66 previously recorded archeological sites were assessed.

“Forty-one were observed to have docks, marinas or other built structures, such as retaining walls, on the adjacent foreshore, most with the potential to negatively impact archeological materials.

“Twenty-nine of the 41 sites observed may be negatively impacting an archeological site, but require further study to verify any potential impacts.

“However, 12 of the 41 sites are known to have been negatively impacted.

Among other recommendations, the study called for more archeological study in the area and that a public education program be conducted “to inform the public about the nature, value and protection of archeological sites in their community.”

DMP ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

In March 2018, M.C. Wright and Associates Ltd. concluded their environmental study of Pender Harbour.

That study consisted of two phases of which the first involved conducting a review of literature on the subject.

The report’s author acknowledged a lack of scientific data on the subject:

“This is the first field assessment of private dock impacts on the marine environment in BC, and perhaps in Canada.

“On an international scale, this study is one of the few field assessments of dock impacts at such a northerly latitude, which other researchers have previously acknowledged to be a



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data gap.”

MCW included input from Shishálh elders’ traditional knowledge regarding “marine fish and fish habitat in Pender Harbour.”

MCW intended that, “local ecological knowledge also be collected from members of the public through interview-based surveys.

“However, due to the politically sensitive nature of this project, this was not undertaken.”

A variety of other sources provided background data on historical levels of fecal coliform, the effects of boats on the environment, including fuel spills and antifouling paints, and the effects of agricultural runoff.

MCW consulted historical photos to paint a picture of the growth of docks in Pender Harbour.

From the report:

“In 2014, there were 326 private docks throughout the harbour and 22 community docks and marinas.

“Almost one-third of the private docks in Pender Harbour have at least one boathouse (73 docks with one boathouse and 16 with at least two boathouses).”

Using the zoning from the draft DMP, MCW found that one-third of docks in zones 1, 2, and 3 are unlicensed while 15 per cent of docks in zone 4 (green zone) are unlicensed.

Of the 267 docks with associated leases or licences, 163 did not fall entirely within the bounds of the tenured area permitted for dock construction or were often entirely outside the bounds of the tenured area.

The study also concluded that docks shade the ocean floor which hinders vegetative growth — especially eelgrass.

Eelgrass is a critical component in marine ecosystems and in the sec-

ond phase of their study, MCW found it was not growing under docks or areas where boats might be moored, due to shading.

The report also noted that “the affected area of eelgrass underneath a dock ranged from 2.6 to 5.4 times larger than the dock itself.”

MCW found that Bargain Harbour had the largest and densest eelgrass beds within the study area, covering 21,148 square metres.

Bargain Harbour also had the greatest destruction of eelgrass due to docks.

“The median area of eelgrass lost in Bargain Harbour around and under each dock with an evident footprint was 170 square metres.”

The report indicated these areas were 4.4 times larger than the area of the docks themselves and “conservatively estimated” the loss as 2,337

square metres, or 11 per cent of the eelgrass in Bargain Bay.

“In comparison, the area of eelgrass that was projected to be lost on Flora Bank due to construction of the proposed Pacific NorthWest LNG Project was 1,839 square metres.”

In light of this finding, MCW recommended that “dock construction should therefore be more, not less, restricted in these areas.”

The western shore of Bargain Harbour was in the draft DMP’s yellow zone but found itself in the more restrictive purple zone in this version.

Lee said he will present the position of the DMPWG at a May 6 town hall meeting in Madeira Park.

The DMPWG will likely host a later meeting strictly about the DMP.

“And we’ll ask the community if we should continue, or if we should accept the policies the way they are.”

Pender Harbour DMP — April 4, 2018, “Dock construction and maintenance guidelines - best management practices” (partial list):

8.1 Critical habitats should be avoided within the dock footprint. New docks must not be installed over these habitats unless the design mitigates for potential impacts and does not result in losses to these habitats. Boathouses must not be built over critical habitat.

8.2 Design of a dock or boathouse should not include components that block the free movement of water along the shoreline. Crib foundations or solid core structures made of cement or steel sheeting should be avoided as these types of structures result in large areas of vegetation removal and erosion in riparian areas.

8.3 The bottom of all floats must be a minimum of 1.5 metres above the sea bed during the lowest tide. Dock height above lowest water level must be increased if deep draft vessels are to be moored at the dock.

8.4 The size of all docks should be minimized. Access ramps, walkways or docks should be a minimum of 1.0 metre above the highest high water mark of the tide. Access ramps and walkways should not exceed a maximum width of 1.2 metres. Docks should not exceed a maximum width of 1.5 metres.

8.6 Docks must be constructed to allow light penetration under the structure and used decking materials must allow for minimum of 43% open space allowing for light penetration to the water surface. Light transmitting materials may be made of various materials shaped in the form of grids, grates, and lattices to allow for light passage.

8.7 Docks should be aligned in a north-south direction to the maximum extent that is practicable.



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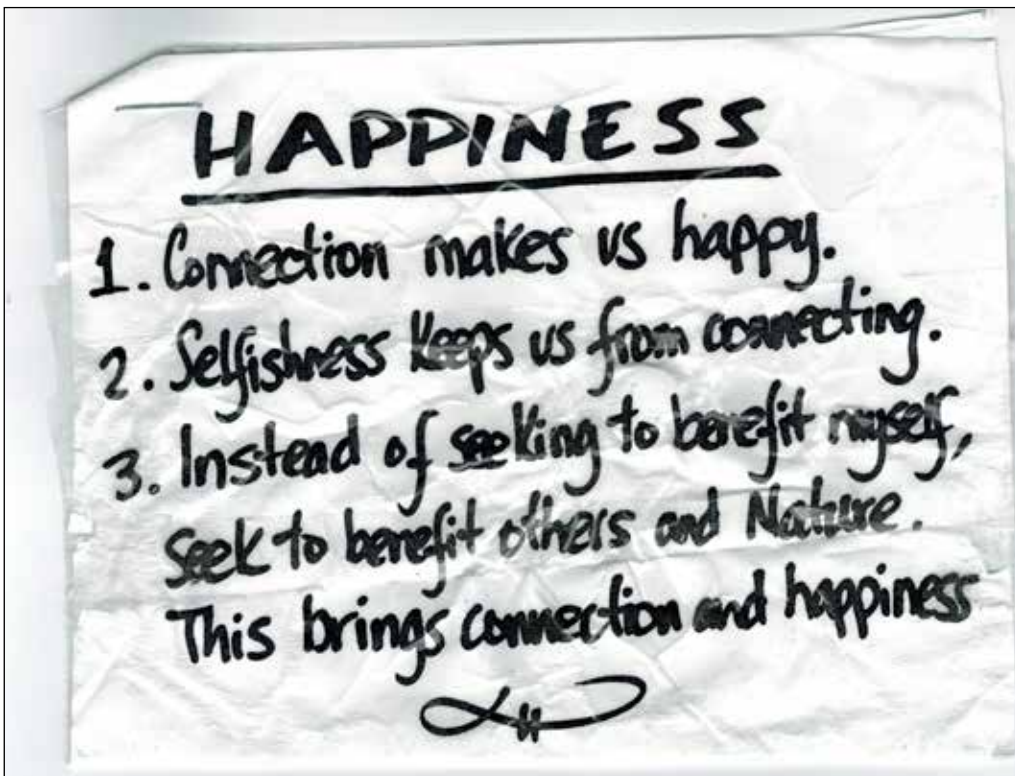
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Last month, the Pender Harbour Rotary Club repaired the dinghy dock at Garden Bay Marine Provincial Park just in time for summer boaters. The club brought the dock's state of disrepair to the attention of provincial parks staff who then organized the delivery of, and paid for, the new material. To enable better access for the deck repair, the dock was towed by Garden Bay Marine Services and Liaison Marine Services to their facility at Irvine's Landing. Seen here are Rotary volunteers Len Lee, Bill Charlton, Dave Milligan and Richard Massullo. Upon completion of the repair work, provincial parks staff will install new signs throughout the park from the parking lot at Claydon Road down to the beach and dinghy dock. Established in 1969, Garden Bay Marine Provincial Park includes 200 metres of shoreline, with a backdrop rising to the summit of Mount Daniel.



