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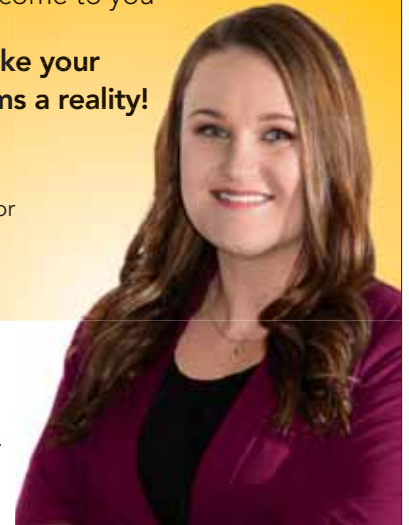


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editorial

And... it's over



Brian Lee

It's three weeks past Labour Day and I'm still sighing with relief from the departed crowds.

I know I'll be whacking my testicles with a pipe wrench in January to distract myself from the monotony of a Pender Harbour winter but, for now, who doesn't enjoy September's sudden serenity?

After the U.S. dropped its economic hush on the planet in 2008, things looked bleak for this place.

I resolved that if our economy ever bounced back, I wouldn't be so quick to complain about the pace of development again.

And I haven't — I'm excited about changes that are taking place and welcome the economic optimism.

Growth doesn't come painlessly but I've accepted that it's better than the bleak alternative of closing schools.

Still, if the secret really is out about this place, we need to prepare for those sacrifices and challenges that come with popularity.

In July, 66,528 cars travelled from Langdale to Horseshoe Bay.

That's an eight-per-cent increase over July 2016, which was a 4.22-per-cent increase over July 2015.

In August, I travelled to Vancouver on a Wednesday morning and arrived at the terminal over 90 minutes before the sailing.

I was nine cars from getting on with a hundred or more behind me.

I accept the hazard of overloads on a weekend but I've been hitting the same Wednesday in August for 11 years and have seen nothing like it.

The service we rely on to access the rest of the world no longer

requires a tweak to the schedule — we clearly need more capacity.

Luckily, for the first time since his 2005 election, our MLA, Nicholas Simons, is also a member of the governing party.

But even after Mr. Simons fixes the ferries, the growing traffic volume is sure to trigger nostalgia for a time when summer was more ... leisurely.

When you could roll into Dan Bosch park for a picnic and the whole family could find a spot on the beach to lay out towels.

Or find a parking spot in Madeira Park.

Or take some time off.

Our acute shortage of long-term rental housing has left many businesses short-staffed during the summer.

An abundance of employment should be cheered but I couldn't help but notice that it often showed in the faces of overworked service staff.

Short-term vacation rentals are blamed for the LTR problem but they satisfy a hungry market.

Those guests are the reason you saw full cashier lines at the IGA or needed reservations for dinner at La-Verne's Grill.

There are over 250 STRs operating in Pender Harbour and Egmont (story p. 9) but I didn't talk to one hotelier this summer who wasn't close to fully booked.

That tells me we don't have enough traditional accommodation to meet demand.

With the reality of PODS, that shortage might inspire a savvy developer to give up on Gibsons and build a George Hotel here.

That would have sounded preposterous a few years ago but the pace of change has shifted once again and we must adapt.

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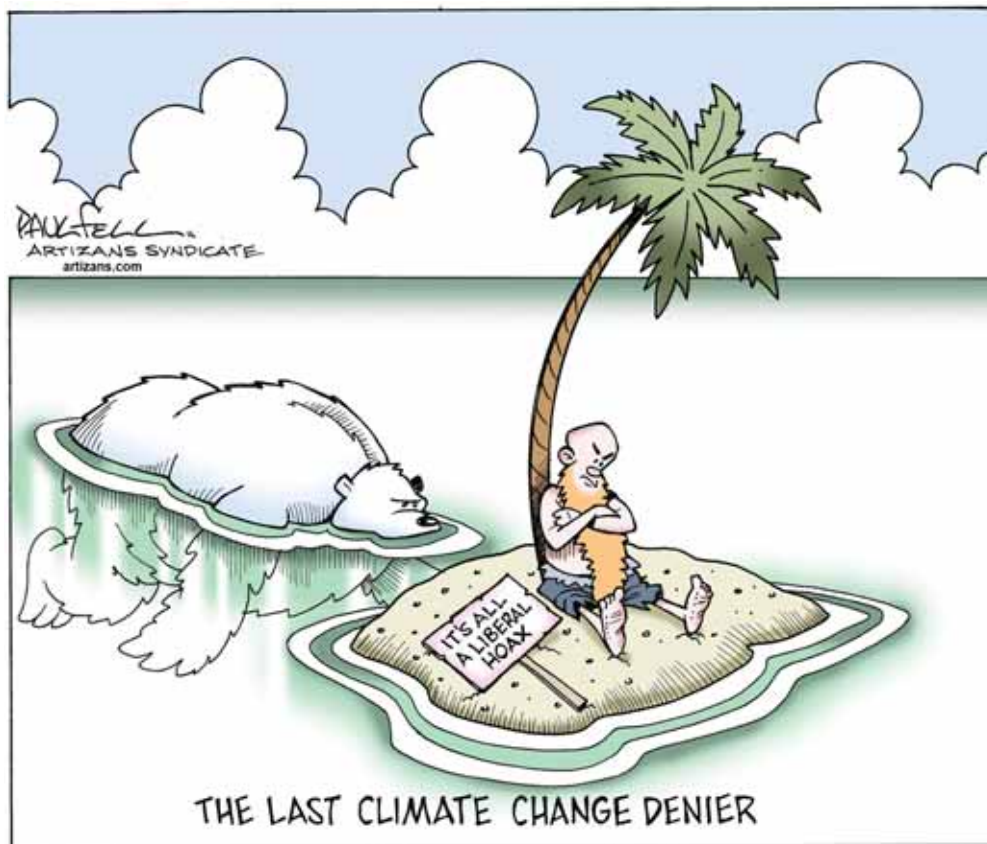
P. H. BLUES SOCIETY HALLOWEEN HOWL: Saturday, Oct. 28, 8 p.m.

Shake your costume to Steve Kozak 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: Tuesday, 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 toward this event.

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P. H. Advisory Council town hall meeting Sept. 10

In what has become a signal marking the end of the summer season in Area A, the Pender Harbour Advisory Council held its annual fall town hall meeting on Sept. 10 at the Pender Harbour Community Hall.

Over 150 people packed the hall for a diverse agenda promising updates on local issues including youth at risk, the Pender Harbour dock management plan, derelict boats, PODS and community Christmas planning.

PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Meeting chair Alan Stewart first introduced Mike Price from the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour to present the inaugural Pender Harbour Community Volunteer awards.

Bill Gilkes received the volunteer of the year award for, among other things, being part of a team of P. H. fire department volunteers who attended a traffic accident involving an SUV which went off the road, plunging over a waterfall and into a creek just south of Madeira Park.

The rescue was a joint effort of the PHVFD and the Sechelt Fire Department but Gilkes rushed down to the vehicle, ignoring the personal risk involved, to secure the SUV so that it would not plummet farther down the rushing creek.

Gilkes stayed with driver Carolynne Drane of Surrey until she was pulled to safety hours later.

Doreen Lee received a lifetime achievement award for her long history of volunteering.

In 1966, with Joan Rae and Elna Warnock, Lee began to organize Pender Harbour's first community library, collecting books door to door, and launching the project from a room in

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Brian Lee photos

Doreen Lee accepts an inaugural lifetime volunteer award from the Pender Harbour Advisory Council. l-r: Mike Price, president of the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour, Area A director Frank Mauro, Powell River Sunshine Coast MLA Nicholas Simons, Lee, PHAC town hall MC Alan Stewart, SIB chief Warren Paull.



Bill Gilkes accepts an inaugural volunteer of the year award from the Pender Harbour Advisory Council. l-r: Mauro, Simons, Stewart, Gilkes, Price, Paull.



Barrie Wilbee accepts an inaugural lifetime volunteer award from the Pender Harbour Advisory Council. l-r: Simons, Price, Mauro, Stewart, Wilbee, Paull.

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the P. H. Community Hall.

Lee was also a founding member of the P. H. Health Centre board in the 1970s and served on the board for the first three years of its existence.

Lee was also a founder of the Bargain Barn thrift store, which has raised many thousands of dollars over the last 40 years to benefit the health centre.

Barrie Wilbee also received a lifetime achievement award.

In 1971, Wilbee arrived in Madeira Park and immediately became a volunteer firefighter.

In 1995, he joined the P. H. fire protection district board, which he has chaired since 2001.

He has been a member of the Area A planning commission (1985 to 2005), the official community planning committee for Area A (2000 to 2005), the Area A incorporation planning committee (2000 to 2002), the Area A water master plan committee (2005 to 2006) and was a founding member of the Sunshine Coast economic development commission.

Wilbee was a founder of the Sunshine Coast employment development society and was a member and chairman from 1985 to 1995.

He also sat on the board of the Sunshine Coast salmon enhancement



Brian Lee

Over 150 residents packed the P. H. Community Hall Sept. 10.

society (2005 to 2007), was a member of the Sakinaw Lake sockeye salmon recovery team (2004 to 2006) and served as the Area A alternate director from 2005 until 2015.

