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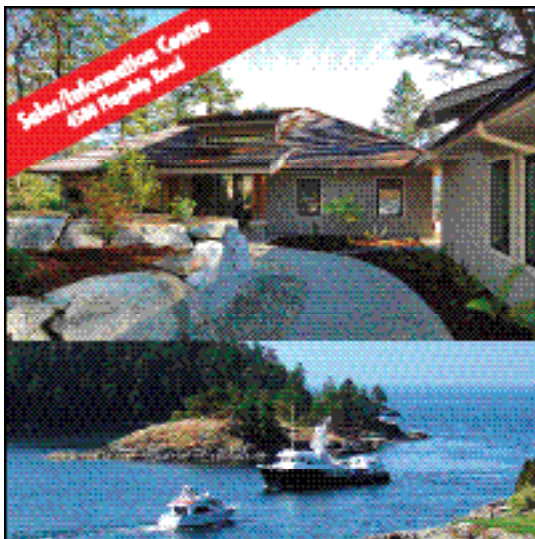
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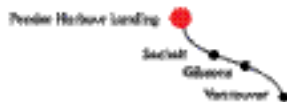
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##### FRIDAY, JULY 31

- 9 am - 5 pm Set-up and participants' arrival
- 7 pm - 9 pm Participant 'Meet and Greet' - P. H. School of Music

##### SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

- 8 am - 10 am Wooden boat owners' registration
- 10 am - 5 pm Boat festival open to the public
- \$2 entry fee: In-water/land displays and exhibition
- 10 am - 5 pm 2008 People's Choice Award Painting by Nora Hanula available for preview and silent auction
- 12 am - 3 pm Musical entertainment by Skinny Jimmy
- 6 pm - 8 pm Seafood dinner - P. H. Community Hall (Limited seating)

##### SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

- 9 am - 11 am Lions' Pancake Breakfast - P. H. Community Hall
- 10 am - 2 pm Boat show open to the public
- \$2 entry fee: In-water/land displays and exhibition
- 10 am - 5 pm 2008 People's Choice Award painting by Nora Hanula available for preview and silent auction
- 12 am - 3 pm Musical entertainment by Skinny Jimmy
- 3 pm - 4 pm Final awards and silent auction results
- 7 pm - 10 pm Participants banquet at Madeira Park Legion

##### MONDAY, AUGUST 3

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- 12 pm - 5 pm Participants return to base!

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## EDITORIAL

### On getting 'old and decrepit'

By Brian Lee



Congratulations, Class of 2009.

As I sit watching you, I realize it's been exactly 20 years since me and 12 of my

friends were up on that same stage.

In 1989, if someone had asked me what it would have been like to graduate in Pender Harbour 20 years before, I might have pictured it in black and white.

I'm sure, to you now, that gulf in time is incomprehensible; but it's eerie how little has actually changed.

Even the song crackling through the gym speakers is the same. It's become a grad ceremony standard but Rod Stewart's "Forever Young" was a fresh hit the year we graduated. (Just sayin'... we were first.)

Your dapper tuxes, the elegant dresses and wedding day hair seem as familiar as last Tuesday but you weren't even born when I was up there.

I even chuckle as Rowen Christie (sharing the valedictorian address with Miranda Snell) smugly ponders his classmates' future:

"In 20 years when we're old and decrepit..."

(Keep up with the cheeky talk and you might not make it that far, sonny boy.)

Twenty years from now, you'll understand how stealthy change can be.

How it creeps up on you so incrementally, you won't even notice it's there.

For a young mind grappling with the mixed emotions of post-exam relief and the bittersweet farewell to

childhood — all rolled into one wide-eyed photo op — is significant enough.

But this little ceremony is just the party before the journey — a chance for your relatives to wave as you shove off toward adventures waiting past the horizon.

There'll be plenty of time to worry about the future when you get there but just in case you get curious about what's in store for you, try this. It's from a book by Robert Pirsig called *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*:

"You look at where you're going and where you are and it never makes sense, but then you look back at where you've been and a pattern seems to emerge.

"And if you project forward from that pattern, then sometimes you can come up with something."

I've found it's as good a trick as any to settle anxiety about the future but it won't work for a few years yet.