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ROTARY CLUB ANNOUNCES NEW POSITION

The Rotary Club of Pender Harbour recently announced the appointment of Vanessa Lanteigne as their “youth advocate.”

Lanteigne was the club’s first youth exchange student, spending a year in Mexico, and has recently accepted a position as the regional co-ordinator for the Foundation for Environmental Stewardship.

From a Rotary Club of Pender Harbour press release:

“Her background in the environment and youth services gives her an overall understanding of how to improve Rotary’s connection with, and for, the youth of Pender Harbour.”

SCRD COMPLETES 2018 BUDGET

The Sunshine Coast Regional District budget for 2018 was adopted at the March 22 board meeting.

According to an SCRD statement, the overall tax increase for 2018 is 4.3 per cent over 2017.

“The impact in each electoral area varies depending on the services provided and changes in assessment values relative to other areas and to other property taxes.”

Because of that, Area A’s rate increase only rose to 3.68 per cent.

“Over 70 new proposals came forward . . . totalling over \$9.5 million and an additional \$390,000 from community groups.

“Projects were prioritized based

on four key criteria — mandatory/ business continuity, direct link to the SCRD’s strategic plan, identified in the SCRD’s integrated five-year plan, and low cost and high value.”

MARINA PHARMACY UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Multiple local sources have confirmed that Island Pharmacy Group is the new owner of Madeira Park’s Marina Pharmacy.

Island Pharmacy operates nine locations between Victoria and Gabriola Island.

Despite multiple requests to confirm, the Vancouver Island pharmacy chain has yet to respond to the *Harbour Spiel*.

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COLLISION

Late on March 26, police attended a two-vehicle accident in the 13200-block of Highway 101, Garden Bay.

One vehicle went off the roadway into a tree and then slid into the back of a parked, unoccupied vehicle.

The driver, who was not impaired and was able to exit the vehicle on his own, told police he swerved to avoid hitting a deer.

As he tried to correct the vehicle, he realized he was going too fast to navigate the curve in the road.

The vehicle sustained extensive damage and had to be towed from the scene but the parked vehicle only sustained minor damage.

The matter has been referred to ICBC.

THEFT

Overnight on April 4, someone entered a property in the 4400-block of Garden Bay Road and stole two full trailer propane tanks.

The tanks carried markings that they were “Made in Cleveland.”

Also taken was an old “Jet” brand 24-piece metric wrench set in a plastic blue case.

BREAK AND ENTER

Overnight on April 9, a thief entered a residence in the 6100-block of Laverock Road, Madeira Park, and stole an undetermined number of tools.

It appears the intruder may have gained entry through a lower-level window.

The file is still under investigation and anyone with any information is asked to contact RCMP, reference file

2018-2139.

MISCHIEF

Overnight on April 12, vandals damaged 18 *Coast Reporter* newspaper boxes in the Pender Harbour area.

The mischief ran along Highway 101 south of Madeira Park and along Francis Peninsula Road in the Garden Bay and Irvine’s Landing area.

Boxes were removed from their secure posts, tipped over, tossed into ditches, pushed down banks or thrown onto the roadway.

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Pender Banana Peppers clinch Sunshine Coast championship

For the first time since they entered the Sunshine Coast women's soccer league seven seasons ago, the Pender Harbour Banana Peppers have won the league championship.

Though the Sitas posted the best regular season record, the BPs coach Brent Sheppard knew it would come down to his team and the Source to battle it out for the hardware on April 6, 7 and 8 at Kinnikinnick field.

"We were the two teams to beat," said Sheppard.

"The Source are a really solid team and they're really athletic."

They Source have also made it to the championship final in each of the last three seasons.

"But they hadn't won — so we knew they were going to give us everything," said Sheppard.

Despite their coach's confidence, the BPs dropped their first game to the Ya Yas, 2-1.

They bounced back against the Supremes and took that game 2-1.

The Banana Peppers went on to shut out the Blazers 4-0 before clinching a berth in Sunday's final by beating the Sitas 2-1.

In a championship final preview, late Saturday saw the BPs and the Source meet for the first time.



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Sunshine Coast Women's Soccer league champions, the Pender Harbour Banana Peppers. Top row (l-r): Brent Sheppard, Erin Klassen, Jalene VanDerWerer, Katie Edwardson, Jade Storoschuck, Nicole Caithness, Brooke Nattall, Mary Mackay, Kelsey Valdoen, Paige Nattall, Angela Coop, Ailsa Antilla, Alex Christian. Bottom row (l-r): Alvina Paul, Linda Cordell, Trisha Johnson, Susan Nattall, Crystal Mackie, Corinna Julius, Vanessa Lanteigne, Dani Pazur, Maryah Paul. Missing: Cara Mackenzie, Thea Mahar, Tayler Metcalfe, Tania Towell, Hope Keats, Jinny Antilla, Sara Corsie and Erica Malcolm.

"We knew we were to meet in the final so we wanted to place some doubt in the other team going into Sunday," said Sheppard.

The Banana Peppers beat the Source 1-0, setting up an intense showdown for the coveted championship cup.

In the first half of Sunday's championship game, the BPs 199th, a double-header combination by Mary Mackay and Nicole Caithness put the BPs up by one.

Soon after, Dani Pazur found the back of the net to give the BPs a 2-0 lead going into the second half.

"The Source made some changes and came out hard in the second half and managed to get a goal back," said Sheppard.

"It turned into a dogfight after that and it got super intense right down to the final seconds."

But the game ended 2-1 with newly crowned champions, the first for Pender's Banana Peppers.



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17th annual April Tools boat-building competition, April 28



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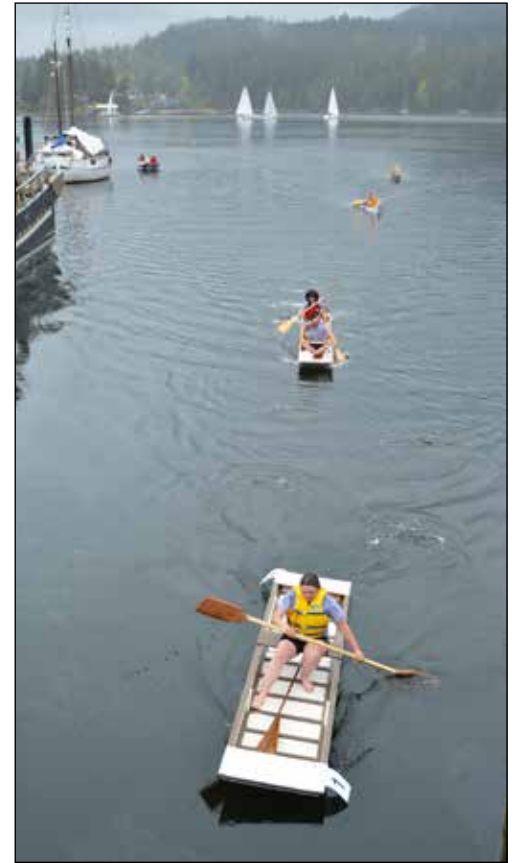
The 'twist' at this year's April Tools was that builders had to build a boat 'in two parts of equal length and similar displacement' that could only be assembled after the start of the race. Seen here is the frantic assembly after the start of the first heat.



The Costco Wholesails: Jessica Massullo, Grace Donahee and Tia Haase.



