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editorial

Fix highway link first

Brian Lee



Today I had an appointment in Sechelt.

I was running a little late but the road was dry and I knew that if I pushed the

speed limit a bit, I could easily make it.

After all, it was a weekday in September so the RVs and ubiquitous cars with two kayaks on top should be gone.

Who hasn't made a sub-25 minute run from Madeira to Sechelt?

It used to be a bit of competition — I've heard tales of running to Sechelt for smokes in half that time.

Drive BC estimates the 34 kilometre trip takes 30 minutes but we all know we can safely do it under 25.

Not anymore.

On this day, as soon as I pulled onto the highway I was stuck behind a five-ton truck that was stuck behind an electric car that was stuck behind someone whose adult children are probably urging him to give up driving altogether.

So, where the speed limit was 60, we did 35.

Usually I'm happy to get in the slow lane and relax while I listen to interviews on CBC radio with transgendered Syrian refugees tackling climate change — but today I was in a hurry.

But there's nothing you can do about it until you reach the passing lane in Secret Cove so when I did, I tromped on it and had the road to myself again.

That is until I reached the other end of Secret Cove Road where I caught up to another line of Sunday drivers.

So, I passed them on Halfmoon Bay Hill but by Trout Lake, I rode up on another senior who seemed to be struggling to keep his car rubber-side down.

I got by him by Leaning Tree Road but after that there's really no alternative but to join in with the throngs of West Sechelt commuters.

So, I was late.

This summer was the busiest I've seen on the Sunshine Coast Highway.

Though it's nothing like the torture of driving on the other side, it's increasingly difficult to make out what used to be an obvious spike in ferry traffic anymore — the 101 is plugged all day.

And when there's a bad accident, well, I hope you brought water.

Now, as if our rural roads weren't already strained, there's talk of building a bridge to the place we love to hate for its traffic congestion.

Do some think our ridiculous little highway with its sudden curves and hidden driveways will suddenly accommodate whatever volume increase will be delivered by a fixed link?

I would hope that during the recent feasibility discussions, those taking part recognize there can be no discussion of a fixed link without first twinning the Sunshine Coast highway.

We'll find out soon — a draft report is due this fall.

Hopefully it also considers other infrastructure weaknesses like the south Coast's limited water supply and our finite landfill capacity.

So far, much of the hysteria I've come across has been about the wash of crime that would flood our community.

Sure, the pedophiles and drug addicts on the other side must be absolutely frothing for an alternative to BC Ferries but, right now, a fixed link would overwhelm the Coast's infrastructure so quickly they wouldn't make it past the off-ramp.

Don't get me wrong, the idea does appeal to me.

It would bolster our fragile economy and what homeowner doesn't warm to the idea of cashing out on a rise in property values?

But all things considered, we have it pretty good here and if I wanted a life like on the other side, I'd still be there.

spiel picks

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION NO. 112 QUIZ NIGHT: Friday, Sept. 30, 7:30 p.m.

It's always a fun night but this time it's the Pender Harbour volunteer firemen hosting it as part of their fundraising efforts for their annual Halloween fireworks display. Show up early for dinner.

7TH ANNUAL SUNSHINE COAST ART CRAWL: Friday, Oct. 21-23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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8TH ANNUAL P. H. BLUES SOCIETY HALLOWEEN HOWL: Saturday, Oct. 29, doors at 8 p.m.

Get ready to boogie woogie to Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne at the annual Halloween costume extravaganza. There are fantastic prizes for best costumes but don't think winning will be easy — the calibre of costumes will be as high as the musical talent on stage.

PHVFD FIREWORKS DISPLAY: Monday, Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m.

The annual local Halloween tradition. End (or begin) the night with a fireworks display put on by local volunteer firefighters in Pender Harbour. The central party is at the Madeira Park government wharf but good viewing spots abound. Buy a raffle ticket to support the firefighters' fundraising efforts towards this event.

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Nathaniel Moore

Beer-brewing legend Frank Appleton (r) dropped by EarthFair book store in Madeira Park on Sept. 16 to sign copies of his book *Brewing Revolution: Pioneering the Craft Beer Movement*. Appleton (pictured with partner Jean Bassett) started the Horseshoe Bay Brewery in June 1982 — the first of its kind in the country. He is considered by many to be the father of Canada's craft-brewing movement. Prior to the popularity of craft brewed beer, three brewing companies held 90 per cent of the market.

P. H. Advisory Council hosts town hall Sept. 11

With files from Karen Dyck

There was lots to talk about when a crowd of about 125 locals packed into the Pender Harbour Community Hall for a town hall meeting Sept. 11.

The meeting was hosted by the Pender Harbour Advisory Council and included its annual general meeting immediately after the presentations.

Four featured presentations of community interest were on the agenda and up first was Dr. Michael Jackson who gave an update on the Pender Ocean Discovery Station project.

Jackson announced it has acquired funding to explore the feasibility of creating an aquarium-style learning and research centre on the shore of Pender Harbour.

Next up was Darcie Murray.

Murray is a local youth worker at the Pender Harbour Community School who surprised many in the audience when she described the level of need our community faces when it comes to counselling, food and housing for youth.

Murray estimates that up to 37 young people in Area A fall into this category.

Peter Robson is chair of Area A's official community plan advisory committee and spoke of the work be-



Rose Everett

As always, a good crowd attended the Pender Harbour Advisory Council's town hall meeting on Sept. 11.

ing done in the community to update the OCP.

Robson said the SCRD will soon release an updated draft of the OCP, and a consultation process will begin soon after to provide the community an opportunity to ask questions.

Finally, Len Lee discussed the current status of the draft Pender Harbour dock management plan.

Lee said that recent agreements between the province and the Shíshálh Nation for land and revenue are a stepping stone toward more talks and future agreements.

The draft DMP is included as one of the future issues to be discussed and resolved.

Currently, the province has been
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CORRECTION: In last month's issue of the *Harbour Spiel* it was incorrectly reported (p. 5) that the Canadian Coast Guard vessel *Cape Caution* was nearby at the time of the near sinking of the *Bellissima*. The *Cape Caution* was called from Powell River (where it is stationed) and did not arrive until 3:55 p.m. — close to an hour and a half after the distress call was received. A photo caption incorrectly placed the *Cape Caution* at the scene at 3:04 p.m. That photo was actually taken at 4:04 p.m. Both errors were the result of incorrect time stamps on the editor's camera and I sincerely apologize for this error. ~ Ed.

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PHAC town hall (cont.)

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renewing dock tenures on a two-year lease basis and plans to release terms of reference for environmental and archaeological studies, as recommended in consultant Barry Penner's report.

Lee said a recent request to implement Penner's recommendation of issuing permits for those applications made between 2003 and 2013 that are now "sitting in limbo" is not going to be considered at this time.

Questions from the floor during a subsequent question period included concerns about the condition of our roads and inquiries about the possibility of incorporation for Pender Harbour.

Other issues brought up included the projected closure and replacement of Totem Lodge and Shorncliffe in Sechelt and the new trail at Sakinaw Lake being closed to the public.

After discussions, the Pender Harbour Advisory Council held its annual general meeting.

PHAC president Steve Luchkow listed some of the council's achievements in the last year, especially the successful rollout of the "no wake" program in Pender Harbour.

Luchkow also praised the local trail signage project done in conjunction with Pender Harbour Hikers as well as the council's work in support of community organizations.

Afterwards, four new board members were appointed.

Francine Clohosey, Rose Everett, Mike Price and Alan Stewart were named to the board for two-year terms.

Steve Luchkow and Janet McIntosh stepped down from the board and were thanked for their contributions to the society, as was the SCRDC, which provided the funding which made the meeting possible.

Despite the four new board appointments, there are several vacancies on the council's board.

Interested parties are invited to inquire via phadvisorycouncil@gmail.com.

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Brian Lee

The iconic T-Dock in Garden Bay Lake was recently refurbished with new decking by persons unknown because the popular summer swimming dock had become rotten and unsafe. This dock has always been maintained by local volunteers.

No one injured in early morning house fire



Brian Lee

Fire destroyed a home in the 4100-block of Francis Peninsula Road during the early hours of Sept. 1.

One person was home at the time of the fire and managed to get out without injury while saving a number of pets in the process.

The Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department received the call shortly before 5:30 a.m. and arrived within minutes but the fire was already fully engulfed.

Investigators did not find a cause for the fire but confirmed that it started in the living room.

The home holds the historical distinction of being the birthplace of local book maker Harbour Publishing.

Publishers Howard and Mary White still own the home and lived there while working out of the shop (which was saved) when they started the book publishing company in the early 1970s.