MLA NICHOLAS SIMONS AND THE P. H. DOCK MANAGEMENT PLAN

MLA Nicholas Simons addressed the Pender Harbour dock management plan and, to speak about its current status, he introduced the Chief of the Shíshálh Nation, Warren Paull.

Paull hinted that the change in leadership at the band offers hope for

forging a positive path forward when it comes to contentious issues like the dock management plan.

“When I first met with the regional board, I gave them a long spiel about how, yes, Tsilhqot’in (a landmark decision of the Supreme Court of Canada which established Aboriginal land title for the Tsilhqot’in First Nation) did say something about the fact that we have rights and we have to be consulted about what is going on within our territory,” said Paull.

“But what Tsilhqot’in also did say, and it’s something that is very (relevant), is the fact that all the people that are here now are still here and they’re not going to go anywhere and we have to find a way to work together.”

Speaking specifically about docks, Paull said,

“I know that there are questions with regards to the Pender Harbour dock management plan which have raised blood pressures.

“I am here to tell you that the Shíshálh Nation wants to work together with everyone.



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“We’re not going to get everything that we want, and we know that, and not everybody else is going to get everything that they want, but somewhere in there is middle ground and we look forward to finding it with you.”

Simons spoke again next.

“I found out that after the Barry Penner report that studies were going to be undertaken on the environmental and archaeological aspects of the plan,” said Simons.

“My understanding is that this week the contracts have been awarded to two companies to undertake those studies.”

Simons added that the two reports are to be completed by “early next year.”

DERELICT BOATS IN PENDER HARBOUR

SCRD Area A director Frank Mauro outlined some of developments and issues surrounding derelict boats in Pender Harbour.

“It would be nice to say that local government has jurisdiction on this but they don’t,” said Mauro.

“However, I guess the director’s role is to advocate for everything and one of the people I will be advocating to is our MLA, who does have some jurisdiction.”

Mauro said he receives more calls on this topic than anything else.

“It’s one of the most misunderstood terms — there’s derelict boats, there’s abandoned boats, there’s vessels of concern — there’s an entire gamut of the status of these boats that I get called about,” said Mauro.

He then noted some success so far in removing hazards, pointing to a green boathouse anchored in Garden Bay last year that was removed last winter (but subsequently reappeared in



Brian Lee

Sechelt Indian Band Chief Warren Paull.

Green Bay).

Despite a small number of successes, Mauro acknowledged the hazard to navigation posed by boats when they sink, pointing to concerns over the sinking of two derelict tug boats in Gerrans Bay in past years.

“This is obviously one of the derelicts we have to deal with,” said Mauro.

He listed some of the restrictions Transport Canada lays out for “permanently anchored boats” as well as Ministry of Environment regulations regarding discharging laws.

“The discharge laws are that you have to be one mile from the nearest shore before you can discharge overboard,” said Mauros.

PENDER HARBOUR & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2017
12 noon

Pender Harbour Legion
Madeira Park

“Obviously, there’s nowhere in Pender Harbour that meets that criteria.

“So these people are actually breaking the law by being there.”

Regarding what can be done about the problems, Mauro listed two federal programs that provide funding for the assessment and removal of derelict boats and suggested a non-profit could apply for it, with the SCRD’s assistance through grant-in-aid funding.

He then noted a federal private member’s bill (C-219) that has been

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introduced to make the Canadian Coast Guard responsible for all vessels.

"It's a private member's bill and many of those don't become law," said Mauro.

"So we need to make sure that we at least support the concept of having a single agency look after this."

Mauro next spoke on controversies surrounding short-term vacation rentals and mentioned an SCRD report that was due back in "a week or so," (see story p. 9).

AREA A YOUTH UPDATE AND P. H. COMMUNITY SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Francine Clohosey and Darcie Murray outlined some of the programs administered through the P. H. Community School with a focus on youth programs.

Darcie Murray is a local youth worker who surprised many at a town hall meeting one year ago when she described the level of need our community faces when it comes to counselling, food and housing for youth.

"A lot of people weren't aware of the situation of the kids at risk and once we talked here last year, the overwhelming support has been amazing," said Murray.

"We've been able to make a lot of changes, with the biggest one being that we're able to act proactively

instead of reactively."

Murray listed a number of programs that have been added to overcome some of the problems affecting local youth.

A hot breakfast program runs at the high school three days per week to ensure kids arrive in class fed.

Through donations, a refrigerator was also purchased for PHSS to be stocked with food for other times when students might arrive hungry.

"It's exciting because before I always felt that we were just handling problems as they came.

"Now we're able to put programs into place so we act before the problems actually happen," said Murray.

PENDER OCEAN DISCOVERY STATION

Michael Jackson, executive director for the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society, updated the audience on the status of his organization's efforts to purchase the Irvines Landing Marina property to build PODS.

Jackson said the group had received \$120,000 in the previous 10 days, bringing the balance required for the purchase down to \$175,000 (as of Sept. 10).

P. H. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHRISTMAS PLANS

Bill Charlton, representing the lo-



Brian Lee

Area A director Frank Mauro tackled the subjects of derelict boats and short-term vacation rentals at the PHAC town hall meeting Sept. 10.

cal chamber of commerce, outlined his organization's five-year plan to "drive people up to Pender Harbour" in the winter.

From Dec. 1 to 17, the chamber is encouraging robust business and residential light displays, specials in local restaurants, co-ordinating craft fairs and maybe even a Santa Claus parade.

For more information, Charlton directed people to visit www.penderharbourchristmas.com.

P. H. ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PHAC's AGM took place immediately after the meeting amid shuffling chairs and post-meeting conversations.

Director Rose Everett stepped down from PHAC's board and wasn't replaced, leaving nine directors: Len Lee, Karen Dyck, Dave Pritchard, Mike Price, Shelby Leech, Eliza Kinney, Barrie Wilbee, Alan Stewart and Francine Clohosey.

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Lagoon society within a whisker of fundraising goal

With a week left before the Sept. 29 deadline to purchase the Irvines Landing Marina property to build PODS, the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society was just \$40,000 short of the \$2.4 million required.

Michael Jackson, executive director of the RLLS, said that only included what was in the bank, but more had been pledged.

“We’re pretty confident we’re going to get there but we don’t want to count our chickens before they hatch,” said Jackson.

Last month the *Harbour Spiel* reported the non-profit had come within \$295,000 of the goal.

Since then, Jackson said all sizes of donations have poured in including a \$10,000 donation from the Rotary

Club of Pender Harbour, the largest donation in the club’s history.

By Sept. 22, Jackson said they were averaging \$10,000 a day.

“We’ve been so stunned by how many people have contributed to this that we really don’t think there will be too much trouble in raising the rest,” said Jackson.

“So we’re quietly confident.”

Consultation gauges residents’ thoughts on short-term rentals

Sunshine Coast residents fear short-term rentals are depleting the long-term rental accommodation stock and are contributing to parking and noise problems.

Those are the two biggest impacts of STRs according to respondents in an SCRD consultation this summer.

The results were compiled in a staff report by SCRD senior planner David Rafael and presented to the Sept. 21 SCRD infrastructure services committee.

The report compiles 662 responses to an on-line workbook and questionnaire that was open from June 19 until Aug. 15 of this year.

In February, SCRD staff located 276 STR units in Pender Harbour and Egmont in just four websites — vrbo.com, tripping.com, airbnb.ca and homeaway.com.

The staff report says:

“STRs are generally considered as the rental of one or more rooms or an entire dwelling for periods of less than 30 days.

“Within the SCRD an STR is not a permitted use in rural and residential zones and is considered different from a traditional bed and breakfast, which is defined and regulated in ... SCRD zoning bylaws.”

Respondents cited the most important benefit of STRs as providing “revenue potential that enables home ownership.”

Not far behind was the benefit of providing “more accommodation options and range of prices for visitors.”

Over 40 per cent of respondents said STRs should be allowed but with conditions, while almost 30 per cent said they should be allowed with no conditions.

Almost 30 per cent do not want them allowed at all.

The questionnaire also attracted over 100 STR operators.

When asked what the space would be used for if it were not an STR, the most frequent response was that the unit would be available for friends/family.

Only six per cent of STR operators said they would be used for long-term rental if not used as an STR.

Others noted challenges they experienced with long-term renters and the perception that the BC Residential Tenancy Act is weighted in favour of tenants (though the report points out that several comments from non-operators considered that the legislation was weighted in favour of landlords).

Over half of operators who responded indicated they earn less than \$10,000 per year from STRs while over 30 per cent earn more than \$15,000.

Targeted meetings with key stakeholders will continue through the rest of the year and a report outlining options available to the SCRD is due in early 2018.