Soon after the start of the April Tools final race.



In the youth race trophy race, the Train in Trades Carpentry team (Michelle Fielding seen here in the lead) took top prize and also won for driest boat. The sportsmanship award went to Costco Wholesails, the piracy prize to the 'Bean Boozlers,' the Bad Egg Prize went to 'Egg' and the The Rhondas took the no-quitter award.



Perennial champions, the Fireflies (Garden Bay Fire Hall) won the final race and were also awarded the 'Spiffy Skiffy' for nicest looking boat. Photo left: Sawyer Cote and Nick Price cross the finish line first in the final. Photo right (l-r): Nick Price, Sawyer Cote, Kerry Rand and Bruno Cote.



Roads and grass



Frank Mauro

ROAD MAINTENANCE

The SCRD board recently met with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to discuss changes regarding road maintenance with the tendering of new long-term maintenance contracts.

The biggest change will be an increase in road sweeping (particularly roads used for bike lanes) and several changes in the standard specifications for some aspects of road maintenance.

It has been previously reported that there will be work done on Irvine's Landing road, especially near Mixal Lake.

Another welcome note is the

replacement of the centre-line "cat's eyes" on Highway 101.

This is something that is frequently mentioned as a serious issue, particularly for driving on dark rainy nights.

ROADSIDE MOWING

The recent mowing along Highway 101 brought to mind an item I wrote in this column about five years ago.

It is springtime and MOTI contractors will be out mowing along roadside rights-of-way to improve visibility and safety.

They have many kilometres of roadway to maintain and we are all familiar with the loader-mounted mowers they use for the job.

Obviously this type of equipment is designed to quickly clear large ar-

eas and can't be used for detail work.

In residential areas, if you have hedges or other such vegetation on the road right-of-way, it is important to keep the vegetation trimmed a couple of metres back from the travelled portion of the roadway.

The people who operate the equipment are usually local folks who give homeowners the benefit of the doubt and generally won't mow if the vegetation is well back and looks like it has been tended.

Remember that the road right-of-way in most places is 20 metres wide so it usually extends at least four metres past the edge of the pavement.

MOTI generally does not mow more than 1.5 metres past the edge of the pavement so there is a lot of leeway.

It is best to keep hedges trees etc.

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning and Community Development
May 10 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
May 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Infrastructure Services Committee
May 17 at 9:30 a.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee
May 24 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
May 24 at 1:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at
1975 Field Road, Sechelt.
Agendas are available at
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AVICC

I attended the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities conference in mid-April.

While several useful topics were discussed, the most informative workshop I attended was named “cannabis regulation after legislation.”

The main theme was the BC provincial government regulations that have been drafted in preparation for the passing of the federal legalization in July.

While it is not possible in this space to spell out all the “rules,” a few notable ones are worth mentioning.

First, the legal age for possession in BC will be the same as the drinking age, 19 years.

Second, distribution and control will be assigned to the BC Liquor Control Board but sales of cannabis will not be allowed in the same outlets where liquor is sold except in remote or rural areas where there is a lack of available outlets.

It was not made clear, though, how “remote” eligibility would be decided so no definitive statements can be made about our area at this time.

Third, the test for determining impaired driving due to cannabis is going to be problematic as current

available equipment can only detect the presence of cannabis, not the quantity.

There are plans to provide some “sobriety testing training” to law enforcement officials.

The actual implementation of this could be interesting.

The province intends to refer all distribution applications to the local government for comment as part of the approval process.

This will allow local government to determine the density of retail outlets, the distance from schools, parks and other sensitive areas.

This collaboration has not been well defined to date but is welcome, although it will require local policy and bylaw development.

Also, the associated enforcement needs have not yet been defined.

Implementation and operating costs for local governments will be significant and, as the province will receive a substantial share of any revenues generated, local governments passed resolutions at AVICC regarding recovering costs from the province.

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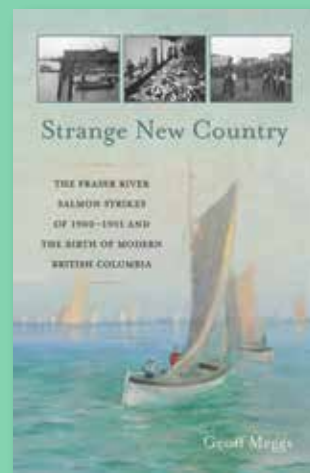
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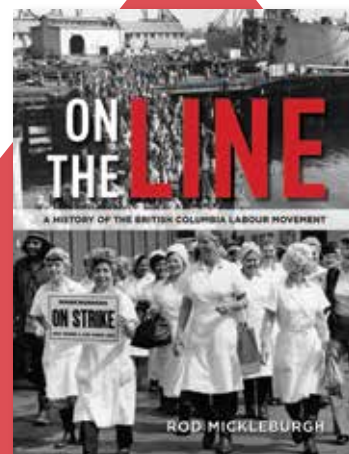
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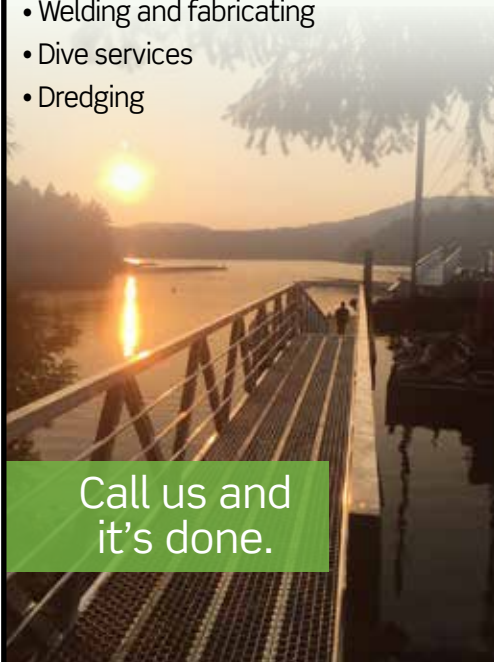
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letters

Another elder forced out of the Harbour

Editor,
I retired 20 years ago when I settled in Madeira Park.

I would describe it as a unique community that offers clubs for every taste.

Many friendships formed during my time here.

The problem is that we all grow old and I see no real plan to accommodate seniors at a later age.

It's too late for me but I mention it as a reminder for the future.

Especially with the changing times, we need more long-term facilities.

The public system is leaning on home-care nursing, which makes sense.

The hospital system can no longer support the cost of long-term care and is feeling the strain.

On the positive side, science is advancing with improved technology to allow for better diagnosing of illnesses.

Perhaps we need more wellness programs for people to take more responsibilities.

As for myself, I am sorry to leave the Harbour.

Jean Pearce

Solving the Menacher Road debate?

Editor,
In this world of trying times and dire problems, a desperate situation has arisen that needs resolving once and for all.

Ahem . . .

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You say MEH-nack-er, and I say MEH-natch-er.

Meh-NACK-er, Meh-NATCH-er.

*MEH-nack-er; MEH-natch-er.
Let's ask the Harbour
Speeeeeeeel!*

With apologies to the Gershwins.
Mario Lowther

Unfortunately, the Harbour Spiel adopts none of the above and furthers the confusion around this issue by opting for the road's French pronunciation — Men-a-SHAY. ~ Ed.

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Danger Bay attacks May 20

Editor,

Once again I'm hosting the 17th annual Attack of Danger Bay with the help of Team Irene, Team Green and the Pender Harbour community.

If you haven't heard, I bought a church with my family on the top of the biggest skateable road in all of Canada on Nova Scotia's famous Cabot Trail in the middle of the Cape Breton Highlands National Park.

We have opened the church as the Highlands Hostel and are in the process of building the "Coast Museum of Downhill" in the church's bell tower.

