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Thank you for all of your support for the last 16 years!

From the day we joined the community 16 years ago, we have felt welcome and supported by all of you. We enjoyed many community events that we were able to be a part of like the Fall Faire, May Day and supporting the schools and their events as well.

There are not many grocery stores where your customers stop and chat with fellow customers and staff, and we are thankful we experienced this community closeness. It made our jobs as business owners rewarding knowing that you felt like this was the gathering place.

We have gained many friendships over the years and it was a pleasure to know you and your families. We look forward to catching up with you in the aisles during our trips to the store.

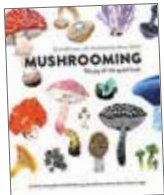
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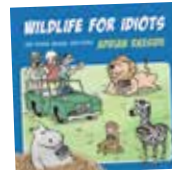
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This Christmas we're gonna party like it's 1973



Brian Lee

For the first time since 2019, the December issue of the *Harbour Spiel* features what was an annual insertion — Christmas event listings.

COVID all but snuffed community events over the past two seasons.

Adults sometimes forget what a big deal that is.

When I was a kid, second only to the big day itself was going down to the community hall in Madeira to see Santa Claus.

He was a rock star.

So, when he fell and smashed his face in front of the 100-plus kids and parents who gathered to welcome him on that December afternoon in 1973, it caused an uproar.

Kids bawled as moms tossed through their purses for tissues to fix up his broken nose.

He re-emerged bandaged and bloody, but jolly as ever.

When I was older I learned that Santa 1973 was overserved Christmas spirits prior to his arrival.

And though the moms were fuming over it, their kids' hysteric concern for his welfare tempered any memorable outbursts, and the show went on.

The scandal ended Santa 1973's career but the story of the inebriated elf kept people snickering for years after.

In honour of Christmas present, it's time to celebrate like it's 1973.

While there are still some nasty bugs out there, almost 97 per cent of British Columbians over the age of five now have at least one dose of

COVID vaccine.

While the remaining three per cent watch impatiently for the rest of us to grow a third ear, the pandemic has drifted away as a mandatory topic of conversation.

Perhaps because of it, folks seem to be getting along better too — outside of Pender Harbour Uncut that is.

And now we have places to get along — December is festive again.

For proof, see page 12 for a mix of old and new events that observe the rule of Yule.

It's a welcome sign that our community is gradually returning, if not to normal, to something more familiar.

As it does, it's hard not to notice how it's changed.

I know I'm not the only one to notice more unfamiliar faces.

Many of those unfamiliar faces are now becoming familiar — that usually means they live here.

Welcome.

This place can be hard on newcomers and the pandemic must have added an extra layer of isolation.

So, if you've made it this far, congratulations.

We've experienced surges of new people before and each time we did, the community benefitted.

So, come out and be a part of it.

This month, the Pender Harbour Winter Festival promises a new holiday tradition while old favourites like craft fairs, quiz nights, bingo and scotch tastings now

seem fresh.

As we approach 2023, I look forward to the new year and continuing to learn more about how this place changed while we hid away.



Danger Dane proves he's the fastest in the world, again

There is no better place in the world to learn the sport of downhill skateboarding than Pender Harbour.

On Nov. 12, as a member of Canada's six-man, six-woman downhill skateboarding team, Kleindalian Dane Hanna proved it by beating over 200 riders to win the World Skate championship in San Juan, Argentina.

World Skate is the governing body for skateboarding and roller sports and is officially recognized by the International Olympic Committee.

Hanna went into the world championship defending the title he won in in Catalonia, Spain in 2019.

Normally held every two years, the 2021 world championship race was postponed due to COVID.

The *Harbour Spiel* tracked the world champ down at his home in Coquitlam where he is back working as a pipe fitter installing sprinkler systems.

Hanna speaks with what some might call a surfer's drawl — if that surfer was a skateboarder who grew up in Pender Harbour.

After Argentina, he opted out of a popular race in Teutonia, Brazil.

"Nah. I didn't bother going to that," said Hanna.

"Good thing I didn't too because it went for a shit down there."

He explains how the organizers' inexperience caused unsafe conditions, including allowing an ambulance on the course during a race.

"Brazil things, you know?"

Since his return, Hanna's been interviewed by a handful of local media but nothing like one would expect for a repeat world champion.

It's a sport less than two decades old and most still don't get it.

That's too bad because, in that time, Pender Harbour has become the unlikely epicentre of the downhill



World Skate

Dane Hanna successfully defended his world cup title in San Juan, Argentina on Nov. 12. He avoided a crash in the final corner to edge out Spain's Diego Poncelet for gold. American Nick Brome picked himself up first to roll and grab bronze.

longboarding world.

Credit Bricin Lyons for starting up the world's first and longest running race of its kind — the Attack of Danger Bay — on Francis Peninsula in 2001.

And, Hanna isn't even the first world champion to come out of Pender Harbour.

The community has produced a number of world cup standouts including Scott Smith.

In 2008, Smith dominated races in Australia, Brazil, Europe and North America to become world champion and the first downhill skateboarder to win both the World Cup series points title and the world championship event in the same year.

Not coincidentally, that was the

year Hanna took up longboarding.

"I don't think Mom was too fond of it when I first started," Hanna said.

"You know, going down the Madeira hill."

Hanna refers to the common longboard run from the Grasshopper Pub down into Madeira Park.

It's been the site of serious accidents and plenty of near misses with cars.

"But they changed that whole thing up with Team Irene and stopped us from going down into Madeira."

Formed by parents, Team Irene gave the kids a structured and safe way to pursue the sport they were going to do anyway.

While parents with walkie-talkies controlled traffic on a hill on Sinclair

Bay Road, the riders would race up to 25 times in a single evening thanks to a minibus that whisked them back up.

Hanna credits Team Irene sessions for his dominance in the sport.

“That was probably the best practice I’ve ever had,” said Hanna.

“Just skating that road as hard as I possibly can, being as fast as I can and not having to worry about traffic and other things like that.”

But no amount of experience overcomes the sport’s inherent risk.

Consider one of Hanna’s competitors in the Argentinian final.

Going into the final corner, after the lead had changed a number of times, a racer behind Hanna slid out and took out another competitor that left Hanna and Spain’s Diego Poncelet to battle for the finish line.

One of the two who went down came up a broken nose.

The arbitrary risk of crashing is why it’s difficult to dominate in a sport like downhill longboarding.

To make the final, Hanna survived four heats — each a measured gamble between pushing for speed and increased risk of crashing.

Finding a solution to that paradox is something Hanna excels at.