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Rotary kicks off RCM SAR fundraising for new boat with \$5,000



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Pender Harbour's Royal Canadian Marina Search and Rescue (Unit 61) response boat, the *Iona C*, is nearing the end of its mandated service life. To kick off fundraising for the purchase of a new boat, the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour stepped up with this giant cheque for \$5,000 on Sept. 21. Pictured (l-r): Don Evans, Rotary district 5040 governor, Jack Dennis, RCM SAR, Mike Price, Rotary Club of Pender Harbour president and RCM SAR members Todd Slobogean, Logan Ayres, Sarah Corsie, Penny Gotto, Jace Landry, Adam Kerslake, Tommy Monnier, David Lacey and Nick Price.

Now more than 10 years old, Pender Harbour's Royal Canadian Marina Search and Rescue (Unit 61) response boat, the *Iona C*, needs to be replaced.

The Rotary Club of Pender Harbour officially kicked off the local RCM SAR's fundraising drive with a donation of \$5,000 on Sept. 22.

RCM SAR volunteers provide marine search and rescue for approximately a 50-kilometre radius in the Strait of Georgia that includes Malaspina Strait, Bjerre Shoals, Jervis Inlet, Egmont and Princess Louisa inlet.

The charitable society that manages the local unit, the P. H. and District Marine Rescue Society, is required to raise funds for a replacement vessel by 2021.

The total estimated cost of a replacement boat is \$800,000 but the PHDMRS expects that a large portion of the cost will be provided through grants from the gaming corporation of BC as well as from the sale of the current vessel.

David Lacey, station leader coxswain of Unit 61, told the *Harbour Spiel* the boat had a rescue life expectancy of 10 years.

"It at least needs a refit but even with that we would only get a few more years out of it," said Lacey.

"RCM SAR has a fleet management plan in which they're trying to standardize their fleet.

"So, every station, fleet-wide, must have one of two vessels."

The vessel selected by the society is a type two Falkins class which is a 36-foot rigid hull inflatable with an enclosed cabin, much like the *Iona*

C, but six feet longer.

"The thing about the new vessel is that it has a 30-year service span," said Lacey.

"It's also a jet boat which serves us well in SAR because we can get into tight areas with more maneuverability and we don't have to worry about props and skegs hitting rocks.

Another key safety feature of the Falkins class vessel is that it is self-righting in case of rollover in rough weather.

The new vessel will be powered by twin 870HP diesel engines and will reach speeds of 39 knots.



RCM SAR Falkins class type 2 vessel.

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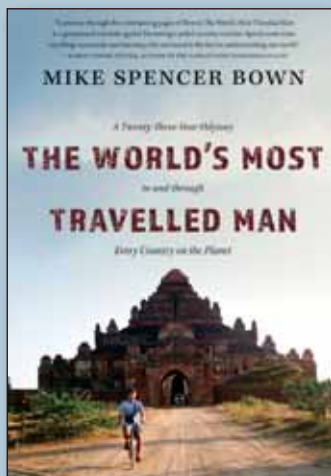
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Eat your heart out lower Sunshine Coast. These photos of McNeill Lake (south Pender Harbour water supply) were taken Sept.17 just as the fall rains broke after an extremely dry summer. The months of July and August were the driest ever at the Vancouver Airport, recording just seven millimetres (the average is 72 millimetres for the two months). Despite a number of different lakes supplying water to the system, Pender Harbour and Egmont remained on stage one (normal) restrictions for the entire season while the rest of the Coast reached stage three (acute, no sprinkling).

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MVA

On Aug. 28, police attended a single-vehicle incident on Highway 101 near Middle Point Road.

A northbound vehicle made an abrupt turn into the ditch, ending up wedged between the edge of the roadway and a rock face.

The driver of the vehicle had to be extracted from the vehicle by the P. H. Volunteer Fire Department before being transported to Sechelt Hospital with extensive, non-life-threatening injuries.

A young passenger was also taken to hospital for assessment but was found to be uninjured and was released.

It is believed the driver turned to speak to the passenger in the back seat and inadvertently jerked the vehicle to the right.

The matter has been referred to ICBC.

BREAK AND ENTER

Between Sept. 4 and 12, a break and enter occurred at a residence in the 7800-block of Redrooffs Road, Halfmoon Bay.

The suspect likely used a pry bar to gain entry through the front door and went through the residence and stole a cedar ceremonial hat.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact RCMP, reference file 17-6249.

STOLEN VEHICLE

On Sept. 14 a green 2003 Ford Expedition was reported stolen from a residence in the 13000-block of Sunshine Coast Highway in Garden Bay.

On Sept. 15 the vehicle was recovered in a rocky ditch near the Pender Harbour landfill with significant damage.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact the RCMP, reference file 17-6282.

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End of the hot dry summer



Frank Mauro

As I write, it is raining outside and the news reports show that the number of active wildfires in the province has decreased dramatically.

We are all thankful that the smoky haze we experienced on many days this summer has disappeared.

We had the good fortune to be spared from major wildfires on the Coast.

I believe that it has been the result of the awareness and vigilance exercised by our residents and visitors.

Please continue taking care in preventing fires from starting.

As we have seen in the BC Inte-

rior, the consequences of wildfires can be devastating.

COMMUNITY MEETING

The community meeting on Sept. 10 was well attended and the two lifetime volunteer awards were well-deserved and gracefully received.

Who can forget the amazingly brave actions taken by assistant fire chief Bill Gilkes, the recipient of the annual award, in rescuing the lady after the accident at Haslam Creek?

As was mentioned, this community “runs on volunteers” with an incredibly large number actively pursuing many endeavours.

A great many work diligently out of the public eye and put in many hours of service — they are all to be thanked and supported.

It was great that MLA Nicholas Simons and Shíshálh Nation Chief Warren Paull attended and reported on the draft dock management plan.

We appreciated hearing Chief Paull express a commitment to resolve the outstanding issues and the desire of the Shíshálh Nation to work together with everyone in achieving an agreement.

I will add that I have heard the same commitment from all band council members at SCRD meetings and look forward to working with them all on many fronts.

DERELICT VESSELS

Derelict vessels have been a hot topic in our community and throughout the province and country.

I have received many calls and

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning and Community Development Services Committee

October 12 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

October 12 at 1:30 p.m.

Infrastructure Services Committee

October 19 at 9:30 a.m.

Policing Committee

October 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Transportation Committee

October 19 at 2:45 p.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

October 26 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

October 26 at 1:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at **1975 Field Road**, Sechelt.
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have had some success in having two structures removed.

I gave an update at the community meeting and made an appeal for support from a volunteer group to apply under a recently announced federal government grant program to dispose of derelicts in our harbour.

The program has an assessment and removal component which provides 100 per cent of eligible costs for boat removal assessments and 75 per cent of total eligible costs for the actual removal and disposal of boats.

Eligible recipients include local governments, First Nations, not-for-profits and private businesses.

The SCRCD has no service (and no jurisdiction) to apply for or provide funds for such a grant application, but could possibly provide funds through a grant-in-aid to a not-for-profit society to assist with the funding.

I plan to continue to work with our MP, who has been very supportive, and our MLA, now a member of the governing party, in order to simplify the current complex regulatory regime regarding these issues.

I must stress how important this is since local government is usually saddled with the consequences of the derelict vessel problem and has no jurisdiction.

Proposed federal legislation changes include two proposed bills.

The first is M-40 to improve education, ownership identification and to help to remove abandoned boats.

The second is C-219 to make the coast guard responsible for removal.

UBCM CONFERENCE

By the time you read this, I will have attended the Union of BC Municipalities conference during the last week in September.

It is noteworthy that there is another resolution on abandoned vessels proposed to add to the many already endorsed at UBCM.

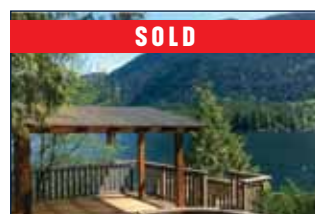
It will be a busy conference as there are some 96 resolutions to be considered and workshops include such issues as the effect of the imminent legalization of marijuana on local

governments.

I will report on the conference next month.

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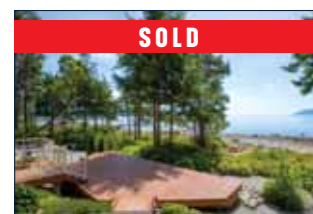
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Work to improve accessibility at Katherine Lake regional park was recently completed. The upgrades were made possible by a \$20,000 donation to the SCRD from a private and anonymous donor. Access trails from the camp sites and parking lots were regraded and resurfaced and the drop-off area was improved to allow easier access to the popular beach.

BUSINESS NEWS

Harbour Disposal Sold

Mike and Georgina Zacharias, who also owned and operated Kleindale Nursery, recently sold Harbour Disposal to Brent and Annette Sheppard, long-time Egmont locals.

The company, purchased from Pete Hanna in 1989, serves approximately 300 residential customers and a number of commercial customers from Wood Bay to Princess Louisa Inlet.

Brent, a soccer coach and Egmont firefighter, sees lots of room to expand Harbour Disposal as the community grows. He feels he's overflowing with ideas. Of one, a recycling service, he says, "I've talked to people, I've looked at trucks," so this may be in the future for Pender Harbour and Egmont.

The deal, which included two trucks and all bins/dumpsters, closed August 31. Mark LaCroix will continue to work as Harbour Disposal's residential driver.