If you try right it now, all you'll see is more Mr. Loporini.

For now, just go out and sample life as if you were grazing in the bulk food aisle — try everything.

The pattern for the rest of your life develops as you absorb each new experience — so don't limit yourself.

Overcome any self-consciousness early on that growing up in Pender Harbour might have handicapped you.

It may take awhile but it's been my experience that, in time, you'll find the reverse is true.

And in 2029, maybe you'll come back for a grad ceremony at your old school where you too will ponder a Rod Stewart song and wonder if it isn't true.

Cover photo: Standing (l-r): Bruce Herman, James Halsall, Larry Curtiss, Steve Morton, Reg Morton, Barrie Wilbee, Rose Wilbee. Seated (l-r): Davena Morton, Lyle Forbes, Scott Matheson. Lyle Forbes carved the Lowes Resort totem pole that sat on the bluff overlooking the docks while living in Vancouver and sold it to Lowes when he moved up in the mid-1980s.

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As always, the Pender Harbour School of Music is the home base for the regatta. Registration takes place there Friday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. followed by a skippers meeting from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. A BBQ and awards presentation (\$25/person) will be held there on Saturday evening after the race. Call Tom Barker at 883-2689 or Zoro Szabados at 883-2679 to take part or if you would like more information.

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## New address system pleases Mr. Postman

Canada Post has announced a change to how mail will be delivered in the Madeira Park and Garden Bay postal code areas.

A standardized address system is scheduled to replace the rural route system this August.

Mail addresses will be linked to street address and some may also receive a new postal code.

"It brings us into compliance with all the emergency services — fire, ambulance, 911," says Madeira Park postmaster Judy Grimson.

"It's like a step up for our whole community to be moving into the same system as the rest of the province."

Postal codes for Madeira Park (V0N 2H0) and Garden Bay (V0N

1S0) post office boxes will remain the same but rural route addresses will change.

For rural route addressees in Madeira Park the new postal code will become V0N 2H1 and Garden Bay rural routers will be V0N 1S1.

Earls Cove falls under the Madeira Park area but has a different postal code, V0N 2H4.

Egmont's postal system will not change at this point.

Along with the changes to address, residents will soon notice new community mail boxes replacing the the green roadside group mailboxes.

"It's beautiful new equipment," says Grimson.

"It's secure and offers customers the opportunity to pick up parcels

right at their boxes without coming into the post office."

Since the new system depends on street addresses, renters of illegal suites may have a problem getting their mail.

Landlords will likely have to register their rental suites with the SCRD to receive a designated address.

Due to safety concerns, some rural sites will be discontinued with postal service consolidated in areas with easier access for traffic.

Grimson says there will be complimentary redirection of mail for six months after the new system takes effect.



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## Pender residents clear: Don't trash our landfill

About 100-plus residents packed into the Pender Harbour Legion Hall June 13 to hear Dion Whyte, manager of sustainable services for the SCRD, present various options available as the current permit phase of the landfill nears maximum capacity.

At issue is whether or not to close the Pender Harbour Landfill and ship future waste from Area A to the Sechelt landfill.

### AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Using information provided in a report by independent consultants Sperling Hansen Associates, the SCRD has identified four options to deal with future waste disposal in Area A:

1. Expand westward by adding 5,424 square metres to the current footprint. This option would see the Forest Service road that borders the landfill moved higher so waste could continue to be layered on top of the current site. This option would increase the landfill's lifespan by 16 years.
2. Expand the site northward, adding an additional footprint of 14,744 square metres. This would increase the lifespan by 29 years.
3. Close the landfill and maintain a transfer station that would see all future waste hauled to the Sechelt landfill in standard bins.
4. Close the landfill and main-



Dion Whyte, SCRD sustainable services manager, fields questions regarding the future of the Pender Harbour Landfill.

tain a transfer/compaction station that would see future waste hauled to the Sechelt landfill in compacting bins.

The report projects a cost savings if waste were shipped to the Sechelt site.

### BACKGROUND

The Pender Harbour Landfill is one of two landfills operating on the Sunshine Coast and has the potential for at least 29 more years of use.

The Sechelt Landfill is estimated to have approximately 25 years left before it reaches capacity but needs costly upgrades in the near term.