Now at the age of 25, he can’t even recall all of his victories.

He knows he won his local race, the hotly contested Attack of Danger Bay three times, Kimberley twice and Saltspring Island twice.

But he’s also won races in New York and Vermont.

Then he won the last world championship in Spain in 2019 and earlier this year, gained a spot in Canada’s final six to go to Argentina by winning a qualifying event in Kelowna.

When asked how he can be so



Brian Lee

Team Irene after a 2012 training session on Sinclair Bay Rd. showing the future world champ (second from right) in need of a new pair of shoes. L-r: Curtis Watts, Keegan Edwardson, Paul Wicks, Warner Endert, Teal Loverock, Hanna, and Sawyer Cote.

consistent in a sport where random mishaps should subjugate any advantages of skill, Hanna is matter of fact.

“I put in a lot of hours over the years — I started skating when I was 11 or 12 years old.

“Of course, you can’t be prepared for someone crashing into the back of you but if you’re focused on the things around, you can dodge and avoid that sort of stuff,” he said.

“But mainly, it just comes down to practice and love for the sport.”

Hanna also credits his success in Argentina to strategy.

He explains that in a race like that in the open desert, subject to strong cross and head winds, being in the lead provides a disadvantage.

“You can see when I’m going down the hill, I’m purposely not pushing out in first place because I don’t want all that wind,” said Hanna.

“I’m trying to draft him.

“Like NASCAR, they go in behind and then make the pass.”

Team Irene still provides Hanna with monetary support to attend races

as do a handful of industry types — Landyachtz, DT Trucks, Venom Wheels, Rogers Bros. and Cariboo Brewing.

But despite being the fastest in the world, and picking up the sponsors that come with it, Hanna isn’t hanging up his tool belt just yet.

He said he’s just happy to break even on his travel expenses.

“That’s all I’m looking for, you know.

“I’m not trying to make millions off it because that’s kind of out of the picture,” said Hanna.

“It’s just a little too small.

“That’s why we’re always trying to promote the sport and just get more kids riding and try to grow it bigger.”

While next season’s race schedule hasn’t been posted yet, Hanna is already back training.

He trains very little in the gym, preferring to hit a few quiet hills near his home or in Maple Ridge.

“I would say that’s the best way to become fast — just spend time on the thing.”

Closure of Vinebrook Bridge access on Suncoaster Trail

Parks service staff from the Sunshine Coast Regional District have closed public access to Vinebrook Bridge on the Suncoaster Trail citing a deteriorating bridge structure that has become unsafe.

The Vinebrook Bridge is part of the Suncoaster phase 1 trail network and located off Highway 101 by the Malaspina Substation in Pender Harbour.

“This closure is being implemented for the safety of the public and so that contractors can begin the work needed to replace the damaged bridge,” said Kevin Clarkson, SCRDR parks services manager in a Nov. 10 statement.

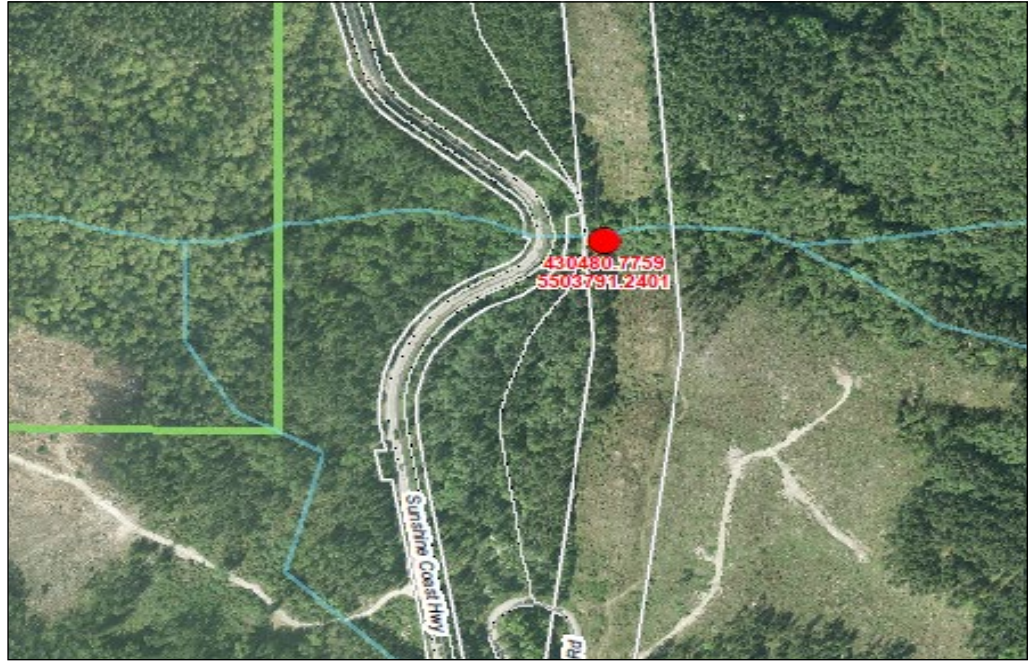
“A timeline for completion of the work has not yet been established.”

The bridge is about 25 years old and was constructed by Sunshine Coast Trail Society volunteers.

Signs indicating rerouting access along the highway have been posted.

Users are reminded to follow off-road vehicle regulations and to proceed with caution when using the highway.

The SCRDR said they will provide updates on the work and the status of the bridge closure to residents via social media and on the SCRDR website.



SCRDR

One of the larger projects undertaken by local volunteers of the Sunshine Coast Trail Society was the Vinebrook Creek bridge near the Malaspina Substation north of Kleindale. After 25 years, its cedar log supports have rotted and the SCRDR has closed it until it can be rebuilt. The SCRDR has yet to provide a timeline for reopening of the popular route.



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Madeira Park IGA changes hands

The owners of Madeira Park's IGA grocery store have "retired."

On Nov. 16, Troy and Lorie Callewaert said goodbye to the store they purchased on June 6, 2006 — over 16 years ago.

On Nov. 17, IGA no. 78 became IGA no. 82 as it reverted to corporate ownership.

Like the IGA location in Wilson Creek, the Madeira Park location is now owned by the grocery arm of HY Louie Co. Ltd., the Georgia Main Food Group.

Callewaert told the *Harbour Spiel* that conversations about divesting himself of the store started in pre-COVID times but due to the uncertainty brought on by the pandemic, he decided to stay.

"So, we just kind of put it on hold."

Former assistant manager Matt McDonald is now responsible for running the store that opened in the Madeira Park Shopping Centre in 1974 — 48 years ago.