Mike and Georgina Zacharias thank their many customers for support over the years. They are pleased to introduce Brent and Annette Sheppard as new owners of Harbour Disposal.



Brent Sheppard and Mike Zacharias shake hands as Harbour Disposal is passed over to new owners for the first time in 28 years. Brent and Annette look forward to their new career, and Mike and Georgina look forward to focusing full-time on Zak's Storage in Kleindale. Molly (the dachshund) is rumoured to be Brent's new swamper on the commercial route.

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'Four Elements' exhibition runs to Oct. 29 at Fibreworks Gallery

Brian Lee

Fibre artist Joanne Weiss travelled all the way from Kentucky for her "Four Elements" exhibition that opened at Fibreworks Gallery in Madeira Park last month.

Fibreworks held an opening reception on Sept. 16.

Weiss lives in Louisville, where her property borders or is near a variety of streams, and she says that is the inspiration for much of her work.

On her website, she describes herself as a "mixed media textile artist."

As a base, she uses hemp cloth.

"Then I develop the piece using a variety of dyeing, printing and embellishing techniques," writes Weiss.

"With the Four Elements series, I am remembering how the ancients classified the material world around them, trying to understand creation, sometimes deifying their concrete world through their mythology."

Weiss' exhibition runs until Oct. 29.



Brian Lee photos

Mixed media textile artist Joanne Weiss at Fibreworks gallery Sept. 16.



'The Banks of Pope Lick.' Pope Lick is a creek that runs through Weiss' neighbourhood in Louisville, KY. Materials are hemp and cotton.



'No name creek behind my home' is made from hemp, cotton and 'sand from the creek

Pender Harbour Community School celebrates 20 years



Brian Lee

MPES students helped paint a mural on the outside of the Harbour Learning Centre in February of this year.

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The Pender Harbour Community School Society is celebrating 20 years.

It has been offering an array of activities for children, direct support to youth and families, and recreation and educational programs to the community since 1997.

Through the years it has also taken on the broader goals of capacity building, tourism sector development, economic development and social advocacy.

The PHCSS is one of the five community school societies on the Sunshine Coast, which work together

wherever possible to ensure best possible service within school district No. 46 as well as a number of Coast-wide programs (such as Roots of Empathy, youth outreach worker program and Early Years).

The PHCS is committed to supporting and improving student learning and to strengthen individuals, families and vibrant, healthy communities by providing quality programs, lifelong learning opportunities, and connection to school and community resources.

PHCS staff are often asked what exactly they do.

The PHCS offers in- and out-of school time activities for MPES and

PHSS students, drop in sports activities for youth and adults, workshops, support for the youth restitution and youth outreach programs, nutrition and food programs, a full range of recreational, educational and social programs for adults as well the Harbour Learning Centre, open Tuesday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Staff have developed a unique team model to meet the needs of youth in Pender Harbour and Egmont through a “student and family support” program.

They also work closely with the schools themselves as well as an array of community agencies to ensure students’ and families’ specific needs are addressed.

Staff aim to provide referrals, one-to-one support and a variety of activities that address the nutritional, physical, social and emotional well-being of youth and families.

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Dreams Made Real

Pender Harbour local Signs On to Her Dream

Maribeth Haines's dream is to become a teacher with sign language abilities. Her goal moved one step closer this summer when she won a \$1,000 CRI Canada Learning Grant through Sunshine Coast Credit Union's (SCCU's) Pender Harbour Branch. Only four grants were awarded province-wide.

Maribeth is enrolled full-time in the Elementary Education program at University of Victoria (UVic). While many of her family members are teachers, Maribeth's biological parents are Deaf, inspiring her to attend one of few institutions offering sign language. Maribeth's story and her extensive volunteerism, including involvement as a local firefighter, won hearts – and gave her dream a well-earned boost.

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CRI Canada Learning Grant Winner Maribeth Haines receives \$1,000 towards her education, presented by Linda Cordell, Assistant Branch Manager – SCCU Pender Harbour Branch



L to R: Stacey Stewart, SCCU member service representative with Kym Harris, Better at Home Program Coordinator, receiving \$5,000 CUETS cheque. Linda Cordell Assistant Branch Manager – Pender Harbour Branch.

Sunshine Coast Credit Union Referral Leads to a Five Grand Regional Win

When SCCU's member service representative Stacey Stewart listened to a Better at Home presentation at her local Rotary club, the program resonated with her so much so that she recommended Better at Home as a CUETS Helping Hands Branch Contest entry – resulting in a five- thousand dollar win for the local program.

"What I like about this program is that it provides seniors with essentials – and that includes companionship," Stewart said.

"Our program is much needed and utilized on the Coast," Kym Harris, Sunshine Coast Better at Home Program Coordinator said.

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Janice Mary Watson (née Woollard)

JULY 4, 1938 — SEPTEMBER 8, 2017



It is with heavy hearts that her family announces the passing of Jan Watson on Sept. 8, 2017, at home, surrounded by family and dear friends.

Jan's battle with cancer was short but one that she met with great courage and dignity.

Jan was born in Watford, England to Kitty and Charles Woollard.

Together with her older brother Roy she loved to engage in all manner of sport, particularly those traditionally reserved for boys.

Roy and his friends tolerated her because even at a young age she had obvious athletic ability and was usually their match.

Always a rebel at school, Jan was not particularly interested in academic glory and in fact could not wait to graduate and get on with her life.

She had bigger plans, including a strong desire to travel the world.

Following her dreams, at the tender age of 21 she took the brave step to emigrate, by herself, to Canada.

After four years in Toronto, Jan was ready for new experiences so she

loaded up her Morris Minor convertible with all her possessions and drove to Vancouver.

She had intended to eventually move on to Australia and New Zealand but love got in the way.

While playing badminton one night at the Vancouver Racquets Club, Jan teamed up with a new mixed doubles partner by the name of Milt Watson.

The two were quite a doubles team, so good in fact that several years later Milt proposed marriage and Jan accepted.

In the fall of 1967 they purchased a waterfront lot on Gerrans Bay and spent every weekend coming up from the city to build their dream home.

Many from the Sunshine Coast will remember the sight of the two of them perched in the front seat of their old blue Ford pickup, loaded to the gunwales with lumber and insulation, travelling the winding road from Gibsons to Madeira Park.

Among their various interests and endeavors in Pender Harbour, Milt and Jan loved fishing and became avid anglers, enjoying many good times and successful catches on their first boat and later on their new craft, the *High Noon*.

They were gracious hosts to many family and friends who ventured up to Pender to try their hand at landing salmon and jigging for her- ring.

After Milt suffered his stroke Jan devoted herself tirelessly to his care for many years, maintaining her typical positive disposition regardless of the circumstances.

She never complained, even in the most difficult times.

Upon Milt's passing, Jan resumed her passion for golf and her legacy lies in the success of the Pender Harbour Golf Course.

She was the cornerstone of the club and served it in every possible capacity.

She was a significant contributor to the creation and overall success of the club, which she believed was important to the local economy and the quality of life for Pender residents.

Jan immensely enjoyed playing the sport.

Not surprisingly she was a superb golfer; her prowess on the course was recognized with the many trophies she received.

She loved the annual ladies golf trips, which she initiated, and the Monday night scrambles.

Jan was welcoming to everyone who came to the club and wanted all to enjoy it as much as she did.

She recently retired as the golf columnist for the *Harbour Spiel* after many years.

Jan gave of her time generously to her family, friends and members of the Pender Harbour community.

Jan is survived by her brother Roy (Jennie), nieces and nephews, Sophie (Dean), Kirstie (Andrew), Alastair (Pauline), Alex (Joanne), Robert, Sandra (Myles), Ken (Erica) and Anna (Ken).

Jan will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

A celebration of life takes place at the Pender Harbour Golf Club on Saturday, Sept. 30 from 4 to 6 p.m.

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



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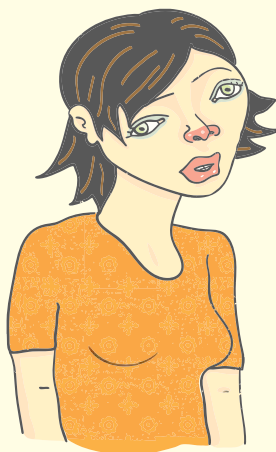
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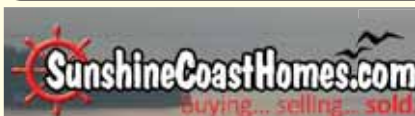
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Harry: A wilderness dog saga

Excerpted from "I Learn to Backpack," from *Harry: A Wilderness Dog Saga*, by Chris Czajkowski (Harbour Publishing, 2017).

A week or so after we had arrived at Nuk Tessli, Chris pulled out an item she had been stitching together over the last few days.

It smelled of a strong, plastic chemical.

I was somewhat disconcerted when she plopped this thing on my back and started to fasten straps around my chest and belly.

It had big floppy pockets on the side, but these were empty.

This, then, was the dreaded Dog Pack.

I didn't like the feel of it all that much, and I started to wriggle.

"You'll get used to it," Chris said.

Badger smirked in the background.

He was not wearing anything.

He was allowing himself a modicum of superiority in this situation.