No injuries were reported after fire claimed a home in the 4100-block of Francis Peninsula Road on Sept. 1.



Brian Lee

Recent rains helped firefighters prevent the fire from moving into the neighbouring forest and threatening nearby homes (including the *Harbour Spiel's* headquarters) but there was nothing they could do to save the house.

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Swim coach Bob Steele inducted into ASCA hall of fame

Garden Bay resident Bob Steele has been recognized for his swim coaching career by being one of four 2016 inductees to the American Swimming Coaches Association hall of fame.

Since 1960 Steele coached all levels of competitive swimming in the U.S. before he retired to Pender Harbour in 2006.

He coached 17 swimmers to world rankings in 37 events and coached two American record-holders.

Steele was head coach at California State University, Bakersfield winning five NCAA II national championships.

Later he served as the aquatics director at the Orlando International Aquatic Centre hosting 12 national aquatic championships.

He was also the director of athlete and coach development of USA Swimming for nine years.

During his career, Steele travelled throughout the U.S. and abroad to lecture at coaching clinics and run

his own Winning Spirit race camps.

He was a member of the USA Swimming masters coach/consultant program, visiting teams with world-ranked high school swimmers.

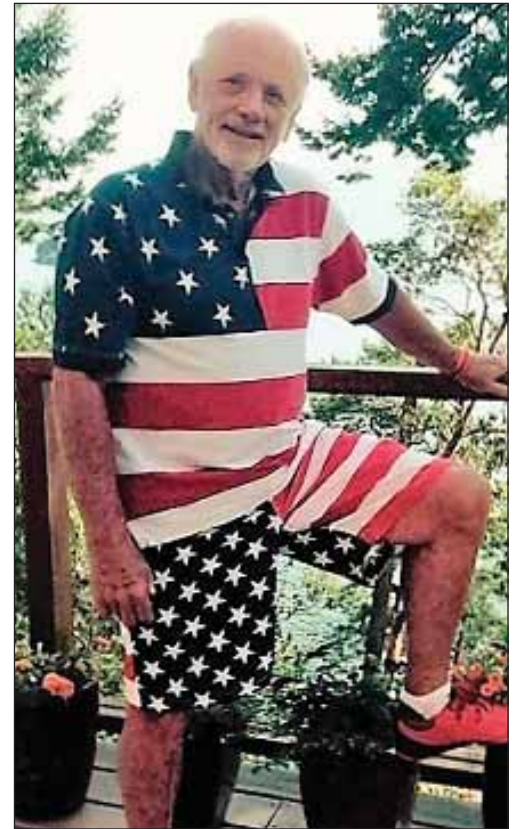
Steele said his foundation for recruiting, retention and improvement centres on fun, motivation and using the science of swimming to help kids excel.

“My career focus has been to help other teams and my swimmers, coaches and parents be the best they can be,” said Steele in an email.

“I hope my legacy is fun training along with developing personal traits, values and skills that help every person reach a higher level.”

Former swimmer Roger Von Jouanne held the U.S. record in the 200-yard butterfly and once described “Steele training” as “distracted pain.”

After moving to Garden Bay, Steele came out of retirement to tackle one of the greatest challenges of his career — resurrecting and coaching the Pender Harbour Seals swim club.



submitted

Though he's also well known as a snappy dresser, local swim coach Bob Steele was recently recognized for his coaching achievements as well.

SCRD introduces new rules for disposing of material with asbestos

Effective Sept. 19, the Sunshine Coast Regional District has introduced new requirements for testing and disposing of materials containing asbestos.

“Before someone begins a renovation or demolition project, they should contact a qualified company that deals with asbestos to help determine what materials require testing and to conduct the testing” said Robyn Cooper, manager of solid waste services at the SCRD.

Asbestos is a strong, fire-resistant mineral fibre once used in a wide variety of materials as insulation against heat or noise, for fire protection and to

increase structural strength in materials such as cement and plaster.

Its use in Canada was phased out by the early 1990s.

Asbestos is not a health risk if left intact, but if disturbed, asbestos fibres are released into the air, are easily inhaled, and stay airborne for hours or even days.

Repeated exposure can lead to lung cancer and other lethal asbestos-related diseases.

Materials testing positive for asbestos may be disposed of at the Sechelt Landfill only and must follow strict bagging, sealing and labelling procedures.

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Fungi and fibre aficionados arrive this month

From Oct. 17 to 22, 130 visitors from around the world will land in Pender Harbour to attend the International Fungi and Fibre Symposium.

It's the first time the biennial event has been held in Canada.

"While the focus on this event is dyeing fibre with mushrooms, registrants will also have time to explore our forests, take workshops at various

venues throughout the village, and spend time socializing with new and old friends," said organizer Ann Harmer.

The public is invited to view an exhibit of mushroom-dyed pieces created by symposium attendees at the Painted Boat Resort (Harbour Room, below the restaurant) between Oct. 19 and 21 from 3 to 5:30 pm.



submitted

A sample of colour resulting from mushroom-dyeing efforts at the 2014 International Fungi and Fibre Symposium in Estonia.

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Jean Pate

Lost and Found: If you recognize this green lanyard or strap, it can be claimed from this Garden Bay deer last seen on Harbour Peak Drive.



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news briefs

THEFT

Between Aug. 20 and 21, a thief stole two new Sunshine Coast Regional District signs from a public dock on Ramp Road, Ruby Lake.

The signs said the dock was for public use, maximum boat moorage time was 20 minutes, no diving and use at your own risk.

Anyone with any information about this theft is asked to contact RCMP, reference file 5543.

IMPAIRED DRIVER

On Aug. 20, a witness reported a possibly impaired driver get into a vehicle and drive southbound from the 15500 block of Hwy. 101, Ruby Lake.

Police located the vehicle in Halfmoon Bay driving well over the posted speed limit.

Police pulled the vehicle over and noted a strong smell of alcohol on the 25 year-old male driver.

The driver admitted to drinking a short time earlier and failed a roadside alcohol screening test.

He was issued a 90-day driving prohibition and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

MVA

On Aug. 21, police attended a single vehicle accident in the 11700 block of Highway 101 (Middlepoint).

A southbound vehicle lost control on the rain-slickened road, went off the road down a driveway, tipped onto its side and slid down before righting itself when it struck a pole.

Fortunately, the driver and passengers only suffered minor injuries but the vehicle had to be towed.

MVA

On Aug. 21 police attended a two vehicle incident in the 11700 block of Highway 101 after a northbound

vehicle lost control, causing the back end to strike a southbound vehicle that was towing a utility trailer.

The first vehicle and the trailer sustained the most damage and had to be towed but no major injuries to either driver were reported.

The driver of the first vehicle was not impaired and said she'd lost control on the corner but was issued a ticket for failing to keep right.

THEFT

Between Aug. 15 and 23, a thief stole a 2016 FLS Harley Davidson Softail motorcycle that was locked and parked at the Madeira Park government wharf.

The black motorcycle had after-market white wall tires with spoke rims, one leather saddle bag on the right side, MPF short pipes with Screaming Eagle jet kit and a medium windshield.

The BC licence plate: S84558.

SCAM

On Sept. 13, a Coast resident received a phone call from a person claiming to be from Canada Revenue Agency who advised him that he owed the CRA thousands of dollars and that if he didn't pay immediately, he would be arrested.

The caller told the resident he could pay in iTunes gift cards as that was faster than using a credit card.

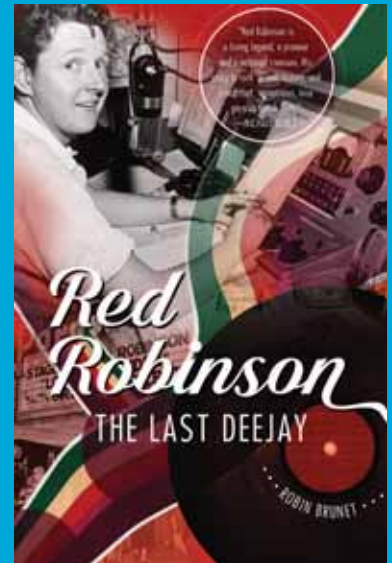
The resident complied and sent photos of the PINs on the backs of the gift cards to the caller as proof.

The caller then told the resident he owed even more money at which point he realized something was off.

The caller was advised to contact iTunes to try to cancel the gift cards.