Callewaert credits his success in building up the store to his employees.

"It's a team effort.

"Everybody here has to be a part

of it," he said.

"All I can do is start the process or lead by example and then it follows with them.

"When you get everybody on board, it's really easy."

Regarding the future of the store itself, Callewaert said he expects it will benefit from corporate's deeper pockets.

He points to looming capital upgrades required that weren't feasible for him because they would take 10 to 15 years to pay off.

When asked if they plan to fully retire, Callewaert laughs.

"I keep telling people, 'I didn't win the lottery, I sold a business.'

"For now, we're just going to do a lot of the things that we haven't been able to for years and catch up with family."

Callewaert said he'll miss his former store but still plans to shop there and looks forward to running into his friends as a customer.

"I love the business because where else can you hang out and see your community and talk to your neighbours and friends and then go throw some stock on the shelves."



IGA Madeira Park

Troy and Lorie Callewaert have retired after 16 years owning the IGA grocery store in Madeira Park.

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*Leonard Lee
Area A director, SCRD*

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feed bags, batteries, and much more.

At our landfill, your garbage and food waste will be weighed together and charged at the same rate, but you must dump it in separate bins.

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Handouts at our landfill and printable versions at scrd.ca/home-waste detail food waste, e.g. greasy pizza boxes, eggshells, used paper napkins.

These, along with bones, shells and meat scraps typically aren't added to home composts because they attract unwanted wildlife and create foul odours.

Learn more about our journey toward Zero Waste, social and environmental sustainability, and greenhouse-gas reduction at www.scrd.ca/swmp.

THE CHAPMAN SAGA

Chapman Creek, along with its watershed and waterworks, has a long and tortuous history as a primary and insufficient water source for Half-moon Bay, Sechelt, Roberts Creek, Elphinstone, and West Howe Sound.

In 1915, the creek was surveyed as a long-term community water supply and, by 1929, the Chapman Creek watershed reserve was designated for community water.

The Union Steamship Co. was granted a licence for 1.14 million litres per day for their service and to develop tourism.

In 1968, a newly incorporated SCRD bought the Union Steamship Co. water licence, but it went downhill from there.

The 1970s brought concerns



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(Pre-Budget Meetings)**
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at 9:30 a.m.

Committee of the Whole
December 8 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board
December 8 at 2:00 p.m.

**Committee of the Whole
(Special)**
December 9 at 9:30 a.m.

**Electoral Area Services
Committee Meeting**
December 15 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board (Special)
December 15 at 2:00 p.m.

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about watershed logging, the SCRD confirmed that related road building deteriorated the creek's water quality, and Chapman was designated a water shed reserve.

By 1978, the Chapman Lake Dam was built and, in 1991, the Edwards Lake Dam was completed to supplement Chapman in dry weather.

But water quality and supply continued to diminish, culminating in a temporary halt to logging and related road building that was supported by Ministry of Forests hydrologists who attributed 90 per cent of the 800-plus landslides in the Chapman and Gray to logging activity.

In 1995, the entire Tetrahedron Study area, including the upper Chapman, was designated a Class A provincial park by provincial cabinet, and parks management plans were created in 1996 and 1997.

A treatment plant for the Chapman Creek water system was put on line and, in 2013, a comprehensive regional water plan was completed.

But, in 2015, things really started deteriorating when stage 4 water restrictions had to be imposed.

Beginning in 2017 and to this day, the SCRD has relied on a "temporary" siphon installed for a seasonal, emergency water supply.

After considering raising Chapman Dam and installing a floating

pump station, the SCRD initiated the deepen channel/gravity fed out-fall project, which should have gone smoothly with earlier approvals, but no.

Extensive opposition by residents and environmental groups convinced the Ministry of Environment to refuse a Tetrahedron park boundary change.

Today's initiatives include developing groundwater wells and water meter systems in the Sechelt area.

But things still aren't going well, as meter installation hasn't started and we suffered an unprecedented drought exacerbated by supply-chain issues delaying completion of the first well.

This year, the SCRD and province enacted the first drought-caused state of emergency in Sunshine Coast history, allowing us to initiate emergency measures to supply potable water to residents.

We learned important lessons:

- Be clear in what we support, and don't support;
- Honor agreements;
- Schedule and deliver projects years earlier than needed; and
- Forget our differences, to work together for the common good.

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SCR D

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Back row (l-r): Silas White (Town of Gibsons), Kelly Backs (Area D), Alton Toth (District of Sechelt) and Leonard Lee (Area A). Front row (l-r): Justine Gabias (Area B), Kate-Louise Stamford (Area F), John Henderson (District of Sechelt), Philip Paul (shíshálh Nation Government District), Donna McMahon (Area E).

Area A director Leonard Lee was elected chair of the SCR D board by acclamation, and director Donna McMahon was elected vice-chair of the board.

spiel archives ~ 10 years ago



Anne Pino photo

From the Dec. 2012 issue: In what was likely the worst-kept secret in Pender Harbour history, students from the Madeira Park Elementary School 'surprised' shoppers in the Madeira Park Shopping Centre with a flash mob performance on a rainy Halloween afternoon. The students performed dance moves from Michael Jackson's 'Thriller' video for a large crowd of appreciative shoppers — many of whom just happened to be parents with cameras. The security breach was still being investigated at press time.

Thomas John Scodras

DECEMBER 3, 1955 — SEPTEMBER 23, 2022



Tom Scodras died on Sept. 23.

He was born in 1955 in Montreal, where he lived until his late teens.

He moved to Ontario, and then to Fort St. James, B.C., to work in a sawmill.

He eventually settled on the Sunshine Coast.

Scodras's skill in hand-painted lettering led him to become an accomplished sign maker.

Tom Signs operated for almost 40 years on the Sunshine Coast.

In that time, he made numerous friends and connections with people in all walks of life.

His legacy as an artist and a craftsman can be seen in the signs that he made and installed all over the Sunshine Coast.

Scodras was also a talented musician who hosted weekly jam ses-

sions in his basement for over three decades.

He always enjoyed playing music with his friends and that was made apparent by his generosity with his time and energy.

Scodras will be greatly missed by his wife, Deane and his three children, Tyler, Troy, and Dayna (and her partner, Adrian).

He will also be missed by his brother, Andy; sister, Toni Ann; his extended family, and all who knew him.

He was always quick to smile and his warmth, kindness and humour will be missed.

There will be no funeral at his request.

Bea Gregg

OCTOBER 30, 1931 — SEPTEMBER 26, 2022



Bea Gregg died Sept. 26 while holidaying in Sidney, B.C.

