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We encourage everyone to come out on November 11 to support our veterans and honour their sacrifice.

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editorial

Marking 109 days without rain



Brian Lee

Has anyone else acquired a morbid fascination with our record weather?

Last summer's extreme heat dome caused untold damage to local ecosystems and outdoor weddings.

Then, after record rain storms over the winter, enter our Saharan drought.

By Oct. 20, at least 10 areas of the province, from the East Peace River to Western Vancouver Island, were suffering a level 5 (the highest) drought.

By press time on Oct. 23, we haven't had a significant rainfall (10 mm in an hour or 25 mm per day) since July 6 — over 109 days ago.

During July, August and September, the Sunshine Coast was drier than Death Valley and the Mojave Desert.

October is even drier, not recording any precipitation at the Sechelt airport until Oct. 21 when 0.3 mm fell.

Even dusty August and September had 3.1 mm and 4.2 mm respectively.

It's the fourth time in seven years that we have experienced serious drought.

According to the Globe and Mail, "More than 150 daytime temperature records were broken across B.C. in September. Another 33 were set in the first week of October."

Despite that, water supply in Pender Harbour and Egmont held strong once again while the Lower Coast has now endured stage 4 restrictions in five of the past eight years.

Stage 4 means a ban on all outdoor water use.

If they had a garden, it died.

On Oct. 18, a local state of emergency was called and a subsequent SCRD press release warned that rain currently forecast is unlikely to help:

"... it may take weeks for the required 150 mm of rain to fall to com-

pletely recharge the watershed.

"The Chapman watershed must be fully recharged in order for water regulations to be scaled back and for a state of local emergency to be lifted."

Restrictions mean the Chinook Swim Club can't swim and our breweries can't brew.

While it's business as usual up here, a few weeks ago I noticed that many of the native plants in my neighbourhood finally gave up.

Water suckers like cedar trees have been dying off for years but now even hardier plants look stressed.

In rocky areas, deciduous trees seemed to hang on for the drought's first 70 days or so, but then suddenly withered.

Many of the ferns and salal are now wilted or dead.

A dramatic local example of how climate change has already affected our landscape are the Hodgson Islands that sit outside Pender Harbour.

My photo archive shows that a decade ago, the most northerly of the islets boasted plenty of mature pine trees and vegetation.

Today, it's almost all dead skeletons and stands as a gruesome reminder of the shift happening all around us.

There is still plenty of scientific debate about what killed the dinosaurs but none around climate change.

Studies find that more than 90 per cent of scientists who study Earth's climate assure us that the planet is warming and we are the primary cause.

Humans spew carbon dioxide and the global population will hit 8 billion later this month.

As countries like Canada barely wince when we miss our emission reduction targets, the planet grows by 215,000 people every day.

There may be little else to do but adapt and take photos as the landscape, and our way of life, continue to change.

REMEMBRANCE AND CELEBRATION OF BARRIE FARRELL: Saturday, Nov. 5, Doors open at 12 noon

Barrie Farrell was a talented boat builder and friend to many in Pender Harbour. A celebration of his legacy will take place on Nov. 5 at the Pender Harbour Community Hall at 1 p.m. There will be food, music, stories and memorabilia about the man's life. Afterwards, a boat parade is planned through Pender Harbour to honour him and showcase many of his boats that still call the Harbour home. Memorabilia is appreciated — contact Sandy Hately at (604) 809-3447 or Brenda Scoular at (604) 883-2701.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Friday, Nov. 11, 11 a.m.

The Royal Canadian Legion No. 112 will host a Remembrance Day service at the cenotaph in Madeira Park on Friday, Nov. 11. A procession begins its march towards the Legion through Madeira Park at 10:30 a.m. followed by the service at 11 a.m. The service at the Pender Harbour cenotaph will include a colour party, pipers, an emcee, chaplain and a number of local representatives.

PENDER HARBOUR WILDLIFE SOCIETY PRESENTS DR. SUE GRAYSTON: Tuesday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.

At the PHWS monthly meeting, Dr. Sue Grayston will describe the often unseen forest biodiversity that exists below ground. In the last two decades, new techniques have provided unprecedented insights into the incredible diversity, organization and functioning of the below-ground ecosystem. Grayston will also describe research that has demonstrated the importance of living roots in sustaining this below-ground ecosystem. One-third to one-half of the carbon fixed by trees is exuded into the soil via roots and mycorrhizal fungi, and supports this vast food web of organisms. This finding has profound implications for how we manage forests, especially clearcut-harvesting and clearcut-with-reserves harvesting, which currently dominate forestry in BC.

Grayston is a resident of Earls Cove and professor of soil microbial ecology in the department of forest and conservation sciences at UBC. Email info@penderharbourwildlife.com to request a link to the Zoom meeting.



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Human remains found in suspicious car fire at Dan Bosch Park

The Sunshine Coast RCMP and the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team are investigating after a Sept. 28 car fire at Dan Bosch Park was found to contain human remains.

Just before midnight on Sept. 27, a suspicious car fire was reported at Dan Bosch Park by a passerby traveling north on Highway 101.

According to witnesses staying across the lake from the regional park, a series of explosions, one large and two small, could be heard followed by “some yelling” at 11:57 p.m.

The Egmont Fire Department arrived soon after and put out the fire that had spread to surrounding bushes.

The burning vehicle was positioned near tinder dry bush and surrounding forest.

After the fire was extinguished human remains were found in the vehicle.

The entire parking area was cordoned off awaiting IHIT who arrived later that day.

The park was reopened by the following day.

On Oct. 13, Sunshine Coast RCMP told the *Harbour Spiel* that the victim has yet to be identified and the cause of death is not yet available pending autopsy results.

According to Sunshine Coast RCMP, the Integrated Homicide Unit has now taken over the file.

“Police have a suspicion of who it is in the car but due to the condition, DNA comparison will be required,” said Const. Karen Whitby.

“The vehicle involved was a white Volvo hatchback.”

Anyone with information who has not already spoken to police is asked to contact the IHIT information line at 1-877-551-IHIT (4448) or by email ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.



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The Integrated Homicide Investigation Team was brought in for a suspicious car fire at Dan Bosch Park in the early hours of Sept. 28 after human remains were found inside the charred vehicle.




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At its season-end awards ceremony in October, the Ladies Club of the Pender Harbour Golf Club presented Reni Ducich (r) with the coveted championship award. At the meeting, a special note of thanks was given to Heather Cranston (l), the outgoing captain and a longtime volunteer of the club, who will be leaving the Coast shortly. Trophies were also presented to Linda Klikach (low net), Sandra Pylypiuk (match play), Reni Ducich (seniors), Wendy Haddock (33+ handicap), Anita Caspersen (hole-in-one), and Steph Garner (eagle). The group meets Thursdays from April through mid-October. New members and guests are welcome by signing up at the golf shop.

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Break and enter at Mountain View Service

Kleindale's Mountain View Service was the site of a break and enter on Oct. 6.

According to Sunshine Coast RCMP, thieves broke into the Petro Canada gas station at 13525 Sunshine Coast Hwy. around 4:30 a.m.

Two suspects fled after they spotted an employee.

Const. Karen Whitby told the *Harbour Spiel* that rumours of an employee being pepper-sprayed at the scene are false.

"A can of bear spray was located in

the area but there were no reports that it had been used on anyone," said Whitby.

"Suspects saw the employee and fled without having any contact with him — no assault or bear spray."

The thieves made off with cash removed from the automated teller machine, cigarettes and lottery tickets.

Police said they have no descriptions of the two suspects as they were fully covered with masks and gloves.

The suspects used a black Dodge Dakota that had been stolen from Sechelt a few hours earlier.

BC naming office requests comment on shíshálh name proposal

The shíshálh Nation has applied to the BC Geographical Names Office to change the name of a number of local sites, including Pender Harbour.

A letter was received from the BCGNO at the Sept. 22 SCRD board meeting requesting comments on a proposal by the band to change the names of 10 geographical features throughout the Sunshine Coast.

Included in the proposal is a request to change Pender Harbour to “kalpalin,” its shashishalhem name.

According to the letter, the place name kalpilin has been associated with the use of the region to shelter from the wind and rough sea.

Therefore, the shíshálh associate the name kalpilin with its use as a “sheltered area.”