This museum is to protect the history and our story of downhill skateboarding, which all started here in Pender Harbour and spread like wildfire worldwide into what it is today.

The Attack of Danger Bay is the oldest downhill race in the world for our sport — now slated to be in the Olympics.

Former world champion Kevin Reimer has won ADB for the last five years, making his total seven wins out of the last 16 years.

Unfortunately, Reimer broke his arm crashing in California last month and pulled out of the race so doctors could amputate his limb.

That means this year will see a new champion.

Some of the world's best want a crack at joining the biggest names in the history of downhill by taking home the Michael Crowe Danger Bay Rotary Cup.

Spectators, please respect the "Absolutely No Parking" signs around the race strip.

Please take the \$2,000 shuttle bus service I have rented for everyone who wants to enjoy the races.

The service is free and leaves the Oak Tree Market running return trips all day from 8 a.m. until we crown a champion.

Please thank and tip our bus drivers — they are fantastic.

Bring cash to the track, as we will be selling lots of goodies, food, helmets and skate gear.

After the May Day parade on Saturday, head to the basketball courts for a full contact skateboard hockey tournament.

Eight teams are coming from as far as Calgary, Kamloops and the U. S. to try to defeat the Pender Harbour skaters, Team Green Irene.

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The Pender Harbour Lions Club would like to thank our sponsors and everyone who came out and enjoyed the Easter Pancake Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt.

We love serving our community and hope to do so for many years to come.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 13: Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast ~ P. H. Lions Hall

May 19: May Day Pancake Breakfast ~ P. H. Community Hall, 8 to 11am

Come out and have breakfast, enjoy time in the park, go for a hike or come to a meeting and see what we are all about.

Ruth Lorraine King (née Neighbor)

AUGUST 30, 1934 – APRIL 2, 2018



Ruth Lorraine King was born in Jasper, Alta in 1934.

Her parents homesteaded at Ootsa Lake in northern BC in the 1940s where she and her sisters naturally thrived in their surroundings.

She loved to tell stories about building the log house, riding horseback to school and of the whole family riding a horse-drawn sled to community dances in the winter.

This explains her pioneering spirit and generous heart.

Attending high school meant living at a dormitory in Prince George.

Ruth's post-secondary studies included business management.

After graduation she stayed in

Prince George and worked as a bookkeeper before moving on to manage her family businesses, Langley Auto Parts and Madeira Marina.

In 1954, Ruth married the love of her life, Bob King.

After starting their large family in Prince George, the couple moved to Vernon before landing in Surrey in 1958.

There, Ruth and Bob joined the Kinsmen/Kinette Club of Whalley.

"It was a great little town then, with parades, picnics and Christmas parties," Ruth said.

Their next stop was very similar.

In 1974, Ruth and Bob made their last move to Madeira Park, where they purchased Madeira Marina.

Ruth spent many years at the front desk making friends out of customers and serving the public in her bright, gentle way.

Ruth was a baker of bread, cakes, pies, cookies, chocolate fudge, roly-polies and cinnamon buns.

As one of her children recalls:

"When she made bread, she would take some of the dough and fry it in oil, then put butter all over it.

"Butter would pool in the dips in the surface and then we would spread jam all over it. She called it scones.

"Those were wonderful times after school."

Ruth and Bob travelled Canada and the U.S. as their love of family

sent them in many directions.

After Bob's passing in 1999, she continued to make the yearly trip to the Okanagan for fresh fruit.

She spoke fondly of her trips to Alaska, San Francisco, Hawaii and of a special one to Ontario.

Keeping the memories alive are her children, Sheilagh (Bill), Bryn (Carol), Brenda (Fred), Rick (Karen), Ron (Jenn) and Kim (Glyn), and sisters, Della (Arnold), Jean (Robert), sister-in-laws Lorraine, Diane (Wayne) and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Ruth also had many grandchildren — Mike (Kristie), James (Cindy), Ryan (Sunni), Erin, James, Jerel (Tai), Nigel (Nailey), Chad (Amanda), Darren, Tamara (Stephen), Michelle (Tyler), Christy (Kerry), Bryce, Toni (Dom), Kodi, Steven and Alana.

And great-grandchildren — Sydney, Tyler, Makayla (Sam), Sierra, Dorian, Taylor, Joshua, Addison, Frances, Damon, Caleb, Belle, Allie, Sophia, Lincoln and Jayce.

The family of Ruth King would like to thank each and everyone who touched her heart and soul.

Ruth loved bringing family and friends together and a private dinner will be held in her honour.

"Grandma's heart became so full of love, that she went up into the sky!"

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

Kids fishing club receives water safety training



Patti Soos

Local kids fishing club members were put through some arduous aquatic training exercises on April 5 in preparation for the upcoming fishing season.

If you like to fish, then you need to know how to swim.

That was the lesson on April 5 when members of the Madeira Park Kids Fishing Club undertook water safety training at the Pender Harbour Aquatic and Fitness Centre.

A free program of the Pender Harbour Community School, the kids fishing club meets on the Madeira Park Government wharf every Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m.

By all accounts, it gets pretty intense when the fish are biting so the odd dunking is inevitable.

To provide some tips about how to survive a wet landing, lifeguards Natalie Wilson and Paige Nattall were joined by four members from the local Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue unit: Dave Davies, Penny Gotto, David Lacey and Jace Landry.

Lessons included the importance of lifejackets (and how one should put them on while still on land), the Heat Escape Lessening Posture (HELP) and

how to tread water.

Madeira Marina donated four new fishing rods that were given out as prizes for KFC members.

The facilitators of the Kids Fishing Club, Tom Talarico and Patti Soos, welcome (and receive) many parent volunteers to help and hang out.

It runs from April to June and September to November, weather permitting.

It's been said that Dina Girard came up with the idea for Kids Fishing Club years ago when she proclaimed, "There's nothing for boys."

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The Pender Harbour Wildlife Society welcomes Don Hare, executive director of the coastal invasive species committee.

Don brings over 17 years of hands-on invasive plant management experience and recently acted as the program co-ordinator for the Alberta Invasive Species Council.

Admission is free, doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the presentation begins at 7 p.m.

For more information, email info@penderharbourwildlife.com or visit www.penderharbourwildlife.com.