Her life started in Meskinaw, Sask., in 1931.

There, her parents owned a mercantile store but the long hours, bone-chilling winters and a sparse living inspired the family to move to Creston, BC.

After setting pins in her parents bowling alley and picking fruit in local orchards in the summer, she found that working as a telephone operator was much more to her liking.

In 1950, she married and three daughters followed over the next 10 years.

A move to Port Mellon in 1974 introduced her to the Sunshine Coast.

She would only stay for a few years before heading to Alberta, single and back to working as a telephone operator.

A busy social life of dancing, skiing and travelling continued until she was back to Creston to care for her aging parents.

A move back to the Coast in 2010 found her closer to family and also closer to a new set of friends that she would hold dear to her.

Her neighbour, her hairdressers and the people she met in the various social clubs filled her life with laughter and Gregg's family is grateful to them.

Her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren will miss her love, enthusiasm, generosity and willingness to help at a moment's notice.

She was loved and will be incredibly missed.

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

what's happening this Christmas?

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR **Saturday Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

A traditional Christmas craft fair at the Pender Harbour Community Hall. With over 26 vendors, a delicious lunch and plenty of homemade items by local artisans available, it's your first stop and best bet to get into the Christmas groove.

WALDORF BALLET PRESENTS **'THE NUTCRACKER'** **Dec. 9-11, various times**

The annual presentation of this holiday favourite will be performed by the Waldorf Ballet at the Raven's Cry Theatre in Sechelt.

Visit www.waldorfballet.com for tickets and more information about the performances.

COMMUNITY HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET **Saturday Dec. 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Don't miss the Pender Harbour Community Club's crafts, baking and artisan extravaganza at the P. H. Community Hall with dozens of vendors and artisans and Santa's kitchen serving delicious refreshments. There will also be a white elephant sale, door prizes, silent auction and more.

Admission will be by voluntary donation at the entrance.

P. H. MUSIC SOCIETY PRESENTS A PRAIRIE **CHRISTMAS WITH HARPIST JANELLE NADEAU** **Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2 p.m.**

Always a favourite on the Pender Harbour School of Music stage, harpist Janelle Nadeau brings an intimate portrait of Christmas on the Canadian prairies featuring music fondly remembered from her childhood in rural Manitoba. Nadeau will be joined by cellist Jonathan Lo, and guitarist/vocalist Stephan Fisk. For more, visit www.penderharbour-music.ca.

PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY **CHRISTMAS DINNER** **Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3:30 p.m. (crafts)/5:30 p.m. (dinner)**

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Santa will be there to visit the kids, arts and crafts will be available — all before a delicious dinner. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. and dinner is served at 5:30 p.m.

PENDER HARBOUR WOMEN'S CONNECTION **CHRISTMAS GATHERING** **Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 11:30 a.m.**

The P. H. Women's Connection hosts a Christmas gathering at the P. H. School of Music on Dec. 13 featuring special musical guest Patricia Burnett.

There will be no drop-ins as tickets have been pre-sold.

December at the Legion!

Ham, Turkey, Basket & Pie **Christmas Meat Draw!**

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

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Purchase your “Golden Ticket” for \$5 at Earth Fair Store after Dec 1.

MPES CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

Madeira Park Elementary School’s Christmas concert is not open to the public this year due to limited capacity.

HARBOURSIDE FRIENDSHIPS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AND PENDER HARBOUR CHOIR PERFORMANCE

Thursday, Dec. 15 at 10:30 a.m. (lunch served at noon)

Organized by the Pender Harbour Seniors Initiative, Harbour Side Friendships hosts a \$10 Christmas luncheon for seniors at the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Lunch will include a performance by the Pender Harbour Choir.

Tickets will be sold ahead of time to manage the attendance numbers.

PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY HALL CHRISTMAS BINGO

Thursday, Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Bingo takes place every Thursday at the Pender Harbour Community Hall — but Christmas Bingo only happens Dec. 15.

EGMONT CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER

Friday, Dec. 16 at 6 p.m.

A community dinner at the Egmont Community Hall. People from out of town with kids under 12 should bring a wrapped gift so Santa can hand it to their child.

P. H. CHOIR PRESENTS ‘A SPECIAL TIME OF YEAR’

Friday, Dec. 16, 7 p.m.

Join the Pender Harbour Choir as they showcase their repertoire of new music and old to celebrate the festive year-end. The choir will perform at the Pender Harbour School of Music on Dec. 16.

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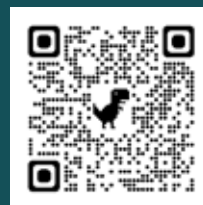


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ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION 112 CHRISTMAS, HAM AND TURKEY AND BASKET AND PIE MEAT DRAW **Saturday, Dec. 17 at 3:15 p.m.**

If you like to yell “Yee-haw” at the meat draw, this is the biggest of the year.

The Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 presents its annual Christmas fundraiser — a ham and turkey meat draw that comes with an added pie and basket auction. It's your best bet to load up on meat (and good cheer) before the holidays. Basket donations are accepted until Dec. 14.

PENDER HARBOUR WINTER FESTIVAL AND LIGHT UP THE TOWN TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY **Saturday, Dec. 17 from 4 to 8 p.m.**

Come out to Millennium Park for what is growing into the event of the season. There will be food trucks, vendors, music and a live performance by The Valleys. For the kids, Santa's Workshop includes photos with Santa, toy making, hot chocolate and cookie decorating. New this year, there will also be a licensed area for holiday spirits. The tree lighting is at 5 p.m. and the Christmas boat parade starts at 6:30 p.m. — all at the government dock in Madeira Park. Half of proceeds (liquor sales, Santa's workshop and 50/50 draw) will be donated to the P. H. Food Bank. Christmas tree sponsorships benefit the Serendipity Child Development Society.

58TH ANNUAL PENDER HARBOUR CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE **Saturday, Dec. 17 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

Continuing the 58-year tradition set by Wilma and Bill Thompson, the parade of lit boats, carolers and pipers gets underway at 6:30 p.m., leaving the docks in Madeira Park. Boaters should meet off Madeira Park government dock at 6 p.m. Participating boats should be decorated with Christmas lights.

P. H. WILDLIFE SOCIETY 32ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT **Wednesday, Dec. 21, all day**

The annual Pender Harbour Christmas bird count will take place all day on Wednesday, Dec. 21 (with a back-up date of Dec. 22 in case of bad weather). No experience is required. All that is needed is an interest in birds, binoculars, warm clothes and a lunch. To register for the event, please contact info@penderharbourwildlife.com.