The direct translation of kalpilin means “coming around/detouring in a

certain direction.”

Other geographical names up for review are:

- Change the name of Hunaechin Creek to “enichen stulu” for the creek that flows SW into Skwawka River;

- Change the name of Mount Victoria to “k’els” for the mountain at the head of Queens Reach, Jervis Inlet (lekw’emin);

- Adopt the name “enichen” for the site located at the junction of Hunaechin Creek (enichen stulu) and Skwawka River;

- Change the name of Deserted River to “ts’unay stulu” for the river that flows SW into Deserted Bay (ts’unay);

- Change the name of Deserted Bay to “ts’unay” for the bay at the NE end of Princess Royal Reach, Jervis Inlet (lekw’emin);

- Adopt the name “ts’unay” for the

site located at the mouth of Deserted River (ts’unay stulu), on the shore of Deserted Bay (ts’unay);

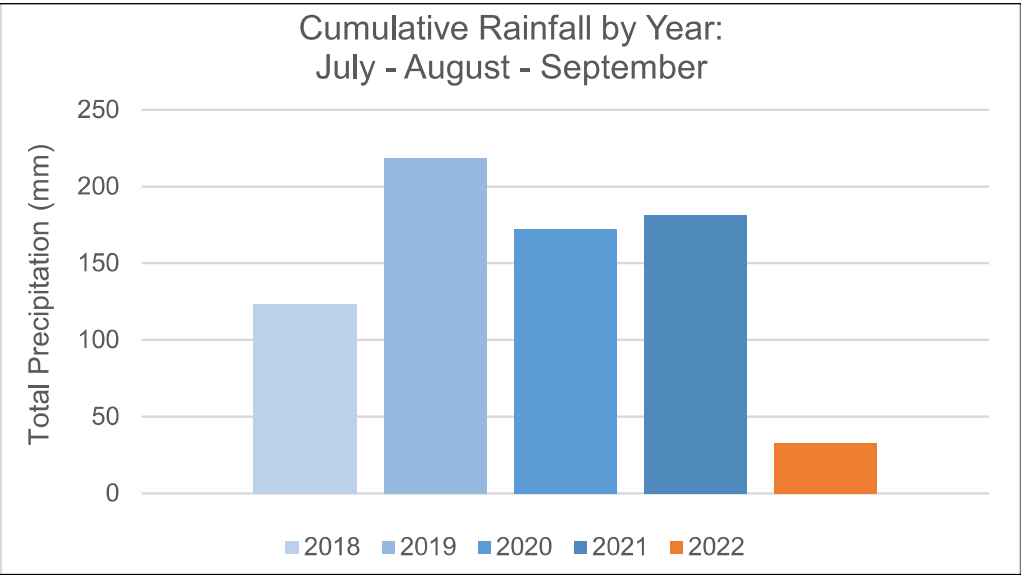
- Change the name of the NE part of Jervis Inlet to “lekw’emin,” made up of Prince of Whales Reach, Princess Royal Reach, and Queens Reach;

- Change the name of Earls Cove to “skelh” for the cove at the north end of Sechelt Peninsula, facing the north end of Agamemnon Channel, and

- Adopt the name of “mala/Hind-Smith Lake” for the lake east of Chapman Lake, NW of Panther Peak, within Tetrahedron Park.

The Pender Harbour and Area Residents Association is compiling comments from community members regarding the proposed name changes to forward to the BCGNO by Dec. 18.

Comments can be emailed to PHARA at board@phara.ca.



From an Oct. 12 news release from the SCRD ‘Water supply update – Every drop counts,’ the above graph illustrates just how dry our summer has been, even compared to record-breaking droughts in the recent past. Figures were recorded at the Sechelt Airport at the top of Field Road. While the Lower Coast has remained at stage 4 water restrictions through much of the summer and are facing critical water shortages under a Sept. 18 ‘state of local emergency,’ South Pender Harbour water users remain at stage 2 while Garden Bay, Egmont and Earls Cove residents remain at stage 1.

Royal Canadian Legion #112

Pender Harbour 2022 Poppy Campaign

Donations to our Poppy Campaign benefit our community:

In 2022, two bursaries were awarded to PHSS graduates.

2022 Poppy Campaign begins Friday, Oct. 28.

Please come to our Remembrance Day Ceremony on

Friday, November 11

Procession marches off at 10:30 am.

Service at 11:00 am.

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Pedestrian struck in Madeira Park in stable condition in ICU

A pedestrian struck by a car on the Sunshine Coast Highway near the Grasshopper Pub on Oct. 9 is in stable condition in Vancouver General Hospital’s intensive care unit.

At 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 9, Sunshine Coast RCMP responded to a pedestrian struck on the highway near the Grasshopper Pub.

The 33-year-old woman, described by RCMP as “a local female,” was airlifted to VGH.

As of Oct. 13, the victim was still in stable condition in the ICU.

Sunshine Coast RCMP told the *Harbour Spiel* that there was “no sign of impairment from the driver.”

The incident occurred at 8:30 p.m. so it would have been dark with no illumination in the area.

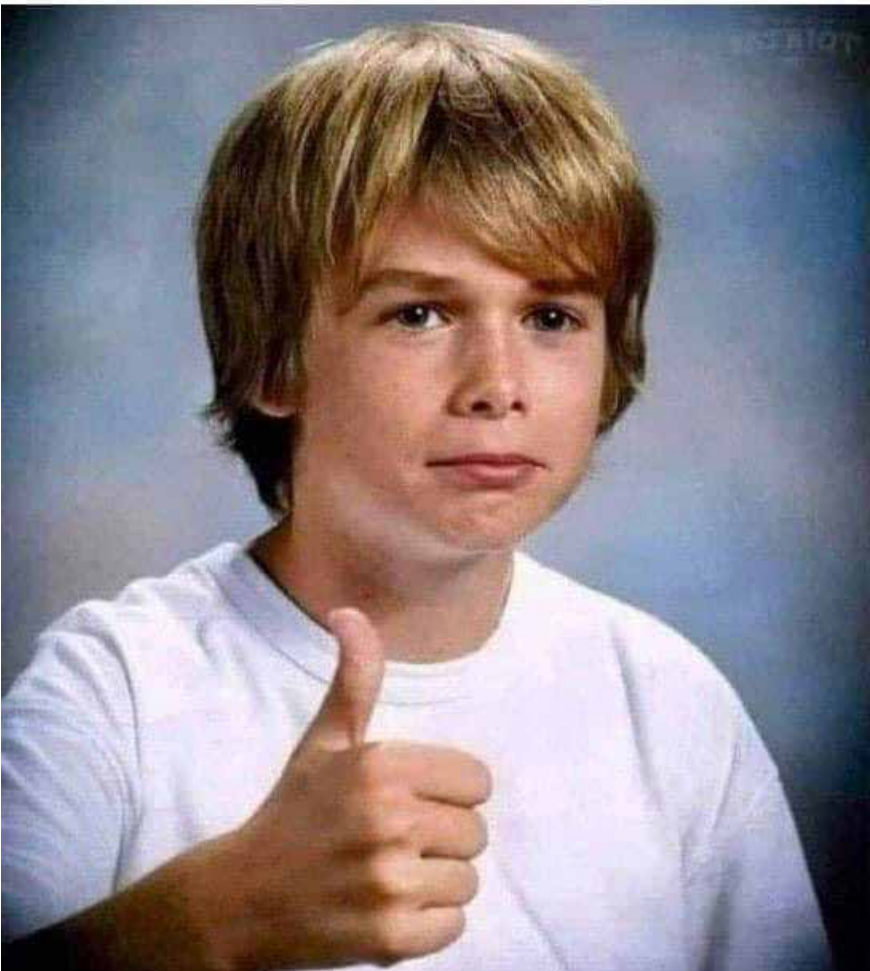
Police are still investigating how the victim came to be on the roadway as witnesses report the victim had been lying on the road prior to getting hit by

a vehicle driven by a Sunshine Coast resident.

Sunshine Coast RCMP are requesting anyone with a dashcam driving in the area of Sunshine Coast Highway between Parkview Road and Narrows Road and who may have witnessed the pedestrian struck, to contact the RCMP at (604) 865-2266 and reference police file no. 2022-6879.

