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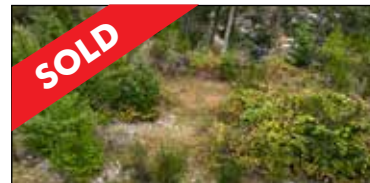
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Fuelled up kids at Madeira Park Elementary School's twice weekly 'breakfast club' on Feb. 26. (Brian Lee photo)

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editorial

Bracing for a millennial flood



Brian Lee

I've noticed the recent real estate rush has delivered a strange new species to our area — younglings.

An unexpected thing happened after the *Harbour Spiel*'s recent move north to Garden Bay.

I assumed I would be ringed by empty seasonal homes or retirees but was shocked to find recent converts to the Pender lifestyle who live here full-time, and still work.

Even my old neighbourhood on Beaver Island, where for almost two decades I like to think I held reign as the youngest homeowner west of Murdoch Road, has changed.

Now, my old street has been colonized by newcomers who weren't even born when Michael Jackson moonwalked.

Some have tiny kids.

It will be interesting to learn what our 2021 census will uncover but in 2016, Pender Harbour had the highest proportion of people aged 65 to 84 on the Sunshine Coast at 34 per cent.

By comparison, the rest of the province averages 15 per cent.

Five years later, the digital age is finally fulfilling it's promise of attracting people who aren't dependent on our cyclical micro-economy because they bring their jobs with them.

Thanks COVID.

In one year, the pandemic may have accomplished what two decades of economic development initiatives from our chambers of commerce, Community Futures, This is the Coast, SCREDO and SCRCD have all failed to do — attract working age people.

It's just in time too.

Sladey Timber, a local logging outfit that has kept bums in the seats of local schools for 50 years has recently downsized (see story p. 5).

As our enrolment trended down-

ward for the past decade or so, it increased funding pressure on our schools.

After affordable housing, our bottom-light demographic ranks as a key threat facing our community.

So, if you're one of the newcomers of breeding age, welcome.

That's the good news.

The caveat is that these fresh faces are millennials.

Who knows what that means anymore except that it's the demographic aged 25 to 40 — the first generation born into the digital age.

Millennials are best known for being mocked because they invented skinny jeans and don't know what a rotary dial telephone is.

Now they're growing out of their hipster awkwardness and are ready to accept relaxed fit pants and their reputed archnemesis "adulting."

Like all city folk, they will need our help to survive in the country.

Teach them how to sharpen their new chain saw and patiently explain when they stumble over local slang like Misery Mile or Egmont tuxedo.

Go easy on them, a short while ago they considered anywhere you need a ferry to get to as "camping."

If I could offer one tip for the newcomer:

Don't post on local Facebook groups for awhile — the trolls will pounce on you for saying stuff like:

"Happy New Year! Does anyone know where I can get four truckloads of bone-dry firewood?"

Or,

"I've found a dead seagull, who should I call?"

Or,

"Why are those dirty commercial fish boats allowed to unload at the government dock?"

Just kidding, you'll love it here and if you stick around, some day your great-great-grandchildren might be accepted "locals."

covid-19 emergency contact details

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The Sunshine Coast COVID physician task force and Vancouver Coastal Health operate a “respiratory assessment” clinic that runs seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until this crisis is over. With new testing recommendations in place, the **Respiratory Assessment Clinic is now able to assess and test anyone on the Sunshine Coast who develops possible COVID-19 symptoms.**

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Sladey Timber looks at doing ‘something different’

One of Pender Harbour and Egmont’s most reliable and longtime employers, Sladey Timber, has laid off the bulk of its employees and sold most of its equipment.

“After 50 years of logging, I don’t need anymore practice if it means breaking even or even losing money,” Doug Sladey told the *Harbour Spiel*.

Sladey spoke from his cell phone as he watched a life’s accumulation of heavy equipment — feller bunchers, hoe chuckers and trucks — get unloaded from a barge in Mission to be delivered to Ritchie Brothers auction.

“So, we just said to hell with it, we’re stopping.”

Sladey has faced lean times before but said he laid off most of his employees at the start of the year because he couldn’t see a way forward with recent changes to the forest industry.

“We all warned everybody about the NDP government — if you get them in, it’s going to be very bad for logging,” Sladey said.

He points to a number of recent legislative changes dropped on the forest industry that fundamentally changed future prospects for contractors like him.

“They changed our area — it’s called the ‘Coast second-growth band area’ — and the pulp mill’s screamed blue murder a few years ago about leaving stuff in the bush.

“So, everything has to come out now and go to them or else you pay, instead of \$12 or \$15 per cubic metre in stumpage like we were paying, they bumped it to about \$70.

“And, then any waste left in the bush is tripled, so about \$210.”

Sladey Timber contracts logging services out to the large forestry com-



Brian Lee

Doug Sladey at work in a Halfmoon Bay logging slash in 2010.

panies who hold the timber rights.

He said these new rules have taken away much of their profitability.

“They (BC government) also, kind of, took away the export rights,” said Sladey.

“They didn’t take it away, they just inserted a fee in lieu of, but the charges you pay are so high that nobody can afford to export second-growth logs anymore.”

He said these changes were legislated at the end of 2020.

“I phoned both of the companies

we were working for and everything was still looking good at the start of January when we started up.”

Prior to this, Sladey Timber maintained area rights for road-building and tree cutting.

As part of his contract, the forestry companies are required to give him the work, they just need to negotiate a price, and it’s kept his crew working for the past 50 years.

“But then they said, ‘No, we can’t make ends meet with these gov-

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In a recent conversation with our new medical team, both of our soon-to-arrive medical professionals expressed their profound excitement at joining our community, and to discovering firsthand the beauty of our nature and welcoming spirit of our people.



Dr. Colin Sutton & Linda MacNeil

Dr. Sutton was born in South Africa, where he first studied to become a pharmacist, prior to completing his medical degree and becoming a practicing physician in Johannesburg. Before long, the desire to move to Canada proved irresistible, and Dr. Sutton's spirit of adventure took him to Nova Scotia. Some 28 years later, with 20 of those years in full time emergency work, combined with teaching at Dalhousie University, our great fortune was to cross paths with Dr. Sutton and his Nova Scotian partner, Linda, who herself has spent 35 years as an RN working in Acute Care, as well as maternity and delivery services. "We're a team, in every sense of the word", says Linda.

