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EDITORIAL

Let's promote the 'WHC'



By Brian Lee

It seems the pace of development has faltered somewhat recently and maybe it's a good thing.

If it's so, it will give overwhelmed SCRD planning staff, Area A Advisory Planning Committee members and the general public a chance to step back and take a look at what the past five years have brought to the community.

Those involved with the governance of development applications are just now beginning to see what impact their decisions have brought and it's a good time to start asking some questions.

Has the record number of zoning bylaw changes and Official Community Plan amendments made this a better place to live?

What have we done to ensure the reason people want to come here in the first place is preserved?

With septic permits granted for properties previously thought undevelopable, are the lakes and ocean as clean as they were even 10 years ago?

If we could look past the short-term wealth associated with a building boom and try to stretch our vision into the future, it's starting to look a little clearer.

Developers, who sometimes have no clear understanding of the history and culture of the area, are given licence to recreate it according to their designers' specifications.

Right now there's a surplus of lots and still a stack of development applications waiting for permission to change their zoning to "bring some-

thing beautiful" to Pender Harbour and Egmont.

More often than not, something beautiful involves condominiums and townhomes on the waterfront because that's where the money is.

Director John Rees has said "Local government is not in the housing market, however, it can help with zoning possibilities to make these projects more achievable."

And it has.

But I'm not convinced that the community is better served by encouraging high-end subdivisions

During winter, there's very little glow escaping from the homes we've seen built in Daniel Point.

High end subdivisions don't seem to bring full-time residents — the kind who populate our schools and local volunteer boards.

When planners are faced with a barrage of applications for an extended period, it's reasonable to assume long-term planning suffers.

A down turn offers a chance reassess, identify problems and formulate cohesive strategies.

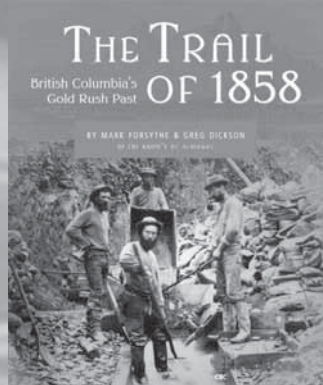
I'd like to suggest a new formula for assessing whether or not an application has merit.

Let's call it the Winter Hydro Consumption threshold.

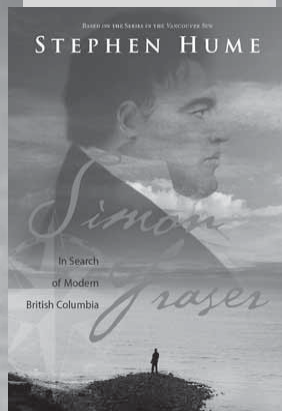
If a developer can't guarantee that a high percentage of the homes in the proposed development will be blazing with light all winter, then we don't want it.

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CRTC decision blocks CBC from improving Radio One FM signal

Folks unhappy with CBC's FM radio coverage on the Sunshine Coast will have to wait a little longer for improvements to their reception.

The CRTC recently turned down an application by the public broadcaster to operate an FM transmitter on Gabriola Island at 98.7 MHz, intended to improve service on the Sunshine Coast.

The application was part of a larger bid by CBC to convert CBU-AM to a new FM station at 88.1 MHz intended to serve downtown Vancouver. That application was approved.

The CRTC also denied a request to amend the broadcasting licence for CBCV-FM Victoria to operate an FM transmitter at 104.1 MHz in Nanaimo.

This would have replaced service from CBU Vancouver.

According to the CBC, these two transmitters were intended to fill in coverage gaps that would result from the loss of signal following the proposed conversion of CBU to the FM band.

Instead, the CRTC awarded two private companies the use of the frequencies for new commercial radio stations in Vancouver and Port Moody.

FM frequencies are scarce in the Vancouver area. The CRTC said that, "... given the mountainous terrain along Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast ..., using FM signals to serve those areas would not repre-

sent the optimal use of the proposed frequencies."

The commission said the best way for the CBC to make its programming available to the Sunshine Coast would be to maintain operation of its current AM frequency in Vancouver at 690 AM.

The CBC has said it will do so.

Currently some listeners can receive CBC-FM Victoria at various locations along the Sunshine Coast at either 92.5 FM or 90.5 FM.

One listener reports that it's necessary to switch from 92.5 FM to 90.5 FM after Trout Lake when travelling south along the Sunshine Coast Highway.

Open house airs SCRD recycling review

The SCRD hosted an open house at the Pender Harbour Legion June 2 to present recommendations for Coast-wide recycling services.

Public comment was sought on four options developed by the Recycling Review Steering Committee.

Option One: Keeping services as they are with minor improvements.

Option Two: Improving on the current level of depot services and exploring opportunities to work with the private sector.

Option Three: Option two plus curbside recycling collection in garbage collection areas.

Option Four: Option two plus curbside collection in municipalities only.

Only the first two of the four options presented apply to residents of Pender Harbour and Egmont because "garbage collection areas" refer

to areas currently handled by SCRD collection services, all south of Halfmoon Bay.

Garbage collection north of Halfmoon Bay is handled by private industry.

The GRIPS depot in Kleindale is partially funded by the SCRD under a contract that expires in 2010.

Both options presented would maintain GRIPS as a recycling centre

with some possible improvements.

The committee also made two non-strategic recommendations: That recycling should be self-funded and user paid and the program should include an education program with the aim of reducing waste.

The steering committee was made up of 12 Sunshine Coast residents, with one person representing Area A.

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Patrick White named 'Best New Magazine Writer' in Canada

The National Magazine Awards Foundation gave the award for Best "New Magazine Writer" to ex-Pender Harbour resident Patrick White at a gala held in Toronto on June 6.

The award goes to an individual "whose early work in magazines shows the highest degree of craft and promise."

White now writes for the *Globe and Mail* but received the award for his article "Red Rush" published in the *Walrus* in April of last year.

"Red Rush" chronicles the effects the pine beetle is having on communities in the northern BC Interior as it moves through the boom, and eventual bust, of surging forest harvests.

He wrote the article for the *Walrus* a year after completing an internship there and while finishing a mas-

ters degree at the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism in New York.

White has authored one book, *Mountie in Mukluks*, the true story of another ex-Pender Harbour resident, Bill White (no relation) who worked as a dog-sledding Mountie in the Arctic during the Depression.

When asked what he's going to do with the \$1,000 prize, White said:

"Fly back home to Pender in August. With what's left over, I might buy a couple rounds at the Grasshopper for Paul Gaudet, Jeff Girard and all the other friends who've called me cheap over the years."

To read White's article online, visit <http://www.walrusmagazine.com/articles/2007.04-business-mountain-pine-beetle/>.



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Patrick White after picking up Best New Magazine Writer at the National Magazine Awards in Toronto on June 6.



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Pender Harbour Secondary awards night

The Pender Harbour Secondary School recognized top students for athletics, academics and service at an awards presentation held in the school gymnasium June 18.

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Top Athlete: Angela Goodwin/Arhea Howitt, Colton Edwardson, Janine Snell/Lauren Storoschuk, Luke Hansen, Kate Dennis/Jenna Scott and Bennett Rothenberger.

Most Sportsmanlike: Paige Natall, Luke Roose, Katie Woods, Dominic Christian, Cassandra Whelan and Ross Antilla.

SERVICE AWARDS

Various awards recognized service and spirit:

Student Council Gavel: Jenna Scott, **Outstanding Service:** Benjamin Bradley, **McQuitty Award (Top Citizenship, Junior):** Jennifer Jones and the **Michael Phillips Award (Top Citizenship, Senior):** Bennett Rothenberger.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Precesky Fine Arts Award (Visual Arts): Charlotte Gray, Ryleigh Lightbourn, Elizabeth Rowlands, Rebecca Kelly, Matthew Lams, Cheyenne Lightbourn, Jeremy Fielding, Elizabeth Haines and Jan Pearson.

Precesky Fine Arts Award (Performing Arts): Ryleigh Lightbourn, Alannah Nichols, William Reid, Wesley Frewin and Kari Scott.

Shop Technical Award: Josh Becher.

Science Council Award (Top Gr. 12 Science Student): Kelsey Clay

Waterloo Mathematics Award: Chloe Christie, James Gray, Mitch-

ell Jones, Ryleigh Milligan, Stephanie Nichols, Travis Ramsey-Wall, Zachary Richardson and Rowan van Wersch.

Thompson Spirit Award: Adam Dornbrierer and Bennett Rothenberger.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Top Academic awards (by grade): Ryleigh Lightbourn/Alannah Nichols, Elizabeth Rowlands/Kari Scott, Stephanie Nichols, Niall Craddock/Vanessa Lanteigne, Quinn McLellan,

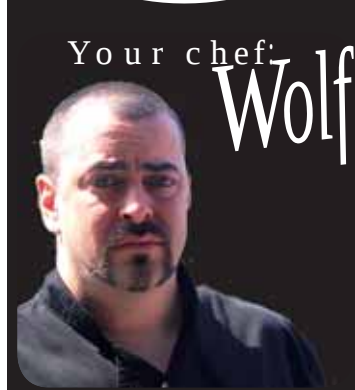
Top Aggregate Awards (Encompassing academics, athletics and citizenship, by grade): Ryleigh Lightbourn, Kari Scott, Chloe Christie, Katie Woods and Jenna Scott.