"Okay, let's go," Chris added, swinging her own pack onto her back.

I could smell that she had cold-weather skins in there, and a bit of human food.

"The snow has melted a lot in the high country this last week, and I think we'll be able to make it to the

top of the North Ridge."

The water levels in the streams and swamps close to the cabin had certainly dropped considerably, so Chris was able to travel more quickly.

We hiked up the creek, which was still roaring boisterously even though it was now mostly contained within its banks, and eventually crossed it on the bridge that Chris had made from a fallen tree.

We walked along the edge of the small lake that had been partially frozen on our first hike.

It was now open, and two little brown ducks eased away from the shore.

I tried to go after them, but was hampered by the pack, which caught on branches, and the ducks easily swam out of reach.

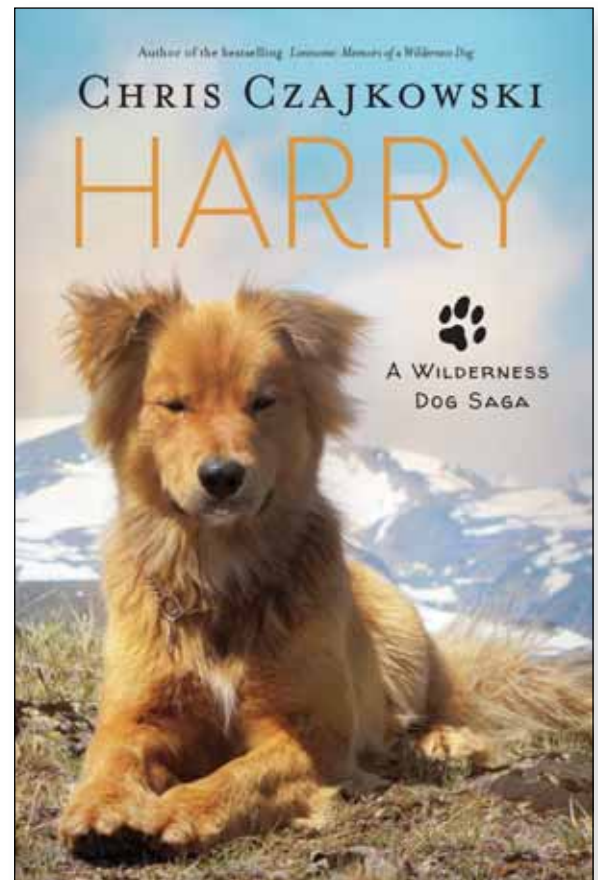
The trail wound higher and higher.

Soon the forest was more open. Suddenly, Badger and I smelled Rabbit.

We were off.

I had long learned that Chris's yelling was meaningless, and we took no notice of her.

It was a short but glorious chase



before Rabbit plunged into a hole beneath a rotten log.

Triumphantly, we trotted back to Chris.

Chris wasn't just mad — she was horrified.

"Harry!" she shouted.

"Where's your pack?"

In the heat of the chase I had never noticed, but I must have wriggled out of it somewhere.

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I gave myself a shake.

I felt much nicer without it.

Chris was quite cross and went in the general direction of Rabbit, but of course with such a useless nose, she had no real idea of where we had been.

I could have retraced my route exactly, but there was no way I was going to find that miserable pack for her.

She hunted back and forth.

Then, with a relieved yell, she saw it hanging on a low branch.

Apparently human eyes can pick out the colours red and blue much better than we can.

She stuffed my pack into her own.

"I am going to have to make these straps tighter," she said.

"Then you won't be able to get yourself out of it."

We climbed higher and higher, and soon the forest dropped away altogether.

Large patches of snow still lay around up here, and sometimes we

had to slog through them.

At last we could not go up any farther.

We had reached the top of one of the many small peaks in the area.

On the north side was a sharp drop-off and a big slab of snow.

All around was a waste of space backed by hundreds of icy peaks.

We could see several high lakes that were still white and frozen.

It was cold, but Chris was in seventh heaven.

Badger and I were tired after our Mouse and Marmot adventures — we had, after all, run at least five times the distance that Chris had plodded — and we found a sunny patch out of the wind to snooze in.

Half asleep, I heard Chris call my name.

I looked up — and she was pointing that camera at me.

Click! And she grinned.

"That's a good one!" she said.

"If you ever write a Book, that will go on the cover!"

Harry: A Wilderness Dog Saga

By Chris Czajkowski

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Paperback

B&W photos & illustrations

6 x 9 - 288 pages

\$22.95

Chris Czajkowski lives in a small community in BC's interior and has written 11 books about her nearly 30 years of wilderness living, including *Snowshoes and Spotted Dick*:

Letters from a Wilderness Dweller, *Wildfire in the Wilderness*, *Ginty's Ghost: A Wilderness Dweller's Dream* (all Harbour Publishing) and *Lonesome: Memoirs of a Wilderness Dog* (TouchWood Editions).



Meet the authors: Czajkowski and Harry will be signing books at the EarthFair Store in Madeira Park on Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 10-11a.m.



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SCHOOL OF MUSIC COFFEEHOUSE

The September SoM Coffee House will run Friday Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the P. H. School of Music.

Performing this month will be:

Katrina Bishop, a popular singer/songwriter who will perform new material;

Ken Dunn and Anna Green, performing Canadiana covers, originals with well-blended harmonies, and

Chelsea Rubin, a talented young vocalist.

P. H. GARDEN CLUB

On Oct. 2 at 1 p.m., the P. H. Garden Club presents Conway Lum at the P. H. School of Music. Lum works at GardenWorks (Mandeville location in Burnaby) and conducts most of the in-house seminars and workshops.

Among many awards and certificates, he was the 2012 recipient of the "garden communicator of the year" award by the BC Landscape and Nursery Association.

Lum currently serves on the provincial certification committee for BCLNA and Canadian Nursery and Landscape Association. He is an expert on many gardening topics but the club has requested that he speak on "gardening through fall and winter."

Following our regular meeting schedule of an hour's talk and then coffee, tea and goodies, Lum will take those who are interested on a walkabout through Madeira Park gardens, giving us concrete ideas of what a garden needs at this time of year. Please bring your questions and note-taking devices.

Fee is \$15 for a 2017 annual membership or \$5 drop-in for one meeting. Complimentary tea, coffee and goodies will be provided. For more information check phgarden-club.ca.

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P. H. Wildlife Society will take you on an African safari Oct. 17

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The Pender Harbour Wildlife Society presents Dana Jantzen's "A visit to South Africa & Masai Mara, Kenya," on Tuesday, Oct 17 at 7 p.m. at Pender Harbour Secondary School.

Jantzen will host a guided tour through an exciting safari in Pilanesberg National Park, northwest South Africa, and Masai Mara Reserve, Kenya.

These areas are rich in wildlife, from the mighty gentle elephant and temperamental hippos, to the bright yellow basket weaver finches.

Her presentation promises to wind its way through tall grasses to find the elusive cheetah and enjoy a lake side tail gate lunch with cheeky primates.

Jantzen featured her adventures



Dana Jantzen

Masa Mara reserve, Kenya.

with gorillas last year and invites everyone to continue adventuring with her through photos and stories of fascinating African animals.

Dana Jantzen is the president of JantzenHorn Business Consultants,

which spearheaded virtual network design locally and internationally.

Home-baked refreshments will be served.

Check for updates at info@pend-erharbourwildlife.com.

harbour seals



Note your approval or **disapproval**.

Send to: editor@harbourspiel.com. Include full name and telephone number. (Editor will edit for length.)

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to **Andrea Clerx, John Farquhar, Nick Price, Logan Ayres and Davey Lacey** for coming to my rescue after my leg injury.

A special thanks to **Andrea** for driving my sorry arse back and forth to the hospital in Jan's absence.

Rick Smalley

Harbour Seals of Disapproval to **the men on three jet skis** who came shooting out of Gunboat Bay into the Harbour at top speed on the busy long weekend.

Did you even see me in my kayak?

Gillian Foster

A huge Harbour Seal of Approval to **Cheryl Jensen, Elise, Heather and Jen from the P. H. Home Care team, Jen from Nurse Next Door, Dr. Wadge and Dr. Smith** for their kindness, compassion and professionalism in helping us make Jan Watson's final journey comfortable.

Sandra & Myles Richmond,
Lynne Cameron, Judy Sayers and
Roberta Oleksyn

A golf cart full of Harbour Seals of Approval to **John McDonald** for the cart path product — it really has helped.

Wendy Haddock
P. H. Golf Club

Harbour Seals of Approval to **all who contributed** to make our "Wild, Wild West Field Day" a great success.

Special thanks to **local businesses, Stephanie and the four handsome men** who provided bag drop service.

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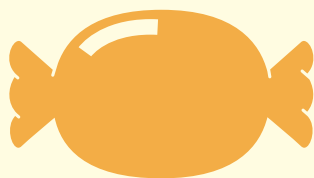
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AMERICAN CANDY

34,000+

The number of people are employed in the United States candy industry.

#1

The top-selling candy product in the world are M&Ms.

#2

The second top-selling candy product in the world is the Snickers bar.