Whyte said that shipping waste from Area A would reduce its capacity by about two to four years, although closure costs and upgrades required for the Sechelt Landfill were not factored into the figures included in the presentation.

Several members of the audience recalled past debates as the landfill reached phase capacity, requiring expansion or modifications.

"Thirty years ago... the sky was falling and the dump was going to

close in three months," said Vera McAllister.

"The next time it was leachate. Each time, Area A voted to keep the landfill in Area A and we have done this consistently.

"The regional board keeps spending money on these studies that tell us we have to close and Area A keeps telling them we don't want it closed so they find a solution."

Many, if not most, who spoke at the meeting were concerned about the need for better recycling initiatives as an alternative to landfills.

Though sometimes off topic, suggestions for how the SCRD could reduce the amount of waste entering our landfill drew considerable support from the crowd.

### THE PROCESS

Local governments are required by the Ministry of Environment to hire independent consultants to present options as they wade through the Environmental Management Act's permit renewal process.

Hinting at future pressure they might face when it comes to landfills, Whyte included a portion of a letter he received from Ashley Smith, an Environmental Protection Officer with the Ministry of Environment.

"It should be noted that the ministry is making an effort to close small rural, usually inefficient landfills and replace these facilities with transfer stations," wrote Smith.

"The waste would then be shipped to a 'regional landfill' that contains current pollution control works."

Several who spoke at the meeting voiced their perceptions of an ongoing effort by the SCRD to close the Pender landfill.



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If there is a desire on the part of the SCRD to close the Pender Harbour landfill, it's coming from some of the directors on the board — not the staff, said former Area A director John Rees.

“The issue is, and always was, whining by some directors about the Pender Harbour landfill not breaking even,” said Rees.

Landfill service on the Sunshine Coast is combined into one budget function (No. 350) which includes the operation of both landfills.

Historically, tipping fees have provided a healthy surplus at the Sechelt landfill while the Pender site has operated at a loss.

“I always had total support from staff as far as the operation of the Pender Harbour landfill is concerned because they considered it one service for the entire Coast,” says Rees.

“Every year, when we got to Function 350 in the budget process, one of the directors would start complaining about the burden of the Pender Harbour landfill... Some functions will break even and some will cost money — that's the nature of municipal services.”

Rees says his last battle over this issue was in 2008 when it concided with the dramatic increase in assessments for Area A.

Rees drew up some figures showing the per capita contributions to the landfill function.

“(They) saw immediately that while we were paying about \$45 per resident to support landfill, Gibsons residents were paying about \$17.”

Rees says he often pointed out that, while the operation of the Pender Harbour landfill was costing more than the revenue it provided, building permit applications from Pender Har-

## Pender Harbour Landfill Options (Sperling Hansen Associates figures)

| Lifecycle Cost Assessment Summary | Western Expansion     | Northern Expansion     | Transfer Station (Standard Bins) | Transfer Station Compacting Bins |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Capacity                          | 53,284 m <sup>3</sup> | 100,619 m <sup>3</sup> | n/a                              | n/a                              |
| Lifespan                          | 16 yrs                | 29 yrs                 | n/a                              | n/a                              |
| Closure                           | 2025                  | 2038                   | 2010                             | 2010                             |
| Hauls to Sechelt                  | n/a                   | n/a                    | every 4-5 days                   | every 10 days                    |
| Capital Costs                     | \$155K                | \$267K                 | \$146K                           | \$300K                           |
| Closure Costs                     | \$990K                | \$1.48M                | \$670K                           | \$670K                           |
| Operational Costs                 | \$13.53M              | \$14.66M               | \$12.43M                         | \$10.98M                         |
| Post Closure costs                | \$620K                | \$730K                 | \$480K                           | \$480K                           |
| Lifecycle Cost                    | \$15.5M               | \$17.3M                | \$13.7M                          | \$12.4M                          |
| Lifecycle (\$ per tonne)          | \$139 per tonne       | \$156 per tonne        | \$124 per tonne                  | \$112 per tonne                  |

Preliminary figures provided by consultants Sperling Hansen Associates suggest a cost savings in closing the Pender Harbour Landfill. These figures were the focus of dispute for some who attended the public meeting on June 13.

bour had carried the other rural areas for six years.