The A.L. Thompson Award for Top Grade 12 Academic: Kelsey Clay.

The Merle Hatley Award for the Top Graduating Student Overall: Cassandra Whelan.



Cassandra Whelan with the Merle Hatley Award for Top Graduating Student Overall. Presenter Jane McQuat said of Whelan, "She was someone who always kept her spirit up. Who always kept the school spirit up."



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School district proposes reconfiguration of grades for Madeira Park

By Brian Lee

Parents listened cautiously as School District #46 superintendent Deborah Palmer outlined proposed changes to local schools at a meeting held in the Pender Harbour High School gymnasium on May 27.

"It is our intent to continue a kindergarten to grade 12 program in Pender Harbour and Madeira Park," Palmer told the 40 or so parents assembled.

"So we're not here to tell you we're closing your school."

What Palmer is proposing is a reconfiguration of grades that would see the high school accommodating Grades 4 to 12 by 2011.

Recent funding formula changes from the ministry of education have coincided with a projected drop in enrolment over the next five years.

This has forced the school district to look for ways to reduce staffing and administration costs as it tries to ensure schools continue to offer a variety of programs.

CHALLENGES

As reported in the April 2008 issue of the Harbour Spiel, the ministry announced a funding formula change based on course enrolment for Grades 10 - 12 instead of the previous formula based on the number of students enrolled.

The district received news of this change after the current year's budget was already set and staffing in place.

This presented an unexpected net (after direct expenditure reductions for wages, benefits, and supplies) shortfall of \$60,000 to the budget.

"Fortunately, our board of education had some money in unrestricted surplus that they used to offset the implications of that," said assistant superintendent Tom Hierck.

Hierck said they were lucky this time but are facing future funding pressures that will force them to make desperate decisions later if they don't plan now.

Hierck outlined some of the problems the district is facing in the coming years.

"We've got four schools hovering around 100 students now," he said.

"In a couple of years, if we do nothing, they will be less than 100."

Hierck said that with the current funding formula, the break-even point is 22 students per grade.

With projected enrollment dropping by about 100 students per year district-wide until 2011, many schools are facing a net deficit in funding.

Pender Harbour Secondary enrolment (Grades 7-12) is projected to drop from 183 students in 2008 to only 150 by 2012.

Madeira Park Grades K-6 should



'Nothing stops an organization faster than people who believe the way they worked yesterday is the best way to work tomorrow.' School District #46 superintendant Deborah Palmer borrows a quote from Jon Madonna, CEO of KPMG.

see a decline from 101 kids this coming year to approximately 94 in 2012.

Added to these pressures are issues of personnel.

According to Palmer, our school district's teacher salary scale is the eighth highest in the province due to a disproportionate number of long-serving teachers with higher than average salary costs.

Administrators are concerned that the budget pressures will soon start to affect the diversity of programs in the smaller schools.

As programs here suffer due to funding shortfalls there is a real concern that parents will opt to transfer students to Halfmoon Bay Elementary or Chatelech Secondary School.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

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point for us," Palmer said.

"We hear what the community is telling us, we hear what our staff is telling us. We're looking at the numbers and we're seeing the tough decisions that people are making and opportunity is knocking. We really need to do things differently."

Palmer proposes that parents consider maintaining the elementary school for kindergarten to Grade 3 and combining the remaining grades into the secondary school in Kleindale.

The restructuring would be phased in over a number of years, moving Grade 6 up in 2009, Grade 5 in 2010 and finally Grade 4 in 2011.

Palmer's presentation listed four major implications of such a move:

A reorganization of bus routes, facility expansion at the high school, a playground installed at the high school

and a necessary change in "mindset" for parents.

Similar meetings were held in Sechelt and Gibsons where the district has proposed turning Gibsons Elementary and Kinnickinnick Elementary into middle schools, offering course for Grades 7, 8 and 9.

The problem of declining enrollment has no easy solution and throughout the presentation Palmer stressed it was a proposal only and the district's intention was to get community feedback.

FEEDBACK

Palmer said later she received a few written responses as well as a few e-mails after the meeting, offering opinions and alternatives.

The other meetings down the Coast were similar.

Many parents understood the situation but asked the question, "Why our school?"

At the Pender Harbour meeting, parents cited fears about the potential for younger students getting introduced to drugs or bullying if the schools were amalgamated.

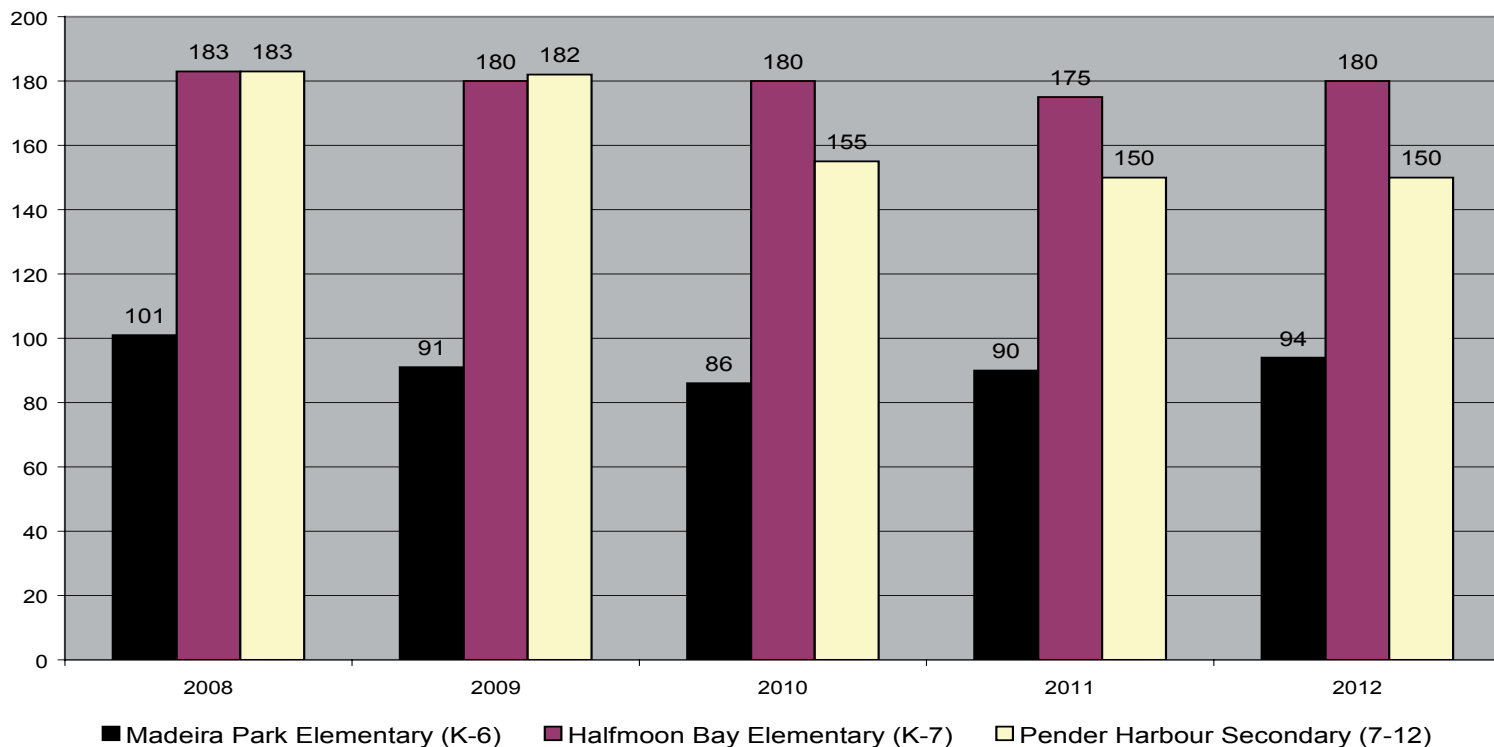
Hierck and Palmer offered solutions such as different bus routes and opposite break times that they say would help separate the students.

Hierck noted that there are many K-12 schools in other areas that have been successful models of education and concerns such as these could be easily addressed.

One parent asked about the thought process behind this proposal and where the cost savings are coming

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Projected enrollment for local schools to 2012



Is the sky falling? A look at the projected school enrollment shows subtle shifts that could indicate long-term enrolment problems or a short-term blip. Either way it presents a challenge to local schools as their budgets continue to erode.

School reconfiguration (cont.)

from.

“Some costs won’t need to be duplicated,” said Palmer.

“Keeping it K-3 and 4-12 (there’s) probably not a big savings. Honestly, all in one building would probably save you the most but ... you just spent \$40,000 on the playground, do you really want to do that?”

Palmer says she and the district are committed to maintaining a community school in Madeira Park because she knows the community wants it so but warns there may be limits to what can be reasonably offered.

If the proposal goes ahead, the main cost savings would likely come from reduced staffing.