5

The number of "fun-sized" chocolate bars required daily (with no other dietary adjustments) to gain one pound of weight per week.

65%

Percentage of American candy brands that have been around for more than five decades.

29%

Percentage of Americans who choose chocolate chip as their favourite cookie.

#1

The U.S. ranks first in the world in terms of the annual retail volume of consumed sugar, chocolate and gum.

3.5 million

The number of pounds of whole milk used every day by U.S. chocolate manufacturers to make chocolate.

150-170

The number of pounds of refined sugars the average American consumes in a year. (A century ago the average was 4 pounds per year.)

~ various

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).

OCTOBER ASTROLOGY



LIBRA: SEPTEMBER 22 – OCTOBER 23

Libras seek perfection and harmony and passionately believe in fairness and equality. You are diplomatic, charming, stylish, self-expressive, and spontaneous. By the time you read this, you are likely already feeling the effects of Venus, Libra's ruling planet. Venus will maintain a strong influence over your health this month. Be prepared for some bad news because, when Venus comes to town, Libras suffer. Severity of news will depend on your ability to experience joy.



SCORPIO: OCT. 24 – NOV. 22

Scorpios are highly sensitive and compassionate, with a fierce pride and determination. A double dose of eclipses this month throws your sign into chaos.

Chaos can often be a good thing — especially if you're prepared for it. Focus on your spiritual side this month. Many Scorpios suffer unnecessarily because they won't give into the universe's will. Now is not the time to resist going down your destined spiritual path. Avoiding it could be traumatic, especially near Oct. 18. Live simply and contemplate your role in the unwinding of the universe.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week of Sept. 16, 2017

The BC bestseller list uses sales data from over 80 independent bookstores in BC representing sales of BC published books released within the calendar year.

1. **Embers: One Ojibway's Meditations** by Richard Wagamese
2. **On Island: Life Among the Coast Dwellers** by Pat Carney
3. **Hello Humpback!** by Roy Henry Vickers & Robert Budd, illustrated by Roy Henry Vickers
4. **Harry: A Wilderness Dog Saga** by Chris Czajkowski
5. **Stepping Stones: A Refugee Family's Journey** by Margriet Ruurs
6. **British Columbia from Scratch: Recipes for Every Season** by Denise Marchessault and Caroline West
7. **You Hold Me Up** by Monique Gray Smith, illustrated by Danielle Daniel
8. **We Sang You Home** by Richard Van Camp
9. **Spindrift: A Canadian Book of the Sea** edited by Michael L. Hadley and Anita Hadley
10. **Pandas on the Eastside** by Gabrielle Prendergast

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Oct. 1 ~ **Cory Cavalier** and **Lyn Watters**.
 Oct. 3 ~ **Maureen Parrott**.
 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**.
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 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**.
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 Oct. 28 ~ **Eric McDermott** and **Rob Metcalfe**.
 Oct. 29 ~ **Colleen Silvey** and **Nicholas Silvey**.
 Oct. 31 ~ **Richard Mills** and **twins Savannah & Sawyer Cote**.

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Sun 01	11.2	11.6	11.5	10.8	9.6	8.2	6.8	5.9	5.5	5.8	6.8	8.4	10.2	11.9	13.2	13.8	13.6	12.9	11.7	10.4	9.4	8.9	9.0	9.6
Mon 02	10.5	11.4	11.9	11.8	11.1	9.7	8.1	6.7	5.7	5.3	5.9	7.2	9.0	10.9	12.6	13.7	14.0	13.4	12.2	10.7	9.3	8.3	8.0	8.5
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Tue 17	9.0	10.5	11.8	12.6	12.6	11.8	10.3	8.6	7.2	6.3	6.3	7.2	9.0	11.0	13.0	14.4	14.9	14.4	13.0	11.0	8.9	7.2	6.3	6.3
Wed 18	7.3	8.9	10.7	12.2	13.1	13.1	12.2	10.7	9.0	7.5	6.8	7.0	8.1	9.9	11.9	13.6	14.6	14.6	13.6	11.8	9.6	7.5	5.9	5.4
Thu 19	5.8	7.2	9.1	11.1	12.8	13.6	13.4	12.4	10.8	9.2	7.9	7.4	7.8	9.1	10.8	12.7	14.0	14.5	13.9	12.4	10.3	8.0	6.1	4.9
Fri 20	4.8	5.7	7.5	9.7	11.8	13.3	14.0	13.6	12.5	10.9	9.4	8.3	8.1	8.7	10.0	11.7	13.1	14.0	14.0	12.9	11.1	8.8	6.6	5.0
Sat 21	4.3	4.6	6.0	8.1	10.4	12.5	13.9	14.3	13.7	12.5	11.0	9.6	8.8	8.8	9.5	10.8	12.2	13.3	13.7	13.2	11.7	9.6	7.4	5.5
Sun 22	4.3	4.0	4.9	6.6	8.8	11.2	13.1	14.2	14.4	13.7	12.5	11.1	9.9	9.3	9.5	10.3	11.5	12.6	13.2	13.1	12.2	10.5	8.4	6.3
Mon 23	4.7	4.0	4.2	5.4	7.3	9.6	11.8	13.5	14.4	14.4	13.6	12.5	11.2	10.2	9.9	10.1	10.9	11.8	12.5	12.8	12.4	11.1	9.3	7.3
Tue 24	5.6	4.4	4.1	4.6	6.1	8.1	10.3	12.3	13.8	14.4	14.2	13.5	12.4	11.3	10.5	10.3	10.6	11.2	11.9	12.3	12.3	11.5	10.1	8.4
Wed 25	6.7	5.3	4.5	4.5	5.3	6.8	8.7	10.8	12.6	13.8	14.3	14.1	13.4	12.4	11.4	10.8	10.6	10.8	11.2	11.7	11.9	11.6	10.7	9.4
Thu 26	7.9	6.5	5.4	4.9	5.0	5.9	7.4	9.2	11.1	12.7	13.8	14.1	13.9	13.2	12.4	11.5	10.8	10.6	10.7	11.0	11.3	11.4	11.0	10.2
Fri 27	9.1	7.8	6.6	5.7	5.4	5.6	6.5	7.9	9.6	11.4	12.8	13.8	14.1	13.8	13.1	12.3	11.4	10.7	10.3	10.3	10.6	10.8	10.9	10.8
Sat 28	10.1	9.1	8.0	6.9	6.2	5.8	6.1	7.0	8.4	10.0	11.7	13.0	13.9	14.0	13.7	12.9	11.9	10.9	10.1	9.7	9.7	10.0	10.4	10.7
Sun 29	10.8	10.3	9.5	8.4	7.4	6.6	6.2	6.4	7.4	8.8	10.4	12.0	13.3	14.0	14.1	13.5	12.5	11.3	10.1	9.2	8.9	9.0	9.6	10.2
Mon 30	10.8	11.0	10.8	10.0	8.9	7.7	6.9	6.5	6.7	7.7	9.2	10.9	12.5	13.7	14.2	14.0	13.1	11.7	10.2	8.9	8.0	7.9	8.3	9.2

Robert Livingston (with data provided at www.tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide)

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

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Paying tribute to Jan Watson

Wendy Haddock

It is with a heavy heart that I pass along that Jan Watson, the former writer of this column, has passed away (see obituary p. 21).

MONDAY NIGHT SCRAMBLE

On Aug. 21, 50 players showed up with first place (with a score of 31) going to the team of Bill and Linda Klikach, Harry Friesen and Anita Caspersen

The KPs on No. 3 were Reni Ducich and Martin McKenzie while on No. 6 it was Reni Ducich and Brett Hallborg.

August 28 saw 41 players out and, shooting 31 for first place (winning on handicap holes) were Brett Hallborg, Carl Reitz, Sandra Pylypiuk.

KPs on No. 3 were Suzie Clinton and Rick Fee while No. 6 was taken by Jen Smith.

On Sept. 4, 33 players came out. Shooting 30 were Paul and Suzie Clinton and Mike and Wendy Fitzsimmons.

KPs on No. 3 were Sandra Pylypiuk and Brian Alexander.

KPs on No. 6, Lorna Lycan and Mike Fitzsimmons.

32 players came out on Sept. 11 to see winners (with score of 32, going to handicap holes) Pat and Grant

Hallborg, Jane Cox and Jeff Hallborg.

KPs on No. 3 were Kerry Milligan and Bob Ducich while on No. 6 it was Steph Garner and Alain (no last name).

LADIES CLUB

The annual field day event on Aug. 17 was a "Wild Wild West 2 ball low net" and the winners were Phyllis Register, Lori Wilson, Lorraine Wareham and Judy Richardson.

KP on No. 3 was Heather Cranstoun and on No. 6, Anita Caspersen

Aug. 24 was our Ditsy Dotsy tournament for 33 & up handicaps with Helen Krantz taking the win.

A secret low-net teams event on Aug. 31 was won by Sandra Pylypiuk, Linda Klikach and Laverne Richardson with a team score of 75.

A skins game on Sept. 7 was won by Kathy Needham with seven skins.

Second with five skins was Pat Hallborg.