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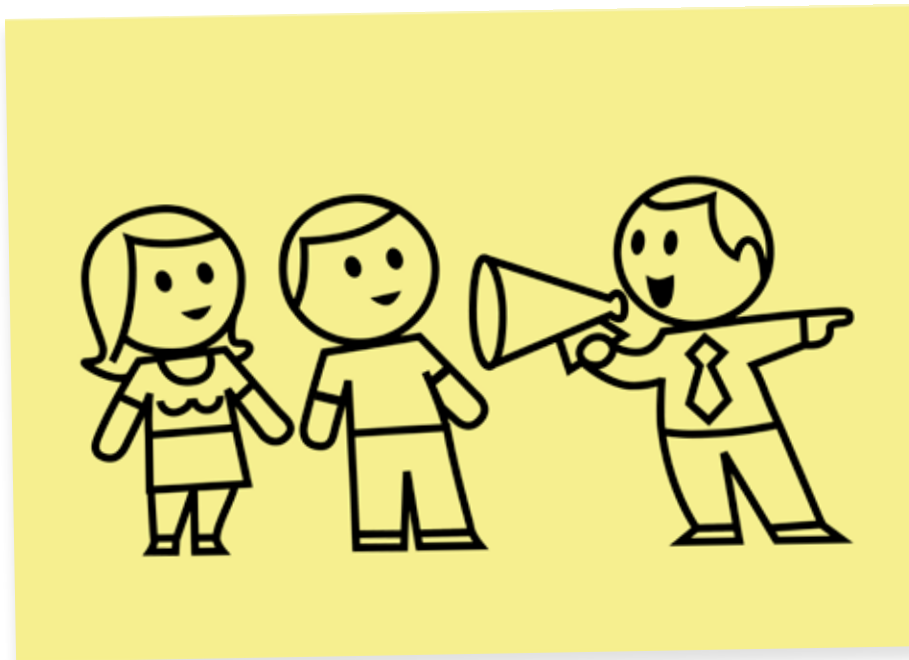
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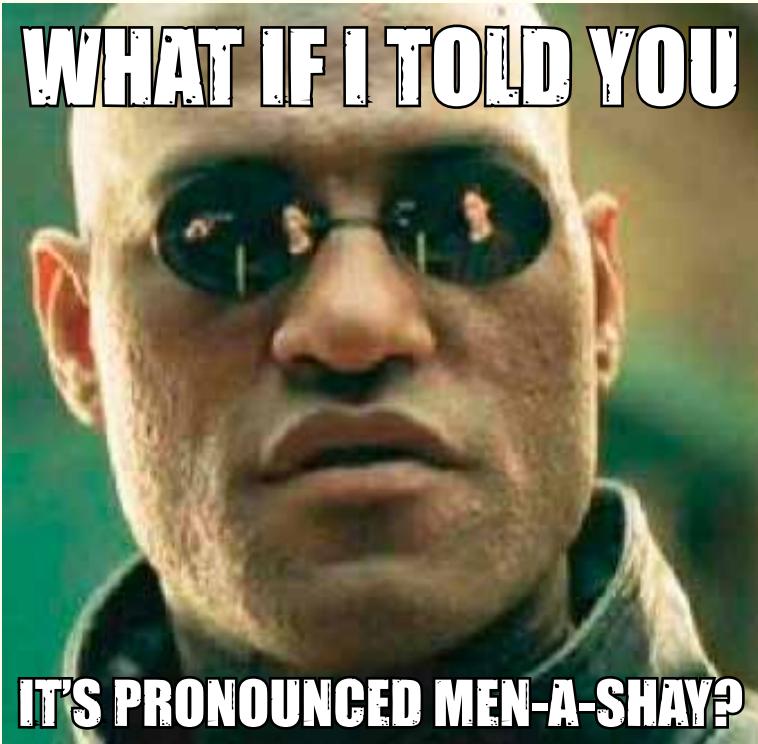
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organizations

P. H. WOMEN'S CONNECTION

On May 8, the P. H. Women's Connection will be celebrating what has become an annual event, our Strawberry Tea. As in the past our co-chair Judy Sherman will organize this event and will make the strawberry shortcakes. The SASS Singers will entertain us and there will be a raffle for surprise gifts that were kindly donated. This will be Judy's last meeting as she will be leaving the Coast so we hope for a good turnout to wish her farewell.

On May 22, instructor Wendy Humphreys Tebbut will present, "How re-emerging primitive reflexes can negatively affect our health, independence and quality of life in our senior years." Wendy will demonstrate simple, yet effective, activities we can do to help maintain our balance, focus, concentration, memory, muscle tone flexibility and vision, in addition to gentle ways of releasing physical tension, chronic pain and emotional stress.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC COFFEEHOUSE

The next SoM Coffee House runs on Friday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. The lineup features Bits of String (a band from Roberts Creek), Simon Paradis and pianist Brison Geue.

The School of Music Coffee House began in March of 2012 with the idea of presenting local emerging musicians on the Pender Harbour Music Society's Madeira Park stage once each month.

It has continued to grow in popularity and the second Friday of each month (except December) sees the School of Music turned into a 1960s/1970s style venue, offering an eclectic, welcoming performance opportunity for the musical community throughout the Coast, provided with professional-level staging and support.

Acts are booked two or more months in advance these days, and each show is a mix of seasoned and emerging artists; three or four acts are given a sound check and showcased in a cabaret setting. Admission is by suggested donation of \$10 at the door and the proceeds are shared among the performers. For information, visit www.penderharbour-music.ca and to book a performance, call Joanne at (604) 883-9749.



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The PODS crew organized a 'dive and shoreline cleanup' at Irvine's Landing on April 28 and 29, followed by a barbecue. Seen here are some of the volunteers who sorted through 430 kilograms (949 pounds) of scrap metal, glass bottles, batteries, a toilet, a steering wheel and 17 tires retrieved from the bottom by divers. It was estimated that the two day effort recovered only 1/10th of Joe Bay's underwater trash and one organizer said there will be surely be more events like this in the future.

harbour seals



Note your approval or **disapproval**.

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A big Harbour Seal of Approval to the **Sunshine Coast Hospital Auxiliary** for their generous donation to fund a stretcher for the health centre's second treatment room.

Susan Campbell
P. H. Health Centre

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Team Irene (Longboarders)** for generously donating the proceeds of their meat draw to the 2018 PHSS Grads Class. Thank you for helping us reach our goal.

Hannah Stewart
PHSS Grad Class of 2018

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the **generous community members** who contributed to our recent fund-raising efforts, especially **Oak Tree, Euspiria Cafe** and **Aurelia Cardiff** for donating prizes for the Valentine Surprise raffle.

A special thanks to **Dr. Rick Smalley** for donation of new tricycles and to the **Rotary Club of Pender Harbour** for other much needed supplies, as well as to all the **vendors** who participated in the Holiday Craft Fair.

Anna Comfort O'Keeffe
Serendipity Child Development Soc.

On behalf of all past and present team members of the Pender Harbour Bananas soccer team, a hearty Seal of Approval to **King Richard Massullo** for his dedication and commitment to our club.

We are all the richer for the victories, laughs, injuries and friendships that have formed as a result of the countless hours you've dedicated to organizing our team and the league.

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Thu	31	11.3	11.0	11.3	12.0	12.8	13.3	13.2	12.1	10.3	8.1	5.9	4.1	3.0	2.9	3.9	5.7	8.2	10.8	13.1	14.8	15.5	15.2	14.4	13.2

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The Pender Harbour Choir presents 'What a Wonderful World'

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After what seems like an endless Pender Harbour winter, spring seems finally to have arrived.

The Pender Harbour Choir invites you to join them in their musical exclamation.

On May 27 the choir will perform "What a Wonderful World," a concert program that explores the beauty and wonder of nature.

The choir has been practising this May's concert repertoire since January.

The program covers a breadth of musical styles but one of the highlights is sure to be the beautiful and haunting "So Still" from the Emily Carr Suite by Brian Tate.

The tempo changes with the joyful "Arioso," written by the choir's director, Kenneth Norman Johnson.

And all will be invited to join in to sing the familiar Louis Armstrong classic, "What a Wonderful World."

The PHC spring concert will be a reflective and uplifting performance that is not to be missed.

Preparation for 2017's Christmas concert and the spring performances are only one aspect of what the choir has been up to this past year.

They performed, as they do annually, at the Pender Harbour Remembrance Day ceremony and in April participated in the Sunshine Coast Festival of the Performing Arts.

A favourite choir activity is to perform for the residents of Shornecliffe and Totem Lodge in Sechelt, and for Harbourside Friendship, which they do on a semi-annual basis.

And you can always find a member or two behind the dessert table at the monthly School of Music Coffee



submitted

The Pender Harbour Choir in a recent photo.

Houses.

Proceeds from the home-baked goodies and coffee support the choir.

This is the 45th year that the Pender Harbour Choir has been sharing music with the community.

Many members have been with the choir for years but noteworthy is alto Gwen Hawkins, who has sung with the group for 40 years.

The choir also welcomes new members every term and this year were pleased to temporarily add to their ranks Brita Moosmann, here on a year-long visit from Germany.

The choir's 24 members are diverse in their musical backgrounds

and skills, and are always eager to have those with a love of singing join them.