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New SCRD board



*Leonard Lee
Area A director, SCRD*

With the 2022 local government elections over, a new SCRD board of directors will be formed with nine members acclaimed, elected, and yet to be decided.

This term's rural directors are Leonard Lee (Egmont-Pender), Justine Gabias (Halfmoon Bay), Kelly Backs (Roberts Creek), Donna McMahon (Elphinstone), and Kate-Louise Stamford (West Howe Sound).

The municipalities will announce their new director appointments (three) by the Nov. 10 inaugural SCRD board meeting.

Philip Paul (Sechelt Indian

Government District) will continue as director at least until the Sechelt Nation's Feb. 2023 elections.

Christine Alexander will remain as my alternate.

FOOD WASTE

We've already heard that food waste will have to be separated from household garbage and placed in a different bin at the P. H. Transfer Station, and charged at the same rate as household garbage, but there's uncertainty about the implementation date.

The start date, originally scheduled for Oct. 1, has been tentatively advanced to Nov. 1, but will be formally announced via the SCRD website and the Facebook page.

So, until you hear otherwise, continue to include your food waste in

your regular garbage or separate it and drop it off, free of charge, at Salish Soils in Sechelt.

TRANSFER STATION PROGRESS

A 2021 assessment of the Pender Harbour Transfer Station identified multiple improvements required for continued safe operation of the facility, including a new scale house and commercial tipping-pad, and repair/relocation of the wood and green-waste areas, propane storage bin, 20- and 40-yard bin areas, concrete Lock-Block wall, and the perimeter electric fence.

Before reopening, the Share Shed needs a new roof, fascia and eaves, repair to an excessively moist and rotting interior, and installation of a new rain barrel in a better location.



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NEW WASTE DISPOSAL REGULATIONS

It is now mandatory to keep all food waste, compostable food soiled paper and recyclable paper out of your garbage.

Residents in Pender Harbour and Egmont have the option to drop off their food waste at the Pender Harbour transfer station.

Compostable bags that are BPI certified can be used for food waste. Bags with this certification are sold at many local retailers.



For more information, visit www.scrd.ca/reduce-waste.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Inaugural Board
November 10 at 2:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole
November 24 at 9:30 a.m.

**Electoral Area Services
Committee Meeting**
November 17 at 2:00 p.m.

Regular Board
November 24 at 2:00 p.m.

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Although the Share Shed could have been demolished for \$70,000, the SCR D chose to repair it for \$96,000.

Early this year, the SCR D approved the 2022 planning work to allow construction to begin in 2023, so, we expect completion of a greatly improved transfer station next year.

UBCM'S REAL PURPOSE

Annual Union of BC Municipalities conferences allow local governments to express concerns, share experiences, suggest resolutions and, if all goes well, see positive results.

Following is a summary of resolutions submitted by Sunshine Coast local governments.

These resolutions support established UBCM policy, are recommended for endorsement, and expected to be approved as a block:

- Province to implement and make available tools to local governments to mitigate climate change impacts in our communities;
- Province to require ICBC to provide access to their database that includes vehicle details, so a better estimate of greenhouse-gas emissions can be determined, and
- UBCM to urge the provincial government to bring together the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, Forest Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Department of Fisheries and Oceans and local governments to develop a stormwater action plan.

The following, pulled for discussion, was amended to remove an implication of local government financial support, and then passed:

- Province to provide funding to community-based hospice programs.
- These new resolutions, with no

committee recommendation, were considered individually:

- Endorsed — UBCM to urge the province to develop and implement short-term rental enforcement solutions for local governments;
- Endorsed — UBCM to encourage the province to recognize that recreational vehicles are used for year-round living, including development of regulations to ensure health and safety for the use of RVs for year-round living, and to include RVs in the BC Housing Action Plan.
- Not endorsed — UBCM to encourage the province to shift taxation for road infrastructure to a more equitable, user-pay model through alternative funding mechanisms or other means not reliant on fuel sales.

The following, contrary to UBCM policy, was given a recommendation against endorsement policy, and

- UBCM to establish options for electronic UBCM conference attendance to establish broader democratic participation and reduce greenhouse-gas emissions.

We expect a response from the province in early 2023 that will either provide resolution to our issues or information on how we can take further action.

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Richard George Hartley

FEBRUARY 5, 1947 — SEPTEMBER 27, 2022



Rick Hartley died peacefully on Sept. 27 with his wife Margaret at his side after a long battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and Alzheimer's.

Hartley was born on Feb. 5, 1947 in Kenora, Ontario.

He grew up in Winnipeg and made his way to the Sunshine Coast when he was 16.

He attended Pender Harbour Sec-

ondary School for Grade 10, moved to Victoria for graduation and eventually found his way back to Pender Harbour.

Hartley and wife Margaret lived in Garden Bay for 28 years, with children Stephanie and Geoff Warner.

They moved to Clearwater in 2017 where he loved working on the property with his yard tractor.

Throughout his life, Hartley enjoyed boatbuilding, working on the house and yard, boating, camping with his family, and blues and rock and roll.

He loved his pets and all animals.

Hartley hid a soft heart under a sometimes gruff exterior.

He was passionate about his family and was always happy to help out someone in need.

Life was never boring.

He is survived by his wife Mar-

garet, stepchildren Stephanie and Geoff Warner, his mother Barbara Wood, his brothers David and Scott (Karen) Wood, his son Dory Richards (Deb) in Winnipeg, grandchildren Alec (Jessica), Nicole, and Paige (Luke), brothers and sisters-in-law Linda Cumming (Dennis), Doug Richardson, Sue Richardson (Roland), John Richardson (Jana), Sylvia Poiet, and Bruce Richardson (Linda), as well as numerous nieces and nephews and grandnieces and nephews, all of whom he loved very much.

His family would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support.

For those who wish to make a donation in his memory, Hartley's favorite charities were the SPCA and War Amps.

A celebration of his life will take place at a later date.

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

photojournal



Brian Lee

The Garden Bay Sailing Club's weekly Saturday race has received plenty of late season warmth with very little traffic in Pender Harbour in recent weeks. Here some of the competitors enjoy the bonus season navigating around the Skardon Islands Oct. 1.

Household appliance disposal free of charge

Starting Nov. 1, the Sunshine Coast Regional District's Sechelt Landfill and Pender Harbour Transfer station will be accepting, for free, major household and residential appliances in partnership with the Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable.

MARR is a stewardship program responsible for large residential appliance recycling in BC.

From an SCR D press release:

"With the new public drop-off area now completed at the Sechelt Landfill, the SCR D is in a position to partner with the MARR program to provide collection sites," said Rebecca Porte, SCR D interim manager of solid waste services.

"We anticipate that the elimination of disposal fees will result in an increase in the number of appliances being dropped off at our disposal facilities and, as a consequence, a

reduction of illegal dumping of such appliances is also to be expected."

The household appliances that are accepted at the landfill and transfer station include refrigerators, freezers, clothes washers, clothes dryers, dishwashers, ranges, range hoods, built-in ovens, built-in microwaves or over-the-range microwave ovens, air conditioners, trash compactors, food waste disposers, electric hot beverage dispensers, electric cold beverage dispensers, water coolers and dehumidifiers.

The landfill and transfer station facilities have limited capacity and space and there may be some delays when arriving at the facilities.

For more information, visit www.marrbc.ca or www.scrd.ca/Recycling-Directory or contact the infrastructure services division at (604) 885-6806 or infrastructure@scrd.ca.

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

A great Harbour Seal of Approval to the wonderful Garden Bay Fire Department and Dave and Simon, the two paramedics that helped me after my fall. They were so professional and efficient.

John King

Many Harbour Seals of Approval to Ann and Patrick Munro, Lyn and Bill Charleton, and Kathy Ritches for their help and wonderful meals they have been providing for me after my fall and return from hospital.

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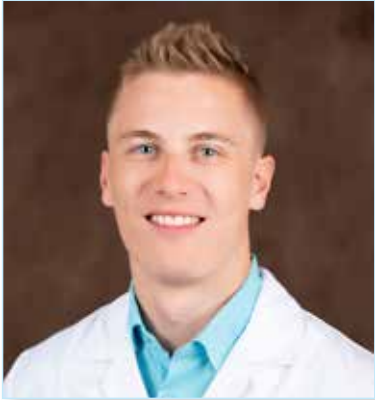
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Before UBC Dental School, Dr. Dre completed an honours degree in molecular biology and biochemistry with a minor in biomedical physiology and kinesiology at Simon Fraser University.