The Christmas Bird Count is a one-day census of all birds wintering in the Pender Harbour area, specifically within a 15-mile radius circle that extends from Middlepoint to Captain's Island in the north, and from the Bjerre Shoals (Malaspina Strait) in the west to Storm Bay (Sechelt Inlet) in the east. This complex area of land, sea and lakes is broken up into smaller areas and allocated to a group of counters. There will be at least six expert-led crews, three of which will spend part of the day on boats.

PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE **Saturday, Dec. 24 at 4 p.m.**

Everyone is welcome to join in for an hour of singing traditional Advent carols and to reflect on the Christmas season. At the Pender Harbour Community Church in Madeira Park (12891 Lagoon Road).

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION NO. 112 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY **Saturday, Dec. 31 at 5 p.m. (doors)**

Celebrate the New Year at the Legion's New Year's Eve party with live music. Appetizers will be served at 5:15 p.m. followed by roast beef dinner.

Musician Eddy Edrik will provide entertainment at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$50 at the Royal Canadian Legion no.112 in Madeira Park.

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4	5	6	7	8	9 THE NUTCRACKER (3 DAYS) @ RAVEN'S CRY THEATRE, SECHLT	10 COMMUNITY HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET
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18	19	20	21 P. H. WILDLIFE SOCIETY CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT	22	23	24 P. H. COMMUNITY CHURCH XMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE
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DECEMBER ASTROLOGY



SAGITTARIUS: NOV. 23 – DEC. 21

Sagittarians love excitement and adventure. They are easily bored but often trendsetters. They are bold and impulsive, natural explorers who thrive on change and mental stimulation. Look out! Saturn present in the fourth house will have a complete aspect on your 10th house while evicting the free-loaders in your aunt's house. Beware the chaos this portends for the holidays. Siblings turn on you. This is the year to get away from family squabbles and hit the all-inclusive. Your personal financial situation trends positive going into the New Year.



CAPRICORN: DEC. 22 – JAN. 19

Capricorns often experience hardship early in life, but their resourcefulness makes them survivors. Sometimes hard to get to know, they are loyal, responsible and down-to-earth. This month, average is good. The stars are watching out for you and you can't lose. Your nickname should be "Even-Steven" as any loss will be returned by the cosmos. The downside of this, of course, is that you also can't win. So, don't try. Coast for a bit and enjoy your sudden wealth of medicocrity.

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For the week ending Nov. 19.

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.

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~ Association of Book Publishers of BC



2021 CENSUS (OCT. 26 RELEASE)

23%

The percentage of Canadians in 2021 who were immigrants or permanent residents. This figure tops the previous record of 22.3% set in 1921.

1.3 million

The number of new immigrants who settled permanently in Canada between 2016 and 2021.

53.3%

Just over half of Canadians reported a Christian religion. This is down from 67.3% in 2011 and 77.1% in 2001.

52.4%

Percentage of British Columbians who claim no religious affiliation. This is the highest it's ever been and the highest in Canada where 34.6% overall claim no religious affiliation.

2x

The proportion of Canada's Muslim, Hindu or Sikh population has more than doubled in 20 years. From 2001 to 2021, these shares rose from 2.0% to 4.9% for Muslims, from 1.0% to 2.3% for Hindus and from 0.9% to 2.1% for Sikhs.

16.1%

In 2021, the percentage of Canada's population belonging to racialized groups — South Asian (7.1%), Chinese (4.7%) and Black (4.3%).

64%

Percentage of new immigrants who fell into the core working age of 25 to 54, with only 3.6 per cent of new immigrants in the 55 to 64 age group.

~ StatsCan, CBC

DECEMBER WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high temperature in December is 6.6 C and our average daily low is 3.3 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 5 C. The highest December temperature recorded is 13.3 C (Dec. 14, 1962) and the lowest was -11.7 C (Dec. 28, 1968).

PRECIPITATION (MERRY ISLAND)

December has an average of 54.9 hours of bright sunshine. It usually has 19 days with measurable precipitation, an average monthly rainfall of 135 mm and an average monthly snowfall of 10 cm. Our average month-end snowfall is 4 cm. December has the highest snowfall of the year (November has the most rain). The highest December daily rainfall recorded at Merry Island was 66 mm (Dec. 25, 1972). The record daily snowfall was 40.6 cm (Dec. 31, 1968).

SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

DECEMBER

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

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2. 11:50 AM +XL
3. 12:30 PM +L
4. 1:06 PM +L
5. 9:02 AM -S, 1:41 PM +M
6. 9:55 AM -S, 2:16 PM +M
7. 10:39 AM -S, 2:59 PM +M
8. 11:17 AM -S, 3:33 PM +S
9. 12:04 PM -S
10. 12:43 PM -M
11. 1:25 PM -M
12. 2:11 PM -M
13. 8:31 AM +XL, 3:00 PM -M
14. 9:02 AM +XL, 3:29 PM -M
15. 9:32 AM +XL
16. 10:05 AM +XL
17. 10:41 AM +L
18. 11:21 AM +L
19. 11:59 AM +L
20. 8:42 AM -S, 12:54 PM +M
21. 9:39 AM -S, 1:48 PM +M
22. 10:29 AM -S, 2:40 PM +M
23. 11:15 AM -S, 3:29 PM +M
24. 12:00 PM -M
25. 12:58 PM -M
26. 1:52 AM -M
27. 2:43 PM -M
28. 8:58 AM +XL, 3:45 PM -L
29. 9:34 AM +XL
30. 10:10 AM +XL
31. 10:46 AM +L

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Understanding strokes

*Compiled by Pender Harbour Health
Centre nursing staff*

A stroke, or cerebrovascular accident, is the rapid loss of brain function due to disturbance in the blood supply to the brain.

This can be due to ischemia (lack of blood flow) caused by blockage or a hemorrhage (leakage of blood).

As a result, the affected area of the brain is unable to function leading to the inability to move one or more limbs on one side of the body, inability to understand or formulate speech, or visual disturbances in one or both eyes.

ISCHEMIC STROKES

Ischemic strokes account for 87 per cent of strokes.

They are defined as a sudden loss of function due to loss of blood supply to an area of the brain that controls that function.

It is usually caused by partial or complete blockage of an artery that supplies the brain.

The underlying condition for this type of obstruction is the development of fatty deposits lining the vessel walls.

This condition is called atherosclerosis.

The plaque breaks away from the vessel wall and forms a clot.