Performances for the spring concert are:

- Sunshine Coast Botanical Garden (West Sechelt) at 7 p.m. on May 25;
- Pender Harbour School of Music at 2 p.m. on May 27.

Tickets are \$20 and children under 12 (with an accompanying adult) are free.

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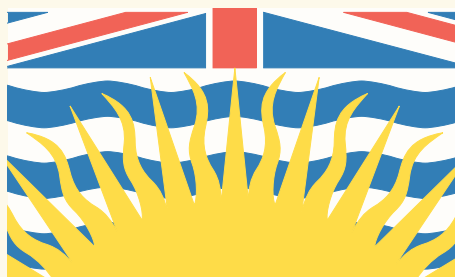
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These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.



BC PUBLIC SERVICE

23,747

The number of regular public service employees in 2015.

61.2%

The proportion of women in BC's public service in 2015.

4,068

The number of hires in the BC public service between 2013 and 2015.

94

The number of persons with disabilities hired to the BC public service between 2013 and 2015.

79.7%

The percentage of women (2015) in BC's children and family development organization — the highest percentage of women among all departments.

38.5%

The lowest percentage of female public service employees — transportation and infrastructure (2015).

9.1%

The percentage of the BC public service working in "Aboriginal relations and reconciliation" who "self-identify" as Aboriginal.

1,009

The number of BC public service senior managers in 2015.

54%

Percentage of BC public service senior managers who are male (2015).

~ BC Stats, "Workforce Profile" report (April 2016)

MAY WEATHER

TEMPERATURE

Our average daily high temperature in May is 15.6 C and our average daily low is 9.3 C, giving us a daily mean temperature of 12.5 C for the month. Our record high temperature in May is 28.4 C (May 29, 1983) and our record low is 3.3 C (May 1, 1970).

PRECIPITATION

May has an average of 12 days with rainfall and an average total for the month of 54.9 mm. Our record daily rainfall in May is 28.7 mm (May 2, 1963) and our record daily snowfall in May is 1 cm (May 10, 1985).

MAY ASTROLOGY

**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. As predicted last month, May has delivered Taureans into a deep spiritual struggle. Each will face their own existential hurdles. Success in clearing them (without emotional injury) will depend largely on your faith that we do not control our destiny, only the universe decides our fate.

**GEMINI: MAY 21 – JUNE 21**

Geminis are butterflies by nature, flitting from one attraction to the next. They're easily bored but have lively, stimulating minds and can be witty and charming. Thoughts of procreation and fertility overcome the Gemini aversion to children. Take extra precautions with birth control methods until the full moon on May 29 — unless you want a child. If you want children, now is the time. But be realistic — you know deep down that you don't.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending April 21, 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. A Matter of Confidence: The Inside Story of the Political Battle for BC** by Rob Shaw & Richard Zussman (Heritage House Publishing)
- 2. One Eagle Soaring** by Roy Henry Vickers & Robert Budd (Harbour Publishing)
- 3. Whitewater Cooks: More Beautiful Food** by Shelley Adams (Alicon Holdings Ltd)
- 4. 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act** by Bob Joseph (Page Two Strategies)
- 5. Grizzlies, Gales, and Giant Salmon: Life at a Rivers Inlet Fishing Lodge** by Pat Ardley (Harbour Publishing)
- 6. The Inner Life of Animals: Surprising Observations of a Hidden World** by Peter Wohlleben (Greystone Books)
- 7. It Begins in Betrayal: A Lane Winslow Mystery** by Iona Whishaw (TouchWood Editions)
- 8. The Haunting of Vancouver Island: Supernatural Encounters** by Shanon Sinn (TouchWood Editions)
- 9. Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation** by Monique Gray Smith (Orca Book Publishers)
- 10. The Diabetes Code: Prevent and Reverse Type 2 Diabetes Naturally** by Dr. Jason Fung (Greystone Books)

~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- May 1 ~ **Allison Scoular** and **Kim Struthers**.
 May 3 ~ **Tyra Phillips**.
 May 4 ~ **Andrew Sutherland**.
 May 5 ~ **Barb Ellison, Rob Ellison, Baylee Higgins** and **Robyn Leech**.
 May 6 ~ **Lori Fielding**.
 May 7 ~ **Stephanie Warner, Tricia Fisher** and **Kristen White**.
 May 8 ~ **Linda Reid, Francis Belisle, Ryan Schroeder** and **Vicki Honeybourne**.
 May 9 ~ **Steve Devaney, Bruce Silvey, Rick Dougan, Leanna Mackie, Karen McKeeman, Vanessa Stephens, Debbie Hayen** and **Jim Greenlaw**.
 May 11 ~ **Deena Lowings, Shelley Wharton** and **Candace Sharp**.
 May 12 ~ **TJ Campbell** and **Rob McMann**.
 May 13 ~ **Joe McCann, Mel Likes** and **Reynald Bernier**.
 May 14 ~ **Jan Smalley** and **Lhonna Dougan**.
 May 15 ~ **Michael Pazur**.
 May 17 ~ **Linda Curtiss, Jack Dennis, Dan Jinks, Helen Krantz, Roland Schmidt** and **Amy Curtiss**.
 May 18 ~ **Devina Morton, Ron Collett, Wendy Haddock** and **Sharon Halford**.
 May 19 ~ **Earl Stewart**.
 May 20 ~ **Rylan English, twins Carrie & Stirling Fowler, Yasmeena Kennedy** and **Brenna Young**.
 May 21 ~ **Shannon Fowler**.
 May 23 ~ **Mary Milner** and **Tom Patterson**.
 May 24 ~ **Vicki Kobus, Dick Milner, Treenah Dougan** and **Margo Hunsche**.
 May 25 ~ **Christina Stoutenburg**.
 May 27 ~ **Cindy Schroeder**.
 May 28 ~ **Mikey Thompson, Lyn Vaughan, Kevin Graham, Wayne Archbold** and **Myrtle Winchester**.
 May 29 ~ **Cliff Silvey, Tyler Forsyth** and **Amber LaFrance**.
 May 30 ~ **Marten Mees, Kathy Mills** and **Mike Phillips**.

HARBOUR SPIEL

trivia

1. Which species of grouse are you most likely to find in Pender Harbour and Egmont?

- ☐ a. Ruffed grouse
- ☐ b. Spruce grouse
- ☐ c. Sooty grouse
- ☐ d. Dusky grouse

2. Famous bush plane named after an iconic Canadian animal.

- ☐ a. Eagle
- ☐ b. Moose
- ☐ c. Orca
- ☐ d. Beaver

3. Where is Bear Lake?

- ☐ a. Garden Bay
- ☐ b. Madeira Park
- ☐ c. Egmont
- ☐ d. Halfmoon Bay

4. Name of the *Harbour Spiel*'s first editor, who started the paper in 1990.

- ☐ a. Myrtle Page
- ☐ b. Myrtle Winchester
- ☐ c. Myrtle Cameron
- ☐ d. Myrtle Edwardson

5. How long is Princess Louisa Inlet (from Malibu to Chatterbox Falls)?

- ☐ a. 4 nautical miles
- ☐ b. 8 nautical miles
- ☐ c. 12 nautical miles
- ☐ d. 16 nautical miles

6. Previous name of the Rockwater Resort.

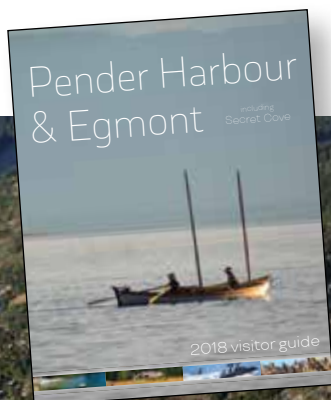
- ☐ a. Captain Vic's Villas
- ☐ b. Uncle Tom's Cabins
- ☐ c. Lord Jim's Lodge
- ☐ d. Sir Richard's Resort

Answers: p. 42

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**



Pender Harbour & Egmont Visitor Guide

AVAILABLE NOW!