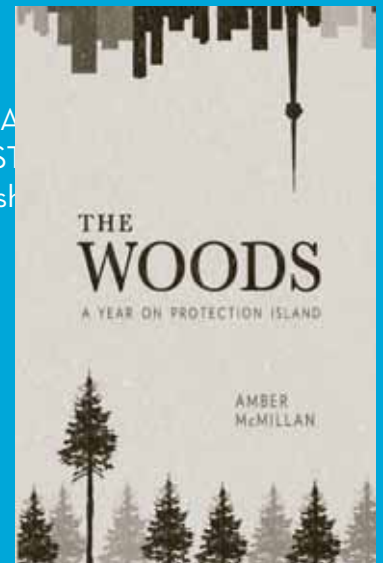
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Parker skates to fifth place at international competition

Local figure skater (and notary public) Tracy Parker made an impressive showing at the 2016 international adult figure skating competition at the UBC Sports Centre Aug. 29 to Sept. 2.

Parker placed fifth out of 16 entries in her free skate (bronze III) category.

The competition attracted 264 skaters from 17 countries, aged 28-78.

Skaters competed in men's and ladies' free skating, pairs free skating, ice dance and synchronized skating, from the bronze level to masters elite.

"This was Tracy's first time competing in an international competition as it is usually only held in Oberstdorf, Germany," said Lesleigh Farr, Parker's coach.

"For the first time ever the International Skating Union hosted a second competition this year in Canada.

"It was a commendable effort and amazing job by Tracy, especially since there was no ice here on the Coast to practice from March until



Brent Parker

Tracy Parker finishes her program at the recent 2016 international adult figure skating competition at UBC.

the competition in August.

"I was especially impressed by her sportsmanship and how she welcomed the other athletes to Canada,"

Up next, Parker plans to compete in the adult international competition in Germany held in the spring of 2018.

obituary

Norman S. Causton

MAY 12, 1924 — AUGUST 9, 2016



It is with great sadness that his family announces the passing of Norm Causton after a brief illness.

Norm grew up in Vancouver but Madeira Park was his "home."

He loved it so very much.

He was a kind, gentle and compassionate man whom everyone loved.

He was predeceased by his wife

Sylvia in 1990 and his grandson Jeffrey in 2011.

He leaves behind very proud children: Norm (Pam), Daniel (Dee), Donald (Cindy) and Lydelle Snell (Bill) along with all his grand- and great-grand children.

He is and will be missed but he is now soaring with the eagles he loved to feed everyday.

Don't miss the P. H. Volunteer Fire Department's annual

FIREWORKS

Halloween Night (weather permitting)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

7:30 p.m.

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The P. H. Volunteer Fire Department thanks the donors and those who purchased raffle tickets.

Without your help the fireworks display would not be possible.

Summer issues



Frank Mauro,
Area A Director

Summer is over and I hope everyone had a good one.

Since I skipped a month submitting an article there is a lot to report for the last half of July, August, and the beginning of September as many issues came to the fore.

NOISE AND LIGHTING

We live in a collection of bays and, as we all know, sound carries over water and at times it can be a problem.

I know our residents are very tolerant of noise during the day, as many homeowners are part timers and much of the work on their properties is

performed during the summer.

The time of day that noise can be generated can be defined in the noise bylaw which can be found at www.scrd.ca/files/File/Administration/Bylaws/597-noise-consolidated-to-597_1.pdf.

Bylaw enforcement only occurs when a resident submits a complaint to the SCRD.

The complainant is never identified and the bylaw officer will investigate.

The bylaw is fairly strong with significant potential penalties.

Light pollution can be a very annoying problem and certainly not the expectation of many in a rural setting such as ours.

Currently there is no bylaw to control lighting but the SCRD sup-

plies lighting guidelines with all building permit applications.

They can be found at www.scrd.ca/files/File/Community/Planning/Approved%20final%20Outdoor%20Lighting%20Guidelines.pdf.

Hopefully residents will comply voluntarily with the guidelines.

They can also be useful for discussions with a neighbor who installs inadvertently obtrusive outdoor lighting.

DERELICT STRUCTURES

I previously wrote in the June issue of the *Harbour Spiel* about illegal anchoring and since it has been a concern for many, here is an update.

Working with Transport Canada and the RCMP resulted in the issuance of an "order to remove" to the boat-

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning and Community Development Services Committee

October 13 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

October 13 at 1:30 p.m.

Infrastructure Services Committee

October 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Policing Committee

October 20 at 1:30 p.m.

Transportation Committee

October 20 at 2:45 p.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

October 27 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

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house and the derelict float in Garden Bay, which had broken free of its anchor and ended up on the shore of Garden Bay Marine Park.

The boathouse was removed and ended up tied up to a float in Whiskey Slough which also may not be appropriate.

The float was towed out of the harbour.

I continue to work with Transport Canada, FLNRO, natural resource enforcement officers, the RCMP and the environment ministry regarding the permanently anchored boats and live-aboards around the harbour.

I participated in a conference call with Transport Canada which is currently developing a strategy to address abandoned, derelict and wrecked vessels and preparing legislation to

address the issue.

I again appeal to the owners of these vessels and structures to voluntarily take action to move them to appropriate moorage facilities.

I will repeat that permanently anchoring on Crown land is not appropriate, not neighbourly and most certainly illegal.

CAMPING IN SCRD PARKS

This summer has seen an increase in campers inappropriately using roadsides and SCRD parks to camp.

Katherine Lake and Klein Lake are the only SCRD campgrounds in our area.

Camping in the other parks, which do not have appropriate facilities, pose risks of fire, sanitary issues, and noise in neighbourhoods.

In response to incidents in one park, the SCRD installed “No Camping” and “No Fires” signs.

Similar signs also are already installed on many other parks.

If you notice camping in SCRD parks that are not designated for camping, please report it at (604) 885-6817.

Also, if you notice inappropriate use of Crown land, please call the provincial RAPP line at 1(877) 952-7277 or visit the website to report it.

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Descendants of Pender pioneer visit Sarah Wray Hall



Joe Gonsalves in an undated photo.

Brenda Murray

Cathy Jenks and Elaine Park

The progeny of one of Pender Harbour's earliest pioneers visited Irvines Landing last month.

Three great-great-granddaughters and one great-great-great-granddaughter of "Portugese" Joe and Susan (Harris) Gonsalves visited in search of their family roots in early September.

Brenda Murray, Cindy Svendsen, Michelle Mills and Michelle's daughter, Sarah, made a pilgrimage from their homes on Vancouver Island to find the early home of their ancestor, a fisherman from the Portugese island of Madeira.

Volunteers Dorothy Faulkner, Cathy Jenks, Nonie McCuaig and Joe Wilson from the Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society welcomed the visitors to the Sarah Wray Heritage Centre and shared photos and information about the Gonsalves family from the society archives.

They revealed how Portugese Joe (not to be confused with the other local pioneer who shares the same nickname but who settled in Egmont, Portuguese Joe Silvey) made his patch of waterfront at Irvines Landing into a hub of regional economic activity.

Gonsalves stowed away on a ship leaving the Madeira Islands when he was only 12 and landed in New Westminster.

He grew up in Vancouver working in his uncle's store.

Later, he married Susan, the daughter of a chief from the nearby Capilano First Nation on the north shore of Burrard Inlet and the two had four children.

Prior to coming Pender Harbour, the Gonsalves family lived on Brockton Point in what is now Stanley Park.

It's been said a quarrel over land

made him pack up his family and move to Irvines Landing in 1904.

With his partner Steve Dames (who married Gonsalves' daughter Matilda), Gonsalves expanded the small store and post office beside the dock at the harbour entrance.

The two of them built a new hotel and saloon to serve passengers disembarking from the Union Steamships as well as a growing local population of loggers and fishing families.

He is also credited with installing the first public telephone in Pender Harbour.

Gonsalves owned much of the land around Irvines Landing but also took up 260 acres of Crown land in what is now Madeira Park in 1907.

He later donated much of it back to the community and today the Pender Harbour Community Hall and the Madeira Park Elementary School sit on what was once his land.

The BC Archives lists the death of Joseph Gonsalves on June 3, 1939 at the age of 82.

Descendants of Gonsalves still reside in the community and include members of the Duncan family.

A cedar effigy carved by Jack Crabb gazes out over Pender Harbour from the Harbour Authority grounds beside the government dock.

It was the first visit to Pender Harbour for three of the four visitors, descendants of Gonsalves' daughter, Virginia.

After Virginia married local logger Neil McDonald, the couple moved to Union Bay on Vancouver Island in the 1920s where they ran the McDonald and Murphy Logging Company.

That branch of the family remains based on the island.

"This was a fabulous afternoon,"



Cathy Jenks

Descendants of Joe and Susan Gonsalves at the Sarah Wray Hall Sept. 7 (l-r): Michelle Mills, Sarah Mills, Brenda Murray and Cindy Svendsen.

said Brenda Murray, as the visitors thanked their hosts from the P. H. Living Heritage Society.