While at dental school, he participated in a dental implant elective course which established his early interest in this field of dentistry.

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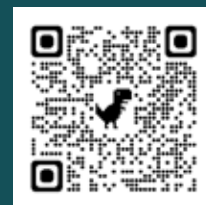


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Whiskey Slough icon *Lulu Island* sinks



This story originally appeared in the November 2012 issue of the Harbour Spiel.

One of two derelict tugs moored for many years in Pender Harbour's Whiskey Slough has sunk.

The 90-year old *Lulu Island* now sits partially submerged beside its anchormate the *Kwatna*, after sinking during the night of Sept. 29.

Small amounts of contaminants could be seen floating on the surface before Canadian Coast Guard crews installed oil booms around the stricken vessel Sept. 30.

In an email reply to the *Harbour Spiel* on Oct. 24, communication officer for the Canadian Coast Guard, Dan Bates, wrote:

"When a Coast Guard crew attended the scene, they advised that no pollution was evident.

"Later that day the vessel owners were onscene attempting to pump out the vessel. The owner indicated there was no fuel onboard the vessel."

Bates also said that a crew from Coast Guard Environmental Response investigated the site on Oct. 17 and confirmed no pollutants were found.

Though the tugs have taken on iconic status and are popular with local photographers, they have also been a source of controversy for a many years due to their apparent lack of seaworthiness and state of disrepair.

Bates confirmed the responsibility for the vessel remains with the owner, "... who has indicated that he is arranging divers and a tug to salvage the vessel."

Jillian Glover, senior communications advisor with Transport Canada, confirmed that they are currently monitoring the vessel.

November 2022



Brian Lee

Originally named the *Thomas Crosby*, the *Lulu Island* was built in 1922 for the United Church as a Coast Columbia Mission Boat and now sits partially submerged beside her anchormate *Kwatna* in Whiskey Slough.

Editors note: The *Kwatna* sank two years later in June of 2014. Both sunken vessels were removed in 2019.

She said in cases like this, its authority extends only to navigational obstructions.

"If there is a threat of pollution from a vessel then the Coast Guard takes the lead," said Glover.

"We would not have legal grounds to take action on a vessel if

it's not a threat to navigation."

The *Lulu Island* and the *Kwatna* are owned by Pender Harbour resident Ray Kucher.

Kucher was reported in the Sept. 2001 issue of the *Harbour Spiel* as planning to soon "restore them to working condition."

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- ☐ c. Painted Boat Resort
- ☐ d. Downtown Egmont



- ☐ a. Agamemnon Channel
- ☐ b. Roberts Beach
- ☐ c. Egmont
- ☐ d. Gunboat Bay



- ☐ a. Sakinaw Lake
- ☐ b. McNeill Lake
- ☐ c. Garden Bay Lake
- ☐ d. Klein Lake



- ☐ a. Millennium Park
- ☐ b. Katherine Lake Park
- ☐ c. Egmont gov't wharf
- ☐ d. Tyner Park



- ☐ a. P. H. School of Music
- ☐ b. Royal Canadian Legion 112
- ☐ c. P. H. Community Hall
- ☐ d. Sarah Wray Hall



- ☐ a. Buccaneer Bay
- ☐ b. Harmony Islands
- ☐ c. Skardon Islands
- ☐ d. Hodgson Islands

Answers: p. 34

Four-plus: **Local**

Two-plus: **Newbie**

Less than two: **Townie**

30 + 20=50: Pender volunteer fire dept. celebrates Larry Curtiss

Barry Ashley

Nearly 20 years ago, in the February 2003 edition (issue no. 148) of the *Harbour Spiel*, there appeared an article entitled “Thirty Years a Pender Harbour Firefighter.”

It recognized a member of the Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department being the first to reach that considerable milestone of such service to his community.

Would you believe that, come Nov. 7, that same member — Larry Curtiss — will have added another 20 years to that total?

Incredibly, Curtiss will have completed 50 uninterrupted years serving our community.

That’s five decades of switching from normal activity like enjoying a meal or sleeping, to rushing to the fire station to climb on a fire truck to go to someone’s aid at the sudden, urgent “beep-beep” of a pager.

Such is the life of a volunteer firefighter, but to do it for 50 years?

Well, that’s a bit special.

For Curtiss, nothing much appears to have changed in that time.

He’s as keen as ever to serve his community in this unique way.

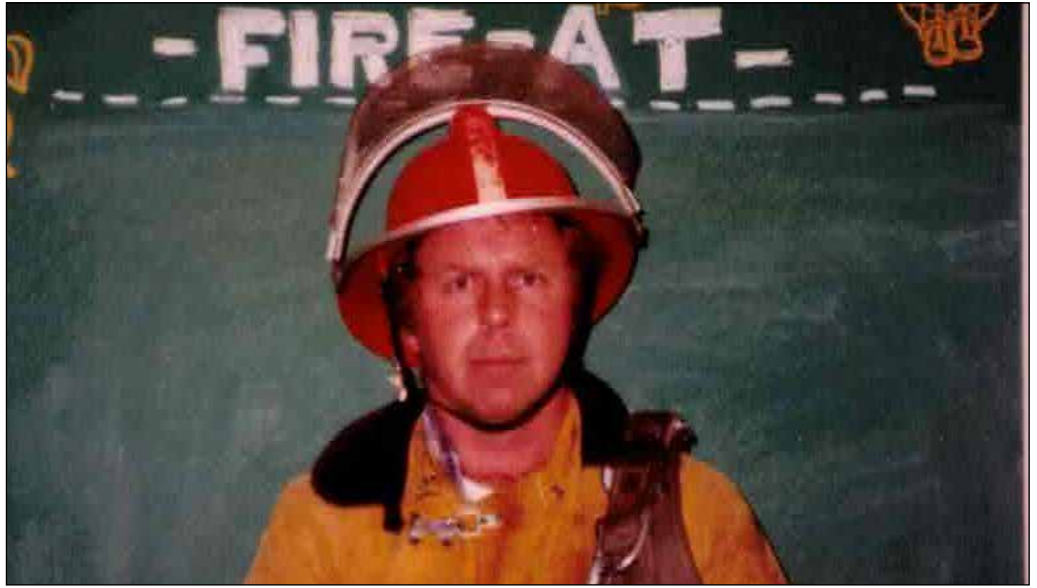
He’s just a bit older and more prepared (reluctantly) to let the younger ones do the heavy lifting.

He’s totally dependable when there’s a call and is often seen driving the first responding engine.

Nothing ever dampens this man’s enthusiasm for the job that I suspect he thinks is the best there is.

He absorbs new ideas and is a wonderful mentor to any new recruits that come our way — all too few, sadly.

Over the years he has seen it all and his experience and knowledge, al-



PHVFD

Larry Curtiss in gear at the Madeira Park hall in 1983.

ways quietly hidden away, are invaluable to the rest of the department.

At an age when ordinary people have long retired from everything but pursuing pleasure, this extraordinary man keeps on being a firefighter.

It never seems to occur to him that he could retire and he’s never been heard to even mention it.

In the early days of his fire-fighting career, Curtiss was also on call for the ambulance and had some role within the RCMP — there can’t be too many people around who can say that.

But that was all a long time ago. These days he doesn’t push him-

self that hard but, with his wife Linda, is still very much concerned about and involved in community affairs.

He’s still the fun-loving, cheerful man he always was and still enjoys a good, harmless prank.

Quite simply, he’s a joy to have around.

So, come November, you may want to say your own “thank you” to this remarkable man.

Or, perhaps even consider following his example and join your volunteer fire department — new recruits are always welcome.

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The Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department is recruiting for a training session that will start in January.