With their children raised and settled into their own families, the innate spirit of adventure this couple shares allowed them to contemplate a whole new chapter in their lives, despite the comfort and contentment in their maritime home, lives and work. "Leaving great jobs, our kids and grandkids and our community behind was a difficult decision," explained Dr. Sutton, "but we both fell in love with the beauty of the Pender Harbour region, and the opportunity to meet a whole new group of people who seem to share our passion for the outdoors, for nature, and for living in a small, close knit community."

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Sladey Timber (cont.)

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ernment rules,” said Sladey.

He suggested that his crew could go out and build some roads for future logging projects to keep busy but was told that the uncertainty in the forest industry needed to be sorted out before any new work could move forward.

“It’s happening everywhere, not just in our area.”

Sladey said his only option was to lay everyone off and wait things out or bid on joint ventures with the Sunshine Coast Community Forest or other smaller projects.

He calls that “lurch logging” in which you work for a couple months and then wait six months to bid on another job.

Sladey said his operation isn’t set up to work that way so he offered the forestry companies first right of refusal to purchase his contracts back from him or he’d sell to the highest bidder.

“I didn’t have to make any more calls — they bought it back from me.”

Sladey said they weren’t happy to see him go — after 50 years, he had gained a lot of respect from the companies for reliability and his safety and environmental track record.

“Steve and Vic (Sladey’s sons) and I had a meeting and we said, ‘To hell with it, let’s do something different.’”

Many factors went into the decision but Sladey places most of the blame for the hard times in the forest industry at the provincial government’s feet.

“They tried to get everybody to just log a little bit — way less than we used to — and everybody’s going to build a brand-new mill and keep all the wood in the province,” he said.

“It would be great if that was the case but there’s a reason why there’s been 40 mills shut down in the last few years — our labour’s too high, our costs are too high — it has to go elsewhere.”

Sladey said Interior logging companies are really suffering from high stumpage rates.

“The only thing offsetting it right now is that lumber prices are through the roof.”

Sladey points to two main hazards in his industry:

“One is the safety risk which has helped push costs through the roof to comply with all the new rules and inevitably slows down production — which is good if it makes things safer,” he said.

“But the other heavy-duty risk as loggers is the investment risk.

“There’s huge amounts of money invested in all this machinery and how can you do it if you can’t get a fair rate or can’t log 12 months of the year like we used to?”

“The good thing is that we’re not bankrupt and broke, like all the rumours,” he said.

“We’re in fine financial shape but we just decided to do something different and we’re not going to fight it anymore.”

Sladey said most of his former crew quickly found new work and

he’s kept on a smaller crew to maintain equipment and work smaller contracts.

He insists Sladey Timber isn’t going anywhere.

“We couldn’t have done any of this without a great local crew who made it all possible for 50 years — they are my friends and my greatest regret in deciding to exit the industry.”

But he’s slippery when asked if he’s considering retirement.

“I guess I am but somebody’s gotta run around and get fuel for these guys, he said.

“But I’m sure as hell going to do a lot more motor-homing and fishing in the summer.

“Call it semi-retired,” he said with a laugh.



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trivia

1. What is the correct order of North Pender lake system drainage?

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- ☐ b. Mixal ➔ Hotel ➔ Sakinaw Lake
- ☐ c. Hotel ➔ Mixal ➔ Sakinaw Lake
- ☐ d. Mixal ➔ Katherine ➔ Sakinaw Lake

2. What provides the primary flotation on commercial salmon fishing gillnets?

- ☐ a. Scotchmen
- ☐ b. Corks
- ☐ c. Balloons
- ☐ d. Buoys

3. What is "GRIPS" an acronym for?

- ☐ a. Green Recycling In Pender Society
- ☐ b. Garbage Recycling In Pender Society
- ☐ c. Garbage Return In Pender Society
- ☐ d. Glass Return In Pender Society

4. In old Pender Harbour parlance, what is a "dude?"

- ☐ a. Tourist
- ☐ b. Wealthy person
- ☐ c. Farmer
- ☐ d. Surfer

5. What is the name of Howard White's latest book?

- ☐ a. *Spilsbury's Coast*
- ☐ b. *Here on the Coast*
- ☐ c. *Writing in the Rain*
- ☐ d. *A Hard Man to Beat*

6. Name of mythical local marijuana strain.

- ☐ a. Thormanby Tree Tea
- ☐ b. Egmont Eel Grass
- ☐ c. Jervis Jive Jam
- ☐ d. Texada Time Warp

Answers: p. 34

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

KAYAK THEFT

On Feb. 16, a Coast resident reported a theft of kayak that occurred sometime since late January.

The suspect stole the kayak from a property in the 4200 block of Packalen Boulevard, Irvine's Landing.

The stolen kayak is described as a dark green Sundolphin Excursion 10 model.

Anyone with any information about this theft is asked to contact RCMP, reference police file no. 2021-1029.

MVA

On March 7, police attended a single vehicle incident in the 11000 block of Highway 101, Madeira Park.

The driver and passenger, who were not impaired, were taken to hospital for assessment.

The driver advised she lost con-

trol on a turn and in a panic, braked, causing the vehicle to spin 180 degrees before ending up in the ditch on its side.

Road conditions may have been a factor.

An elderly dog who was along for the ride was unharmed, but the vehicle had to be towed due to damage.

The matter has been referred to ICBC.

IMPAIRED DRIVING

On March 15, police attended a single vehicle incident in the 4900 block of Irvines Landing Road, Pender Harbour.

They noted the driver and lone occupant exhibiting signs of possible impairment from alcohol.

The driver, who was treated by Emergency Health Services for minor injuries, was given a roadside alcohol

screening test and after two fail results, was issued a 90- day immediate roadside prohibition and her vehicle was impounded for thirty days.

The matter has been referred to RoadSafetyBC.

STOLEN MAZDA 3

Sunshine Coast RCMP are asking for the public's assistance in locating a vehicle that was stolen from Roberts Creek on March 18.