"The information was awesome. We really enjoyed our tea party."

The Gonsalves family members donated a digital portrait of their great-great-grandfather as well as family tree information that will be preserved in the society's growing database and archives.

This and other information about Pender Harbour history can be accessed by contacting the website at www.penderharbourheritage.ca.

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Youth initiative needs help

Dear Editor,

While the youth outreach worker, Darcie, was speaking at the town hall meeting last Sunday, I was looking around the room.

When she told the crowd that there are homeless youth in Madeira Park, I saw mouths gaping open in disbelief.

Because the majority of Pender citizens are senior and many of those are affluent, they tend to forget what it is like to be young and on your own.

Many of them have never felt the pangs of hunger or the cold night air while they sleep under a blanket of trees.

When we are in our comfort zones it is hard to remember those who have no comfort.

There are many programs in this community for seniors but few for the children.

Because our schools are so small, the number of parents available to volunteer for kids programs is also very small.

When you take into consideration that the vast majority of parents have at least one full-time job (single parents often need two jobs to make ends meet) it becomes obvious that the parents alone are unable to run the programs for their kids.

The Pender Harbour Community Club Youth Initiative runs an activity program from 3-9:30 p.m. on the last two Fridays of the month as well as

the open mike nights.

There are only three committed volunteers for this program, though we have actively searched for more.

It is the PHCCYI goal to add a meal program to our activity Fridays where all youth (under 25) can have a free healthy meal and adults can eat by donation with no obligation.

The only thing preventing this program from starting is a list of 10 people who will give two hours of their time, one time per year.

The money is there, but in 10 months of asking, there are only four names on the list.

So if you were one of those people at the town hall meeting who were shocked to find out that there are children in need in our rich little community, perhaps you would like to offer your time (which is more precious than money) to volunteer for one of the understaffed child/youth programs here in Pender.

Just a few hours per year can make a huge impact. Money helps too but your time is what will make these programs run.

Give the PHCCYI a call at (604) 741-3303 if you would like to volunteer for the meal program or call the P. H. Community School at (604) 883-2826 if you want to volunteer for other kids' programs.

Your gift of time will make a difference to our children in need.

Please give generously.

Joi Phillips
PHCCYI

LETTERS

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Avoid burning within 500 metre radius of schools please

Dear Editor,

Every year during the allowed open burning season, I watch as often weekly open fires, in close proximity to the Madeira Park Elementary School, burn during school hours.

The BC Environmental Management Act states that “open burning of debris must be carried out at least 500 metres from schools in session...”

Smoke drifting from open fires, larger machine piled debris as well as smaller piles can significantly decrease air quality in the school yard and the building, thereby causing irritation and damage to our children’s developing lungs.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency states that “particle pollution — especially fine particles — contains microscopic solids or liquid droplets that are so small that they can get deep into the lungs and cause serious health problems.”

It goes on, “...children and older adults are the most likely to be affected by particle pollution exposure.”

This is why the BC law restricting open burning within a 500-metre radius around schools exists.

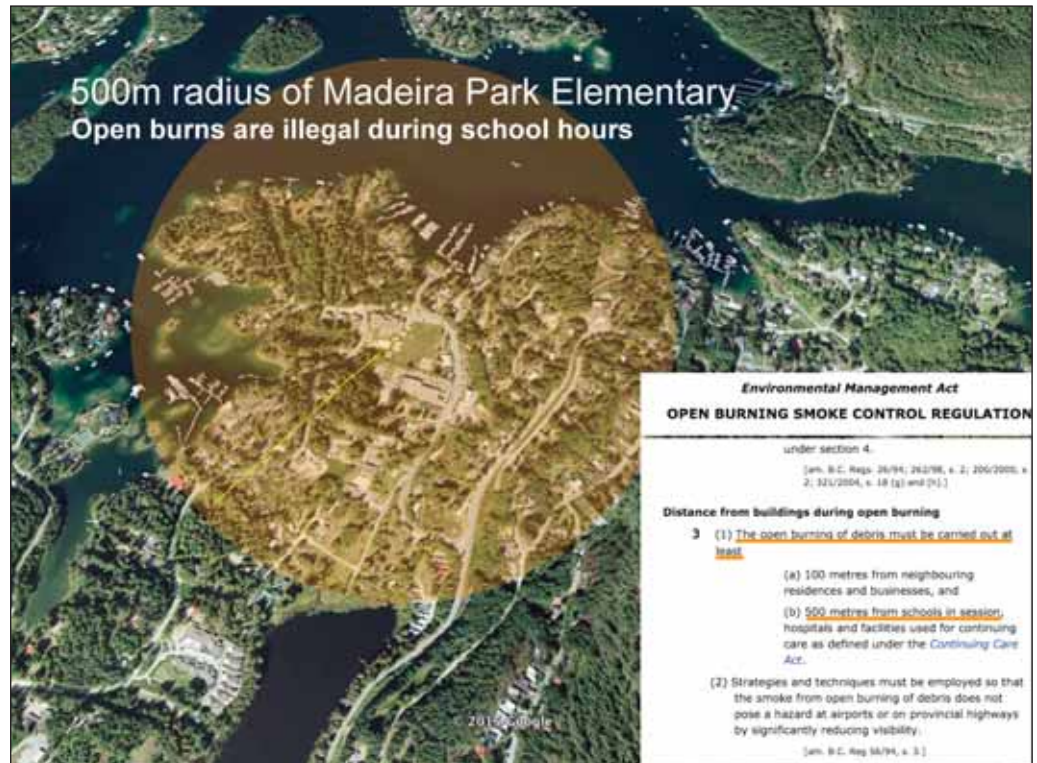
I understand why people burn yard debris (although there are alternatives like mulching) but I do not understand why MPES neighbours burn during school hours.

Perhaps they are not aware of the law and/or perhaps they aren’t aware that the smoke reaches the school.

However, so many times the smoke is low and the children are playing and running directly in it.

So many times the smell of the smoke is in the building itself.

It can be very uncomfortable to breathe and very irritating to the nose, and throat and lungs.



Carole Logtenberg graphic

This graphic shows a legislated 500-metre boundary around MPES for open burning during school hours.

For the safety and health of our children while in the school building and while playing outside at recess, I kindly ask that residents and businesses within the 500-metre radius be mindful and not burn any debris piles (large or small) during school hours.

Please wait until after 3:15 p.m. or the weekend and put our children’s health and well being first.

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1. Island at intersection of Agamemnon Channel, Jervis Inlet and the Chuck?

- ☐ a. Captain
- ☐ b. Vanguard
- ☐ c. Harmony
- ☐ d. Hardy

2. 2017 will mark what anniversary of the Pender Harbour Music Society?

- ☐ a. 20th
- ☐ b. 30th
- ☐ c. 40th
- ☐ d. 50th

3. What is Zot's real name?

- ☐ a. Allan
- ☐ b. Bill
- ☐ c. Chris
- ☐ d. Doug

4. At the closest point, approximately what distance separates Sakinaw and Ruby Lakes?

- ☐ a. 200 metres
- ☐ b. 500 metres
- ☐ c. 800 metres
- ☐ d. 1,100 metres

5. Who carved the totem pole at the Egmont Heritage Centre?

- ☐ a. Arnold Jones
- ☐ b. Billy Griffith
- ☐ c. Oliver Larson
- ☐ d. Doug Silvey Sr.

6. Nelson Island's largest lake.

- ☐ a. Bruce
- ☐ b. Quarry
- ☐ c. West
- ☐ d. Mackechnie

Answers: p. 42

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

Why join a book club?

Maureen Wright

“I would be forced to read books I may not like.”

If that is your starting point, it is probably best not to join a book club.

Book clubs are for people interested in expanding their horizons, getting out of their reading rut and talking about how they feel about writing style, characters and subject matter in a non-threatening environment.

It is also a great environment for generating differences of opinion.

There are two book clubs currently operating in Pender Harbour.

The first was formed out of the Pender Harbour Women’s Connection group nearly 10 years ago.

The membership has remained fairly stable with many of the founding members still part of the group.

This book club chooses the books to be read a year in advance and members are expected to read the book and be prepared to contribute to any discussion.

Unfortunately, this one, the Pender Harbour Book Club, has a waiting list as the group wishes to stay under 15 members in order for all to have an opportunity to contribute their views.

A second book club is organized by Earth Fair Books and they describe themselves as “organic and fluid” — meaning they choose the next month’s book at the current meeting.

Most books in this club focus on local or Canadian topics.

Another unique feature of the EF club is that they each choose and discuss a finalist from the CBC Canada Reads contest and follow the debate together.

This group is open to new members.

START YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB?

If you’re thinking about starting your own book club there are a number of things to think about first.

Do you want a club that is interested discussing the book in detail, or a less serious club where you socialize and chat about the book almost as a secondary thing?

Do you want a theme — books written in another language, mystery, romance, history, non-fiction?

Do you want to meet during the day over a cup of tea, or in the evening over food and wine?

Choosing members for your group is important.

To be successful, members need to share the same philosophy about the objectives of the group.

There are many resources to help setting up a book club and choosing books for the club:

- The annual Booklist Editors’ Choice list;
- The New York Times 100 No-



table Books list;

- American Library Association Notable Books list;
- Major prizes lists like Bailey’s, Mann Booker, Governor General’s, etc.), and
- Amazon best books of the year.

The popularity of book clubs across North America has pushed authors and publishers to include questions for book clubs in the book itself or on their websites which makes the job of guiding the discussion so much easier.



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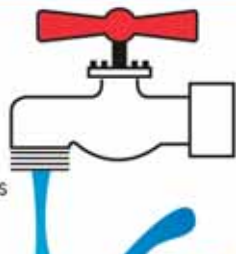
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Friday night charity league won by the MPES PAC



Jan Watson

FRIDAY NIGHT CHARITY LEAGUE

This new event finished at the end of August and next year we are hoping for more teams, which will help benefit local charities and non-profit organizations.

The inaugural winners were the elementary school parents' advisory committee team with 60 points.

They received \$406.50 for the PAC.

Second were the Pender Concrete Team No.1 with 55 points and \$338.75 going to the P. H. Lions Club.

Tied for third place was the Realtor team with 50 points and \$233.60

going to the hospital auxiliary.

Also third, with 50 points, were the Pender Concrete team No. 2 with \$233.60 going to the Lions Club.

MEN'S CLUB

On Aug. 23, it was individual stroke play with low gross flight one winner was Rusty Ellis with 87 and flight two winner was Ron Needham with 93.

Low net winner was Steve Luchkow with 68 and second was Carl Rietze with 68.

KPs on No. 3 were Bob Ducich and Terry Cowan.

On No. 6, it was Bob Ducich and Ron Needham.

On Aug. 30, a Stableford saw winners Steve Luchkow and Ron Needham tie with 24 points.

In second place, tied with 22 points, were George Brown and Mike Reid.

KPs on No. 3 were Lorne Campbell and Steve Luchkow.

On No. 6, it was Lorne Campbell and Ron Needham.

The Sept. 6 low gross flight one winner was Lorne Campbell with 82 and flight two was taken by Ron Needham with 92.

Low net winner was Bruce Forbes with 66 and second was Blake Priebe with 70.

KPs on No. 3 were Mike Reid and John Maveety while on No. 6 it was Blake Priebe and Terry Cowan.

On Sept. 13 the ladies were invited to join the men and played teams for total low net.

After a countback, winners were, Wendy Haddock, Mike Reid, Bruce Forbes and Fred Baldwin with 299.

The second place team was Sandra Pylypiuk, George Brown, Carl Rietze and Rusty Ellis also with 299.

THE 19th HOLE

Golf is not a game of great shots. It's a game of the most accurate misses. The people who win make the smallest mistakes.

~ Gene Littler

KPs on No. 3 were Lorne Campbell and Sandra Pylypiuk and on No. 6, Jamie Tufford and Anita Caspersen.

LADIES' CLUB

On Aug. 25, the ladies played Vegas Style golf with LaVerne Richardson ending up the big winner.

Sept. 1 was a hidden three-person team event.

Winners were Linda Klikach, Steph Garner and Wendy Haddock, who beat out Mary Carlsen, Heather Cranston and Helen Krantz by two strokes.

Sept. 8 was skins.

Heather Cranston won six skins with Kathy Berman right behind bagging five.

Sept. 15 was a "Three Tiara" event — anyone with three putts had to play in a tiara until someone else got three then they had to wear it.

The longest putt made on No. 4 was by Steph Garner and the longest on No. 7 was by Kathy Needham.

MONDAY TWILIGHT SCRAMBLE

On Aug. 22, with 10 teams, the winners were Mike and Wendy Fitzsimmons, Dan Russell and Guff

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Muench at four under par,

They very kindly donated their winnings to the junior program.

Second were Bob Baker, Dustin Ouellette and Lorraine Wareham at two-under par.

KPs on No. 3 ere Pat Hallborg and Bob Baker while on No. 6 it was Bill Klikach.

On Aug. 29, with 11 teams, winners were Blake Priebe, Rose Whitaker and Steph Garner with 34.

Second after a countback were Brian Lee, Darlene Fowlie, Sandra Pylypiuk and Carly Gooldrup with 36.

KP on No. 3 was Doug Stewart and Lorraine Wareham while on No. 6 it was Paul Clinton and Steph Garner.

Special thanks to Paul and Susie Clinton for donating their draw winnings to the junior program.

On Sept. 5 there were 40 players participating and the winners were Dave and Kerry Milligan and Paul and Susie Clinton shooting a three-under 33.

Second, breathing down their necks, were Merv and Roberta Oleksyn, Bob Alexander and Jan Watson with 34.

KP on No. 3 went to Lorraine Wareham and Ivan Marks.

On No. 6 it was Kerry Milligan and Rob Metcalfe.

Sept. 12 saw 10 teams with winners John and Doreen Stark, Jeff Hallborg and Jane Cox scoring 33.

Two teams tied for second with 35 — Steve Doucet, Sandra Pylypiuk, Doug Stewart and Lorrie Sherman along with Eric and Sharon White, Blake Priebe and Rose Whittaker.

KP on No. 3 was taken by Doug Stewart and on No. 6 it was Jane Cox and Jeff Hallborg.

JUNIORS

The junior championship held on Aug. 24 was a nine-hole event with last year's winner Nathan Racey successfully defending his title.

Runner-up was Luke Stewart.

The under-12 winner was Kiefer Stewart.

The sibling challenge was won by the Stewarts over the Raceys.

BRETZKY TOURNAMENT

The annual Bretzky Tournament on Sept. 10 raised money for the Pender Harbour Golf Club which has many needy projects for course improvements

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Sneaking a peak: P. H. Music Society's 2016-17 concert series

The Pender Harbour Music Society was formed in 1987 to “nurture, promote and enhance music, music education, and culture on the Sunshine Coast, particularly in the community of Pender Harbour.” To that end, the volunteer-driven non-profit manages the Pender Harbour School of Music, a cultural melting pot for meetings, instruction and performances. Every year, the society presents a season of monthly concerts at the P. H. School of Music that have ranged from blues to pop, flamenco to folk and jazz to classical.

This season's menu:

1. CLOVERPOINT DRIFTERS

Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 – 7 p.m.



Born in rural Appalachia, traditional bluegrass weaves together musical traditions from Celtic folk songs to American blues, folk and country.

After almost 20 years together, the Cloverpoint Drifters have established themselves as masters of this musical genre, both in their fine harmonies and in their instrumentals on double bass, guitar, banjo, dobro and mandolin.

This is music of the heart.

2. CHARLOTTE AND MATT DIAMOND

TWO CONCERTS: Saturday, Oct. 22, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.



Mention Charlotte Diamond's name and adults begin to hum — *I am a Pizza, Slippery Fish, the Gummy*

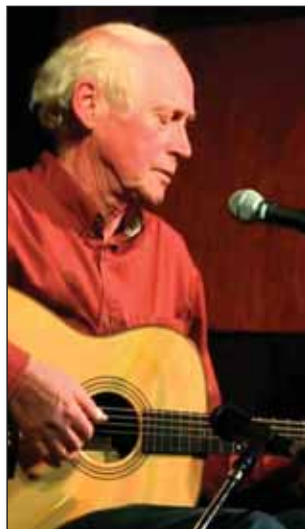
Bear Song — all cherished touchstones of their lives.

A celebrated entertainer, singer, songwriter, she continues to be the voice and face that delight children and their adults at children's festivals and school programs.

In recent years, Charlotte has added son Matt to the program and the resulting harmonies from the double Diamonds are guaranteed to put a smile on the face and a spring in the step of children of all ages.

3. ARCHIE FISHER

Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016 – 2 p.m.



It's not often that a musical legend comes to call, but Scottish singer/songwriter/music producer Archie Fisher is all that and more.

An unassuming man,

his solo work and collaborations with British stars such as Liam Clancey and Tommy Makem and, in Canada, with Nova Scotia fiddler Garnet Rogers, have placed him among the greats of world folk music.

This will be Archie's third visit to Pender Harbour and his fans will be out in force.

4. B3 KINGS

Sunday, Dec. 18 – 2 p.m.