MEN'S DAY RESULTS:

Individual stroke play low gross winner on Aug. 21 (with a 76) was Doug Stewart while first low net (with a 68) was Carl Reitze.

KPs on No. 3 was Doug Stewart and on No. 6, Martin McKenzie.

On Aug. 25-27, the club held its men's championship with Don Matheson taking the title.

The men's low-net winner was

THE 19th HOLE

My golf score seems to improve considerably when I have the score card.

~ unknown

Ron Needham.

On Aug. 29 it was individual stroke play low gross.

Blake Priebe shot an with an 83 (low gross) while low net (with a 61) was taken by Glenn McCuaig.

KP on No. 3 was Ron Needham and on No. 6, Brian Thomas.

The senior men's championship ran Sept. 5 and 6 with Doug Stewart winning low gross champion and Steve Luchkow winning low net.

The ladies were invited to men's day on Sept. 12 for a "hidden partners" match.

First place (low net) was Steve Luchkow and Rusty Ellis

KPs on No. 3 was Bruce Forbes while on No. 6 it was Robbie Cameron.

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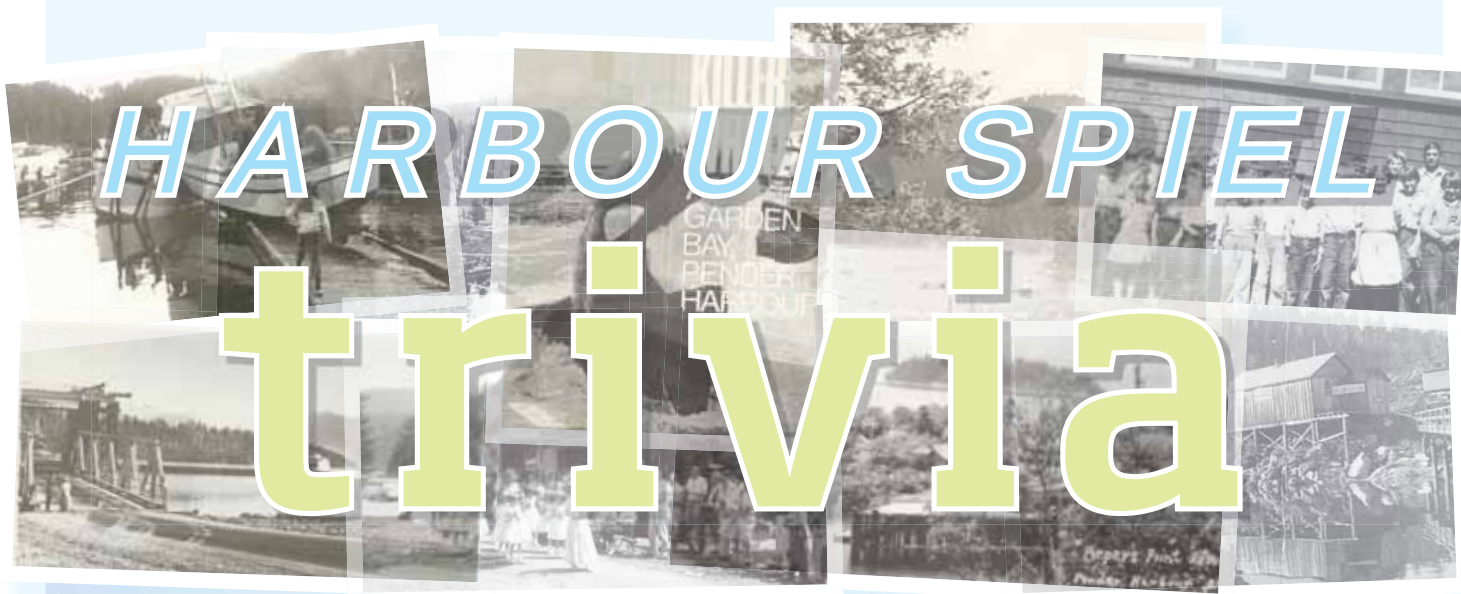
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ERROR: The answer to last month's question, "Which was *not* a name of the lumber store located at Francis Pen. Rd. and Hwy. 101?" was incorrectly listed as "b," (AC Building Supplies). The correct answer is "a," (Harbour Lumber).

1. Organization that raises funds and conducts the Halloween fireworks in Pender Harbour?

- ☐ a. Rotary Club of Pender Harbour
- ☐ b. P. H. Volunteer Fire Department
- ☐ c. P. H. Halloween Event Society
- ☐ d. P. H. Advisory Council

2. Which establishment once (in)famously served a drink named "Boat Gas."

- ☐ a. Roost Pub
- ☐ b. Garden Bay Pub
- ☐ c. Backeddy Pub
- ☐ d. P. H. Legion

3. The name of Pender Harbour's RCM SAR (station 61) boat?

- ☐ a. Leona L.
- ☐ b. Iona C.
- ☐ c. Lulu I.
- ☐ d. Carole J.

4. Which is the correct order of travel for spawning coho through local lakes?

- ☐ a. Ocean to Sakinaw to Ruby to Klein
- ☐ b. Ocean to Mixal to Sakinaw to Katherine
- ☐ c. Ocean to Katherine to Mixal to Sakinaw
- ☐ d. Ocean to Sakinaw to Mixal to Katherine

5. In what block of the Sunshine Coast Highway would you find the turn to Madeira Park?

- ☐ a. 1000
- ☐ b. 5000
- ☐ c. 9000
- ☐ d. 12000

6. Name of the two ships of George Vancouver's that landed here on June 16, 1792.

- ☐ a. Resolution, Endeavour
- ☐ b. Malaspina, Sonora
- ☐ c. Discovery, Chatham
- ☐ d. Nelson, Victory

Answers: p. 42

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

My name is Quacky



David Pearson

I am a rubber duck.
With sunglasses, attitude and a flat bottom.

I am a very proud Bargain Barn volunteer and I help to support our superb health centre here in Pender Harbour.

The vast majority of our income goes each year to help improve the capacity of the PHHC.

I was brought to the Bargain Barn — along with my 47 brothers and sisters — because our family didn't know what to do with us.

We were supposed to be part of a summer game, but nobody could find the rules.

They loved us, but I think that they thought that we were a bit daft.

The Ladies of the Barn were, equally, a little bemused.

They clearly thought that we

were really cute but were unsure how we might be used to create income for the P. H. Health Centre?

At 10 cents each, that's still less than \$5.

That's not going to buy a 24-hour blood pressure monitor or hyfrecator, is it?

But one way or another, we quackers wanted to help our Pender Harbour community.

The amazing volunteers of the Bargain Barn had an idea (like they always do).

It was floated that they could use me and my relatives to encourage more wonderful volunteers to join the Bargain Barn flotilla of volunteers.

See the photo of all my fellow volunteers at our recent summer tea party below (it's not all retail slog, you know).

They are really keen and committed but are stretched very thinly at

times.

The Barn is a big operation and needs lots of willing and ready volunteers.

As a volunteer at the Barn, you can sort the donations we receive.

You can arrange and display our lovely merchandise or you can meet people, help them to buy our stuff and support and improve our wonderful health centre in Pender Harbour.

So, the Bargain Barn needs more help.

Your help.

Come quack with us, meet a whole new flock of friends at the Barn and support quality health care in our community.

Please contact Linda Pearson at (604) 883-9313 or Janet Thomas at (604) 741-2646 or bbarnph@gmail.com if you would like to hear more about becoming a Bargain Barn Volunteer.



Janet Thomas

The volunteers who operate the Bargain Barn in Madeira Park, a thrift store whose profits help fund the Pender Harbour Health Centre.



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THE SUNSHINE COAST HOSPICE SOCIETY: Compassionate, respectful end-of-life and bereavement care. Whether you want to talk with one person or to join a bereavement group, trained volunteers are available. Call (604) 883-2764.

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What are your end-of-life decisions and wishes?

Jennifer Chapman RN

Here in Pender Harbour the median age of our population is 59.4.

That makes ours the oldest age demographic on the Sunshine Coast.

So here, more than anywhere else, it is important to recognize that it is every individual's responsibility to prepare for their own death or the possibility of being incapable of making their own decisions.

To not do so is irresponsible.

Advance care planning ensures your wishes regarding your future health care treatments are fulfilled.

It requires having meaningful conversations with your loved ones and your family doctor, to ensure your desires for which health care treatments you deem acceptable or non-acceptable if you become unable to express your own decisions.

PLANNING AHEAD

Why is this important?

Planning makes your wishes and instructions for your future health care known.

Planning provides your doctors and loved ones with valuable information to help guide them when providing health care for you.

Having this conversation now is important because you never know what life has in store for you.

Perhaps you will have a massive stroke or heart attack or develop dementia or get cancer or perhaps develop another illness that will make you incapable of making your own personal and health care treatment decisions.

Writing down your wishes and instructions for your future health care is creating an advance care plan.

Start by having discussions with



your loved ones and family doctor.

A written record of your wishes for future health care treatments creates a guideline for people to follow.

Provide contact information for someone you trust to be your temporary, substitute decision-maker.

APPOINT YOUR ENDURING POWER OF ATTORNEY

This takes effect only when you become incapable of making your own decisions, for example, in the event of dementia.