HEMORRHAGIC STROKES

Hemorrhagic strokes account for about 13 per cent of stroke cases.

They result from a weakened vessel that ruptures and bleeds into the surrounding brain.

The blood accumulates and compresses the surrounding brain tissue.

TRANSIENT ISCHEMIC ATTACK

While a transient ischemic attack is often labelled “mini-stroke,” it is more accurately characterized as a “warning stroke” — a warning you should take very seriously.

SPOT A STROKE

LEARN THE WARNING SIGNS AND ACT FAST

BEFAST








BALANCE
LOSS OF BALANCE,
HEADACHE
OR DIZZINESS

EYES
BLURRED VISION

FACE
ONE SIDE OF THE
FACE IS DROOPING

ARMS
ARM OR LEG
WEAKNESS

SPEECH
SPEECH DIFFICULTY

TIME
TIME TO CALL
FOR AMBULANCE
IMMEDIATELY


CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY

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A TIA is caused by a clot.

The only difference between a stroke and TIA is that, with TIA, the blockage is transient (temporary).

TIA symptoms occur rapidly and last a relatively short time.

Most TIAs last less than five minutes and the average is about a minute.

Unlike a stroke, when a TIA is over, there’s no permanent injury to the brain

While the vast majority of strokes are not preceded by TIA, about a third of people who experience TIA go on to have a stroke within a year.

According to the American Heart Association, a TIA is a warning stroke and gives a patient time to act and keep a permanent stroke from occurring.

By recognizing symptoms and

getting to the hospital, the patient can get help in identifying why the TIA occurred and get treatment — either through medication or surgery — that can prevent a stroke from occurring.

The warning signs of for both strokes and TIAs are as follows:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body;
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding;
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes;
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or co-ordination, and
- Sudden, severe headache with no known cause.

All of these warning signs should be taken seriously and people experiencing them should get to the hospital emergency department at once.

Early diagnosis can help to expedite treatment and referrals.

For more information, visit www.strokeassociation.org.

pender harbour tides ~ december 2022

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

Canoe Pass:



December	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM	Noon	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	12AM
Thu 01	9.4	8.1	6.8	5.9	5.6	5.9	7.1	9.0	11.1	13.1	14.7	15.6	15.7	15.0	13.7	12.1	10.5	9.2	8.5	8.5	9.0	9.8	10.5	11.0
Fri 02	10.9	10.3	9.4	8.3	7.5	7.2	7.5	8.6	10.2	12.1	13.8	15.1	15.7	15.4	14.3	12.7	10.8	9.0	7.6	6.9	7.0	7.8	8.9	10.1
Sat 03	11.1	11.5	11.4	10.7	9.8	9.0	8.6	8.9	9.8	11.3	12.9	14.4	15.3	15.5	14.8	13.3	11.3	9.1	7.2	5.9	5.4	5.8	6.9	8.4
Sun 04	10.1	11.5	12.3	12.5	12.0	11.1	10.3	9.8	10.0	10.8	12.1	13.5	14.7	15.3	15.0	13.9	12.0	9.7	7.4	5.5	4.4	4.3	5.1	6.6
Mon 05	8.5	10.5	12.2	13.3	13.5	13.0	12.2	11.3	10.8	10.9	11.6	12.7	13.9	14.7	14.9	14.2	12.6	10.3	7.9	5.6	4.0	3.3	3.6	4.9
Tue 06	6.8	9.1	11.4	13.2	14.2	14.3	13.8	12.8	11.9	11.4	11.5	12.1	13.1	14.0	14.5	14.3	13.0	11.0	8.6	6.2	4.1	2.9	2.7	3.5
Wed 07	5.2	7.5	10.1	12.4	14.2	15.0	14.9	14.2	13.2	12.2	11.7	11.8	12.5	13.3	13.9	14.0	13.3	11.7	9.5	7.0	4.8	3.1	2.3	2.6
Thu 08	3.9	6.0	8.6	11.2	13.5	15.0	15.5	15.2	14.3	13.2	12.3	11.9	12.1	12.6	13.2	13.6	13.4	12.2	10.3	8.0	5.7	3.7	2.5	2.2
Fri 09	2.9	4.6	7.0	9.7	12.3	14.4	15.5	15.7	15.1	14.1	13.0	12.2	11.9	12.1	12.6	13.1	13.2	12.6	11.1	9.1	6.9	4.8	3.2	2.3
Sat 10	2.5	3.6	5.6	8.2	10.9	13.3	15.0	15.7	15.6	14.9	13.8	12.7	12.0	11.9	12.1	12.6	12.8	12.7	11.7	10.1	8.1	6.0	4.2	3.0
Sun 11	2.6	3.1	4.6	6.8	9.3	11.9	14.0	15.3	15.7	15.3	14.5	13.4	12.4	11.8	11.8	12.0	12.4	12.5	12.1	11.0	9.3	7.4	5.6	4.1
Mon 12	3.2	3.1	4.0	5.7	7.9	10.4	12.7	14.5	15.4	15.5	14.9	14.0	12.9	12.0	11.5	11.5	11.8	12.1	12.1	11.5	10.3	8.7	7.0	5.5
Tue 13	4.3	3.8	4.0	5.1	6.9	9.1	11.4	13.4	14.8	15.4	15.2	14.5	13.5	12.4	11.6	11.1	11.2	11.4	11.6	11.5	10.9	9.8	8.4	7.0
Wed 14	5.7	4.9	4.6	5.1	6.3	8.2	10.3	12.3	14.0	15.0	15.3	14.9	14.0	12.9	11.8	10.9	10.5	10.5	10.8	11.0	11.0	10.6	9.8	8.6
Thu 15	7.4	6.4	5.8	5.7	6.3	7.6	9.4	11.4	13.2	14.5	15.1	15.0	14.4	13.3	12.1	10.9	10.0	9.6	9.7	10.0	10.4	10.6	10.5	10.0
Fri 16	9.1	8.1	7.3	6.8	6.9	7.6	8.9	10.6	12.3	13.8	14.8	15.1	14.7	13.7	12.4	10.9	9.6	8.7	8.5	8.7	9.3	10.0	10.5	10.7
Sat 17	10.5	9.9	9.1	8.4	8.0	8.1	8.9	10.1	11.7	13.2	14.3	14.9	14.9	14.1	12.7	11.0	9.3	8.0	7.2	7.2	7.7	8.6	9.7	10.6
Sun 18	11.2	11.2	10.9	10.2	9.6	9.2	9.3	10.0	11.1	12.5	13.8	14.6	14.9	14.4	13.1	11.3	9.3	7.5	6.2	5.6	5.9	6.8	8.1	9.7
Mon 19	11.1	12.0	12.3	12.0	11.4	10.8	10.3	10.3	10.9	11.9	13.2	14.2	14.8	14.7	13.6	11.9	9.7	7.4	5.5	4.3	4.1	4.7	6.1	8.0
Tue 20	10.0	11.8	13.0	13.5	13.2	12.6	11.8	11.2	11.1	11.6	12.6	13.7	14.5	14.8	14.2	12.7	10.4	7.9	5.5	3.6	2.7	2.7	3.8	5.7
Wed 21	8.1	10.6	12.7	14.2	14.6	14.3	13.5	12.5	11.9	11.7	12.2	13.1	14.1	14.7	14.7	13.6	11.6	8.9	6.2	3.7	2.0	1.3	1.7	3.3
Thu 22	5.7	8.5	11.4	13.7	15.2	15.5	15.0	14.1	13.0	12.3	12.1	12.6	13.5	14.4	14.8	14.4	12.9	10.5	7.7	4.8	2.3	0.8	0.4	1.2
Fri 23	3.2	6.0	9.2	12.2	14.6	15.9	16.1	15.4	14.3	13.2	12.4	12.3	12.9	13.7	14.5	14.8	14.1	12.3	9.7	6.6	3.7	1.4	0.1	0.0
Sat 24	1.2	3.5	6.6	9.9	13.0	15.3	16.4	16.3	15.5	14.3	13.1	12.3	12.3	12.9	13.8	14.5	14.6	13.7	11.7	9.0	6.0	3.2	1.1	0.0
Sun 25	0.2	1.7	4.2	7.4	10.8	13.7	15.8	16.6	16.3	15.3	14.0	12.8	12.1	12.1	12.7	13.5	14.2	14.2	13.3	11.3	8.6	5.8	3.2	1.4
Mon 26	0.6	1.0	2.7	5.3	8.5	11.7	14.4	16.1	16.6	16.1	15.0	13.5	12.3	11.6	11.6	12.2	13.0	13.6	13.6	12.7	10.9	8.5	6.0	3.7
Tue 27	2.2	1.7	2.4	4.1	6.8	9.8	12.7	15.0	16.3	16.4	15.7	14.4	12.9	11.6	10.8	10.8	11.4	12.1	12.7	12.9	12.2	10.7	8.7	6.6
Wed 28	4.7	3.6	3.3	4.1	5.9	8.4	11.2	13.7	15.5	16.4	16.2	15.2	13.8	12.1	10.7	9.9	9.8	10.3	11.0	11.7	12.0	11.7	10.7	9.2
Thu 29	7.5	6.1	5.3	5.2	6.1	7.8	10.1	12.4	14.5	15.8	16.2	15.8	14.6	12.9	11.2	9.7	8.7	8.6	9.0	9.8	10.6	11.2	11.3	10.8
Fri 30	9.9	8.8	7.8	7.2	7.3	8.1	9.7	11.6	13.5	15.0	15.9	15.9	15.2	13.7	11.9	10.0	8.4	7.4	7.2	7.6	8.5	9.7	10.6	11.2
Sat 31	11.3	10.9	10.2	9.5	9.1	9.2	9.9	11.2	12.7	14.2	15.2	15.7	15.4	14.3	12.5	10.4	8.4	6.7	5.8	5.7	6.2	7.3	8.7	10.1