The white Mazda four-door hatchback with BC licence plate DV341F had been parked in the 1900 block of Lower Road.



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These highlights include projects involving safety, customer service, infrastructure maintenance and improvements, services expansion, and federal/provincial regulatory compliance:

- Overall expenses budget of \$49.37 million (supplier payments,

wages, etc.);

- Capital budget of \$34.64 million (acquire and maintain assets such as land, buildings, and equipment);

- Maintain cultural, recreational, community parks, and health services, locally including the P. H. Fitness and Aquatic Centre, Egmont/Pender Harbour Library, Skookumchuck Museum, P. H. Health Centre, P. H. Community School, Sunshine Coast Community Services Society (youth outreach), Lions playing field, and Dan Bosch, Baker Beach and Katherine Lake Parks;

- Install new Garden Bay Lake pump station generator;

- Replace the P. H. Transfer Station generator.

- Address out-of-service south Pender Dogwood reservoir;

- Upgrade, inspect, and create an emergency plan for the McNeill Lake dam;

- Install water-metering software and hardware;

- Enhance electronic document and records management system;

- Upgrade Chapman and Edwards dams;

- Close a section of Sechelt Landfill;

- Install a new Sechelt Landfill groundwater monitoring well;

- Continue GRIPS funding and increase in green-waste funding;

- Install traffic lights and increase road maintenance budget for Pender Harbour Transfer Station;

- Conduct a feasibility study on establishing a community social services service, long-term water sup-



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Infrastructure Services Committee

April 8 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

April 8 at 2:00 p.m.

Planning and Community Development

April 15 at 9:30 a.m.

Policing and Public Safety Committee

April 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Transportation Advisory Committee

April 15 at 3:30 p.m.

Regional Hospital District

April 22 at 9:00 a.m.

Corporate and Administrative Services Committee

April 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Board

April 22 at 2:00 p.m.

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ply plans, Field Road space planning, emergency services disaster recovery planning, and a Pender Harbour Transfer Station site assessment and solid waste management plan update;

- Hire two infrastructure service technicians, two planning technicians, a senior bylaw officer, and a senior accountant, and
- Reinstatement of the community services general manager.

Staffing additions will improve customer service, address bylaw infractions, ensure short-term rental bylaw and federal and provincial regulatory compliance, and meet new asset management obligations.

With many projects scheduled for completion this summer, long-overdue improvements to key services, such as bylaw, electronic documents management, and solid waste projects should be realized soon.

SHARE SHED REMAINS IN PENDER

To answer inquiries about the fate of the Pender Harbour Transfer Station's share shed, it will remain in place, to reopen when COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

The Sechelt Landfill's share shed is closed indefinitely to allow land remediation.

TOWARDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Last month, the SCRD received the Sunshine Coast Housing Needs implementation framework document (a follow-up to the Sunshine Coast Housing Needs report), which presents these approaches for consideration:

- Facilitate development and protect existing, needed housing and supports through plans, regulation, and

development approvals considering long-range planning and infrastructure implications;

2. Incentivize and invest in needed housing and supports;
3. Form partnerships to advance needed housing and supports, and
4. Advocate to senior government levels and educate residents about needed housing and supports.

The report could guide SCRD action, policy, and strategy on housing to inform regional growth strategies, official community plans and zoning bylaws, etc.,.

The SCRD plans a board workshop on the original report to provide information on the scope and mandate of SCRD services to implement recommendations, identify types of models to consider for further action.

An invitation will be extended to the municipalities of Sechelt and Gibsons, and the Shishálh and Skwxwú7mesh Nations councils and staff.

FIRESMART OPPORTUNITY

Matt Treit, SCRD manager of protective services, introduced a FireSmart economic recovery fund grant opportunity to the planning and community development committee last month.

The board had already approved funding for two projects to address recommendations made by the earlier "Mitchell Report."

The first is to complete a 2020 project implementing 40 recommendations addressing fire department shortcomings.

A new project will update emergency plans that include a volunteer response system for major emergencies, e.g., wildfires, earthquakes, etc.

A FireSmart project was the third

on the books, but no funding was available.

This new grant opportunity, part of the Provincial Community Resiliency Investment program, is to reduce the impact of wildfires to communities, and create jobs to counteract the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, by funding a variety of activities.

The SCRD approved a resolution authorizing staff to submit an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and request letters of support from the Shishálh Nation, Town of Gibsons, and District of Sechelt.

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Howard White's *Here on the Coast: Reflections from the Rainbelt*

Excerpted from Howard White's recent collection of stories, Here on the Coast

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

There oughta be a law against some of the place names that we get stuck with to satisfy the vainglorious whims of land developers.

For instance, I live on a road called Rondevew.

It was named in the '60s by a developer named Ron, and I guess it was his idea of clever pun.

I curse him every time I have to tell a caller, "No, not Rendezvous. R-o-n-d-e-v-i-e-w."

Someday when I have time I plan to get up a petition to change it to something less embarrassing.

My preference would be Whisky Slough Road because I've always admired that flavourful home-brewed place name for the bay down front.

Or another time-honoured name for this area, Hardscratch.

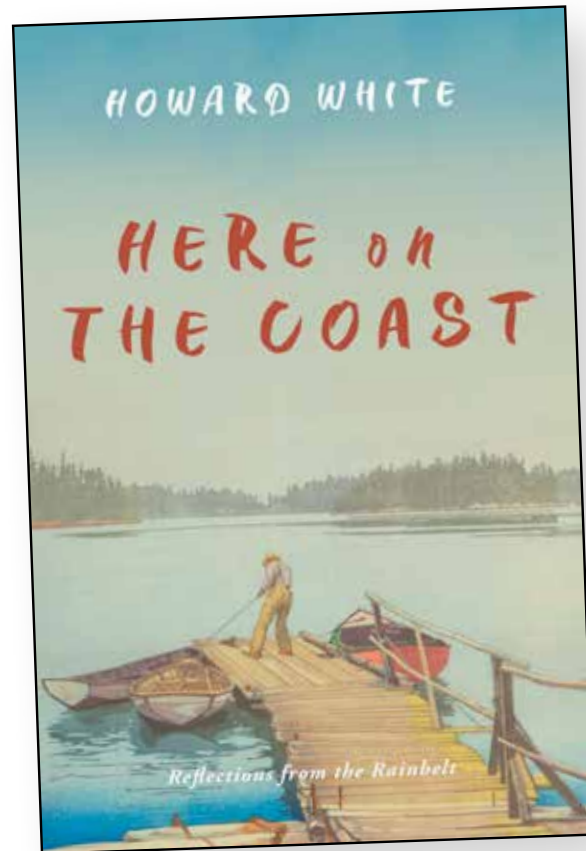
But I reckon either would be a hard sell with the present-day land-owners.