Combine the great sound of Chris Gestrin on the B3 Hammond organ, the drums and smooth vocal stylings of Denzal Sinclair, the smoky tones of Cory Weeds' sax and round it all out with the legendary Bill Coon on guitar — that's B3 Kings.

Back by popular demand after a sold-out concert last year, these cool gentlemen definitely will add a little pizzazz to your Christmas.

5. DAWN PEMBERTON

Sunday Jan. 15 – 2 p.m.



When Dawn Pemberton's CD *Say Somethin'* was released in 2014, critics lined up to call her Canada's new queen of soul.

In 2015, she was part of a talented band with the unique name, “The Harpoonist and the Axe Murderer,”

Harbour Spiel

that won western Canadian music awards in three categories for their release *A Real Fine Mess*.

Thanks to her strong vocal technique and true emotional connection, Dawn's voice is a perfect fit for the complementary music worlds of R&B, gospel, funk and jazz fusion.

6. COREY CEROVSEK (violin), ADRIAN BRENDDEL (cello) & MICHELLE MARES (piano)

TWO CONCERTS: Saturday, Feb. 25, – 2 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 26 – 2 p.m.



Violinist extraordinaire Corey Cerovsek left his audience breathless at the 2010 Pender Harbour Chamber Music Festival and there is great excitement around his return.

A native of Vancouver, he travels the world delighting audiences with his technical brilliance and emotional depth.

Joining Corey will be two internationally renowned artists.

Pianist Michelle Mares is a professor of piano at UVic and recently returned to Canada after a stellar career as a soloist and chamber musician in Europe.

Londoner Adrian Brendel, considered one of the finest and most innovative cellists of his generation is also artistic director of the famed Plush Festival in Dorset.

Purchase your tickets early.

7. ROBERT KORTGAARD (piano) & BRETT POLEGATO (baritone)

Sunday March 26 – 2 p.m.



Always a favourite on the Coast, Canadian pianist Robert Kortgaard returns with a sparkling cabaret style show titled *Just One of Those Things*.

If you love Broadway melodies and the music of glittering show lounges from the 1930s and 1940s, this concert is for you.

Joining Robert will be Brett Polegato, an internationally renowned baritone who won first place at the Cardiff singer of the world competition and whose critics laud his “bur-nished, well-focused voice,” (*New York Times*).

The only thing missing will be martinis — sorry.

8. BERGMANN DUO

Easter Sunday April 16 – 2 p.m.

Here is the sweet for your Easter basket.

Four hands, one keyboard — played with exquisite musicality and style by Elizabeth and Marcel Bergmann.



Partners in music and in life, the Bergmanns have been a duo for more

than 20 years.

There is a strong audience following for their artistry which “combines virtuosic dedication with the instincts of professional entertainers who love their music.” (*Showtime Magazine*).

9. INFINITUS

Sunday May 7 – 2 p.m.

They call themselves a beatbox-ing string trio — but most of us would call them dazzling.

Anthony Cheung (viola), Alex Cheung (cello) and violinist John Littlejohn take chamber music to a new and unexpected level.

Their brave mix of classical standards melded with hip hop and jazz puts them into an entirely new and welcome category.

“It’s amazing the musical connections these three award-winning musicians can cook up,” (*Vancouver Sun*).



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SUNSHINE COAST HOSPICE SOCIETY

The Sunshine Coast Hospice Society is presenting a workshop on advance care planning on Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the P. H. School of Music. For more information or to register call Caron at (604) 883-2595.

SOM COFFEE HOUSE

This month's School of Music coffeehouse (at the P. H. School of Music) lands on Friday, Oct. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Featured performers are:

Ashley Hautala (vocalist/songwriter with guitar);

Renee Harper and Chelsea Rubin (vocals);

Mikayla Kozlof (vocals and piano), and

SASS (ladies' vocal ensemble).

P. H. GARDEN CLUB

The garden club will meet on Monday, Oct. 3.

Mark Nyberg, a retired gardener from North Vancouver city works, now living in Madeira Park, will speak about bulb timing and planting to get a great display.

Also, Sharon Halford will talk to us about helping out with hospice. Coffee, tea and goodies to follow. Everyone welcome. There is a \$5 drop-in fee or free with a \$15 annual membership. We meet at the P. H. School of Music from 1 to 3 p.m.

There will be a special workshop on Oct.17 with Ron Knight about drip irrigation. Cost per member is \$30. Preregistration is required. Please see our website for more information, phgardenclub.ca.

P. H. WOMEN'S CONNECTION

Pender Harbour Women's Connections welcomes artist and teacher Shelley Stunell on Oct. 11. Stunell will share her wisdom and talent to talk about art, just in time for the the Sunshine Coast Art Crawl which is Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21 - 23 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Some topics she will cover include:

What should one look for when looking at art?

What inspires her as an artist?

Can anyone be an artist?

What is bad art?

She will illustrate her presentation with art from her collection. Meet at the Pender Harbour School of Music at 10 a.m. All Pender Harbour women are invited.

Pender Harbour Wildlife Society presents Dr. Rand Rudland

Submitted

On Tuesday Oct. 18, the Pender Harbour Wildlife Society will host Rand Rudland for a special presentation called "India and Bhutan: Big Cats and Raw Nature."

As usual, the monthly meeting will take place at 7 p.m. at the Pender Harbour High School.

Rudland spent eight days at -10C to -20C at an elevation 12- to 15,000-feet in the Himalayas in northwest India to get distant views of the elusive Snow leopard.

After a close encounter with a Bengal tiger in central India he was was off to Bhutan.

There he toured a mountainous country where few tourists visit, with exquisite mountain scenery harbour-



Rand Rudland

Rand Rudland took this shot of a Bengal tiger in India.

ing unique and beautiful wildlife.

This presentation is open to everyone and refreshments will be

served.

For information contact info@penderharbourwildlife.com.

harbour seals



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A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Tony from Triple B Burger Shack** and the **staff at Harbour Insurance** for your silent volunteer work for us.

And to all those **wonderful neighbours** who show up at just the right time to help many of our regular volunteers take out tables and set up our displays. Thank you so much.

Janet Thomas
Bargain Barn Thrift Store

A lake full of Seals to **whoever fixed the T-dock in Garden Bay Lake**. You made it safe again!

Patti Soos
(and the kids of Pender Harbour)

Harbour Seal of approval to **the unknown person** who repaired my house number sign at the bottom of my driveway on Irvines Landing Road.

Your random act of kindness is greatly appreciated.

Carole Rubin

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **all who came to our aid** when fire destroyed the old Garvey home at 4108 Francis Peninsula Rd., especially **the guys and gals of the volunteer fire department**.

You're the greatest.
Howard and Mary White

Lyrical seals of approval to **host families, Friends of the Festival, local businesses, volunteers, gardeners, drivers and everyone else** who contributed to our chamber music festival with such graceful harmony.

Theresa Kishkan

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the **Pender Harbour Jazz Festival attendee** who turned in a found camera.

It can be claimed at the Sechelt RCMP detachment.

Heather Field
P. H. Jazz Festival.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Oct. 1 ~ **Cory Cavalier** and **Lyn Watters**.
 Oct. 3 ~ **Maureen Parrott** and **John Farrer**.
 Oct. 6 ~ **Rick Higgins**.
 Oct. 7 ~ **Marlene Kracklauer** and **Sharlyne Niemela**.
 Oct. 9 ~ **Norm Caron** and **Jolaine Percival**.
 Oct. 10 ~ **Daryl Hegyi**, **Mitch Jones**,
Katrina Woodard, **Val Silvey** and
Kate Daniels.
 Oct. 11 ~ **Bruno Cote**.
 Oct. 12 ~ **Alison Stoutenburg** and **Bricin Lyons**.
 Oct. 13 ~ **P. D. Smith** and **Judy Sim**.
 Oct. 14 ~ **Nicole Forsyth**.
 Oct. 15 ~ **Courtney Hanna**, **Kaiden Bosch**
 and **Richard Norrish**.
 Oct. 16 ~ **Ursula Hardwick**, **Dane Hanna**
 and **Terri Welanders**.
 Oct. 17 ~ **Peter Vaughan**.
 Oct. 18 ~ **Karen Stiglitz**, **Tommy Gamble**,
Sandy Matches, **Tessa Rand** and
Cody Honeybourne-Kincaide.
 Oct. 19 ~ **Doug Hardwick** and **Hans Schroeder**.
 Oct. 20 ~ **Lonny Edwardson** and **Doug Richardson**.
 Oct. 22 ~ **Susan Foreman**, **Pat Wood**,
Katheryn Kelly, **Alysa English** and
Mark Clay.
 Oct. 23 ~ **Diane Dennis**.
 Oct. 24 ~ **Roxanne Gregory** and **Larry Honeybourne**.
 Oct. 25 ~ **Doug Davis** and **Kerry Rand**.
 Oct. 27 ~ **Dave Malcolm** and **Cindy Rayko**.
 Oct. 28 ~ **Eric McDermott** and **Rob Metcalfe**.
 Oct. 29 ~ **Colleen Silvey** and **Nicholas Silvey**.
 Oct. 31 ~ **Richard Mills** and **twins Savannah & Sawyer Cote**.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week of Sept. 18, 2016