### THE NEXT STEP

The SCRD board members will soon meet to discuss the preferred option.

Residents at the meeting were very clear what they thought that was — they want to keep the landfill in Pender Harbour.

“I'm glad John France (SCRD chief administrative officer) and Garry Nohr (Director Area B) are here,” said current Area A Director Eric Graham.

“This is a unique community — what other communities want to keep their own damned garbage?”

Responding to a question by Louise Todhunter about whether or

not the other directors on the SCRD board might vote down the wishes of Area A residents, Graham said he couldn't speak for the other directors but said Area A could be forced to pay for the landfill in a separate function.

It's all up to Graham to push it through at the board level, said Rees.

Graham said a decision might not be reached until early 2010.

“There's going to be seven other directors who are going to have their say,” said Graham.

“All I can say is that they're all bigger than me.”



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## Aquatic centre set to reopen Sept. 30 after \$856,000 facelift

After a slight delay, construction has begun on the \$856,000 upgrade to the Pender Harbour Aquatic and Fitness Centre.

The renovations are the first significant upgrade of the facility since it opened in 1979.

Local builder Darin Patrick will oversee the construction project.

The design was provided by Vancouver architectural firm Shape Architecture Inc.

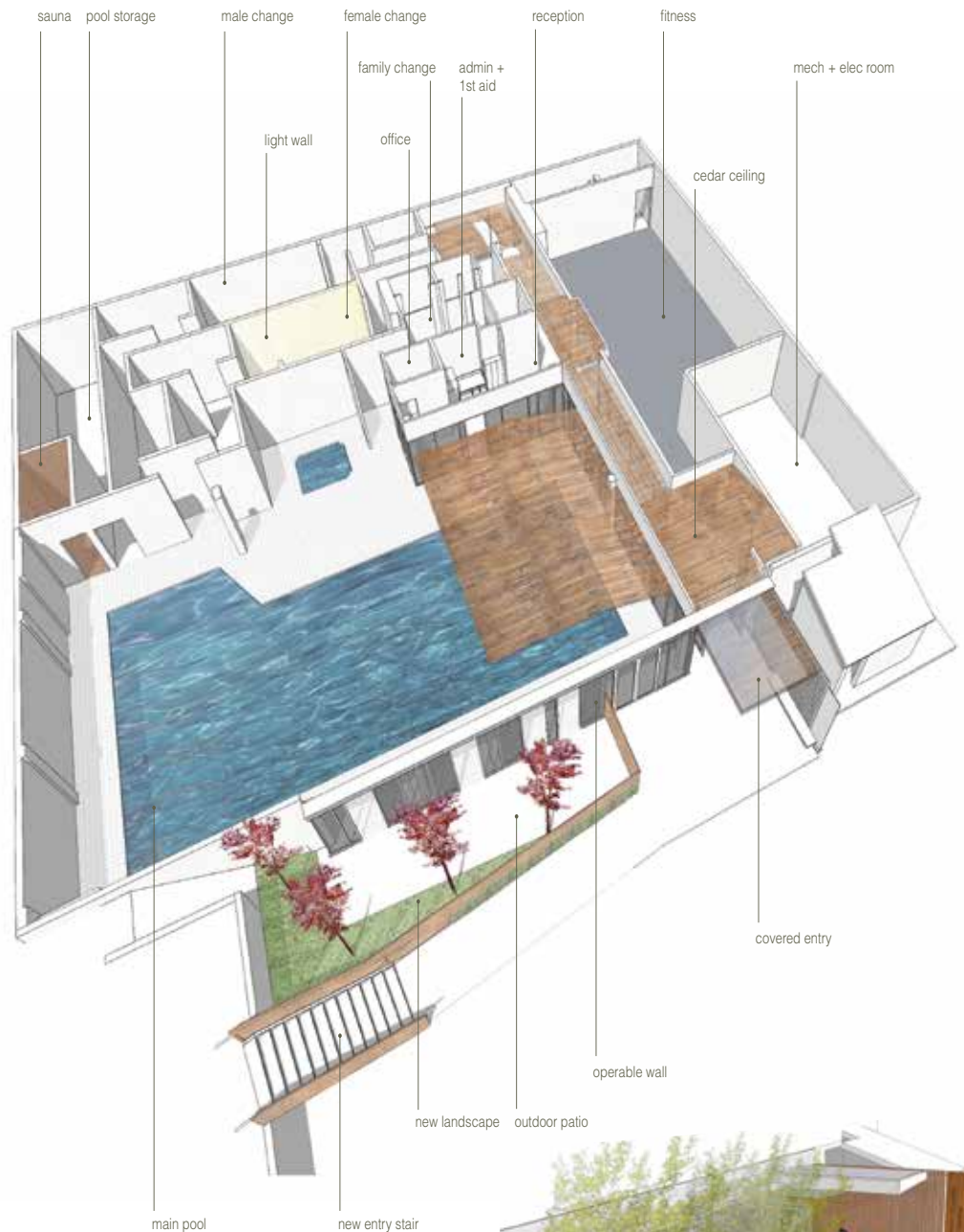
Shape has been involved with renovations of a number of Lower Mainland aquatic facilities, most notably giving the West Vancouver Aquatic Centre a recent facelift.