10 years ago - spiel archives (may 2008 issue)

EDITORS NOTE: This archive section is a new series in the Harbour Spiel that looks back at notable stories from the issue one decade previous. The first installment started in the April 2018 issue with a previously published story about the original Frances' Burger stand being replaced with the one that now occupies the Madeira Park site. Apparently, some misunderstood that Triple Bs Burgers is moving. It is not. Like the story below, it happened 10 years ago this month.



Brian Lee

May 2008: It was hard to find an idle dump truck for a few days when 480 truckloads of sand were trucked to the Lions' Park soccer field from the Dean Bosch Barge Terminal in Egmont. Seven thousand tons of river sand had to be barged in because the type specified by engineers wasn't available on the Coast. What makes this sand ideal is that the silica particles are rounded from years of natural erosion rather than having sharp edges typical of crushed sand. This property offers a distinct advantage to a soccer field because, as it compacts, it will still allow water to drain.

rumour humour

Butt out or be the butt...

submitted

Mildred, Pender Harbour's chief gossip, self-appointed monitor of the town's morals, kept sticking her nose into other people's business.

Several locals did not approve of her gossiping but feared her enough to maintain their silence.

She made a mistake when she accused Henry, a local fisherman, of being an alcoholic after she saw his pickup truck parked in front of the Grasshopper one afternoon.

She emphatically told Henry and several others that everyone seeing it there would know what he was doing.

Henry, a man of few words, stared at her for a moment and just

turned and walked away.

He didn't explain, defend, or deny.

He said nothing.

Later that evening, Henry quietly parked his pickup in front of Mildred's house, walked home, and left it there all night.

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- Please call North Shore Wellness Centre, (604) 980-4538 or email: info@nswellness.ca



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Tick talk: Timely tips for safe management of tick bites

Sharon Vipond, RN

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT TICKS?

According to data collected in BC and the Sunshine Coast, fewer than one per cent of all ticks tested positive for Lyme disease.

It's always wise to be prepared and prevention is the best advice.

With the advent of the internet, we are bombarded by supposed experts selling advice, offering gadgets and leaving us with a baffling array of misinformation.

WHAT IS A TICK?

Ticks are tiny spider-like bugs that fasten themselves to the skin and feed on blood.

There are more than 850 species around the world but the basics of tick identification can help you know if you've been bitten by ticks or another outdoor pest.

Tick larvae are the size of a grain of sand, nymphs are size of sesame seed and unfed adults are the size of an apple seed.

They have no wings, can't fly, and can have 6 or 8 legs when fully grown.

A tick that is fully fed will appear engorged and can be the size of a small grape.

Because of the way they feed, ticks can appear headless when you see them on yourself.

So, if you have been recently out in areas with high brush or grass, and you see small dark spots on your legs, pants or socks, you may have a hitchhiker, aka a "tick buddy."

SAFE MANAGEMENT OF A TICK BITE

Try to remove the tick as soon as

possible.

If you can, wear disposable gloves when handling a tick.

The most important thing is to get a hold of the tick as close to the skin as possible.

Without squeezing the tick, steadily lift it straight off the skin.

Try to make sure that all of the tick is removed and clean the bite area with soap and water.

Then disinfect the wound with an antiseptic and wash your hands.

If you are unable to completely remove the tick, seek medical advice and removal.

WHEN TO SEEK MEDICAL ADVICE

Symptoms usually appear within 3 to 30 days after being bitten.

A small red bump may appear at the site of the tick bite; this is normal.

But if it develops into a larger rash, perhaps with a bull's eye pattern, the rash may indicate Lyme disease.

This can produce flu-like symptoms.

If you think the bite site is in-

fect, showing redness or oozing, see your doctor.

You may need to update your tetanus immunization.

If possible, bring the tick with you to your medical appointment.

However, if you develop a severe headache, have difficulty breathing, or experience paralysis or heart palpitations, call 911.

MORE TIPS

When you're enjoying the outdoors, wear light colored long sleeves, pants tucked into socks and a hat.

You can also use a variety of tick deterrents, including Deet with 0.5% Permethrin, and a variety of essential oils such as lavender, pennyroyal, lemon grass and eucalyptus.

These products can be sprayed on your body, backpack, shoes and your hat.

If you suspect ticks have attached to your backpack, put it in a sealed plastic bag.

When home, put in a hot dryer and then in a washing machine.



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WALKING GROUP: Tuesdays, May 8, 15, 22 & 29

At the P. H. Community Hall from 10:30-11am. Wear runners and join us in an easy-pace special exercise program with walking-based moves. Instructor Heidi Kozlof. Drop-in \$3.

CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

At the P. H. Community Hall 1-3pm Drop-in \$3. Join us for a fun game!

CHAIR YOGA CLASSES: Fridays, May 4, 11, 18 & 25

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.

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

May 10 – Cheryl Jensen (community paramedic) will be doing AED training

May 17 – Music by the Pender Harbour Choir

May 24 – A visit from the youth

May 31 – Sharon Halford on “discussing bereavement”

Seniors Programs for May



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KIDS COOKING CLASSES: Tuesday, May 8, 3-4:30pm

At Mad Park Bistro for Grade 5&6, registration required. Learn to prepare a simple meal. \$10

YOUTH ADVOCATES COLLECTIVE: Tuesday, May 8, noon

Come to the next meeting at the Community School. Want to be involved?
Call 604.883.2826

STAY SAFE: Monday, May 14, 9am-5pm

\$60 for ages 9-11 years. A great course for kids who stay home alone.

NON-PROFIT WORKSHOP: Wednesday, May 16, 10am-noon

I can't hold a bake sale!!? A workshop for non-profit organizations, grant seekers and fundraisers at the School of Music. Pre-register 604.883.2826. \$15 advance / \$20 at the door, arrive by 9:45am.

FRAUD & IDENTITY THEFT TALK: Thursday, May 3, 10:30am-noon

With the Harbourside Friendship group at the P. H. Community Hall, Madeira Park

DROP IN SPORTS NIGHTS IN THE PHSS GYM

Pickleball: TUE & THU 5:30-7:30pm, \$7 / Floor Hockey: TUE 7:30-9:30pm, \$3 / Soccer: WED 7-9pm, \$3.

WORKBC/OPEN DOOR GROUP: Wednesday, May 9 and 23, 9-12pm

Employment services outreach at the Community School. Call 604.885.3351 for appointment.

DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING BASICS & PUPPY SOCIALIZATION

Thursday, May 24 ~meet the instructor & evaluation session, call to book time.
Thursdays, May 31 - July 5, 5:30-6:30pm, MPES field, cost TBC.

CORE AND BACK YOGA: 6 Mondays, May 14-June 11, 9:15-10:45 am

Instructor Brigit Cogrossi, \$72, pre-registration required.

STRETCH AND BALANCE YOGA: 6 Thursdays, May 24-June 28, 5:30-6:45pm

Instructor: Carole Logtenberg, \$72, pre-registration required.

KICKBOXING AGAINST PARKINSONS: 8 Thursdays, June 6-July 25, 12-1pm

Instructor: Lois Randle, \$96, pre-registration required.

HEALTHY NEW START: Mondays and Wednesdays, May 9-June 20

12 classes for \$120. Instructor: Silke Linnmann, pre-registration required.

ROLL OUT: Sundays, May 6 & 13, 10-11:30am (beginner) & 11:45-1:15pm (intermediate)

Reduce pain and tension while improving posture and overall health. Class involves dynamic and static stretching, myofascial release using foam rollers. Instructor: Amanda Peterson, \$50/2 classes, pre-registration is required.