The elementary school would likely lose a full-time administrator and there may be further reductions in teaching staff as well.

The Sunshine Coast Teacher’s Association president represents approximately 250 teachers on the Coast.

President Denis Fafard agrees there’s a challenge with declining enrollment but also points to a shrinking budget caused by chronic underfunding by the provincial government.

“Now, is this proposal that they’re bringing forward going to help us meet that challenge? I don’t know,” Fafard said.

“We have to find out more about it and engage in a lot more discussion and I think parents need to do that as

well.”

Fafard says that the SCTA is convening a committee to consult their membership about the proposal and plan to work closely with the board in the fall as planning progresses.

With the potential for such a significant effect on the entire community, some are asking why the presentation was held without public notification — only elementary school parents were notified.

Many of the people attending received notice through an e-mail campaign by concerned elementary school parents.

Palmer said there will be public notice for future discussions as well as school notices as work on the proposal progresses.

“We’ll be setting a schedule of further focus group conversations into the fall. We’ll probably meet two or three times with each group before Christmas,” she said.

“We’ll probably structure it around specific questions and bring back some more information.”

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By Louise Argyle

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Afterwards, you can walk down to Millennium Park and enjoy "Picnic in the Park," a fundraiser for the Seniors' Housing complex, before

returning to take your seat for the Saturday evening concert.

Don't leave it too long to get tickets — all previous years have sold out.

For more detailed information, visit www.penderharbourmusic.com or call (604) 883-2130 for tickets.

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Finally, a big thank you to the "Friends of the Festival" and other local supporters (individuals and businesses) who have agreed to billet the musicians and help out in many other ways.

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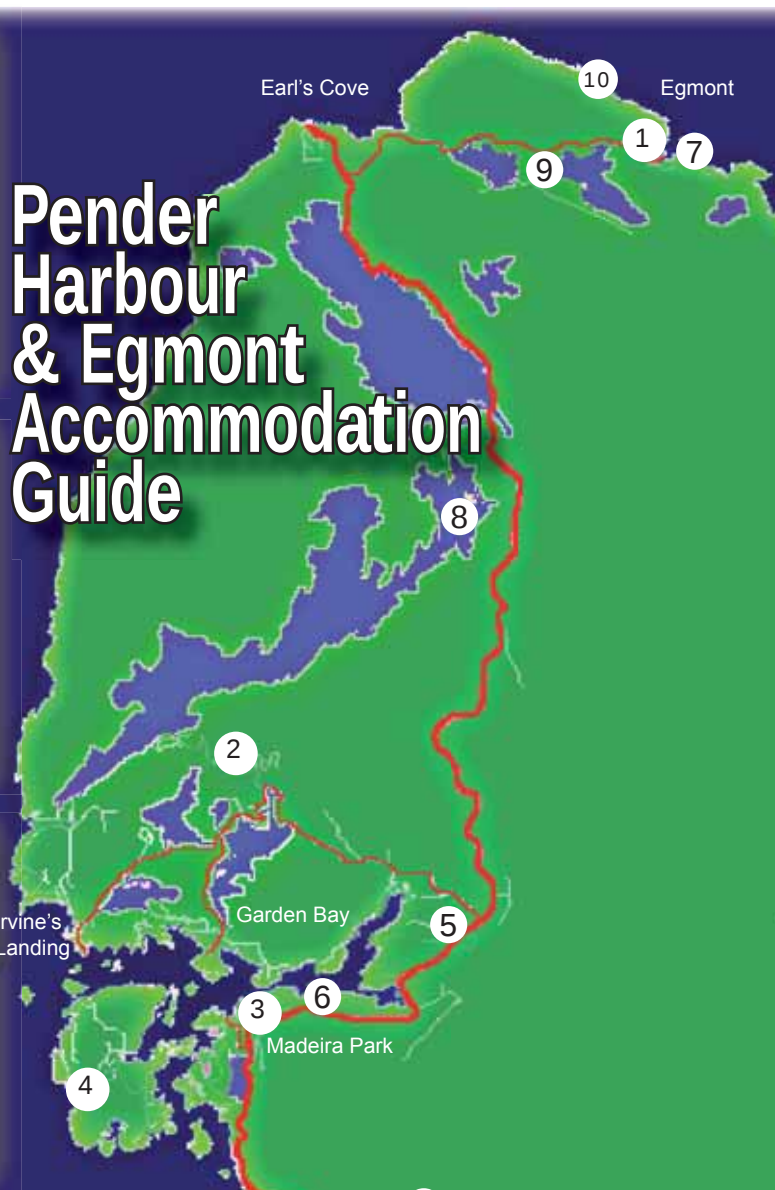


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In 2007, the Lagoon Society, with funding from the BC Habitat Conservation Trust Fund,

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Last year, researchers surveyed sites of conservation concern for bats and amphibians.

In 2008, the SCFS has broadened its taxonomic scope to include the western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*), a species that was recently listed as endangered.

The painted turtle is the only native freshwater turtle in British Columbia.

Unfortunately, habitat loss has put this species at risk of extinction.

The presence of roads around lakes and wetlands also poses a serious threat.

In June and July, female turtles are often struck on roads as they attempt to reach suitable nesting sites in upland areas.

Mitigating the effects of habitat loss and road mortality will require a thorough understanding of the distribution and numbers of this species at risk.

TURTLE JOKE:

What do you call a turtle that flies?

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photo submitted

Painted turtles can often be seen basking on logs in lakes, ponds and slow moving streams.

The Sunshine Coast Faunal Survey seeks to provide data to be used to help make sound management decisions to help conserve our local turtles.

Please do your part by reporting all turtle sightings to Dave Stiles at 604-989-1007 or dastiles@telus.net.

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Skookum Burger-eating world record set at Egmont Day



'All gone.' After four minutes and 31 seconds Patrick Thomas shows what's left of a Skookum Burger.

There's a new champ in Egmont and his name is Patrick Thomas.

Thomas defeated five fellow gluttons to win Egmont Day's annual Skookum Burger Eating contest and he did it in a record time of four minutes and 31 seconds.

Sources say Thomas, who works at the nearby West Coast Wilderness Lodge, had been training regularly at the Backeddy Pub, timing his consumption of the Sunshine Coast's biggest burger.

Twin brothers, Cyrus and Dominic Foster were second and third respectively.

The previous record of four minutes and 48 seconds was set last year by David Chell.

The event involves swallowing an entire 10 ounce meat patty, a goliath sized bun and all the fixings as quickly as your gag reflex allows.

This year contestants dispensed with the unofficial "Hurling Contest" afterwards that has marred the competition in previous years.

While contestants fasted in preparation for the main event, the kids' fishing derby kicked things off at the crack of 9:30 a.m. but didn't see a lot of edible protein pulled up.

Reports of a tire being the most exciting catch unfairly took away from one youngster's pride in hauling up a tiny ling cod.

The parade started right on Egmont time (30 minutes late) and wound its way around the street of the downtown core a dizzying three or four times in case anyone missed it.

Kids' races started soon after the parade and ribbons were flying everywhere as proud youngsters showed off the spoils of victory, oblivious to the colour.

The old tactic of taking off before the starter says "go" seemed to be the key to garnering a healthy chestful of blues.

From the Egmont Park field, the kids then ran to the hall for what seemed to be the most popular event of the day — the Cake Walk.

The Cake Walk is basically like musical chairs except when the live fiddle music (supplied by Katy and the Cornpones) stops, someone gets a whole cake.

The cakes were donated and it cost a dollar to enter with all proceeds going back to the Egmont Community Club and their ongoing effort to rebuild the foundation underneath the hall.

But Egmont Day isn't just about



Originally the recreation hall for the Brittain River logging camp and donated to the Egmont Community Club in the early 1950s, the Egmont Community Hall continues to be the focal point of community events. Here, spectators congregate to watch the Egmont Day parade on June 7.



Taking off before the starter says "GO!" and having your dog run blocker seemed to work for Marshall Curtiss and Kelton Nichols, seen here with a healthy lead before the race even started.

the kids.

The seemingly benign canoe races offered the adults some competition and spectators some entertainment as at least one canoe capsized at the start line sending the lone occupant into the chilly chuck.

The fact that the race takes place at the entrance to the Skookumchuck should stand as warning to newcomers that the course out and around the rock off the government wharf might be harder than it looks.

With a medium flood pulling into the Skookumchuck, you would think experience would carry the day but 20-somethings Jake Mees and Garrett Spray took bragging rights with a time of 6:12, almost a full two minutes slower than Thomas took to gobble a

Skookum Burger.

That evening saw a BBQ dinner at the hall followed by live music and a dance in typical Egmont style — kids and dogs enjoying the music right alongside the adults.

There were a number of vol-

unteers who helped out on Egmont Day but special mention should go to Beverley Saunders for shouldering much of the responsibility for ensuring the Egmont Day tradition continues.

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Steps and stumbling blocks to incorporation



By John Rees
SCRD Director,
Area A

As previously promised, here is an explanation of the process of a study for possible incorporation.

Initially the area director, on behalf of the community, approaches the ministry with the request for a restructure grant, and provides general information supporting this request.