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- Nov. 3 ~ **Charlene Cote**, **Sue Rayment** and **Trevor Ross**.
- Nov. 4 ~ **Sandy Boyd**, **Brennan Bennett**, **Pressley Silvey** and **Daphne Taylor**.
- Nov. 5 ~ **Diana Degraaf**, **Colton Edwardson**, **Finnley Silvey** and **Tanis Zayshley**,
- Nov. 6 ~ **Kathie Atherfold** and **Max Scoular**.
- Nov. 7 ~ **Joni Mitchell**.
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- Nov. 9 ~ **Candace Cruikshank** and **Matthew McKimm**.
- Nov. 10 ~ **Tom Duncan** and **Nicole MacDonald**.
- Nov. 11 ~ **Loretta McDonald**.
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- Nov. 18 ~ **Steve McCanse** and **Amanda Ross**.
- Nov. 19 ~ **Cheryl Jensen** and **Dennis Levasseur**.
- Nov. 20 ~ **Umeyo Kishimoto** and **Jill Wagner**.
- Nov. 22 ~ **Jennifer Girard**, **Alysa English**, **Brooke Fraser**, **Anne Fraser** and **Mark Raaflaub**.
- Nov. 23 ~ **Dodie Edwardson**, **May Silvey**, **Dave Daiken** and **Wayne Griffith**.
- Nov. 24 ~ **Maggi Guzzi** and **Chase Campbell**.
- Nov. 25 ~ **Neil Remmen**, **Paul Gaudet** & **Leah Pockrant**.
- Nov. 26 ~ **Gary Griffith**.
- Nov. 27 ~ **Betty Sladey** and **Natasha Landry**.
- Nov. 28 ~ **Tavia Chandler-Kwan**, **Ryder Noble** and **twins Paige** and **Lexi Pauls**.
- Nov. 29 ~ **Marie Coombes**, **Pete Hannah**, **John McDonald**, **Myrna Pickering** and **Kaila Silvey**.
- Nov. 30 ~ **Lori Clarke**, **Brayden Zayshley** & **Foster Willan**.

NOVEMBER ASTROLOGY



SCORPIO: OCT. 24 – NOV. 22

Scorpios are highly sensitive and compassionate, with a fierce pride and determination. With Pluto as the ruling ex-planet, people born under this sign are considered to be dynamic and extreme in their opinions. Retrograde Jupiter in the fifth house will start messing with matters of love. Words will be easily misunderstood, leading to conflict with a romantic partner. You will find a wandering dog and then post its photo on Facebook to find its owner.



SAGITTARIUS: NOV. 23 – DEC. 21

Sagittarians love excitement and adventure. They are easily bored but often trendsetters. They are bold and impulsive, natural explorers who thrive on change and mental stimulation. This month, Saturn will be present in the second house of your horoscope in its own sign, Capricorn. Just like last time, it will make you distant from your family. They will point this out, you will tell them to get stuffed and there will be lingering awkwardness until Dec. 4. On Nov. 21, a handsome stranger enters your life and takes you to pound town.

BC BESTSELLERS

For the week ending Oct. 15.

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

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~ Association of Book Publishers of BC



UKRAINE WAR

6,114

The number of verified civilian deaths in Ukraine (as of Oct. 2, 2022), according to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

6.1 million

The number of border crossings from Ukraine into Poland (the highest of any neighbouring country) as of Sept. 2022.

320

The number of foreign companies that completely withdrew from Russia since they invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24, 2022.

4x

Russia’s active military personnel was over four times larger than Ukraine’s.

25,000

Estimated number of Russian soldiers killed in the Ukraine War by Aug. 24, 2022.

9,000

Estimated number of Ukrainian soldiers killed in the Ukraine War by Aug. 24, 2022.

\$113.5 billion

The cost in destruction to Ukraine caused by Russia’s invasion (as of Aug. 24).

\$900 million

One estimate of what Russia is currently spending every day to sustain their invasion of Ukraine.

\$9.1 billion

The amount the United States has provided in military/security assistance to Ukraine since Feb. 24.

~ Statista, NY Times

NOVEMBER WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our November average daily high temperature is 8.8 C and our average low is 5.2 C, giving us a daily mean of 7 C. The highest November temperature recorded is 15 C (Nov. 4, 1975); the lowest is -7.3 C (Nov. 27, 1985).

PRECIPITATION (MERRY ISLAND)

November averages 55.8 hours of bright sunshine and 19 days with precipitation. November’s average monthly rainfall is 148.5 mm; snowfall is 2.5 cm. The highest November daily rainfall recorded at Merry Island is 50 mm (Nov. 3, 1989); snowfall is 9.6 cm (Nov. 25, 1985).

SKOOKUMCHUCK
VIEWING TIMES

NOVEMBER

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

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- 2. 1:00 PM +XL
- 3. 1:52 PM +XL
- 4. 2:36 PM +XL
- 5. 9:01 AM -M, 3:13 PM +L
- 6. 9:02 AM -M, 2:49 PM +L
- 7. 10:07 AM -M, 3:12 PM +L
- 8. 10:54 AM -M, 3:34 PM +M
- 9. 11:35 AM -M, 4:00 PM +M
- 10. 12:16 PM -M
- 11. 12:57 PM -M
- 12. 1:40 PM -M
- 13. 8:27 AM +XL, 2:37 PM -M
- 14. 8:35 AM +XL, 3:17 PM -M
- 15. 10:01 AM +XL
- 16. 11:07 AM +XL
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- 18. 11:59 AM +L
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- 22. 9:55 AM -M, 2:21 PM +L
- 23. 10:46 AM -M, 3:00 PM +L
- 24. 11:34 AM -M, 3:42 PM +M
- 25. 12:20 PM -M
- 26. 1:07 PM -M
- 27. 1:58 PM -M
- 28. 8:48 AM +XL, 3:08 PM -M
- 29. 9:36 AM +XL
- 30. 10:23 AM +XL

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*Compiled by Pender Harbour Health
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Growing a mustache is probably not the first thing one thinks about when November rolls around but it is becoming increasingly popular with many men who wish to promote a greater awareness for prostate cancer.

Movember, aka November, may be a fun way to get the message out there, but prostate cancer is definitely an important issue.

Prostate cancer is the most common cancer among Canadian men (excluding non-melanoma skin cancer).

In 2022, 4,600 Canadian men will die from prostate cancer.

This represents 10 per cent of all cancer deaths in men in 2022.

CAUSES:

Some factors appear to increase the risk of developing prostate cancer.

These include being 65 or older, a family history of prostate cancer and African ancestry.

High-fat diets and working with a metal called cadmium are being studied as possible risk factors.

However, it is possible to develop prostate cancer without any of these risk factors.

And though one can't change some of the risk factors such as age and ancestry, eating healthier is manageable.

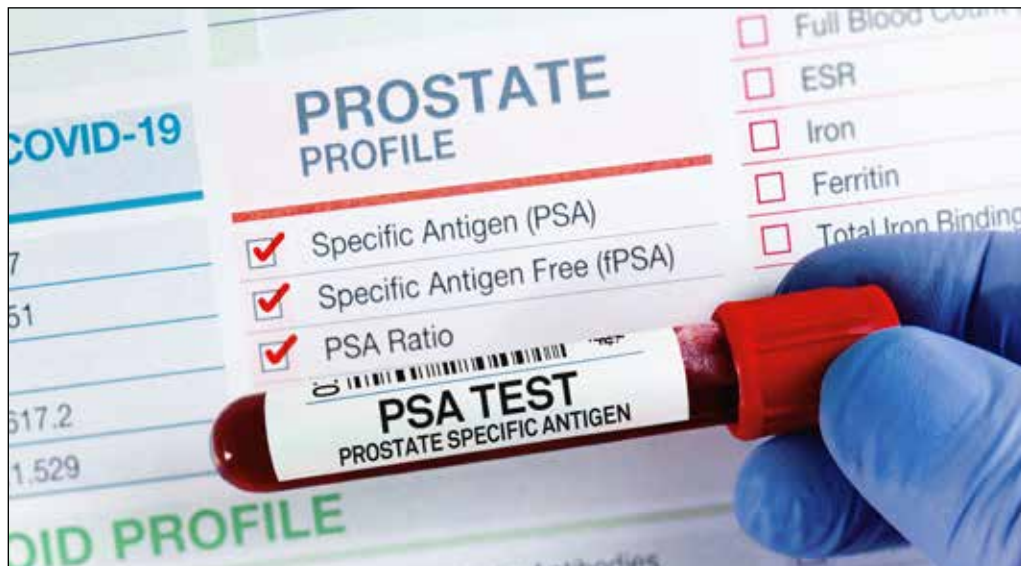
A healthy diet is not only good for you in general, it may help reduce your risk of prostate cancer.