Fibreworks presents: Slow Fashion + Climate Action

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The Fibreworks Studio & Gallery Society, along with the Sunshine Coast Arts Council, invites youth ages 15 to 24 to take part in a series of three workshops on practical upcycling and repurposing techniques.

Slow Fashion + Climate Action is a free program aimed at reducing textile waste, loving and caring for our clothes, and finding ways to make them say who we are and what we believe in.

Upon completion, participants will receive a gift certificate from the Bargain Barn to use in designing a garment for a later exhibit.

The program runs on Jan. 21, Feb. 12 and March 4, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Registration is limited.

For information, visit the Fibreworks Studio & Gallery Society website at www.fibreworksgallery.com or

email info@fibreworksgallery.com.

To register, visit www.sunshinecoastartscouncil.com under "Youth Programs."

photojournal



Brian Lee

This sailboat suffered the sail equivalent of a blown engine after not securing their foresail properly before the first big southeast storm of the season. The flapping sail echoed throughout Pender Harbour and Hospital Bay on the morning of Oct. 27.

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HARBOUR SPIEL

trivia

1. Which type of whale was kept in captivity in Pender Harbour during the late 1960s?

- ☐ a. Killer
- ☐ b. Gray
- ☐ c. Sei
- ☐ d. Humpback

2. What was the name of Bathgate's Store prior to Jack and Bob Bathgate purchasing it in 1963?

- ☐ a. Larson's
- ☐ b. Dunlop's
- ☐ c. Griffith's
- ☐ d. West's

3. What is a chiton?

- ☐ a. rocky prominence
- ☐ b. mollusk
- ☐ c. logging term
- ☐ d. mariner's knot

4. What is the first name of the Royal Navy officer Pender Harbour was named after?

- ☐ a. George
- ☐ b. Henry
- ☐ c. Daniel
- ☐ d. Richard

5. What is the branch number of the Royal Canadian Legion in Madeira Park?

- ☐ a. 109
- ☐ b. 112
- ☐ c. 140
- ☐ d. 219

6. What was Madeira Park's "Miss Sunny's?"

- ☐ a. burger stand
- ☐ b. antique store
- ☐ c. hardware store
- ☐ d. hair dresser

Answers: p. 34

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**



Note your seal of approval or **disapproval.**

By email only: editor@harbourspiel.com. Include full name and telephone number. (Editor will edit for length.)

Harbour Seals of Approval to all the **dedicated volunteers, participants and attendees** who helped make the Remembrance Day parade, ceremony and gathering such a memorable, heartfelt occasion.

Lyn and Bill Charlton
Royal Canadian Legion 112

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to **Claude Cuff** who returned my wallet and all of its contents safely to my home after it fell from the roof of my travelling car.

He saved the day and a million hours of stress, I can't explain how happy I am to have it back.

Amanda Petersen
AKA distracted mother who places wallet on car while refuelling.

A school full of Harbour Seals to all of our hot lunch sponsors — **KER Enterprises, Madeira Marina, Sunshine Coast Stoneworks, Vortex Blasting and Breaking and Pender Harbour Diesel** for providing a delicious and nutritious lunch to our 95 kids and our wonderful staff.