NEW! FACILITY HOURS: Starting May 19

Beginning May 19, the PHAFC facility will be closed Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.

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

Monday to Thursday, 5-8:30pm

Sunday 1-4pm

The facility will be closed Monday, May 21.

**The summer recreation guide will be your mailboxes in early May.
Check out all the swim lessons and programs available at PHAFC!**

The Egmont Story

Gladys McNutt

*This article appeared in the
Coast News, May 24, 1956.*

Continued from April 2018 issue.

When in the interests of security the Japanese were evacuated from the two stores at Egmont during the last war, the police gave them such short notice that they had no time to take stock or look around for suitable persons to take charge of the stores.

Although we were not aware of it at the time, their affairs were supposed to be in the hands of a government official known as the "custodian of the alien property."

It was his duty to dispose of such property and hold the money in trust for the owners until matters were straightened up.

Apparently it was not intended that they should ever come back — even after the war.

During that distracting night when they were apprehended, the Japanese got two people from the south side (modern day Egmont) to look after Taki and Maeda's floating store and two fishermen promised to



BC Archives

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

act as caretakers for Hatashita's store.

After the Japanese were gone, it was pointed out to the police that the people of Egmont had no source for supplies until someone could be found to buy one of the stores.

And that would take time.

A consultation took place and the upshot was that it was decided to open

up Taki and Maeda's floating store and sell off the stock.

When this was all gone, the store would be closed and then Hatashita's store would be opened and kept supplied until a buyer was found for it.

The temporary shopkeepers in the floating store were supplied with a price list for all the goods in the store and were soon open for business.

It was impossible to memorize the prices in such a short time.

They started out conscientiously referring to the list for every item sold.

As most people came by boat and ordered enough stuff to last them a week at least, it became a painfully long business to wait on a customer and many a customer grew impatient at the delay.

After a day or two of this tedious business the price list was discarded.

Among other things customers found that all canned goods, irre-



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- P. H. Harbour Authority
- All volunteers & participants

spective of their contents, were quite nonchalantly being sold at two for a quarter.

In the meantime, the top store (Hatashita's) was closed.

The two fishermen who had accepted the job as caretakers were Herbert Madsen, known to all and sundry as Murphy, and Dave Mowat.

They were living on their boats which were tied to floats.

Murphy's name has appeared in print several times.

His boat, the *Nimbus*, was also well known.

At one time he had been a camp tender for the long established logging camp at Rock Bay — often referred to as the "Old Man's Home."

As the lower store (Taki and Maeda's) was about to be opened one morning, it was noticed that Murphy's boat was absent.

His partner didn't seem to be around, although his boat was there.

They went over and called on him and then looked in the boat.

He was in his boat alright but was quite dead.

All sorts of things were imagined as a hurried search was instituted for Murphy and the *Nimbus*.

He was found anchored in Green Bay.

He seemed to be alright.

Why he had pulled out is hard to say.

It finally came out that they had been having a celebration and had run out of refreshment.

They remembered a row of large brown bottles in the store room so decided to go up and investigate.

They thought the bottles contained wine or sake.

It turned out they contained bleach.

Evidently the sample hadn't bothered Murphy too much but Dave Mowat already had an ulcerated stomach and the bleach was the last straw.

When the stock in the lower store was finally sold, the upper store was opened.

Two rowboat fishermen had taken the place of Murphy and his friend as caretakers.

I do not know how these fellows made out but I do remember our going to the store one day, seeing no one inside, and after knocking in vain we tried the door and found it open so went inside and shouted,

"Yoo-hoo. Anyone around?"

With that, the two men ambled out from the living quarters and informed us they were just about to have a Japanese steam bath.

One of them announced he needed some clean undershirts so, while his partner waited on us, he reached up on a shelf for a box from which he extracted two new undershirts and carried them off into the back room.

In the meantime, the Queen Charlotte Fishing Company had been negotiating for the store and when the deal was completed, they sent up one of their old-time fish buyers to take over.

He admitted it had been some time since he had run a store and then only on a fish scow.

He found it difficult to estimate the needs of the local residents with regard to meat and other fresh produce.

He was generally so overstocked that the greater part of each week's order went to feed the fishes.

Finally, the company sent Jack Parry to take charge and things soon underwent an improvement.

By this time, the old floating store had become the fish buyer's house and he lived there until it was sold and taken away.

(Continued next month.)

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community calendar

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MAY

- Mon. April 30.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Wed. May 2Wellness support for chronically ill women meeting - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- Thurs. May 3.....P. H. Community School presents "fraud and identity theft" - P. H. Community Hall, 10 a.m.
- Fri. May 4.....John Henry's Cafe reopens for the season
- Fri. May 4.....PHSS grad clas hosts "Quiz nite at the Legion" - P. H. Legion, registration 6:30 p.m.
- Sun. May 6.....Pender Harbour Advisory Council town hall meeting - P. H. Community Hall, 2:30 p.m.
- Tues. May 8.....P. H. Women's Connection "Strawberry Tea" - P. H. School of Music
- Tues. May 8.....Youth advocates collective meeting - P. H. Community School, noon
- Wed. May 9Wellness support for chronically ill women meeting - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- Thurs. May 10-13.....Marketplace IGA "spring gardening sale" - IGA Madeira Park, 4 days
- Fri. May 11.....School of Music Coffeehouse - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
- Sun. May 13.....Masters Par 3 Scramble (dinner and presentations to follow) - P. H. Golf Course, 2 p.m.
- Sun. May 13.....Mothers Day
- Sun. May 13.....P. H. Lions Club Mother's Day pancake breakfast - P. H. Lions Club
- Sun. May 13.....Mothers Day Brunch - Rockwater Secret Cove Resort
- Mon. May 14.....P. H. Garden Club meeting - P. H. School of Music, 1 p.m.
- Mon. May 14.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Tues. May 15.....P. H. Wildlife Society presents invasive plant expert Don Hare - PHSS, 7 p.m.
- Wed. May 16.....P. H. Community School presents a "non-profit workshop" - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
- Wed. May 16Wellness support for chronically ill women meeting - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- Thurs. May 17.....West Coast Wilderness Lodge celebrates "National Caesar Day" - WCWL, all day
- Sat. May 19.....May Day (see double page spread, p. 22)
- Sun. May 20.....Attack of Danger Bay downhill longboard race - Beaver Island, all day
- Tues. May 22.....P. H. Women's Connection presents Wendy Humphreys Tebbut - P. H. School of Music
- Wed. May 23Wellness support for chronically ill women meeting - P. H. Health Centre, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- Sun. May 27.....P. H. Choir presents "What a Wonderful World" - P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
- Mon. May 28.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon

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



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- 6:20 am - Daily
- 8:40 am - Daily
- 10:50 am - Daily
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- 3:15 pm - Daily
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- 8:55 pm - Daily

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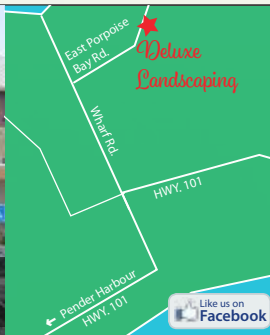
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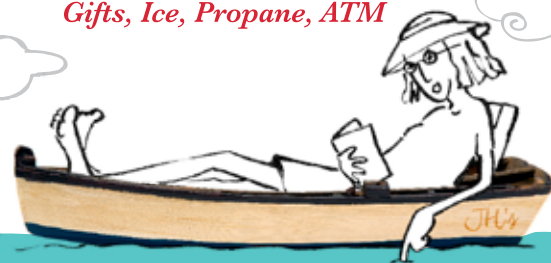


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