Probably Valueview or Investmentcrest would go over better.

Anything but R-o-n-d-e-v-i-e-w.

Sunshine Coast place names have always been a bit of a fraud.

Except for the original ones, of course, like Sechelt, Sakinaw and Tluwanek, but few of those made it onto official maps.



When the first European explorers reached the Sunshine Coast, every nook and cranny had been named by the folks who'd spent several thousand years getting to know the place, the Squamish and Sechelt.

Gibsons was Chekwelp, Wilson Creek was Tsawcome and Pender Harbour, kalpilin, but that meant nothing to the visitors.

Officers of the British and Spanish navies, they took it as their right

and duty to immediately set about renaming the place with words from their own lexicons.

It was a prodigious task and setting aside the bald-faced effrontery of it, you have to give these poorly educated mariners credit for the sheer volume of monikers they were able to spew up on short notice.

The first one through the Inside Passage was Captain Vancouver, and he had it fairly easy since he got to name the major features after major figures — the Gulf of Georgia after King George, Howe Sound and Nelson Island after great naval heroes, etc., although by the time he had reached the top end of the Sunshine Coast he was getting sufficiently befuddled he saddled one of the most charming locales on the coast with the lugubrious name of Desolation Sound.

It is speculated his gout was act-

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ing up on that day.

Later Royal Navy surveyors charged with the finicky business of naming each tiny islet and cove soon ran out of shipmates, wives, sisters, mistresses and pets to commemorate. Captain Richards, who did detailed charting of the Sunshine Coast in 1860, stooped to borrowing names from the racetrack.

He was a betting man apparently, and just as he was passing Halfmoon Bay he received a dispatch from Old Blighty containing good news about his wager on that year's Epsom Derby.

In his euphoria, he named every feature he sighted that day after some aspect of the 1860 Epsom Derby, including Merry Island, Buccaneer Bay, Tattenham Ledge, Welcome Pass, Oaks Point, Surrey Islands, Epsom Point, Derby Point and, not least, Thormanby Islands after the winning steed.

Richards must have had a sense of humour.

One of the popular canards about Nelson was that when his higher-ups signalled him to retreat during the Battle of Copenhagen, Nelson put his telescope to his blind eye and said, "I don't see a thing," and fought on to glorious victory.

When it fell to Richards to name the large bay entered by a narrow pass on the west side of Nelson Island, he chose "Blind Bay" and "Telescope Passage."

It no more deterred him than it did Rondeview Ron that there were other, less frivolous names well established in local usage that would have served better.

Perhaps it's time we took our revenge on some of these name-giving chauvinists by engaging in some judicious revisionism.

There has been surprisingly little of this, given the current rage for reconciliation with First Nations.

The Haida managed to get the former Queen Charlotte Islands for-

mally renamed Haida Gwaii, and there has been a fairly successful effort to establish "Salish Sea" as a new name for the integrated system of waters comprising Juan de Fuca Strait, Puget Sound and Georgia Strait.

The funny thing about that name "Salish Sea," which many well-intended non-Aboriginals now apply to every bay and backwater on the south coast, is that it was never intended to replace existing names, only to be used when collectively invoking the whole of Juan de Fuca Strait, Puget Sound, Georgia Strait and all associated waters in the lee of Vancouver Island.

Also it seems the renamers forgot to consult coastal First Nations on whether or not they would consider "Salish" an entirely appropriate handle for their great inland sea, which it is not.

The name "Salish" or Séliš originated far from the ocean in the

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parched badlands of Montana, where it was the chosen name of the Indigenous nation American authorities in their wisdom renamed "Flatheads."

These folks lived in quiggly holes rather than longhouses and preferred the taste of fresh buffalo to salmon.

"Salish" only came to be applied to the peoples of the coast when non-Indigenous scholars in distant ivory towers decided that the several dozen First Nations occupying the south Coast and Interior of BC as well as Montana, Idaho and Washington State all belonged to the same Salishan linguistic family, an obscure academic concept on par with saying that Spanish, French and Italian are all part of the Romance linguistic family.

Being linked at all was news to the nations involved, who thought of themselves as proudly distinct.

I well remember the Sechelt elder Clarence Joe raging against

being lumped together with the Kw'amutsun, who he considered to be traditional enemies.

Using "Salish" when one means Sechelt, Okanagan or Lummi is like using "Romanic" when one means Brazilian, Mauritian or Walloon.

Better to be a bit more specific.

Mostly, restoration of Indigenous names has been limited to eliminating blatantly racist examples like "Squaw Lake," although one of the most prominent offenders, the famous Vancouver photo spot called "Siwash Rock," remains curiously untouched.

Officialdom seems more committed to an indirect campaign of displaying Indigenous place names on road signs in smaller print below the newcomer names, no doubt hoping the originals might catch on.

Alas, any chance of this happening is defeated by the practice of spelling Indigenous names using a scholarly spelling system that employs backward question marks, numerals, pointy brackets, Greek letters and other mystifying hieroglyphics such that "Squamish" becomes "SkwX-wú7mesh."

This is not an Indigenous way of writing.

It is a scholarly writing system called Americanist notation or NAPA.

There is nothing particularly Salish about it.

I have seen it used in the U.K. to translate their road signs into unintelligible versions of Gaelic and Welsh.

I have never understood how language revivalists hope to bring dying tongues back into popular usage by spelling them in an alphabet that can only be deciphered by those with a degree in linguistics.