Beau Sladey
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Poppy Fields of sincere Seals of Approval to **all those who donated to the poppy campaign, volunteers** who gave their time to canvass and our **local businesses** for their support.

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Harbour Seals of Approval to **Denise Cymbalist** for her unique and totally Pender Harbour design for the kids' colouring contest for the Pender Harbour Winter Festival.

Katie Ayers
P. H. Winter Festival team

A bob of Harbour Seals of Approval to **Anne Clemence** for her generous commitment of time, expertise and service to recycling at GRIPS in Pender Harbour.

Thank you.

Louise Todhunter

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to all of the **Sunshine Coast merchants who so generously donated door prizes** to our "Ladies Night Out" event. Fun was had by all and the ladies of the Harbour thank you.

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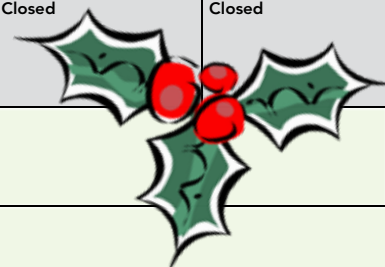
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December at the Pender Harbour Aquatic & Fitness Centre:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 Facility open 1 – 4pm	5 Facility open 7:30am – 1pm Drop-in Aquafit 9 – 9:50am	6 Facility open 7:30am – 1pm Drop-in Land Meets Water 10:30 -11:30am Facility open 4:30 - 6:30pm Drop-in Pilates 5:30-6:30 pm	7 Registration for WINTER Programs starts at 7am Facility open 7:30am – 1pm Drop-in Aquafit 9 – 9:50am Facility open 4:30 - 6:30 pm	8 Closed	9 Closed	10 Closed
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25 Closed	26 Closed	27 <u>Gym ONLY</u> open 9am – 12pm Facility open 4:30 - 6:30pm	28 <u>Gym ONLY</u> open 9am – 12pm Facility open 4:30 - 6:30 pm	29 Closed	30 Closed	31 Closed
Jan 1 Closed	Regular hours resume. Visit www.scrd.ca/pender-harbour-aquatic-fitness-centre for regular hours.					



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REGISTRATION FOR WINTER PROGRAMS: Starts Dec. 7 at 7am

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- By phone: 604-885-6801
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DECEMBER EVENTS FOR SENIORS:

POLAR EXPRESS CHRISTMAS LIGHT TOUR: Tuesday, Dec. 13

The bus departs Madeira Park at 7pm and tours Christmas lights on Francis Peninsula before returning at @ 8-8:30pm. Purchase your "Golden Ticket" for \$5 at Earth Fair Store after Dec 1.

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

In the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Lunch will be served at 12pm. The cost will be \$10 per person.

Dec. 1 – A Christmas Craft

Dec. 8 – Stories of Local Community Members

Dec. 15 – Christmas Lunch and Pender Harbour Choir Performance - tickets will be sold ahead of time so as to manage the attendance numbers.

CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, Dec. 7

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

CHAIR YOGA: Mondays & Fridays, Dec. 2, 5, 9, 12, 16 & 19

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall 11am – 12pm with Carole Logtenberg. Cost: \$3
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PENDER HARBOUR

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY DECEMBER 3, 10:00-4:00

LOCATION: PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY HALL

LUNCH AVAILABLE

26+ VENDORS



Spreading Kindness

A community fundraiser sponsored by Lyn Charlton with support from Pender Harbour Rotary

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Provide food support throughout the year and increased support during the Holiday season.

How to Donate

Mail: P. H. Rotary, Box 40 Garden Bay, BC, V0N 1S0
(Spreading Kindness in memo)

E-transfer: phrotarydonation@gmail.com

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<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/1875/donate>

Please contact Lyn Charlton with any questions
lyncharlton@gmail.com



DECEMBER

Thurs. Dec. 1.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Sat. Dec. 3.....Community Christmas Craft Fair - P. H. Community Hall, 10 a.m.
Sat. Dec. 3.....Live music with Eddy Edrik - Provisions Bistro at the P. H. Golf Club - 5 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 4.....Sunday Music at Provisions Bistro - P. H. Golf Club, 2 p.m.
Thurs. Dec. 8.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Sat. Dec. 10.....Community Hall Christmas Market - P. H. Community Hall, 10 a.m.
Sat. Dec. 10.....Live music with Eddy Edrik - Provisions Bistro at the P. H. Golf Club - 5 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 11.....Sunday Music at Provisions Bistro - P. H. Golf Club, 2 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 11.....P. H. Music Society presents Janelle Nadeau, P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 11.....Pender Harbour Community Christmas Dinner - P. H. Community Hall, 5:30 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 12.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 12.....P. H. Aquatic Society AGM (all community members are invited) - PHAFC, 4 p.m.
Tues. Dec. 13.....P. H. Women's Connection Christmas Gathering - P. H. School of Music, 11:30 a.m.
Tues. Dec. 13.....Polar Express Christmas Light Tour - Bus departs Madeira Park, 7 p.m.
Thurs. Dec. 15.....Harbourside Friendships Christmas Luncheon - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
Thurs. Dec. 15.....Christmas bingo - P. H. Community Hall, 6:30 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 16.....Last day of school (PHSS and MPES) for winter break
Fri. Dec. 16.....Egmont Christmas Potluck Dinner - Egmont Community Hall, 6 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 16.....P. H. Choir presents 'A Special Time of Year' - P. H. School of Music, 7 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 17.....Bargain Barn's last day open for the season (reopening March 4)
Sat. Dec. 17.....Christmas Ham, Turkey, Basket and Pie Meat Draw - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 3:15 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 17.....Live music with Eddy Edrik - Provisions Bistro at the P. H. Golf Club - 5 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 17.....Pender Harbour Winter Festival - Millennium Park, 4 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 17.....58th annual Pender Harbour Christmas Boat Parade - Madeira gov't docks, 6:30 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 18.....Sunday Music at Provisions Bistro - P. H. Golf Club, 2 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 21.....P. H. Wildlife Society Christmas bird count - various locations, 7 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 24.....Christmas Eve Carol Service - P. H. Community Church, 4 p.m.
Tues. Dec. 27.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 31.....Backeddy New Year's Eve Dinner - Backeddy Pub
Sat. Dec. 31.....Legion New Year's Eve Party - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 5 p.m.

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



FERRY DEPARTURES

Crossing time: Langdale 40 min./Earl's Cove 50 min.

Ticket sales end 10 min. before sailing for foot passengers, 5 min. before for vehicles.

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