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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Idiot by James Hoggan |
| 5. Peace Dancer by Roy
Henry Vickers & Robert
Budd | 10. Walking to Camelot by
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~ Association of Book Publishers of BC

OCTOBER ASTROLOGY

LIBRA: SEPT. 24 – OCT. 23



Libras seek perfection and harmony and passionately believe in fairness and equality. You are diplomatic, charming, stylish, self-expressive, and spontaneous. Since

Sept. 9, Jupiter, a planet associated with good luck and opulence, has made your sign home. This cycle only happens once every 12 years so this is literally your year. Don't waste it with leisurely caution — rewrite your story and aim high because once Jupiter leaves, you'll be as useless as an 8-track cassette.

SCORPIO: OCT. 24 – NOV. 22



Scorpios are highly sensitive and compassionate, with a fierce pride and determination. Until Nov. 8, Mars (your minor ruler) joins Pluto in Capricorn. You remember

what happened the last time those little scamps got together, don't you? I bet your boss does too. Dialogue will be sure to be heated more than usual as you feel an assertiveness returning. It is positive as you long as you don't touch liquor until Nov. 11, at least. Drinking alcohol will cost you friends and acquaintances until the aggressive potency of Mars clears your sign. Not even wine or beer. Seriously.



51.9%

The proportion of all criminal incidents reported to Canadian police during Halloween 2014 that were violations against property.

\$93.42

Average amount spent on Halloween.

\$27.05

Average amount spent on candy-only during Halloween.

Witch

Most popular adult costume at 13.4%.

Princess

Most popular children's costume at 11%.

73.5%

Percentage who say they will hand out candy at Halloween.

*Source: Statistics Canada
National Retail Federation*

2,239

The number of farms in Canada with pumpkin patches (according to the 2011 census of agriculture).

\$23.2 million

The estimated farm-gate value of these pumpkins in 2014.

4.5%

Percentage increase in the number of criminal incidents reported to police during Halloween 2014 (Oct. 31, 2014), compared with a week earlier (Oct. 24, 2014).

OCTOBER WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high temperature in October is 12.8 C and our average daily low is 8.5 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 10.7 C. Our average first-frost date (at sea level) is Oct. 30. The highest October temperature recorded was 21.1 C (Oct. 1, 1975); the lowest October temperature recorded was -0.4 C (Oct. 31, 1984).

PRECIPITATION (MERRY ISLAND)

October has an average of 115 hours of bright sunshine and averages 16 days with measurable rainfall and a total of 108.8 mm for the month. The highest October daily rainfall recorded at Merry Island in October was 62.2 mm (Oct. 21, 1963). The Canadian record for the greatest rainfall in a 24-hour period is 489 mm (Ucluelet BC, Oct. 6, 1967).

SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

OCTOBER

DATE-TIME-SIZE (small, medium, large, extra large)
EBB (-), FLOOD (+) - Standing wave is best on large flood (tide flowing into Sechelt Inlet).

1. 12:09pm -L, 5:46pm +L
2. 12:47pm -L, 6:01pm +L
3. 1:34pm -L
4. 7:50am +L, 2:13pm -M
5. 8:34am +L, 2:56pm -M
6. 9:21am +L, 3:43pm -M
7. 10:12am +L, 4:35pm -M
8. 10:22am +L, 5:32pm -M
9. 11:26am +L
10. 1:07pm +L
11. 2:04pm +L
12. 2:54pm +L
13. 8:53am -L, 3:40pm +L
14. 9:55am -L, 4:01pm +L
15. 10:56am -L, 4:40pm +L
16. 11:52am -L, 5:10pm +L
17. 12:44pm -L, 5:43pm +L
18. 1:34pm -L
19. 8:07am +XL, 2:24pm -L
20. 9:04am +XL, 3:17pm -M
21. 10:03am +XL, 4:24pm -M
22. 11:05am +XL, 5:36pm -M
23. 12:13pm +XL
24. 1:06pm +XL
25. 2:09pm +XL
26. 8:38am -M, 2:55pm +XL
27. 9:38am -M, 3:33pm +L
28. 10:29am -M, 4:05pm +L
29. 11:14am -M, 4:32pm +L
30. 12:00pm -M, 4:54pm +L
31. 12:36pm -M, 5:15pm +L

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.



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Jennifer Chapman, RN

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Following are just some of the nursing services that are available to our community.

One of the most common reasons that clients come to our clinic is for bloodwork and wound-related treatments.

However, with the registered nurse First Call training that the majority of the nurses have, we can also treat and diagnose many common illnesses.

RN First Call allows us to manage conjunctivitis (pink eye), corneal abrasions, ear infections, sore throats and female urinary tract infections.

This means that we can see you at the health centre and provide you with the necessary treatment.

RN First Call allows us to prescribe medication for these treatments, as needed.

Therefore, instead of waiting for an appointment with your family doctor, you are welcome to book an appointment with one of our nurses.

Our nurses can assist with intravenous antibiotics, ear syringes, suturing, injections, suture/staple removal, and ostomy/urostomy care, along with many other services.

If you are feeling unwell and unable to get in to see your doctor, the nurses are available to see you in our clinic and refer you to the necessary health care provider as needed.

Although we are not a walk-in clinic, please call us if you are unwell



to see if an appointment is available.

The PHHC also has home care nurses available to the community.

The home care nurse specializes in palliative care and works in close conjunction with family physicians, Sunshine Coast Home Care Services, and other health care professionals to support families and clients.

Home care nurses help with wound care, bloodwork, flu shots, and various referrals for clients who are in need of assistance at home.

If you or someone you know is in need of home care services, please contact our nurse clinic for further information.

PHHC has a dietician who is

available for one day every two weeks.

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BODY SCULPT: Oct. 26-Nov. 23, Wednesdays 7:30-8:30am

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The Holing of the Suez, 1952



Howard White

The *Suez* (foreground) and what is likely the tug *Louise Idaho* at Frank White's Green Bay logging camp in the 1950s.

Howard White

We were pulling out from Murdoch's in the *Suez* to go home after loading up with fuel and parts and groceries.

My dad, Frank White, was driving while I was out in the stern taking a last look at the exciting scene before we retreated back to our isolated home up Agamemnon Channel on Nelson Island.

There was the usual Saturday crowd of people coming and going to Murdoch's which at that time was the busiest place in Pender Harbour.

It was at the mouth of Pender on

the south side opposite Irvine's Landing and oldtimers sometimes called it Pope's Landing but we only called it Murdoch's after Royal Murdoch, who owned the big grocery store and most of the other stuff.

I thought he must be one of the world's richest men.

The store stood on pilings at the water's edge just like the bunkhouses at our logging camp in Green's Bay and there was an old beached houseboat propped up on pilings next to it where Art Cherry had his water taxi business and Mrs. Cherry ran a café that was mostly closed.

People laughed about Art Cherry because he was so miserable all the time and wouldn't go out in his water taxi if the stars weren't right.

Mrs. Cherry wasn't very nice either because she wouldn't let me use the toilet in her café and there was nowhere else at Murdoch's for a guy to take a leak.

The Cherry's had a daughter much bigger than me named Faye but she was nice.

The gas and fish dock were run by Johnny Duncan and always accompanied by many seagulls.

One had a missing leg and al-

ways stood atop the same piling that you had to pass when you went up the ramp to the store.

My heart went out to him and I used to beg Dad to let me throw him a slice of bread but the other mean gulls always took it away from him.

Somehow he seemed to stay healthy and plump despite his stumpy leg and that made me glad.

I liked going to Murdoch's store because it was full of candy and comic books and Nan, the nice lady behind the counter, always gave me a penny candy for free.

She was so nice and Johnny Duncan was so nice, I told her they should get married but she just laughed and got real red and I knew I had said something I shouldn't have again.

I hated to leave Murdoch's.

Coming down to Pender Harbour on the Saturday grocery run was the most exciting thing in my life and my sisters and I always took turns.

But it was also good to be going back home to our logging camp in Green's Bay with my new Fox and Crow comic book to read.