This is the beginning of a lengthy process which has five basic parts:

PART ONE

After an evaluation, the ministry responds by providing the public with information on the process while attempting to gauge local interest in public meetings.

PART TWO

After the ministry has sanctioned a study, a broadly representative local restructure committee is formed, by appointment by the area director, to oversee preparation of the restructure study and manage public consultation

This committee would have approximately 12 people from Area A.

During this period the ministry provides advice to the committee and

a design of the local discussion process.

PART THREE

Terms of reference, boundaries, a tender call and selection of a consultant are all part of the process at this time.

PART FOUR

The study findings would be reviewed and presented to the community through any number of public meetings required.

The committee then analyzes the response and makes a recommendation to the ministry as to whether or not a vote should be held.

Also during this period the Minister provides an offer of financial restructure assistance for roads and startup and orders a restructure vote if requested.

PART FIVE

A referendum is held and, if successful, an implementation process begins.

Letters patent are prepared, cabinet is engaged and post-implementation assistance is offered by the ministry.

The length of process could be two years, in my opinion.

Even without having officially

submitted the request for the above to the minister I have been told that, since the SCRD and municipalities on the Sunshine Coast are beginning to engage in a Regional Growth Strategy (RGS), our request for an incorporation study will have to wait.

I am certainly not opposed to the RGS and would willingly, on your behalf, commit to the process under certain conditions, namely:

1. All areas are included and committed to the process.
2. There is a more equitable cost sharing plan for this strategy for the Sunshine Coast.
3. That the two processes can run concurrently.

The reasons given to defer the application are that the province does not have the human resources and money to finance both at the same time.

Originally I had intended to submit the basic letter of request to the ministry along with a community backgrounder which outlines our increasing taxation concerns.

I will now include some more information uncovered in my research in an attempt to persuade the ministry to allow our request to go ahead regardless of the RGS.

B.C. has 165 rural areas in 30 regional districts and, even based on 2007 figures, (2008 are worse), Area A is the highest assessed rural area per capita in the province.

What does this mean?

Obviously it's time for the ministry to take the request seriously and to allow the study to go ahead.

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trend, among other concerns, than it is to wait for an unknown period, maybe years, for others to decide our destiny through a RGS.

Other information provided to Minister Ida Chong will include:

There are 20 cities in the province with a tax base smaller than Egmont/Pender Harbour — notably Williams Lake, Castlegar, Nelson, Revelstoke, Duncan, Fernie, Kimberly, Terrace and Armstrong?

Do you know that there are 23

municipal districts in the province with a smaller tax base than Area A — most notably Tofino, Houston, 100 Mile House, Invermere, Hope, Kitimat, Sparwood and Port Hardy?

Do you know that there are 10 towns in the province with a smaller tax base than ours — including Smithers, Creston, Golden and Gibsons?

This information will be provided to the ministry to demonstrate that this area can comfortably sustain the challenge of incorporation.

Our geographical separation from Wilson Creek combined with an obvious reluctance by the current board to effect any relief in tax participation, a sustainable and growing fiscal presence combined with a huge workload for a single director are all reasons to consider moving toward district municipality status.

The rest is up to you, the community.

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Thursday, July 10, 2008

- 1:30 p.m. Planning and Development
- 7:30 p.m. Regular Board

Thursday, July 17, 2008

- 10:00 Infrastructure Services: Watershed
- 1:30 Community Services

Thursday, July 24, 2008

- 1:30 Corporate and Administrative Services
- 7:30 Regular Board

Note: July 1 – Statutory Holiday

All SCRd offices will be closed. The Pender Harbour Landfill will be open.

DIRECTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Director John Rees is available to meet with residents to discuss local issues related to the Sunshine Coast Regional District government. He can be reached at home at 604-883-9033 or by email, jarees@dccnet.com.

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The congregation of Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church welcomed the Rt. Rev. Donal Harvey, Moderator and Bishop of the Anglican Network in Canada on June 8. Bishop Harvey was asked by the Anglican Coalition in Canada Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Sandy Greene, to act on his behalf to ordain Redeemer's new assistant pastor Reverend Jennifer Isaak to the priesthood. Clergy from the Anglican Mission in the Americas, the ANiC and ACiC joined with the congregation and visitors from around B.C. to celebrate with Jennifer and her family. Pictured in front is Jennifer Isaak and Bishop Don Harvey.

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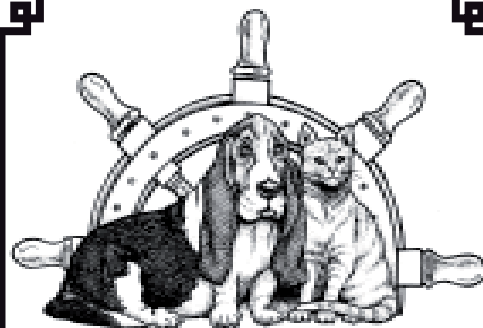
By Kirsten Andersen, RAHT

A QUIZ FOR HUMANS:

1. Your cat waits and meows at the front door when you arrive. Is he saying:
 - a. Welcome home
 - b. The phone rang twice while you were out
 - c. Feed me, NOW
2. Your cat meows at the door when you go out. Is he saying:
 - a. Please don't leave me here all alone
 - b. Good-bye
 - c. But what if I get hungry while you're out?
3. Your cat digs its claws in your leg. Is this:
 - a. An unsuppressed primal instinct
 - b. A sign of affection
 - c. A demand to be fed NOW
4. Your cat scratches at the door after being fed. Is he saying:
 - a. Lemme out – I need to use the garden
 - b. I wanna go out and play
 - c. Wonder what they've got to eat next door?

A QUIZ FOR CATS:

1. Your human walks into the kitchen. Does this mean:
 - a. It's hungry
 - b. It's lost
 - c. It's going to feed you
2. Your human puts down a bowl of food for you. Is this:
 - a. Supper
 - b. Something to keep you going till supper's ready
 - c. Inedible junk to be scorned in favour of what the humans have
3. Your human removes you from the top of the television. Does this mean:
 - a. You're in trouble – better not do it again
 - b. Nothing – humans do this from time to time
 - c. The human wants to play – climb up again to amuse it
4. Staircases are for:
 - a. Getting up to the human's bedroom at 4 am
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By Jim Rutherford
(assisted by Nolan Sawatzky)

Not really.

If you're just arriving for the season (lucky you to have missed a wet cold spring) or here full-time, here are a few ideas for late cover-ups in your garden.

By now the best selection of annuals may be gone but perennials are

just coming into their own.

Just arriving or had annuals that pooped out?

Assuming you did all the right stuff to begin with (replace or replenished the soil in the containers, hanging baskets, window boxes and added time-release fertilizer) but you still have a couple of annuals that did not perform — replace them.

Perennials can cost markedly more than annuals but perennials are an investment for years to come.

Pelargoniums are geraniums but basically an indoor variety.

I'm not sure why they're a lot more expensive than regular ones.

Bring them indoors in the fall for a great houseplant or leave them like regular ones because if they get any frost, they're gone.

Also called Martha Washington or show geraniums, just put them in your planters for an instant fill-up.

You can tell the two apart because the pelargoniums have saw-edged leaves and large flowers which are bicoloured and ruffled.

They have few diseases and pests and even fewer fussy demands.

Plant firmly and pinch out the growing tips occasionally to increase bushiness.

Constant watering is an easy way to kill them so water only if dry weather is prolonged (yeah right!) and feed occasionally with a potash-rich fertilizer.

Off with their heads! You must dead-head the flower stalks to produce more blossom.

Water the container well before planting, but deep-soak your plant.

This technique is to submerge the whole pot in lukewarm water right up to the foliage and wait until bubbles stop coming out of the pot.

Now all their air pockets are out.

Perennials ready to peak are gailardia, an old favorite and are drought resistant.

Coreopsis is out in a new striking red, "Lime Rock Ruby."

Veronica, in white, blue, purple and pink bloom May to October but water-logging in the winter is the

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Seaevola (Fairy Inn Flower) is one with dandelion like leaves blooming June to September.

It trails in habit, so is suitable for hanging baskets and window boxes.

Fresh, tender, leafy herbs from the grocery store can be tucked in any bare spots to be enjoyed for weeks.

Don't let them bolt (go to flower) as once they've seeded that's it for the plant.

Let go to self-seed for next year.

All the plants above are best in full sun.

For part shade, Henchera (Coral Bells) has been cross-bred into some wonderful foliage variations, from magenta to silvery-veined leaves.

I found a wild beauty growing in some sphagnum moss.

Prunella, or self-heal plant, is a mat-forming evergreen ground cover for growing between shrubs or over large bare spaces in the rockery.

It provides an effective way of keeping down weed but it can be invasive.

P. grandiflora has pale purple flowers as well as pink and rose-pink, and flowers June to July.

Sweet Williams is a biennial, likes full sun and flowers one year but produces only seeds the next.

Scatter some seeds every year for continued bloom.

You'll see asters and Japanese anemones set with bud in the nurser-

ies but not much is going to happen, blossom-wise, until September.

You have to love these anemones as a perennial and a cut flower.