The main impetus — and a large part of the budget — for the renovation project involves a new heating and ventilation system.

The previous system was 27 years old and did not satisfy modern health regulations.

Aquatic Centre manager Deb Cole says the final plans include a family changeroom facility, a new sauna, larger weightroom space, a reconfiguration of reception/office space, an outdoor patio and the ability to open up pool doors to the outside which will feature a covered entrance-way.

Cole is also working with Ken Walters on a public art project and says she hopes to have the pool open by Sept. 30.



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The Pender Harbour Aquatic and Fitness Centre should look substantially different when it reopens on Sept. 30.



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## Historical moment in in Egmont as firehall opens June 20

More than 300 residents and local dignitaries were on hand to officially open Egmont's new fire hall June 20.

John Duggan, chair of the Egmont and District Fire Department society, opened the remarks preceding the ribbon cutting ceremony by recognizing the importance of volunteer labour in the completion of the hall.

Duggan said the 3600-square-foot fire hall cost approximately \$130,000.

"The best estimate I have heard for this is less than \$40 per sq. foot — a figure which I don't think has been heard of in construction for about 40 years," said Duggan.

"The replacement cost is somewhere around \$650,000 if you had to build it with conventional methods and that excludes the equipment."

Most of the labour and materials — and all of the land — were donated to the project.



Halle Bosch cuts the ribbon to officially open the Egmont Fire Hall. Bosch is the daughter of Dean and Sandra Bosch who donated the land on which the hall is built. To her right are Wendy Sly and Egmont Fire Chief Peter Sly.



Said Pender Harbour Fire Chief Don Murray (far left): "This has been a helluva project with a lot of work and to be honest with you, I don't know how they got it done."

## PHOTOJOURNAL



Tim Hearsey, Joani Bye and Russell Marsland all played to a packed house at the Sunday finale for the Pender Harbour Blues Festival at the Garden Bay Pub on June 7. Pictured (l-r): Mark Vance, Andy McQueen, Russell Marsland, Dennis Marcenko and some adoring fans.

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## Thrift store set to open on site of former highway works yard

Memory Lane Thrift Mart will soon open for business at the former Dept. of Highways works yard on Francis Peninsula Road in Madeira Park.

The store will offer everything from used books and clothing to large appliances, furniture and building materials.

It's the brainchild of Gordon Sanders, who says Memory Lane will donate 100 per cent of its profits.

"Fifty per cent will go to Abbeyfield House and 50 per cent will go to Habitat for Humanity," says Sanders.

A non-profit society called (All

Good) Community Services will operate the facility with a local board of directors consisting of Ryan Campbell, Bruce Brown, Ron Johnston, Mary Jones, and Christina Doyle, who is also the manager of the thrift store.

Sanders says he's not in it for money but he'll likely receive a small salary for his efforts.

The store will employ two full-time employees, Doyle and Assistant Manager, Joseph Mayer.

"I've had the SPCA thrift mart stores since 1988 and we've probably sent the SPCA well over a million dollars," says Sanders.

"So I'm well versed in how to run the business and how to make the most out of it to reap the most benefits for our donors."