The Sechelt people, or at least the pointy-headed white guy who

originally helped them document their language, devised a special alphabet that mostly avoided upside-down question marks, although it doesn't subscribe to the notion of capitalization.

Thus "Sechelt" becomes "shíshálh."

I am sure there is a very good argument in support of this grammatical oddity, but I don't know what it is.

Neither, I suspect, do most of the shíshálh people.

Kalpilin is what the shíshálh people called my hometown and they called it that for hundreds if not thousands of years.

It has only been called Pender Harbour since Captain Richards overnighted here in 1860 and named it after his Royal Navy buddy Dan Pender.

I would be willing to give up Pender Harbour for kalpilin any time.

I wonder how Gibsonians like the sound of Chekwelp?

Since publishing an earlier version of this diatribe, the shíshálh have called my bluff by formally proposing to change the name of my home neighbourhood, Madeira Park, to salalus.

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Ramona Grainge died on Feb. 26 after a brief battle with cancer.

Grainge's family has a long history in Pender Harbour.

Her grandparents moved here with their two daughters, Ingrid and Solveigh, in the mid-1950s after purchasing the Oyster Bay Oyster Company.

Grainge visited family on the Coast each summer.

She finally moved to Pender

Harbour in the late 1990s with husband Steve and son Isaac.

She lived there until 2003.

Her mother Ingrid and brother Brett remain on the Coast, along with aunt Solveigh and uncle Joe Harrison.

She is also survived by her father John Grainge.

Ramona's smile and kind heart will be sadly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

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A program administered by the Pender Harbour Community School (with help from grants and donations), the Madeira Park before school. As kids exit buses, parent volunteers offer an ever-changing variety of breakfast ranging from breakfast wraps to school programs. There's a similar program at the high school. In addition to making sure that students have the fuel they need to connect with others. 'It's about building good relationships with and between the students, inside the school and outside too,' stay focused, have improved moods, higher energy levels and improved brain function.' Seen in the photos are acting principal



Brian Lee photos

Elementary School 'Breakfast Club' offers the school's 72 students an extra bolt of nutrition every Wednesday and Friday waffles and a dance party or games. MPES also benefits from a 'hot lunch' twice a month and snacks provided at all after- to keep going throughout the day, the community school's 'Nutrition for Learning' program aims to provide social time for kids said Francine Clohosey, PHCS manager, in an email to the *Harbour Spiel*. 'We know that students who eat well are able to Barry Krangle and breakfast hosts Danielle Silvey and Patti Soos.

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April 2011: Historic 'Teacherage' demolished while future plans



Story previously published in the March 2011 issue of the Harbour Spiel

One of the oldest buildings in Madeira Park has been demolished, possibly clearing the way for a proposed heritage centre.

On March 21 demolition crews quickly took down the Madeira Park Teacherage.

The derelict school district building was probably more than 76 years old and sat unused for many years.

Discussions are now underway between the school district and a number of community organizations to come up with a plan to construct a multi-use historical centre.

The Pender Harbour Living Heritage Society and the Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour have joined in efforts to work with School District 46 to use the property where the Teacherage sat.

Claus Sjogren, vice-chair of the



Ken Walters photo

Now derelict, the Teacherage was demolished on March 21.

Harbour Authority of Pender Harbour, said they sent a letter last June proposing a lease for the property.

"In broad strokes, the concept for the property would be a heritage centre with the main focus on a museum and archives chronicling the history of our area," wrote Sjogren.

School board Chair Silas White said plans are well underway but there are still a number of important details to be worked out.

"We've successfully applied for a grant from the provincial government called a Community Connections grant," said White.

photojournal



Hodgson Islands (photographed from the outlet of Sakinaw Lake), March 5.

considered

“It’s basically to work on a community partnership... with the harbour authority and living heritage society to hopefully build some kind of museum and learning centre.”

The PHLHS already has a small amount of money raised and the harbour authority has set aside some funding in their five-year plan for the project but a key issue that still needs to be resolved is the form the lease would take.

Sjogren said there are a lot of details to be worked out but

“It really depends on how we can structure this lease,” he said.

“If it starts once we’re open for business, that’s one thing, but if it starts April 1 then we need six to eight months to plan and raise funds before we build.

“It could be used up before we do anything.”

Sjogren said another hurdle to overcome is that any property the school district leases beyond a term

of 10 years is considered a property disposal requiring the approval of the Ministry of Education.

Even after those details are worked out, Sjogren said funding needs to be acquired and extensive planning and consultation undertaken before construction can move ahead.

It’s unclear when the Teacherage

was built but, according to land title information provided by members of the PHLHS, it seems likely that Joe Gonsalves’ daughter Theresa and her husband Jim Imlach built and lived in it prior to 1935.

The building was later sold to Stanley Graham and purchased from him by the school district in 1948.



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The Madeira Park Teacherage sits in the background in this photo taken from the water at the Pender Harbour Regatta in the 1950s.



Brian Lee

pendar harbour tides ~ april 2021

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

Canoe Pass:



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Sat 03	14.2	13.4	12.4	11.7	11.5	11.8	12.6	13.4	14.0	14.1	13.3	11.8	9.7	7.5	5.5	4.0	3.3	3.5	4.6	6.3	8.5	10.7	12.7	14.0
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Mon 19	14.3	13.9	13.3	12.6	11.9	11.6	11.6	11.8	11.9	11.8	11.2	10.2	9.0	7.7	6.4	5.5	5.0	4.9	5.6	6.8	8.5	10.3	12.0	13.4
Tue 20	14.2	14.3	14.0	13.4	12.6	11.9	11.4	11.3	11.4	11.5	11.4	11.0	10.1	9.0	7.8	6.6	5.7	5.2	5.1	5.8	7.0	8.7	10.5	12.2
Wed 21	13.6	14.3	14.4	14.0	13.2	12.3	11.4	10.8	10.7	10.8	11.0	11.3	11.2	10.7	9.7	8.5	7.2	6.1	5.4	5.3	5.9	7.2	8.9	10.9
Thu 22	12.6	14.0	14.6	14.5	13.8	12.7	11.5	10.5	9.9	9.8	10.1	10.7	11.3	11.5	11.3	10.4	9.1	7.7	6.4	5.6	5.4	6.1	7.5	9.4
Fri 23	11.5	13.2	14.4	14.8	14.3	13.2	11.7	10.2	9.1	8.6	8.8	9.5	10.6	11.6	12.1	12.0	11.2	9.8	8.2	6.8	5.9	5.8	6.5	8.1
Sat 24	10.2	12.3	14.0	14.9	14.8	13.8	12.2	10.3	8.5	7.4	7.2	7.8	9.0	10.6	12.0	12.9	12.9	12.1	10.6	8.9	7.3	6.4	6.4	7.3
Sun 25	9.1	11.2	13.2	14.6	15.0	14.4	12.8	10.7	8.4	6.6	5.6	5.7	6.9	8.7	10.8	12.6	13.7	13.8	12.9	11.4	9.6	8.0	7.2	7.3
Mon 26	8.4	10.2	12.3	14.1	15.0	14.9	13.6	11.5	8.9	6.4	4.7	4.0	4.5	6.2	8.5	11.1	13.2	14.5	14.6	13.7	12.1	10.3	8.8	8.1
Tue 27	8.4	9.6	11.5	13.4	14.7	15.2	14.4	12.5	9.8	7.0	4.5	3.0	2.7	3.7	5.8	8.5	11.4	13.7	15.1	15.2	14.3	12.8	11.1	9.7
Wed 28	9.2	9.6	10.9	12.5	14.1	15.0	14.9	13.6	11.2	8.3	5.4	3.1	1.8	1.9	3.3	5.7	8.7	11.7	14.1	15.5	15.6	14.8	13.3	11.7
Thu 29	10.6	10.2	10.7	11.9	13.3	14.5	14.9	14.3	12.5	9.9	6.9	4.2	2.2	1.3	1.7	3.3	5.9	9.0	12.0	14.3	15.7	15.7	15.0	13.7
Fri 30	12.3	11.3	11.0	11.5	12.5	13.6	14.4	14.5	13.5	11.5	8.9	6.1	3.6	2.0	1.4	2.1	3.8	6.4	9.3	12.1	14.3	15.6	15.7	15.1



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

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

Harbour Seals of Approval to our **Garden Bay Fire Rescue, EHS Paramedics** and **CA Towing** for their timely, professional and kind assistance after I crashed my pickup on the snowy morning of Feb. 15.

Andrew Barker

Oceans full of Harbour Seals to **Russ and Steve at Rona, Madeira Park**, for the very kind and generous donation of their HIAB.

This resulted in the successful placement of the Forest View Cemetery memorial stone.

With sincere thanks and appreciation

Lyn and Bill Charlton
Pender Harbour Rotary

A special Harbour Seal of Approval to **the students at Madeira Elementary School** for the Valentine's Day cards for the seniors and a special thank you to **Marlene Cymbalist** for her help to make the cards and delivering the cards to the seniors.

Donna Brown

Huge Seals of Approval to our **energetic and committed volunteers** who are willing to work hard to keep the Bargain Barn open.

Also, to **the staff of RCL no. 112** for the use of their branch and to the **dedicated community shoppers** who keep the funds rolling in, including a recent donation of \$20,000 to the health centre to help fund the diabetes, dementia and foot care clinics.

Karen Wells
Bargain Barn

Harbour Seals to **Chad of Pender Harbour Tree Service** who came out on a Sunday to remove a large tree hanging dangerously over one of the hiking trails off Middlepoint Road.

Maureen Wright
Pender Harbour Hikers

A maple-rippled Harbour Seal of Approval to **Kevin from Skookum-chuck Tours** for helping roll a huge length of maple so I could finish my saw cuts. Thanks, Kevin.

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- April 2 ~ Marty Lowe, Elizabeth Buhlert and Desiree Leech.
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April 5 ~ Doug Silvey and Breanna Clay.
April 6 ~ Mike Bathgate and Ursula Dornbierer.
April 8 ~ Andrea Clerx and Gloria Fritz.
April 9 ~ Laurie Saunders.
April 10 ~ April Charlton.
April 11 ~ Mackenzie Sutherland.
April 12 ~ Irene Doerksen, Matthew Phillips and Tilley Dougan.
April 13 ~ Bonnie Lindsay, Geoff Warner, Billy Petraschuk and Don Priest.
April 14 ~ Dan Leech and Ann Landry.
April 15 ~ Teresa Sladey and Cathy Collins.
April 17 ~ Sheila McCann and Carly Campbell.
April 18 ~ Russ Foster, Talon Mclean, Howard White, David Brimacomb, Kalen Zayshley and Ron Calvert.
April 19 ~ John Field.
April 20 ~ Katie Tenbroek.
April 22 ~ Dan Choquette.
April 23 ~ Kathy Morant, Sue Richardson, Heidi Vaughan and Jordan Kammerle.
April 24 ~ Len Silvey and Alex Dore.
April 25 ~ Zena Lanteigne, Samantha Stewart and Dietta Edwardson.
April 26 ~ Teyjah Xaveress and Blake Campbell.
April 28 ~ Jeanette Penson.
April 29 ~ Ruth Langton.
April 30 ~ Cathy Gudbranson, Kasey & Kelly Smith, Marie Reid, Hazel Higgins, "Prawntrap" Patty Jackson, Bill Sutherland, Jeff Wilbee and Ava Young.

APRIL ASTROLOGY



ARIES: MARCH 21 - APRIL 19

The sign of the ram gives Arians loyalty, generosity, high energy and courage. They love adventure and often fiercely defend the underdog. The next 72 days will bring tumult to your life that is both positive and negative. The sun is, astrologically speaking, shining on you. Enjoy its warmth but don't forget to protect yourself. This metaphor could mean many things for you and it's a reflection of the sun's heavy influence over your life during the next couple of months. Buy insurance. Use birth control. Wear sunscreen, even at night.