I find they're indestructible like mother-in-law's tongue.

If you see a one-gallon pot for sale in double white or pink, pick it up.

Division is so simple, in Spring, just cut away a rooted section from

the side of the rhizome clump.

Keep in mind any perennial, biennial planting at this time of year will need extra handwatering until the fall rains arrive.

Now will you please serve the tea, Grace.

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Harmer disses beer can chucking

Sir,

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So to all those yahoos who have been practicing on all the roads and byways of Pender Harbour:

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A doggone plea to curb irresponsible owners

Dear Editor,

Its time we did something to curb our dog owners who don't curb their animals.

It's time those of us who are tired of cleaning doggy-doo off our drive-ways, our lawns and beaches and are tired of being barked at, glared at and, in some cases, even attacked stood up and complained too.

When did the rights of pets supersede those of the rest of the population?

I understand this problem was discussed and voted on at one time — it's time to revisit.

I have ranted and raved about the mess left on my crescent, have been

a prisoner in my own home because a big ugly black dog glares at me and threatens me if he is on my street.

Now a business person in our community has been attacked .

Maybe the general population has saved money on dog licences but has anyone ever considered who pays for the business person attacked?

You, in one tax or another.

The dog owner denies any dog of theirs would do that and, after all, no law was broken and there were no independent witnesses or at least none willing to get into the fray.

So our taxes are paying for therapy and lost wages.

Where is the saving?

Who is next?

Are we going to wait until a child is attacked or worse?

Let's get a law that at least protects ourselves, our children and our community.

All of us are trying to go green, which is hard to do when our beaches and roadway are dirty brown with doggy-doo.

I know, I know Poopsie or Fido or whatever the name wouldn't hurt a flea, but guess what?

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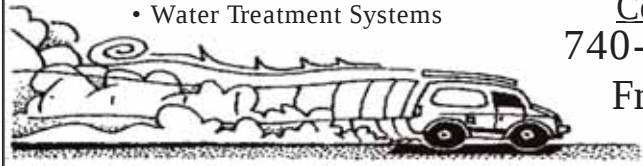
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Paralytic shellfish poisoning and myths about Red Tide

By Brian Lee

In June of 1793, one of Captain George Vancouver's crew members died and four others became ill after eating mussels at the aptly named Poison Cove in Matheson Channel near Ocean Falls.

Surgeon and naturalist from the Vancouver expedition, Archibald Menzies wrote in his diary:

"...these mussels proved to be of a deleterious quality as all those who had ate of them in any quantity were, soon after they embarked, seized with sickness, numbness about the face and arms, which soon spread over the whole body accompanied with giddiness and general lassitude."

Paralytic shellfish poisoning, or PSP, most often occurs in bivalve mollusks.

Bivalves have hinged, two-part shells and obtain nutrients by filtering large volumes of water around them.

Because of this eating habit, they are most susceptible to accumulation of toxins associated with certain types of microscopic algae called dinoflagellates (genus *Alexandrium*).

These one-celled organisms produce biotoxins that accumulate in the tissues of bivalves during heavy concentration periods commonly referred to as a "bloom."

There are cases of non-bivalve shellfish (whelks) and crustaceans

(crab) affected by PSP but primarily the toxins reside in oysters, clams, cockles, mussels and scallops.

Though paralytic shellfish poisoning is often associated with the term "Red Tide," which refers to any water discolouration during a significant algae bloom, many algae blooms do not produce the toxins associated with PSP.

Blooms can cause a variety of water discolourations from pale yellow and green to amber and bright red but PSP outbreaks often occur without a visible indicator

Little is known about how or why specific types of algae produce the toxins but they are among the most potent natural poisons in the world.

PSP is caused by a group of related toxins referred to as saxitoxins and have toxicity 55 times more potent than strychnine and over 1,000 times more powerful than cyanide.

Saxitoxin is a neurotoxin that blocks the movement of sodium through nerve cell membranes, stopping the flow of nerve impulses.

This cessation of nerve impulses cause symptoms of PSP including numbness, paralysis and disorientation.

The first evidence of PSP intoxication is usually a tingling sensation or numbness around the lips within five to 30 minutes of ingestion, gradually spreading to the face and neck,

accompanied by headache and dizziness.

Moderate to severe intoxication can cause incoherent speech and the progression of the prickly sensation moving to the arms and legs within four to six hours, often accompanied by general weakness, slight respiratory difficulty and a rapid pulse.

Following high intake, paralysis of respiratory muscles may progress to respiratory arrest and death within two to 12 hours after consumption.

At the first sign of symptoms, patients should induce vomiting, take a laxative and drink water with baking powder or baking soda.

There is no antidote for PSP and all cases require immediate medical attention.

Dr. Paul Martiquet, Medical Health Officer for the Sunshine Coast, says accidental poisonings in our area are infrequent and guesses that reports occur about once a year.

"The last incidence was about a year ago when we had a whole extended family consume shellfish — clams — in Porpoise Bay. They immediately developed symptoms and came into the hospital," Martiquet said.

"There's no treatment that you can do other than support the airway artificially if there's any respiratory paralysis.

"In this case, that wasn't needed but they did get the numbness and tingling around their lips and they were observed and released."

PSP episodes tend to be seasonal — during late spring and summer when increased sunlight and water temperatures produce favourable conditions for algae blooms.

Many don't understand that poisonings often occur at other times of



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the year, too.

Off-season occurrences are most likely caused by retention of toxins from a summer outbreak.

The common, yet false, belief that it is safe to eat shellfish in a month with an "r" in it is probably responsible for many modern accidental poisonings.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency monitors for biotoxins regularly from mussels supplied from various test sites on the B.C. Coast.

Mussels are selected because they tend to accumulate the toxins quicker and give an early indication of a PSP occurrence.

There are nine test sites within DFO Management Area 16 covering Nelson Island, Jervis Inlet, Sechelt Inlet and the Strait of Georgia to Lasqueti Island and Halfmoon Bay.

Samples are collected from these sites once per week through May to October and every two weeks in the winter.

The mussels are analyzed using a method called a "mouse bioassay."

The mouse bioassay is the only method currently approved by the World Health Organization for analysis of marine toxins and involves the injection of shellfish tissue extracts into mice which are then observed for signs of toxicity.

By recording the death times of several mice, the poison content of the shellfish meat may be calculated in what used to be called "mouse units" of toxin by a prescribed mathematical formula.

Nowadays, results are converted into the much more scientific sounding "micrograms of saxitoxin equivalents per 100 grams of shellfish meat ($\mu\text{g}/100\text{g}$)."

It used to be commonly thought

that one could test shellfish toxicity by chewing a small portion to see if a tingling develops on their lips. Nope.

It's been found that in an acidic environment, PSP toxins undergo chemical transformations that may produce more potent toxins than originally found in the shellfish.

Since your mouth has a nearly neutral pH, the toxins may not have nearly the potency as formed in the acidic conditions of your stomach.

Though shellfish eventually clean themselves of saxitoxins, the time required is extremely variable between species and is influenced by environmental conditions.

Littleneck and Manila clams can retain toxins for a month or so but butter clams can retain PSP toxins for up to two years.

After ingestion, the toxins in a butter clam will migrate from its digestive system to its siphon.

The clam has a distinctive ability to chemically bind the toxin to its siphon tissue. (For this reason, the siphon should always be discarded when consuming butter clams.)

Because difficulty in testing, the only way to be sure about the shellfish you are harvesting is to contact the Department of Fisheries red tide contamination hotline at 1-866-431-3474 or visit the DFO website.

It is illegal to harvest shellfish during a PSP closure.

"RED TIDE" MYTHS

1.) Are months with an "r" safe for eating shellfish?

No. The organism that causes Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning can occur in any month. Although it is more common in the summer months, the toxin can remain in some tissues of the bivalve shellfish for a long time. Only scientific testing can determine if the shellfish are free of PSP.

2.) If the water where I am harvesting is not red or discoloured, is the shellfish OK to eat?

The organism that causes PSP may not cause the water to change appearance. In addition, the bivalve shellfish may remain toxic long after the algae bloom occurs.

3.) Can I test for PSP in shellfish by chewing a small piece of shellfish to see if I feel tingling in my lips?

The nerve toxin in PSP reacts differently in the acid conditions of your stomach than in your mouth. Chewing on a piece of shellfish is not a good indicator of the safety of the shellfish.

4.) If I cook the shellfish will this destroy the PSP toxins and make the shellfish safe to eat?

No, PSP toxins cannot be destroyed by cooking. Even when pressure cooked for 15 minutes, PSP remains toxic.

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Comparing home prices down the Coast



By Alan Stewart

A traditional rule of thumb on the Sunshine Coast was the further away from the Langdale Ferry terminal, the less expensive

the property.

Of course, there have always been a few exceptions like Roberts Creek and the Shores, a high end neighbourhood in West Sechelt.

To get a grasp on the housing market today, we're going to look at a handful of comparable properties that have sold this year in different areas.

Here's what \$330,000 - \$340,000 will buy on the Coast in 2008.

GIBSONS:

0.14 acre. 27 years old. Two levels. 1610 square feet. 3 bdrm / 3 bath.