This includes eating less fat and eating a diet high in vegetables and fruit.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

In the early stages, there may be no symptoms.

Prostate cancer is usually found November 2022



during a routine physical examination.

As men age, the prostate can become enlarged for a number of reasons and can lead to difficulties with urination.

These symptoms don't mean that cancer is present, but they should be checked with a physician:

- Starting or stopping urination is a problem;
- Slow stream, painful urination or ejaculation, or
- Dribbling, frequent urination, loss of urinary control, blood in urine or ejaculate, night-time voiding.

In advanced cases of prostate cancer, symptoms can include weight loss, fatigue, backache or swelling of the legs that won't go away.

Prostate cancer can be detected early using a prostate specific antigen

blood test and a digital rectal exam.

Other tests used to help diagnose this type of cancer include imaging studies and biopsy.

It's time to talk with your doctor if you're a man and you:

- Will soon be 50 years old;
- Are over 50 and you haven't talked about prostate cancer with your doctor yet;
- May be at a higher risk of developing prostate cancer because of family history or if you are of African ancestry, or
- Have symptoms of prostate cancer.

It's important to know that prostate cancer is highly curable if caught in its early stages.

Therefore early detection, diagnosis and effective treatment are key.

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pender harbour tides ~ november 2022

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

Canoe Pass:



November	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM	Noon	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	12AM
Tue 01	8.8	7.0	5.3	4.1	3.4	3.4	4.2	5.8	7.9	10.2	12.4	14.0	14.9	15.0	14.6	13.7	12.7	11.8	11.2	11.0	11.2	11.5	11.7	11.5
Wed 02	10.7	9.4	7.8	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.3	5.1	6.5	8.5	10.7	12.7	14.2	15.1	15.0	14.4	13.4	12.1	10.9	10.1	9.8	10.1	10.6	11.1
Thu 03	11.3	11.1	10.2	8.9	7.5	6.2	5.4	5.3	5.9	7.3	9.2	11.3	13.2	14.6	15.2	14.9	14.0	12.5	10.9	9.5	8.6	8.4	8.9	9.7
Fri 04	10.7	11.4	11.5	11.0	9.9	8.6	7.3	6.4	6.2	6.8	8.2	10.1	12.2	13.9	15.0	15.2	14.5	13.1	11.3	9.3	7.8	7.0	7.1	7.9
Sat 05	9.1	10.5	11.7	12.2	11.9	11.0	9.6	8.3	7.4	7.2	7.8	9.3	11.1	13.0	14.5	15.2	14.9	13.7	11.8	9.6	7.5	6.1	5.5	6.1
Sun 06	7.8	10.0	11.9	12.9	12.7	11.8	10.5	9.2	8.3	8.2	8.9	10.4	12.1	13.8	14.8	15.0	14.2	12.4	10.1	7.7	5.7	4.6	4.4	5.3
Mon 07	7.1	9.2	11.3	12.9	13.6	13.4	12.5	11.2	9.9	9.1	9.1	9.9	11.4	12.9	14.2	14.8	14.4	13.0	10.8	8.3	5.9	4.2	3.5	3.9
Tue 08	5.3	7.4	9.8	12.1	13.7	14.3	14.0	13.0	11.7	10.5	9.9	10.0	10.9	12.2	13.4	14.2	14.3	13.3	11.5	9.0	6.5	4.4	3.1	2.9
Wed 09	3.8	5.6	8.1	10.7	12.9	14.4	14.8	14.4	13.3	12.1	11.0	10.5	10.8	11.6	12.6	13.5	13.9	13.4	12.0	9.8	7.3	5.1	3.4	2.6
Thu 10	2.9	4.2	6.4	9.0	11.6	13.7	14.9	15.1	14.5	13.5	12.3	11.4	11.0	11.3	12.0	12.8	13.4	13.3	12.3	10.5	8.3	6.0	4.1	2.8
Fri 11	2.6	3.3	5.0	7.4	10.0	12.4	14.3	15.2	15.2	14.5	13.5	12.4	11.6	11.4	11.7	12.2	12.8	12.9	12.4	11.1	9.2	7.1	5.1	3.6
Sat 12	2.8	3.0	4.0	5.9	8.3	10.8	13.0	14.6	15.2	15.1	14.4	13.4	12.4	11.8	11.6	11.8	12.2	12.5	12.3	11.4	10.0	8.2	6.3	4.7
Sun 13	3.7	3.2	3.7	4.9	6.8	9.1	11.4	13.4	14.6	15.1	14.8	14.2	13.3	12.4	11.8	11.6	11.8	12.0	12.0	11.5	10.5	9.1	7.5	6.0
Mon 14	4.8	4.1	3.9	4.5	5.8	7.7	9.8	11.8	13.5	14.6	14.9	14.6	14.0	13.2	12.3	11.7	11.4	11.5	11.5	11.4	10.7	9.8	8.6	7.3
Tue 15	6.1	5.2	4.7	4.7	5.4	6.7	8.4	10.4	12.2	13.7	14.5	14.7	14.4	13.8	13.0	12.2	11.4	11.0	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.4	9.7	8.7
Wed 16	7.6	6.6	5.9	5.5	5.5	6.2	7.5	9.2	11.0	12.6	13.9	14.5	14.5	14.1	13.3	12.3	11.4	10.6	10.2	10.1	10.3	10.5	10.5	10.1
Thu 17	9.4	8.5	7.5	6.7	6.2	6.3	7.0	8.3	9.9	11.6	13.1	14.1	14.5	14.3	13.6	12.5	11.3	10.2	9.4	9.1	9.3	9.7	10.2	10.5
Fri 18	10.5	10.0	9.2	8.2	7.4	7.0	7.0	7.8	9.0	10.7	12.3	13.6	14.4	14.5	13.9	12.8	11.3	9.9	8.7	8.1	8.0	8.5	9.4	10.3
Sat 19	10.9	11.1	10.8	10.0	9.0	8.2	7.7	7.8	8.5	9.9	11.5	13.0	14.1	14.5	14.2	13.2	11.5	9.7	8.1	7.0	6.6	7.0	8.0	9.3
Sun 20	10.6	11.6	12.0	11.7	10.9	9.8	8.9	8.4	8.5	9.4	10.8	12.3	13.6	14.4	14.5	13.6	11.9	9.9	7.8	6.2	5.3	5.3	6.2	7.7
Mon 21	9.5	11.3	12.5	12.9	12.6	11.7	10.6	9.6	9.1	9.3	10.3	11.7	13.1	14.2	14.6	14.0	12.5	10.3	7.9	5.7	4.2	3.7	4.2	5.7
Tue 22	7.8	10.1	12.2	13.5	14.0	13.5	12.5	11.3	10.3	9.8	10.2	11.2	12.5	13.8	14.5	14.4	13.2	11.1	8.5	5.9	3.8	2.5	2.4	3.5
Wed 23	5.5	8.1	10.8	13.1	14.5	14.8	14.3	13.1	11.9	10.9	10.5	11.0	12.0	13.2	14.2	14.5	13.9	12.1	9.5	6.7	4.0	2.1	1.3	1.6
Thu 24	3.2	5.7	8.7	11.6	14.0	15.3	15.5	14.8	13.6	12.3	11.4	11.2	11.7	12.7	13.8	14.4	14.3	13.1	10.9	8.1	5.1	2.6	1.0	0.5
Fri 25	1.3	3.3	6.1	9.3	12.3	14.6	15.9	15.9	15.1	13.9	12.6	11.8	11.7	12.2	13.2	14.0	14.4	13.9	12.3	9.8	6.9	4.1	1.8	0.5
Sat 26	0.4	1.5	3.7	6.7	9.9	12.9	15.1	16.1	16.0	15.2	14.0	12.8	12.0	12.0	12.5	13.3	14.0	14.1	13.3	11.4	8.9	6.2	3.6	1.7
Sun 27	0.6	0.8	2.1	4.4	7.4	10.5	13.3	15.3	16.1	16.0	15.1	14.0	12.8	12.1	12.0	12.5	13.1	13.6	13.6	12.6	10.8	8.5	6.0	3.7
Mon 28	2.1	1.3	1.6	3.0	5.3	8.1	11.0	13.6	15.3	16.0	15.8	15.0	13.8	12.7	11.9	11.7	12.0	12.5	12.9	12.8	12.0	10.4	8.4	6.3
Tue 29	4.4	3.0	2.5	2.9	4.3	6.4	9.0	11.7	13.9	15.4	15.9	15.6	14.7	13.5	12.3	11.4	11.0	11.2	11.5	11.9	12.0	11.5	10.4	8.8
Wed 30	7.0	5.5	4.4	3.9	4.4	5.7	7.7	10.0	12.4	14.3	15.5	15.8	15.4	14.3	13.0	11.6	10.5	9.9	9.9	10.3	10.8	11.2	11.2	10.5

P. H. ROTARY SPREADING KINDNESS FUNDRAISER

For the past five years, donations to the Spreading Kindness Fundraiser have assisted local youth and families in need throughout the year by supporting the Pender Harbour Community School youth and families support program. Funds are used to purchase essential supplies, grocery cards and to address the specific needs of youth and families locally all year long.