Dad went ahead slowly and turned the boat to pull away from the dock.

I could see he turned a bit too hard and was going to make the back of the boat slide sideways and brush against the wharf.

I looked down at the water to see what we were going to hit.

There was a cedar float log all slippery and green with moss and anemones, and it hadn't been trimmed off flush with the dock.

A twisted end of it was sticking out, just right to catch the old *Suez*'s planking in a vulnerable place above the chine.

It didn't look good but I was only a little boy and as far as I knew my dad was master of the universe and never made a mistake, so it was not my place to worry.

The projecting log end whacked our blue planking with a sickly crackling noise I had never heard before in hundreds of dockings.

I saw a small section of hull about the size of a loaf of bread break away and cave in.

It was partly below the water line and sea water immediately started flooding into the boat.

I knew this was not good and it gave me a sick feeling just like the time I broke my arm running down Murdoch's ramp.

I knew something big had happened.

Something big and bad.

"What was that son? Are we in trouble?"

I said there was a bunch of water coming in and I thought probably we were in trouble, all right.

Dad came running back and yelled,

"Holy Christ! We're sinking!"

He quickly ripped off his shirt and stuffed it into the hole.

It slowed down the water but didn't stop it because the force of the water made it come away.

"Howie, you just stick your foot

in there and hold that shirt in there good and tight so we don't sink while I get us back to the wharf," Dad ordered.

Naturally, I had my gumboots on so I was well equipped to do the job, but the responsibility for keeping from sinking weighed heavily upon me.

I was in a panic.

I seemed to have trouble getting my breath and had this terrible freezing sensation in my tummy that I had only ever felt a few times before, when I fell off the roof and got knocked out or when Cindy accidentally set fire to our house while lighting matches in the closet to look for her dolly's underpants.

I had sunk my rowboat back at camp so I knew what sinking was all about.

A mess.

My rowboat stayed afloat even when full of water, but I knew bigger boats with heavy engines went to the bottom of the sea when they sank.

The *Suez* was our proud possession and our only means of getting back to Green Bay where Mom and Cindy and Aunt Jean and Uncle Charlie and our dog Lassie and my warm bed were.

If it should sink, how would we ever manage to get back home?

How could we manage to exist

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The holing of the *Suez* (cont.)



Howard White

Murdoch's Landing (or Pope's Landing) at the southern mouth of Pender Harbour was a bustling place in the 1950s. It was originally owned by the Pope family and sold to Royal and Lily Murdoch in the early 1940s. The Murdochs raised a son, Bill, and daughter Jean who would later marry Olli Sladey and start what became Lowes Resort (later Painted Boat Resort). According to the author, the Murdochs sold to a man named McIntock. He and his business partner renamed it Indian Isles Marina. Later, another man by the name of McKitrick bought it but kept the name. McKitrick owned the business when it burnt down in 1972.

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without our wonderful boat — which was once a rumrunner with an air-plane engine in it that made it go almost as fast as a plane — to get back home in?

There was an instant crowd, all shouting instructions and suggestions.

We pulled the boat into dock and

tied it up.

Somebody ran over to Royal Murdoch's big fish packer the *Murpak* and got a dirty-looking bedsheet to serve in place of Dad's shirt, which worked a bit better.

I was getting a lot of compliments for my brave boot work.

Somebody made reference to the little Dutch boy keeping his finger in

the dyke, which I knew about from our Books of Knowledge.

Then somebody else appeared with a hammer and saw and made a little plywood patch, slathered it with Caulk-Tite and nailed it over the hole from the outside.

That stopped the leaking, much to my relief, but I was a bit crestfallen to be relieved of my important duties with my boot and be relegated to the background once more.

But it did look a little messy, this unpainted hunk of wood nailed to the side of our sleek blue hull, and I gathered it was only temporary.

"Can we go home now, Daddy?" I asked.

"No," he said.

"Why not, Daddy?"

"Howie, get out of the way and

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be quiet. I got enough to think about.”

Eventually it was arranged that we would be towed over to Johnny Haddock’s marine ways by the *Murpak*.

They lashed the *Suez* alongside the bigger boat and tilted it over so the hole was above water.

They must have been unsure it would hold, even for the short trip across the Harbour.

It was getting dark.

The *Murpak* trundled us along slowly, making a chuckling sound.

Eventually we turned into a little bay and the *Murpak* shone its brilliant searchlight at the shore where I could see a couple of men and a boy about my size running around.

They eased us into a wharf and cut us loose.

A loud-voiced man yelled at the boy to drop the carriage and I saw him run up the beach to a little shed where I heard an engine start and a rumbling noise as the carriage of the boat ways trundled down its railway and into the water.

The men pike-poled the *Suez* into the beach and nosed it into the carriage, which had almost disappeared under the water, leaving only a few posts sticking out.

“Whoa! Spike ’er there,” the big voiced man yelled to the boy.

I was filled with envy.

Back at camp I ran the dump winch sometimes, helping my dad to unload logs from our logging truck, and I liked to think I was the only seven-year-old in the world who could run a winch.

Now here was this boy being entrusted with the running of a similar winch, but at a much more public and important task.

I comforted myself in decid-



Howard White

The Davis’s hotel in Garden Bay. The man on the right in this photo is Bill Donley (not Bob) but it isn’t known who the other two are. The hotel was where the Vancouver Yacht Club sits now.

ing he was quite a bit older than me, maybe as much as three years.

Eventually everybody got the *Suez* buckled into the cradle and the loud man, who I realized must be the much-discussed Johnny Haddock, former boxer and disk jockey and owner of Haddock’s Machine Shop, signaled to his son by circling rapidly with his flashlight.

The winch engine revved and the *Suez* leapt dripping out of the water and rode up the railway to a place where it could be safely worked on the next day.

We got a ride over to Garden Bay with Art Cherry in his little water taxi, had dinner in the restaurant and took a room in Lloyd Davis’s hotel.

Marnie Davis made a big thing of me and gave me ice cream for dessert.

She was a nice lady who made me feel a little better but I really felt all wrong in this strange place with our faithful boat disabled and our regular routine all disrupted.

I wanted to be home with my Mom who I knew would be worried.

We didn’t belong here and I was all off-kilter to be spending a night in this strange place.

Dad noticed my worried mood.

As he tucked me into bed, he told me we were like sailors out on the seas, always spending nights in foreign ports.

I didn’t think I ever wanted to be a sailor.

OCTOBER

Fri. Sept. 30.....PHVFD quiz night - Madeira Park Legion, 7:30 p.m.
 Mon. Oct. 3.....P. H. Garden Club presents Mark Nyberg - P. H. School of Music, 1 p.m.
 Mon. Oct. 10.....Thanksgiving Day
 Tues. Oct. 11.....P. H. Womens Connection presents Shelley Stunnell - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
 Wed. Oct. 12....."Presentations that Pop" with Karen Dyck - Harbour Learning Centre, 2 to 4 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 14.....4th annual Wild Mushroom Feast - Ruby Lake Trattoria Italiana, 6 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 14.....School of Music coffeehouse - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 15.....4th annual Wild Mushroom Feast - Ruby Lake Trattoria Italiana, 6 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 15.....Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 Ladies Night - Madeira Park Legion, 6 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 15.....P. H. Music Society presents the Clover Point Drifters - P. H. School of Music, 7 p.m.
 Mon. Oct. 17.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Tues. Oct. 18.....Fear Factor Pool edition - P. H. Aquatic Centre, 5 to 9 p.m.
 Tues. Oct. 18.....P. H. Wildlife Society presents Rand Rudland on "India and Bhutan" - PHSS, 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 21.....P. H. Community School Pro-D Day camp - P. H. Community School, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 21-23....Sunshine Coast Art Crawl (three days) - various locations, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 22.....PHMS presents Charlotte and Matt Diamond - P. H. School of Music, two shows
 Wed. Oct. 26.....P. H. & District Chamber of Commerce AGM - P. H. Legion, noon
 Fri. Oct. 28.....Book launch: Amber McMillan's *The Woods* - Euspiria Cafe, 4-6 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 29.....S. C. Hospice Society workshop on advance care planning - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
 Sat. Oct. 29.....P. H. Blues Society presents the Halloween Howl - P. H. Community Hall, doors at 8 p.m.
 Mon. Oct. 31.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
 Mon. Oct. 31.....P. H. volunteer firefighters fireworks display - Madeira Park wharf, 7:30 p.m.

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



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~ Effective to Oct. 10 ~

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If you're in a war, instead of throwing a hand grenade at the enemy, throw one of those small pumpkins. Maybe it'll make everyone think how stupid war is, and while they are thinking, you can throw a real grenade at them.

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