TAURUS: APRIL 19 - MAY 20

Taureans are seekers of peace and stability. Although unambitious, they are happy to be the powerhouse behind the scenes. They are usually sensible and blessed with a healthy dose of cynicism. Love is in bloom as Venus blows her moist air in your direction after April 14. If you are single, the world is your semenarium but for those in relationships, amorous thoughts bring complications. Until April 21, be especially suspicious of the activities of Taurean spouses.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending March 20, 2021

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. **Butter Honey Pig Bread** by Francesca Ekwuyasi (Arsenal Pulp Press)
2. **Raven Squawk, Orca Squeak** by Robert Budd, Roy Henry Vickers (Harbour Publishing)
3. **When We Are Kind** by Monique Gray Smith, illustrated by Nicole Neidhardt (Orca Book Publishers)
4. **Edible and Medicinal Flora of the West Coast: British Columbia and the Pacific Northwest** by Collin Varner (Heritage House Publishing)
5. **Takaya: Lone Wolf** by Cheryl Alexander (Rocky Mountain Books)
6. **Birds of British Columbia and the Pacific Northwest: A Complete Guide**, by Richard Cannings & Tom Aversa (Heritage House Publishing)
7. **Pinkerton's and the Hunt for Simon Gunanoot** by Geoff Mynett (Caitlin Press)
8. **Vancouver Exposed: Searching for the City's Hidden History** by Eve Lazarus (Arsenal Pulp Press)
9. **Field Notes from an Unintentional Birder** by Julia Zarankin (Douglas & McIntyre)
10. **Primary Obsessions** by Charles Demers (Douglas & McIntyre)



CANADIAN INCOME TAX

27,171,990

The number of Canadian tax filers for the 2019 tax year.

\$36,630

Median total income of Canadian tax filers for the 2019 tax year.

\$48,535

The income required to move from the lowest Canadian tax bracket (15%) in 2020. (Tax rate then jumps to 20.5%.)

\$39,476

The income required to move from the lowest U.S. tax bracket (10%) in 2019. (Tax rate then jumps to 22%.)

33%

Canada's highest tax rate in 2020 (for those earning more than \$214,368.)

25th

Canada's rank among 35 OECD member countries for tax revenue relative to GDP.

94.5%

The percentage of Canadian income tax returns filed electronically (to March 8, 2021).

1,688,440

Number of Canadians receiving a refund (to March 8, 2021).

\$1,893

Average tax refund to eligible Canadians (to March 8, 2021).

~ CRA.ca, Broadbent Institute, 150.statscan.gc.ca, investopedia

APRIL WEATHER

TEMPERATURES, MERRY ISLAND

Our average daily high temperature in April is 12.1 C and our average daily low is 6.5 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 9.3 C. The highest April temperature recorded is 20.7 C (April 27, 1972); the lowest is -1.1 C (April 3, 1975).

PRECIPITATION, MERRY ISLAND

April has an average of 190.8 hours of bright sunshine and 13 days with measurable rainfall. April averages a total monthly rainfall of 66 mm and a total monthly snowfall of 0.3 cm. The highest April daily rainfall on record is 31.8 mm (April 27, 1962); the highest April daily snowfall on record is 5.1 cm (April 3, 1975).

SKOOKUMCHUCK VIEWING TIMES

APRIL

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

EBB (-), FLOOD (+) - Standing wave is best on large flood (tide flowing into Sechart Inlet).

1. 1:57 PM -XL
2. 7:48 AM +L, 2:39 PM -XL
3. 8:43 AM +M, 3:38 PM -XL
4. 9:55 AM +S, 4:42 PM -M
5. 11:29 AM +S, 5:50 PM -L
6. 8:19 AM -M, 12:54 PM +S
7. 9:25 AM -L, 1:59 PM +S
8. 10:03 AM -L, 3:03 PM +M
9. 10:44 AM -L, 3:54 PM +L
10. 11:18 AM -L, 4:42 PM +L
11. 11:48 AM -L, 5:27 PM +L
12. 12:11 PM -L, 6:12 PM +XL
13. 12:27 PM -L, 6:55 PM +XL
14. 12:34 PM -L, 7:39 PM +XL
15. 12:26 PM -XL
16. 12:30 PM -XL
17. 7:12 AM +M, 1:01 PM -XL
18. 7:56 AM +S, 1:50 PM -L
19. 8:50 AM +S, 3:15 PM -L
20. 4:59 PM -L
21. 12:30 PM +S, 6:05 PM -L
22. 8:21 AM -M, 1:40 PM +S
23. 9:06 AM -L, 2:35 PM +M
24. 9:45 AM -L, 3:25 PM +L
25. 10:20 AM -L, 4:27 PM +XL
26. 10:53 AM -XL, 5:19 PM +XL
27. 11:26 AM -XL, 6:12 PM +XL
28. 11:44 AM -XL, 7:06 PM +XL
29. 12:29 PM -XL, 8:01 PM +XL
30. 6:38 AM +L, 1:23 PM -XL

These are estimates only and not intended for navigation.



Faye McCourt

Bergie and Minnie Solberg, 1977

Faye McCourt sent the *Harbour Spiel* this 1977 photo of Bergliot and Minnie Solberg in 2011 after reading a story about the two famous Sunshine Coast hunter/trappers in a previous issue. The photo was taken in Tuwanek.

"The girls had come to the door to request use of our freezer for a cougar hide," McCourt said. "I suggested a photo of their new belt buckles was fair trade. I never saw them together again."

MADEIRA PARK BARGAIN BARN

The Bargain Barn takes their mission of “Reduce, Reuse and Recycle” seriously. You might wonder what happens to your donations, once they have been sorted, if they cannot be sold at the Barn. Excess books are either given to the Book Nook at the Egmont Community Hall or are taken to the Gibsons Recycling Depot.

Once deposited at the Gibsons Recycling Depot, the books are delivered to Vancouver and are remarketed or put up for sale. Unsold books are sent to Discovery Books in the U.S. and are remarketed again. After that, any books not sold are shredded and recycled as a paper product.

Shoes, purses, clothing and housewares which are sent to GRIPS are picked up by Encorp and taken to the Salvation Army. Gently used merchandise from the Bargain Barn is gratefully received and taken to the Egmont Thrift Store which operates out of the basement of the Egmont Community Hall.

Keep an eye on the Bargain Barn’s website at *bargain-barnpender.weebly.com* for the latest information and check out their extensive stock of over 400 eBay items for sale.