Donate online <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/1875/donate> or etransfer to phrotarydonation@gmail.com or mail cheque payable to P. H. Rotary, (Spreading Kindness in memo) Box 40, Garden Bay, BC, V0N 1S0.

PENDER HARBOUR WOMEN'S CONNECTION

On Tuesday, Nov. 8, Erin Hirst of Ground Waves West will be joining us. With Christmas just around the corner, Erin will give us inspiring gift and decor ideas that are sure to add sparkle to our holiday spirit.

On Tuesday, Nov. 22, Carole Logtenberg, a well-known chair yoga instructor in Pender Harbour will join us to give us background into the benefits of this popular form of exercise.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. with speaker starting at 10 a.m. The drop-in fee is \$4 and yearly membership is \$15.

PENDER HARBOUR WILDLIFE SOCIETY

On Tuesday, Nov. 15, Dr. Sue Grayston will describe the often unseen forest biodiversity that exists below ground. There are more organisms in one tablespoon of soil than there are people on earth. In the last two decades, new techniques have provided unprecedented insights into the incredible diversity, organization and functioning of the below-ground ecosystem.

Grayston is a professor of soil microbial ecology at UBC and a resident of Earls Cove. Her presentation starts at 7 p.m. You do not need to be a member to attend. Please email info@penderharbourwildlife.com to request a link to the Zoom meeting.

PENDER HARBOUR GARDEN CLUB

The Pender Harbour Garden Club presents Richard Beard of Keats Island, on Monday, Nov. 28 at the School of Music in Madeira Park from 1 to 3 p.m. Doors open at 12:45 p.m. and there is a \$5 drop-in fee or \$15 for a 2022 membership. Beard has a diploma in the restoration of natural systems from the University of Victoria. He will discuss invasive plants of the Sunshine Coast, likely future consequences and what we can do in our own communities and gardens.

ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTORY

• Chamber of Commerce, P. H. & Egmont	(604) 883-2561
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• Egmont Community Club	(604) 883-1379
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• Health Centre Society	(604) 883-2764
• Health Centre Auxiliary.....	(604) 741-2646
• InStitches (last Thursday of month, 10 a.m.).....	(604) 740-1151
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• Men's Cancer Support Group.....	(604) 883-2393
• P. H. Aquatic Centre Society.....	(604) 885-6866
• P. H. and Area Residents Association.....	(604) 883-9205
• P. H. Blues Society.....	(604) 741-1186
• P. H. Choir (7 p.m., Tuesday).....	(778) 227-8430
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• P. H. Ramblers (hikers, every Tues. a.m.).....	(604) 883-1191
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• Sunshine Coast Better At Home.....	(604) 989-6171
• Sunshine Coast Women's Outreach Services	(604) 741-5246
• Wildlife Society (3rd Tues. PHSS)	(604) 883-9853
• Women's Connection (2nd & 4th Tue.).....	(604) 883-0444

WE'VE HAD SOME CHANGES AT THE PENDER HARBOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL THIS FALL!



We say farewell to Francine Clohosey and Paola Stewart.

Both were long time employees and champions of the Community School and we will miss them.

We welcome Cheyenne Howitt as the new Director of the Community School.

We are excited to have her so please stop in and say hello!



We have extended our hours to include opening on Thursdays.

Our hours are now Tuesday to Friday, 9am-3pm.

Get in touch...

Do you have any skills you would like to share with our community?



We are looking for art instructors and facilitators for other programs. If you have a skill that you would like to share, please contact us. If there is a program you would like to see in the Harbour, let us know.

The PHCS Board is looking for a Treasurer.

If you are interested in joining our Board please contact Cheyenne at the Community School.



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This Fall at the Pender Harbour Community School:

MENS DROP IN HOCKEY

Wednesdays @ PHSS Gym 6-8pm,

For men in Grade 10 and older. \$5 for adults, free to PHSS students.

VENDORS!

If you would like to be a vendor for the Community Christmas Craft Fair on December 3 contact the Community School. Local, handmade items please!

REMINDER

Please be sure to let the Community School know about any Christmas Season events, we will add them to our online calendar at www.pendercommunity.ca

CERTIFICATION COURSES

We are looking at running a FoodSafe, an Emergency First Aid and CORE Courses. Contact us for more information.

POSTER ROUTE

If your group has events to promote, drop off posters at the Community School and we will distribute them from Madeira to Egmont. Maximum size is half of an 8.5 x 11 paper.



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

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

Nov. 3 – Addressing the social and economic impacts of ageism in Canada
(Lunch served at 12:30 on this date.)

Nov. 10 – Music by Matt Richards

Nov. 17 – Music by the "HUGS"

Nov. 24 – Music from the harp with Marg Skelley

CARPET BOWLING: Wednesdays, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

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

CHAIR YOGA: Mondays & Fridays, Nov. 4, 7, 14, 18, 21, 25 & 28

At the Pender Harbour Community Hall 11am – 12pm with Carole Logtenberg. Cost: \$3
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Drop-in for swimming, to use the weight room or to take a fitness class.
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FACILITY HOURS OF OPERATION (UNTIL NOV. 28):

MONDAY TO FRIDAY	MONDAY & THURSDAY	TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY EVENING & SATURDAY:	SUNDAY:	FACILITY CLOSED:
7:30am to 1pm	Weight room: 3:30pm to 6:30pm Pool: 5pm to 6:30pm	Weight room: 3:30pm to 8:30pm Pool: 5pm to 8:30pm	Closed	1pm to 4pm	Friday Nov. 11 (in honour of Remembrance Day.)

Starting November 29, please check the website for hours of operation.

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The Book of Gnome: Snippets of global wisdom

John Dickinson

One of the nicest spots on the Pender Harbour section of the Sun-coaster Trail is the lookout over Ruby Lake, between Sakinaw and Klein.

Featuring a couple of benches and overseen by a four-foot-tall carved wooden gnome of unknown origin, it is an ideal place to take a rest from the uphill climb and contemplate life and what a spectacular area we live and play in.

Back in March, I left a blank notebook in the protective hands of the gnome with simple instructions — write your initials, age, where you are from, and the best advice you've ever received.

Over the course of the summer about 100 trail users contributed, with many locals and visitors from as far away as Europe and Costa Rica taking the time to entrust their personal wisdom to the gnome.

Here are some:

T.C. (EGMONT) AND NM (ITALY)

A true friend is the most valuable thing in the world.

A.M., 28 (OTTAWA)

Treat everyone with kindness, you don't know what their path looked like before it met yours.

ASHLEY, 31 (REGINA)

Pee before you leave the house.

KARVINA (CZECH REPUBLIC)

Weed out your negative friends and acquaintances

J.S., 40 (SECHLT)

Happiness is not by chance, but by choice.



John Dickinson

John Dickinson (l) collected comments from visitors this summer on the Klein Lake-Ruby Lake traverse with the help of a wooden gnome (r) overseeing the project.

K.M. (SQUAMISH)

If you focus on the known, you get the known.

If you focus on the unknown, you create a possibility.

—Joe Dispenza

KATH AND JAMES (GIBSONS)

Slay every day!

M.K., 18 AND J.M., 50 (ROBERTS CREEK)

Just stop and listen.