Realtor comments on MLS:

"The best for the least, 3 large bedrooms, lots of bathrooms, living room, a dining room and even a family room. Recent reno flooring, fixtures."

Listed at \$339,000 and sells at \$335,000 in 2 days. Assessed value \$292,000.

SECHLT:

0.17 acre. 12 years old, 1302 square feet. 3 bdrm / 2 bath.

Realtor comments on MLS:

"Make an appointment to view this terrific 3 bedroom rancher. Home boasts newer flooring throughout, stainless steel appliances, vaulted ceilings, cozy fireplace, huge sunny deck, double garage, RV parking and close to town."

Listed at \$339,000 and sells at \$330,000 in 131 days. Assessed value \$307,000.

PENDER HARBOUR:

0.31 acres. Old timer. 1220 square feet. 2 bdrm / 2 bath.

Realtor comments on the MLS:

"Two bedrooms with small view of Bargain Bay in great location 1 block from public access to beach. Cosy home with Oak kitchen, 2-4 pce bathrooms and heatilator style fireplace. Double garage workshop, gazebo and fenced yard."

Listed at \$338,000 and sells at \$336,500 in 81 days. Assessed value \$338,900.

How about the \$500,000 range?

GIBSONS:

0.26 acre. 30 years old. 2001 square feet. 3.5 bdrm / 2 bath.

Realtor comments on the MLS:

"Beautiful west coast contemporary home with peek-a-boo views of North Shore, ocean to Vancouver Island. Well maintained, 3 bdrms with H/W & tile & some carpet flooring.

Sunken living & family room. Lots of features - Tile, oak flooring, stained glass, vaulted ceilings, skylights and private decks."

Listed at \$549,900 and sells at \$545,000 in 281 days. Assessed value \$528,000.

SECHLT:

0.29 acre. 3 years old. 2142 square feet. 3.5 bdrm / 3 bath.

Realtor comments on the MLS:

"Builders home, granite and stainless open kitchen, heated hardwood floors, wired for sound inside/out, 42" TV included. Natural gas inside/out. Master & ensuite on main floor. Enjoy beautiful beach, seawall, shops & restaurants."

Listed at \$579,000 and sells at \$575,000 in 116 days. Assessed value \$507,000.

PENDER HARBOUR:

0.39 acre. 27 years old. 3000 square feet. 3 bdrm / 3 bath.

Realtor comments on the MLS:

"Only steps from the ocean, this very well-maintained contemporary home has much to offer, including a beautifully landscaped level lot with fenced yard, garden storage and det. workshop. Enjoy east to southwest ocean views! Special features including a stunning stone fireplace wall, oak floor, and vaulted cedar ceiling in the living room; "family sized"

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As you can see from the above comparable properties, Pender Harbour houses have caught up with pricing on the rest of the Sunshine Coast. Why?

Pender Harbour offers everything boomers are looking for – water view or waterfront homes, a small town feel, arts and culture, city utilities, golf course, health centre, shopping and a warm climate, all within a couple of hours of a major urban centre.

The area has also, over the past five years, established itself as a prominent second home and recreational property destination.

Based on houses sold on the MLS this year, the median price of the 79 houses sold in Gibsons was \$390,000.

The median price of the 116 houses that sold in the Sechelt was \$377,75 while the median price of the 20 homes sold in Pender Harbour this year was \$386,250.

Congratulations! Pender Harbour has arrived.

To offer suggestions for future real estate related column topics, e-mail alan@sunshinecoasthomes.com

LONG IN THE TOOTH

Perhaps you remember when the term “long in the tooth” meant a person was getting older.

Before the days of preventative dentistry, neglect often led to gum recession, which made peoples teeth appear longer.

As plaque turned to tartar under the gum line it caused the bone anchoring the teeth to recede — which caused the gums to recede and thus a vicious cycle was set in motion.

This resulted in teeth that looked longer due to the gums shrinking away and eventually, because of the loss of the bone anchoring the teeth, the teeth would fall out.

Gum disease was and still is the number one cause of tooth loss.

Modern dentistry relies heavily on the prevention, rather than the treatment of gum disease.

As a result, adults today have more reason to smile and show off their healthy teeth.

According to a recent BC Dental Association oral health survey, adults are keeping their natural teeth much later in life: those aged 56-65 were only missing five teeth versus nine in 1986.

Healthier lifestyles and preventive dental measures – including

daily oral care and regular dental visits – are helping to keep teeth and gums healthy for life.

Professional cleanings by a hygienist remove plaque (in which harmful bacteria live) and tartar from teeth, preventing gum disease.

With research indicating a potential link between the bacteria that cause periodontal disease and systemic diseases such as cardiovascular disease, dental checkups are an important step in maintaining overall health.

Dentists also detect oral cancers that you may not notice because they are often painless.

Any white or red patches, lumps or bleeding sores that don't heal within three weeks should be examined by your dentist — a simple dental visit that could save your life.

To learn more about your oral health and how it contributes to your total well being, make an appointment with one of our excellent hygienists for a professional, thorough cleaning and a review of your dental health.

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Sunburn: Prevention and treatment

Compiled by PH Health Centre Staff

Sunburn is usually a first-degree burn that involves the outer surface of the skin. It is painful but can usually be treated at home unless they are extensive.

Severe sunburns can be serious in infants, small children and older adults.

Repeated sun exposure and sunburns increase your risk for skin cancer.

PREVENTION:

If you are going to be outdoors for more than 15 minutes, take the following precautions:

Wear light-coloured, loose-fitting, long-sleeved clothes, and a broad-brimmed hat to shade your face.

Wear sunglasses that provide ultraviolet protection.

Use a sunscreen that has a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher. Sunscreens labelled "broad spectrum" can protect the skin from the two types of harmful sun rays (UVA and UVB)

Apply the sunscreen at least 30

minutes before you will be exposed to the sun.

Re-apply sunscreen every two to three hours while in the sun and more often if you are swimming or sweating

Older adults have sensitive skin and should always use a sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher.

Drink lots of water. Sweating helps cool the skin.

Avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when the rays are strongest. Seek shade whenever possible.

DON'T FORGET THE KIDS!

Sun exposure may be very hard on their tender skin.

Teach your young children safe sun habits (hats and sunscreen) early.

Use a sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher to protect babies' and children's very sensitive skin.

Keep babies younger than six months out of the sun.

AFTER THE SUNBURN

Drink plenty of water and watch for signs of dehydration.

Cool baths or compresses can be very soothing. Take acetaminophen

or ibuprofen for pain. (Don't give Aspirin to anyone younger than 20, because of the risk of Reye's syndrome.)

A mild fever and headache can accompany sunburn. Lie down in a cool, quiet room to relieve headache.

There is nothing you can do to prevent peeling; it is part of the healing process. Lotion can help relieve itching.

SEEK A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL IF:

You develop signs of heatstroke (red, hot, dry skin; confusion)

If symptoms of heat exhaustion (dizziness, nausea, headache) persist after you cooled off.

If you have severe blistering (over 50% of the affected body part) or severe pain with fever or if you feel very ill.

If you have a fever of 38.8 Centigrade or higher.

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Week 9: Stock your kit with both large and medium-sized plastic garbage bags (orange or yellow make good visible signals). Large bags can also be used as ponchos, ground covers or blankets. Add plastic or paper dishes.

Week 10: Identify a family meeting place away from home but close to your regular spots (between work and home or school). Add some books, toys and cards to your kit.

Week 11: Add a flashlight and extra batteries, along with candles and waterproof matches.

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Egmont School sometime in the 1950s.

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SWIMMER'S ITCH

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The trematodes that cause swimmer's itch are parasitic schistosomes that use both snails and vertebrates as hosts in their life cycles. Most cases are caused by parasites that use waterfowl as the vertebrate host. These avian schistosomes cannot complete their life cycles in mammals, but can accidentally infect humans, giving rise to mildly itchy spots on the skin. Within hours, these spots become raised papules that are more intensely itchy. The papules are caused by localized inflammatory immune reactions, each corresponding to the penetration site of a single parasite, which dies in the skin within hours.

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JULY WEATHER

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~ ORGANIZATIONS ~

LAGOON SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: SATURDAY, JULY 12TH 2008

It's Cool to be Sustainable!: A Celebration of Young Movers and Shakers on the Environmental Scene

We are delighted to announce that the amazing Otesha Project will be performing at the Iris Griffith Centre on Saturday, July 12, 2008.

These incredibly dynamic young people are spreading their message about sustainability all over Canada and they are doing it on bicycles!

Take a look at www.otesha.ca for more information.

We will also be having a series of short presentations from some really inspiring young environmentalists who have been leading the way here on the Sunshine Coast in promoting practical conservation and sustainable living.

Speakers will include Katie White, Quinn Runkle and Reid Tingley.

Please join us from 4 p.m. onwards for a lively and inspiring gathering complete with BBQ and potluck.

The Iris Griffith Centre is located at 15386 Hwy 101.

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Rain just par for the course

By Jan Watson

The Pender Harbour Golf Course is a public course operated by the Golf Club Society which is a non-profit organization.