The enduring power of attorney will be able to make decisions about your financial affairs.

Develop a representation agreement in which you write your health care instructions and identify an individual to make your health care decisions if you become incapable of doing so yourself.

There are two types of representation agreements:

1. Enhanced, which allows deci-

sions to refuse life-support, or

2. Standard, which does not allow decisions to refuse life-support.

Finally creating an advance directive will provide instructions for doctors and other health care providers in regards your health and personal care if you are incapable of making your own decisions.

As the French might say, "Mettez votre merde en l'ordre."

To help develop your advance care plan, use the provincial workbook, *My Voice: Expressing My Wishes for Future Health Care Treatment*.

This comprehensive booklet is available at the P. H. Health Centre or online at www.health.gov.bc.ca/library/publications/year/2013/My-Voice-AdvanceCarePlanningGuide.pdf.

Source: *My Voice: Expressing My Wishes For Future Health care Treatment*, February 2013.

Community School Call Out for Volunteers

Did you know? Volunteering lowers stress, increases brain function, makes you happy!
It's especially good for parents, retired people, grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbours.

KIDS FISHING CLUB - Come fish with us! Help the kids learn the basics of fishing, put bait on hooks, hand out snacks!

HOME READING CLUB - Come read one-on-one with kids in Grades 1 - 3 to help improve their reading skills. Commitment can be very flexible!

MPES SCHOOL GARDEN - Avid gardeners, we need you! To help weed, pick and plant the garden throughout the year.

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Wednesday Oct 11, 1-2:30pm with Q&A to follow, at Harbour Learning Centre. Learn how to use Ancestry® to discover who your ancestors are. Learn how to search a variety of records (immigration, family histories, census, etc.). Hosted by the Sechelt Library, free. Next up? Wed Nov 8: Tech Talk and Wed Dec 13: Fake News.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS INFO. SESSION with Bill Elsner

Wednesday Oct 18 from 1-2:30pm at the Harbour Learning Centre

DROP-IN SPORTS @ PHSS

Pickleball ~ Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm, \$5, everyone welcome
Floor Hockey ~ Tuesdays 7:30-9:30pm, \$3, boys, Grade 7+
NEW! Fusion Sports Night with Xander ~ Mondays 7-9pm, \$3, mixed, Grade 7+
If you'd like to see soccer happening on Wednesdays nights, give us a call

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS AT MPES

Kids Art (Mon or Tue) ~ Kindersoc (Tue) ~ Boys Club (Mon) ~ Fishing Club (Thu) ~ Cooking Class (monthly)

Parents: please remember to include a note in your child's planner each day confirming that they will or will not be attending the after-school activity. Please contact Patti at the Community School if you have any questions - 604.883.2827.



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CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays Oct 4, 11, 18 & 25

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

HARBOURSIDE FRIENDSHIPS: Thursdays

At the P. H. Community Hall at 10:30. Lunch served at noon. \$10 drop-in.

Oct. 5 – “Music and Stories” by George

Oct. 12 – Chef Marcus from Mad Park Bistro demonstrating cooking with mushrooms

Oct. 19 – Karen Wells observing nature through the camera’s eye

Oct. 26 – Dress up or come as you are for our Halloween Party

Nov. 2 – Share a topic for discussion

CHAIR YOGA CLASSES: Fridays Oct 6, 13, 20 & 27

With Judy Gideon at the P. H. Community Hall. 10:30 to 11:30am. Drop-In \$3.

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ANNUAL FILL THE POOL FOOD BANK DRIVE: Oct. 2-8

Support our local food bank, with each food donation enter your name for a prize draw.

ANNUAL CARDBOARD BOAT BUILDING CHALLENGE: Tuesday Oct. 17

5-8:30pm. \$2 admission. Grab a team and come join in on the fun! Challenge friends, families, co-workers. Each team will be provided with materials to build a pool-worthy structure with racing to follow.

CORE BACK ESSENTIALS YOGA: Mondays starting Oct. 16

9:15-10:45am. \$9/6 classes. Instructor Brigit Cogrossi. Pre-registration is required.

RESTORATIVE YOGA: Tuesdays Oct. 3-Nov. 21

3:30-4:45pm. \$9/6 classes. Instructor Brigit Cogrossi. Pre-registration is required.

MAT PILATES: Oct. 31-Dec. 5

10:45-11:45am. \$7/2/6 classes. Instructor Sandra Buchanan. Pre-registration is required.
Evening classes November 7-December 12 6:15-7:15pm.

The Egmont Story

In the 1920s, Gladys Disney married Egmont logger Fred McNutt and moved to Egmont.

She had previously taught school in Roberts Creek and Wilson Creek and would later teach at the Egmont School.

McNutt wrote a series of articles about the history of Egmont that appeared in the Coast News in 1955.

McNutt died in 1968.



Gladys McNutt

*This article appeared in the
Coast News, Nov. 17, 1955.*

(Continued from September 2017 issue)

At one time in his old age, John West had undertaken to write a small book and raised \$100 to have it printed.

The people who lent their copy to me said they found it difficult to understand.

After reading it through, I would say that West had been a well-educated man or had read widely and the booklet seems to be a discussion of all the well-known world religions. The last chapter states his views on the subject.

The last sentence I shall always remember:

“And when we have grown old and wise, we have to die and another fool is born every minute.”

With regard to the business of

living alone, I am reminded of Tug Wilson’s answer when asked, “What do you do all day when you live on a boat?”

“Oh, sometimes I sit and think and sometimes I just sit.”

He told me, “You know, when you sit and think for a long time, your thoughts get to wandering all over and after awhile you get the queerest notions.”

He used to watch his old fisherman friends and make a point of



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visiting them if he thought they were behaving strangely.

He described one who had got to thinking there was no use in getting out of bed anymore.

After a day of this, Tug decided to try something drastic.

He went in and started an argument getting the fellow so mad he jumped up and chased Tug out of the cabin and not stopping soon enough, overboard he went, thus waking him up.

This is Tug Wilson's story to top all "bushed stories."

It seems a certain character lived in a one-room shack on Nelson Island.

Tug was fishing in the vicinity and decided to pay a call.

He threw a fish into his rowboat and took it ashore as an excuse for a visit.

Getting to shore he called but no one answered.

He went ashore and called again.

No answer.

Going up to the cabin, he pushed open the door and peered inside.

There was no one there, just a pile of hay in one corner.

Going back and standing in the doorway he put his hands to his lips and called again thinking the fellow might be around outside somewhere.

Then he heard a rustle behind him and turned around to see a head rising up from amongst the straw.

"Why there you are!" said Tug, quite casually.

"I brought you a fish. Come out and have a chat."

"Not until I've had my breakfast, said the other, sitting up in the

straw.

"Hey, Nannie, Nannie," he called.

A goat came trotting in.

He reached for a tin can and still sitting in the straw, milked the goat into the can, drank down the milk and said, "Now I have had my breakfast, we will go out and talk."

John Wray used to regale me with stories of various characters who had become queer from living in out of the way places in Jervis Inlet.

There is "Crazy Man's Cove" in Goliath Bay but I do not know under what circumstances the name was acquired.

(Continued next month.)

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community calendar

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OCTOBER

- Mon. Oct. 2.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Mon. Oct. 2.....P. H. Garden Club presents garden expert Conway Lum - P. H. School of Music, 1 p.m.
- Tues. Oct. 3.....Author Chris Czajkowski and dog Harry - EarthFair Store, 10-11 a.m.
- Tues Oct. 3.....SoM Coffeehouse - P. H. School of Music, 7:30 p.m.
- Mon. Oct. 9.....Thanksgiving
- Wed. Oct. 11.....PHCS presents Intro. to Ancestry Library Edition - Harbour Learning Ctr., 1 p.m.
- Fri. Oct. 13.....George Connell's *Elephant in the Room* album release - S. C. Botanical Garden, 6 p.m.
- Sat. Oct. 14.....Ladies Night with Playback - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 6 p.m.
- Mon. Oct. 16.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Tues. Oct. 17.....PHAFC presents the Cardboard Boat Building challenge - PHAFC, 5 p.m.
- Tues. Oct. 17.....P. H. Wildlife Society presents African adventurer Dana Jantzen, PHSS, 7 p.m.
- Wed. Oct. 18.....PHCS presents a Indian cooking class with Sushma - PHSS, 6:30 p.m.
- Wed. Oct. 18.....PHCS presents Emergency Preparedness w/ Bill Elsner - Harbour Learning Ctr., 1 p.m.
- Fri. Oct. 20-22.....Sunshine Coast Art Crawl 2017 (3 days) - various Sunshine Coast galleries, 10am-5pm
- Sun. Oct. 22.....P. H. Music Society presents The Fretless - P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
- Wed. Oct. 25.....P. H. and District Chamber of Commerce AGM - Royal Canadian Legion 112, noon
- Sat. Oct. 28.....Halloween Howl Dance and Costume Extravaganza - P. H. Community Hall, 8 p.m.
- Mon. Oct. 30.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Tues. Oct. 31.....Halloween Fireworks presented by the PHVFD - Millennium Park, 7:30 p.m.

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

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