ANNELIE, 34 (BEND, OREGON)

Love big!
Find your self-worth and live by it.

R.R., 13

Don't eat yellow snow.

H.B., 25 (100 MILE HOUSE) AND

K.H., 22 (VANCOUVER)

Do all small things with great love.

A.C., 30 AND P.L., 46

(VANCOUVER)

It's okay to not be okay :)
Just say Hi!

R.S., 29 AND K.M., 27 (THUNDER

BAY, ON.)

Always dress in layers.

JACK, 25 (ENGLAND)

Don't take life too seriously!
Be happy and love life, be nice to others.

M.W., 74 AND R.P., 72

(MADEIRA PARK)

Pay off your credit card every month.

I.C., 46 (NORTH VANCOUVER)

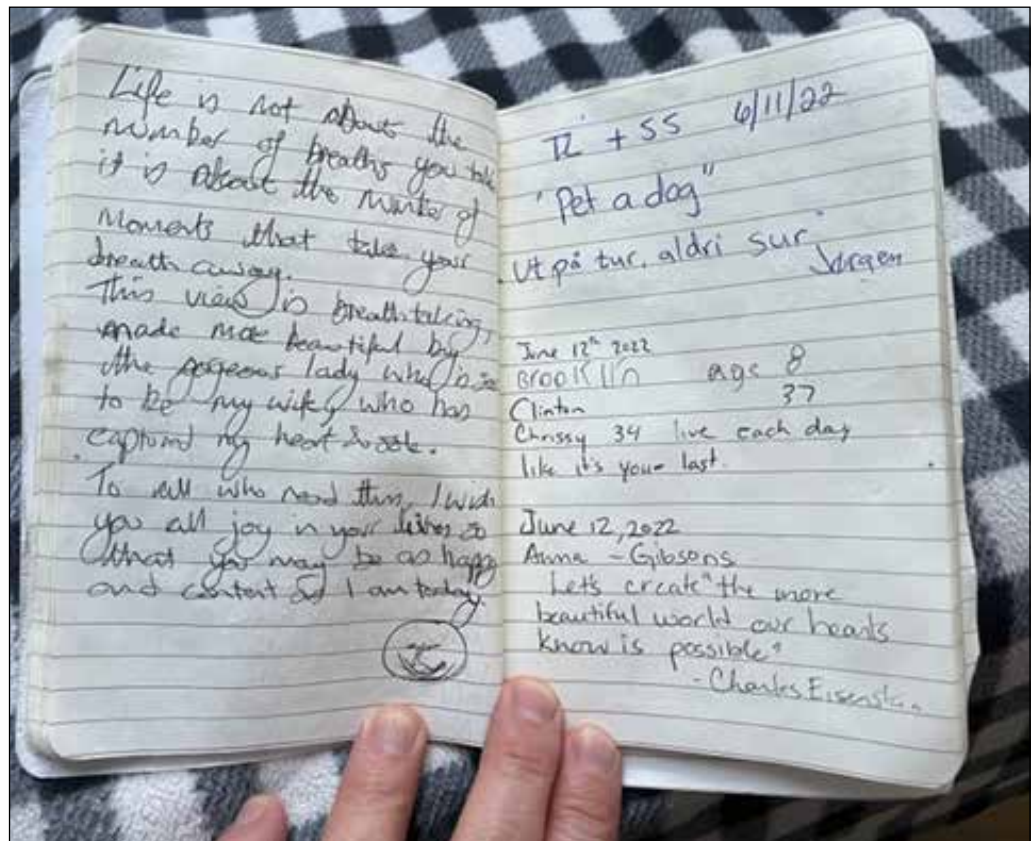
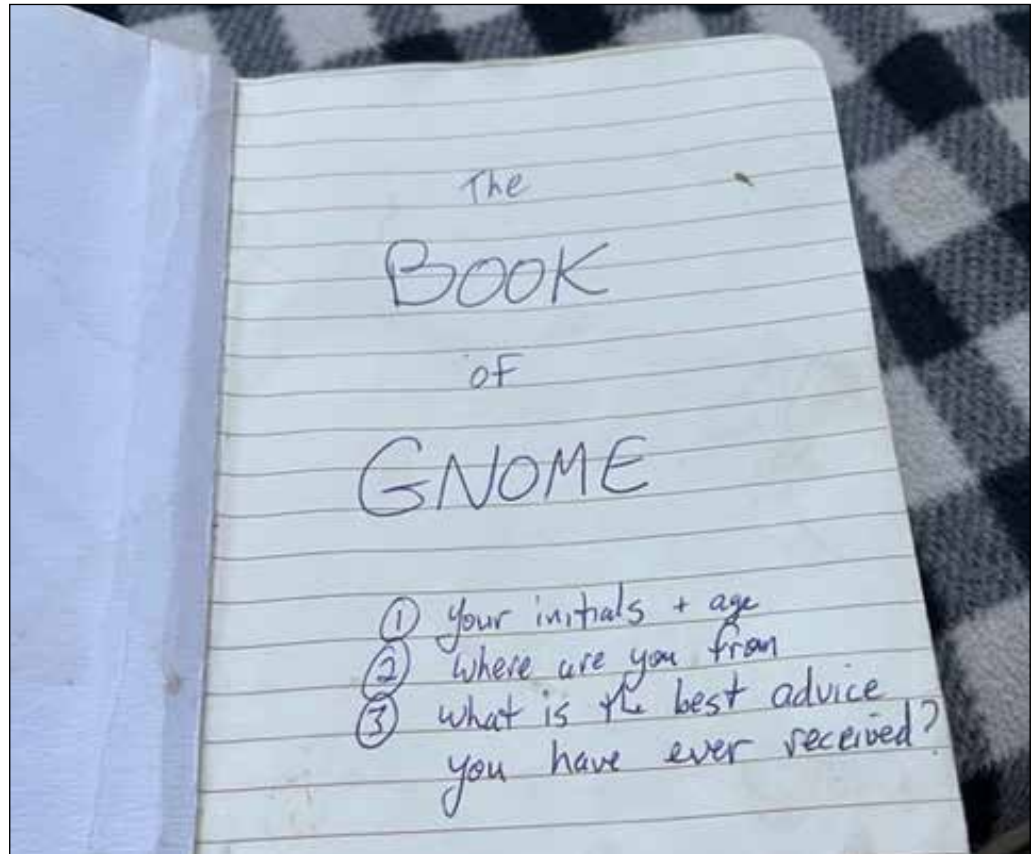
Pain is temporary, quitting is forever.

G.M. (EDMONTON)

Don't worry.
Most people are rooting for your success.

T.B., 40 (VICTORIA)

Get out and enjoy.
Doesn't matter if you're last.



NOVEMBER

- Mon. Oct. 31..... PHVFD Halloween Fireworks Display - Millennium Park, 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 3.....National Consultation on Ageism - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 3.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
- Sat. Nov. 5.....Barrie Farrell Remembrance and Reunion - Pender Harbour Community Hall, 12 noon
- Tues. Nov. 8.....P. H. Women's Connection presents Erin Hirst - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 10.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 10.....SCRD inaugural board meeting - SCRD boardroom, 2 p.m.
- Fri. Nov. 11.....Remembrance Day ceremony - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 11 a.m.**
- Sun. Nov. 13.....P. H. Music Society presents Dawn Pemberton, P. H. School of Music, 2 p.m.
- Mon. Nov. 14.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Tues. Nov. 15.....P. H. Wildlife Society presents Dr. Sue Grayston - via Zoom, 7 p.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 17.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 17.....SCRD electoral area services meeting - SCRD boardroom, 2 p.m.
- Tues. Nov 22.....P. H. Women's Connection presents Carole Logtenberg - P.H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 24.....SCRD committee of the whole meeting - SCRD boardroom, 9:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 24.....Harbourside Friendships - P. H. Community Hall, 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Nov. 24.....SCRD regular board meeting - SCRD boardroom, 2 p.m.
- Sun. Nov. 27.....P. H. and District Health Centre Society AGM - Royal Canadian Legion 112, 1 p.m.
- Mon. Nov. 28.....P. H. Garden Club presents Richard Beard - P. H. School of Music, 1 p.m.
- Mon. Nov. 28.....Pender Harbour food bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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



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