Everybody is welcome to join in the Club events, just remember to phone the Pro Shop to sign up or to book tee times at (604) 883-9541.

Also, all are welcome at the restaurant but, again, it is a good idea to phone, (604) 883-9542.

MEN'S CLUB

Rain has plagued Tuesdays (up to now it was always the ladies who got rained out!), forcing cancellation of some men's events.

Actually, getting results from the men is like pulling teeth!

On June 3, the men played hidden partners and the winners were Brian Disney and Peter Kenny whose score still remains hidden!

On June 10, they played a string scramble and the winning team was Peter Kenny, Rusty Ellis, John Maveety and John Duggan, scoring 59.

LADIES CLUB

June 5 was officially cancelled due to rain however most of the ladies still went out for nine holes.

June 12 saw a Modified Stableford and the winner was Moni Langham with 39 points.

The first Ladies Steak Night and

Scramble of the year was held on Friday, June 13 and was a close battle as three teams tied with 39.

Winners: Roberta Oleksyn, Rosemary Whittaker, Shelley Stunell and Heather Cranston.

FROM THE 19TH HOLE...

The difference in golf and government is that in golf you can't improve your lie.

~Author unknown

MONDAY MIXED TWILIGHT SCRAMBLES

We got off to a great start with 24 golfers and

it was probably the warmest evening so far.

Two teams tied with 36 and after going back to the first handicap hole the winners were Doug Provost, Kathy Needham, Moni Langham and Jackie Grant.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

9 am - 5 pm Set-up and Participants arrival
7 pm - 9 pm Participants "Meet and Greet"
(P. H. School of Music)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

8 am - 10 am Registration
9 am - 5 pm Boat Festival Open to the Public
\$2/\$5 entry Fee
In-water/On-land Displays & Exhibition
50/50 & Souvenirs
Entertainment by Joe Stanton
10 am - 2 pm Children's activities
10 am - 5 pm Painting by Motoko "2006 People's Choice Award Winner"
Silent Auction
7 pm-???? Seafood Dinner & Dance at the P. H. Community Hall

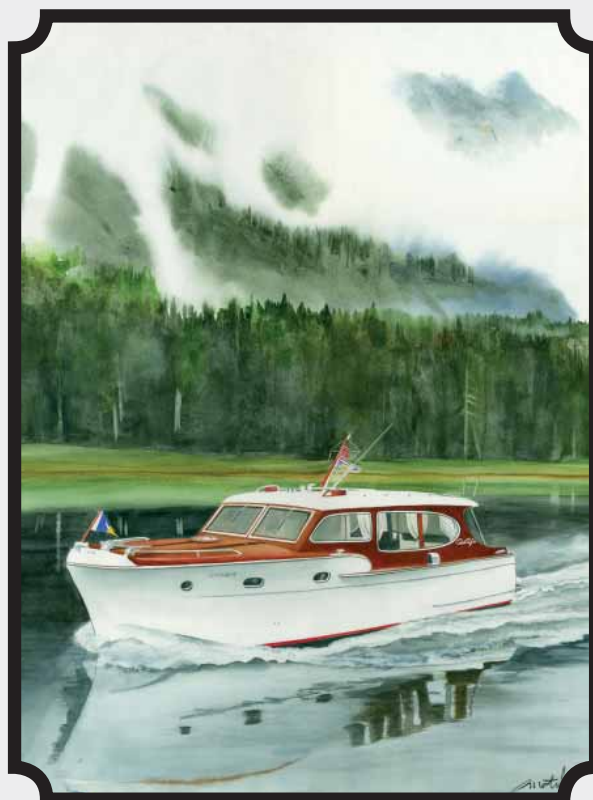
SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

8 am Lions' Breakfast at the MPCCommunity Hall
9 am-3 pm Boat Show Open to the Public
\$2/\$5 entry Fee
In-water/On-land Displays & Exhibition
50/50 & Souvenirs
Entertainment by Jim Dougan
10 am - 2 pm Children's Activities
10 am - 3 pm Painting by Motoko -
"2006 People's Choice Award Winner"- Silent Auction
3 pm Announce Silent Auction Benefactors
3 pm Final Awards at Millennium Park
7 pm - ???? Participants Banquet

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

9 am -12 pm Boat Show Open to the Public
\$2/\$5 entry Fee
In-water/On-land Displays/Exhibition
50/50 & Souvenirs
12 pm - 5 pm Participants return to base!

4th Sunshine Coast Wooden Boat Festival Madeira Park Gov't Wharf & Millennium Park August 1-4, 2008



Small boats round out some of coastal legacies to be found at the

By Shendra Hanney

There is feast of smaller wooden boats gathering for this year's Wooden Boat Festival, August 1 to 4.

Included with an Allen Farrell dory and a Larry Westlake handliner will be two classics that have been part of Sunshine Coast history for well over half a century.

The *Lorill A*, a 1951 rowboat built by Lorill and Bryon Hanney in Halfmoon Bay, is unique in that she had to be restored before she was launched just 4 years ago. (See *Harbour Spiel*, December 2004.)

Joining her will be *Balandra*, a 22'6" sloop designed by William Hand, built by Collin Hanney and launched in 1945.

Two brothers, two boats and a host of sea-life experiences which culminate in their ongoing legacy at the fourth annual Wooden Boat Festival.

Collin and Bryon Hanney began their sailing adventures in 1937. They



photo submitted

Collin Hanney's daughter, Corlynn, out for a row in Bargain Harbour in the *Lorill A*.

discovered the Sunshine Coast on the little 16-foot sloop *Seaglide* that was built by Bryon.

They sailed out of Howe Sound and made their way upcoast following the shoreline.

Eventually they came to Sechelt, where they stopped to trace their further route from a map at the old hotel on the waterfront.

They explored Smugglers Cove, Secret Cove, and upon rounding the point into Bargain Bay, they met Allen Farrell — thus beginning a lifelong friendship.

Collin was inspired by Allen to build his own sailboat and *Balandra*

was launched in 1945, the same year his daughter, Corlynn, was born.

Indeed, only three-months old, Corlynn sailed through the Yuculta Rapids and points beyond, cradled athwartships on the forward locker top.

Since there were no roads past Halfmoon Bay until the 1950s, *Balandra* became the ferry to this favourite destination where three years later Collin bought the family retreat property.

Balandra enjoyed numerous adventures, of which I became a part as the second "first mate" over the next 52 years.



Collin Hanney archive photo

The 22' 6" sloop *Balandra* awaiting her launch in 1945.



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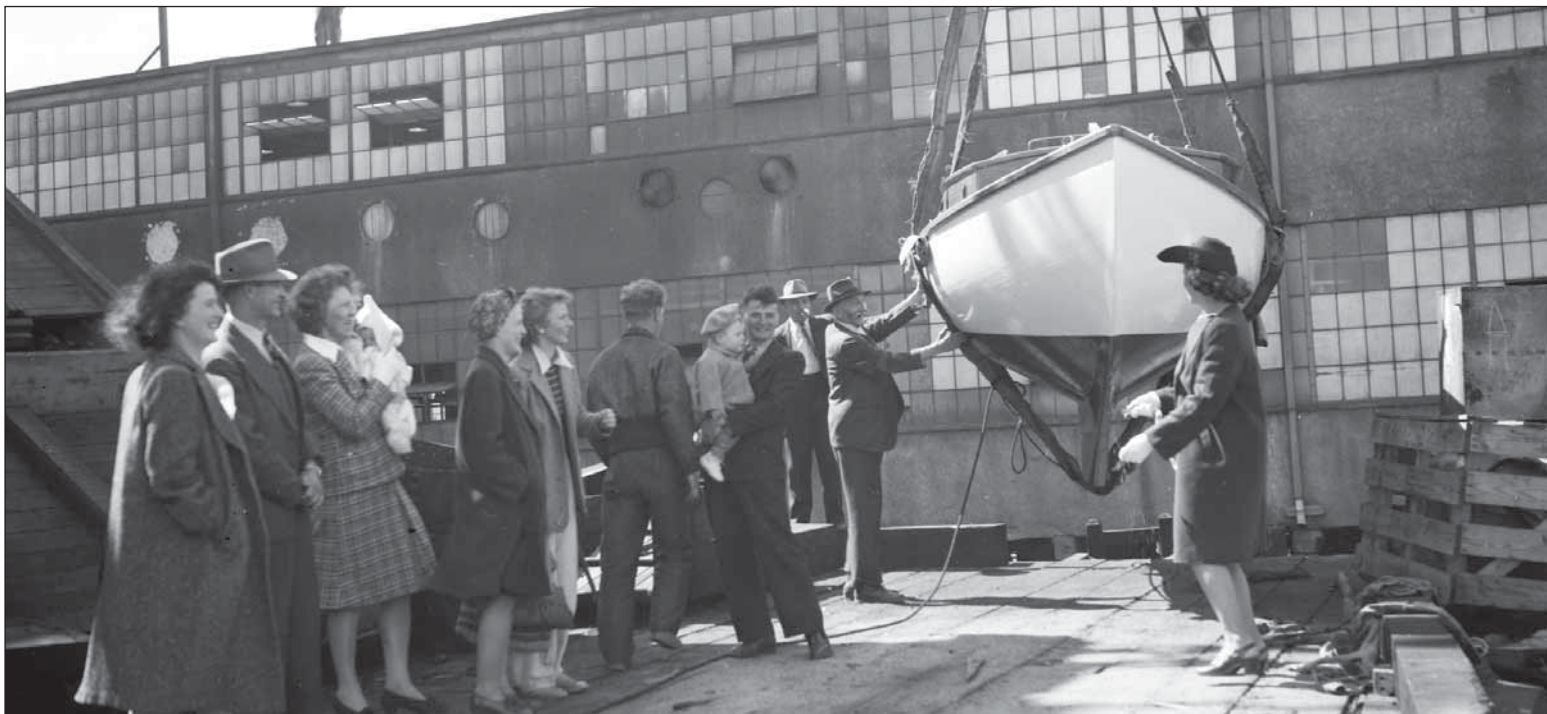
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Sunshine Coast Wooden Boat Festival August 1 to 4



Collin Hanney archive photo

A group gathers for the 1945 launch of *Balandra*. Collin Hanney built *Balandra* and launched her the same year his daughter Corlynn was born, also in attendance held by Hanney's mother, third from the left.