SERENDIPITY CHILD DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

Founded in 1988, Serendipity Child Development Society has provided over 30 years of quality early childhood development services to families of the Pender Harbour and Egmont area. During that time operating the Serendipity Child Care Centre, the non-profit has faced many challenges including maintaining a full board, finances and staffing difficulties.

The SCDS is currently pursuing ideas to create a more sustainable and reliable model to better suit the needs of a growing community. Many families have struggled to find child care that meets their needs and have been forced to either commute down Coast or have been unable to return to work. Expanding the childcare program could entice more young families to move to the area, thereby enriching the community.

In BC, there is a major shortage of certified early childhood education staff and the SCDS is fortunate to have two experienced and caring individuals at the centre. Last year, Serendipity faced challenges due to COVID-19 and temporarily closed its doors. In February the centre re-opened to welcome returning and new families.

In order to maintain low rates, the SCDS strongly relies on fundraising and donations from the community to cover budget shortfalls and to maintain the daycare itself. To learn how to support two upcoming spring fundraisers, email *fundraisingserendipity@gmail.com*, or check out their Facebook page (Serendipity Child Care Centre).



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New beginnings: Pender Harbour Health Centre

By Kym Harris, PHHC community co-ordinator and Susann Richter, PHHC chief operating officer

In the last year, life has looked a lot different for folks in Pender Harbour.

The way we live our daily lives has changed significantly and all of us have had to learn to adapt to these changes.

From simple tasks like grocery shopping and other errands, to the way we socialize with friends and family, to the way we access health care.

These have all been challenges to some degree and yet we have all managed to cope and carry on.

The Pender Harbour Health Centre has continued to stay open and help the community in this difficult time and because of the challenges presented to us we feel stronger than ever.

During this past year, we have added to the programs and services that we offer.

Our nurses are currently helping with the COVID vaccine effort under the direction of Vancouver Coastal Health.

Most significantly, the health centre has secured a full-time physician and nurse: Dr. Colin Sutton and his wife, Linda McNeil, RN, both of whom will be joining our team this year.

The community will see a big change in the way health care is being provided.

The focus is to increase our ability to do team-based care, providing services that wrap around our patients, whether at home or in the clinic.

Transportation, which has been a major consideration for our seniors in allowing them to age in place, has



Brian Lee

been tackled and our wheelchair accessible van is now available to help those needing to get to medical appointments in a safe and dependable way.

We continue to offer expert care in nursing, home care nursing, including a nurse practitioner, social work services, chiropractic, massage therapy, child immunization, adult hearing assessments, foot-care nursing, adult daycare programs and many other social programs to keep people connected and socialized.

We now have an overdose outreach worker from the Sechelt mental health, substance use team coming to Pender to provide services and link with our team.

These programs are vital to our community because of the large geographical area in which we live.

Programs designed to reduce isolation have been proven to improve the quality of life.

It is one of our goals to build and increase such programs.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our community for their continued support and diligence in following the public healthcare guidelines.

We feel fortunate to be living in such a unique environment.

April 18 is the beginning of national volunteer week and in recognition, we would like to thank all the volunteers in our community for the help they give, including the health centre's own volunteers who carry on tirelessly.

The best way to find yourself, is to lose yourself in the service of others. ~ Mahatma Gandhi.



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Thank you to all the volunteers of Pender Harbour & Eggmont

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CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, April 21 & 28

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ADVANCE CARE PLANNING DAY IN CANADA: APRIL 16

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On Advance Care Planning Day, Canadians are encouraged to set aside time between 6-8 p.m. to talk openly with family, friends and loved ones. Tell them what would be most important to you in a health care emergency. Tell them what brings you joy. Above all, tell them about your values and wishes.

APRIL EVENTS FOR SENIORS

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View and pre-register for our activities:

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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.

APRIL

COVID-19 has made planning difficult. Check with organizers for updates regarding scheduling for events.

- Mon. March 29.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup (all clients) - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Sun. April 4.....Easter
- Thurs. April 8.....SCRD infrastructure services committee meeting - SCRD.ca, 9:30 a.m.
- Thurs. April 8.....SCRD regular board - SCRD.ca, 2 p.m.
- Mon. April 12.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup (all clients) - P. H. Community Church, noon
- Wed.. April 14.....GRIPS annual general meeting, GRIPS depot, 2 p.m.
- Thurs. April 15.....SCRD planning and development committee meeting - SCRD.ca, 9:30 a.m.
- Fri. April 16.....Advance Care Planning Day
- Sun. April 18.....National Volunteer Week starts
- Thurs. April 22.....Earth Day
- Thurs. April 22.....SCRD corporate and administrative services committee meeting - SCRD.ca, 9:30 a.m.
- Thurs. April 22.....SCRD regular board - SCRD.ca, 2 p.m.
- Mon. April 26.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup (all clients) - P. H. Community Church, noon

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



FERRY DEPARTURES

~ Effective to May 17, 2021 ~

Masks are now required to be worn at all times at terminals and on board vessels.
Check www.bcferries.com for service updates due to holidays and COVID-19.

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HORSESHOE BAY

- 7:30 am - Daily
- 9:45 am - Daily
- 11:55 am - Daily
- 2:10 pm - Daily
- 4:20 pm - Daily
- 5:30 pm - Daily
- 7:50 pm - Daily
- 10:55 pm - Daily

LANGDALE

- 6:20 am - Daily
- 8:40 am - Daily
- 10:50 am - Daily
- 1:05 pm - Daily
- 3:15 pm - Daily
- 5:25 pm - Daily
- 6:40 pm - Daily
- 8:55 pm - Daily

EARLS COVE

- 6:35 am - Daily except Sun
- 8:25 am - Daily
- 10:25 am - Daily
- 12:25 pm - Daily
- 4:55 pm - Daily
- 7:00 pm - Daily
- 8:50 pm - Daily
- 10:40 pm - Daily

SALTERY BAY

- 5:40 am - Daily except Sun
- 7:30 am - Daily
- 9:25 am - Daily
- 11:20 am - Daily
- 3:50 pm - Daily
- 6:00 pm - Daily
- 7:55 pm - Daily
- 9:45 pm - Daily

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