Balandra's skipper "crossed the bar" in 1997, joined by Bryon just last year leaving Corlynn and I as stewards of their legacy.

The *Lorill A* was restored by Bryon four years ago and Corlynn, as well as Bryon's family, will continue to enjoy her from home base in Pender Harbour.

Balandra's journey has now reached a major crossroads.

While she is still sailing at the age of 63, the time has come for her restoration, her rebirth and ongoing journey.

Following the Wooden Boat Festival, *Balandra* will be donated to SALTS (Sail and Life Training Society of Victoria).

At the SALTS Heritage Shipyard, she will be expertly restored, and given the opportunity to sail on new adventures well into the 21st century.

Funds raised from the sale of the newly restored *Balandra* will be used to help support SALTS and their efforts to provide positive, life chang-

ing experiences for youth aboard their beautiful tallships.

A win-win choice for *Balandra* about which I believe Collin would be pleased.

Launched long before the computer age, *Balandra's* history, her restoration and her new journey can

now be shared via her website, under construction, at www.balandra.net.

Corlynn and I will raise a glass of appreciation for Collin and Bryon's enduring legacies that we are privileged to share at the Wooden Boat Festival.

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Blue is the colour of first place



It turns out that blue really is the colour of first place. Team Blue racked up 1230 points to beat out five other colours at Madeira Park Elementary's annual Sports Day competition on June 12.

It was a hard fought battle that saw a mere 104 points separating first and last place. Teams included students from all grades who competed together in each event until the relays.

Competition was fierce. Evens the moms couldn't stand it anymore and challenged the senior students to a Tug 'o War. The moms won.



Understanding campfire regulations

As summer takes hold, June rains are bound to taper off, leaving the ground dangerously dry.

During the wet season, “machine-stacked” fires (including large, hand-stacked fires) are allowed with a permit but by June 15, our area came under a general burning ban.

This means that only small campfires or fires in screened burning barrels are allowed.

Campfires are permitted until an intense dry conditions force an all-out burning ban.

In British Columbia the Wildfire Act specifies your legal obligations when using fire within one kilometre of forest land or grassland.

Under the regulations, a campfire is considered a Category 1 open fire.

This refers to an open fire that



burns piled material no larger than 1 metre in both height and diameter.

A person may light or make use of a Category 1 Open Fire when:

- There are no other restrictions in place for doing so.
- Doing so is, and will continue to be, safe.
- Reasonable precautions are taken to ensure the fire is contained.
- The person is equipped with at

least one fire fighting hand tool and attends the fire to prevent its escape.

- The person carries out fire control and reports the fire if it spreads beyond the burn area.

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The 3rd Pender Harbour Cub Scouts would like to send out a Spiel of Disapproval to the **gentleman who took all the empties from the Lions' Park long boarders campground.**

We had a contract with them with two people going in twice a day to clean and find all the empties gone. The Cubs use that money to pay for special outings that we could not normally afford. We worked hard to keep it clean and to find our bonus money gone was very disappointing.

Akela

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to **all of you who volunteered** your time and energy towards May Day. Without your tireless work and boundless enthusiasm we would never have got through this!

May Day Committee

A heartfelt Harbour Seal of Approval to **David Reid and Kirk Mackie** for building us our Dunk Tank!

May Day Committee

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval and thank you to **John Becker and crew, Bill Gilkes, Stu Eggleton, Brandon Jensen, Troy Lalonde, Steven Sladey, Rick Wagner, Brent Parker, Art Jensen, John Hegyi,**

Dave Marchand and the numerous volunteers who helped set up and tear down and make this day happen!

May Day Committee

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to **everyone who sat on the May Day Committee.** Thank you for all your time and dedication.

Heather Brown

A big Harbour Seal of approval to **Chris Andersen and his band of volunteers** on a terrific Blues Festival show this year. It's amazing what a few hard-working, underfunded, enthusiastic people can do when they set their minds to it. Great job.

Barry O'Hara

A hearty Harbour Seal of Approval to **Don White and crew** for their work on the parking lot of the Egmont Heritage Centre. It looks great and we really appreciate your time and effort. Thanks very much.

Board of Directors

Skookumchuck Heritage Society

The 3rd Pender Harbour Cub Scouts would like to send a Seal of Approval to **Don Fraser** for donating a tree, a spot to plant it and help with the digging. The Cubs will see that tree as both grow. When they are

old and the tree is huge it will remind them of their youth and your generosity. Thank you.

Akela and Cubs

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the people who helped with the sale of hamburgers on May Day: **Pam and Frank Roosen, Lorne and Becky, Donna and Gary, Terri and Loyd & Richard and Anita.** Thanks again.

Bev Dival, President

P. H. Legion Ladies Auxiliary #112

A grapeful Harbour Seal of Approval for the help given to me from **all of the staff at the drug store.** Many thanks.

Lil Beharrel

A Harbour Seal of Approval to those **community-minded businesses, notably Harbour Insurance and John Henry's,** which are always willing to help sell event tickets for the many volunteer based non-profit organizations of Pender Harbour.

Rose Doepel

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Andrea Curtiss** for all of her help in getting us set up at Java Docks.

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Thank you to all the patrons and suppliers who have supported Java Docks through the years!

Best wishes to Shelly and family on your new venture — we look forward to having coffee and a caesar salad with you!

Andrea and
Andy Curtiss

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Jon Paine photo

Paul Cuppen didn't need a physiotherapist but his biking companions almost did after they intentionally forgot to tell him about the bridge around this water hazard.

From the Egmont Community Club

THANKYOU!

To everyone who helped make Egmont Day 2008 a success:

Volunteers:

Linda B., Linda D., Betty, Barb, Dawn, Kelly B., Louise, Frank, Alana, Kristy, Beverly, Jim, Dave, Cathy S., Rob, Jessica, Geoff, Rob, May, Tom, Luke, Dominic, Greg, Emily, Billy, Ali & Bella.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Calendar listings are provided free of charge by the Harbour Spiel. Send information to editor@harbourspiel.com by the 15th of the month.

JULY EVENTS

- Tues. July 1.....A Canada Day Celebration of Community Club Volunteers - P. H. Community Hall, 6 p.m.
- Fri. July 4.....Blue Voodoo - Garden Bay Pub (2 nights)
- Sat. July 5.....Madeira Park Community Market - P.H. Community Hall, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Sun. July 6.....Christmas in July - Pender Harbour Legion, 5 p.m.
- Mon. July 7.....Food Bank pick up - P. H. Community Church, 12 p.m.
- Mon. July 7.....Jerry Yuzon - Garden Bay Pub (3 nights)
- Fri. July 11.....Bradley McGillivray Band - Garden Bay Pub (2 nights)
- Sat. July 12.....Lagoon Society Annual General Meeting - Iris Griffith Centre, 4 p.m.
- Sun. July 13.....Catherine McQuitty Golf Tournament - P. H. Golf Course
- Wed. July 16.....Ray O'Toole - Garden Bay Pub (4 nights)
- Sat. July 19.....Abbeyfield Fundraiser Dinner Dance - P. H. Community Hall, 6 p.m.
- Mon. July 21.....Food Bank pick up - P. H. Community Church, 12 p.m.
- Mon. July 21.....Jerry Yuzon - Garden Bay Pub (3 nights)
- Thurs. July 24.....Surveillance - Garden Bay Pub (3 nights)
- Wed. July 30.....Nicholas Simons Outreach Day - P. H. Community School, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 a.m.
- Thurs. July 31.....Eddy Moliski and Brian Larson - Garden Bay Pub (5 nights)

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9:40 a.m.
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July 24, 25 & 26.....Surveillance

July 31- Aug. 4.....Eddy Moliski &
Brian Larson

SUNDAY JAMS

July 6 - Larrie Cook and the Bluesmasters

July 13 - Joe Stanton & the Precious Littles

July 20 - Gaetan & the French Connection

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