Initially the goods will be sourced from thrift shops in Vancouver but Sanders says Memory Lane



Memory Lane Thrift Mart will open in the 5,000-square-foot former highways building in Madeira Park.

will eventually rely on local donations by offering pick-ups once a week from Gibsons to Earl's Cove.

"We are in no way trying to compete with the Bargain Barn. Our stuff will be larger — not that we won't have clothes, because we will — but we'll specialize a little bit more in high-end items."

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Gil led an amazing life, from travelling all over the globe to just being Dad.

He left behind four children, ten

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### TOP ATHLETE

**(M/F: Bantam, Junior Senior)**

Arhea Howitt, Angus Marshall, Lauren Storoschuk, Travis Ramsey-Wall, Michelle Polacek, Kyle Girroir.

### MOST SPORTSMANLIKE

**(M/F: Bantam, Junior Senior)**

Carly Fielding, Max Shoemaker, Chloe Christie, Luke Roose, Jenna Scott, Rowen Christie.

### SERVICE AWARDS

**Service (10-19 hours of service):**

Chloe Christie, Rowen Christie, Kate Dennis, Carly Fielding, Quinn McLellan, Ryleigh Milligan, Stephanie Nichols, Aurora Noble, Michelle Polacek, Kari Scott.

**Outstanding Service (Over 19 hours of service):** Benjamin Bradley, Charlotte Gray, Elizabeth Haines, Ryleigh Lightbourn, Brooke Nattall, Jenna Scott.

**Special Recognition Yearbook Award:** Elizabeth Haines

**Student Council Award:** Brooke Nattall, Jenna Scott

**Michael Phillips Award (Top Grade 11-12 Citizen):** Elizabeth Haines

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**Prescesky Performing Arts Award (Gr. 7/8, 9/10, 11/12) -** Brandon Ewen, Matthew Silvey, Khoya Craig, Wesley Frewin.

**Shop Technical Award:** Cody Goodwin



The Merle Hately Award is awarded to the Top Graduating Student overall and was shared this year by Jenna Scott and Rowen Christie.

**Science Council Award (Top Science Student):** Quinn McLellan

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**Top Aggregate:** Solveig van Wersch

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**Top Aggregate:** Carly Fielding, Angus Marshall.

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**Top Aggregate:** Khoya Craig

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**Top Aggregate:** Chloe Christie

**Grade 11 all year Honour Roll:** Eric Bakewell, Kelsey Nattall, Lauren Paton, Dion Pickles-Teller, Nicole Polacek, Kelly Roach, Katie Woods.

**Top Academic:** Nicole Polacek

**Grade 12 all year Honour Roll** Rowen Christie, Cody Foley, Kyle Girroir, Elizabeth Haines, Quinn McLellan, Michelle Polacek, Jenna Scott.

**A.L. Thompson Award, Top Grade 12 Academic:** Quinn McLellan, Michelle Polacek, Jenna Scott.

**Merle Hately Award, Top Graduating Student Overall:** Rowen Christie, Jenna Scott.

**Governor General's Award of Academic Excellence (2007-2008 School Year):** Kelsey Clay

## Trolling for memories: The legacy of Lowes Resort



By Brian Lee

In a place that often credits its spirit to the gloried industries of fish and wood, it's sometimes easy to overlook a quiet little place that just attracted tourists.

For more than 50 years, Lowes Resort was the warm face of Pender Harbour for countless families who visited every summer.

It quietly enriched the community around it by forging many current residents' first impression of the area and encouraging them to stay put.

But what made Lowes different from other fish camps around here was its popularity with locals.

Lowes hosted weddings, group picnics and fire department fishing derbies and developed into a place where local and guest mingled freely.

Kind of like neutral territory for two hostile tribes.

The outpouring of nostalgia — and downright hostility — when Lowes Resort closed in 2004 was a testament to the fixture it had become in the community.

It's difficult to pinpoint how something acquires that "special" quality, but by all accounts, Lowes Resort had it.

To tell the story of Lowes is to tell the stories of the people who visited and worked there; the families

Reg and Davena Morton photo

and personalities woven into the experience to become part of the legend through the inflated retellings and second-hand recounts.

Though the little red boats and cabins are gone, Lowes Resort is still Pender Harbour to many people.

### OLLI

In 1952, Olli Sladey built a couple of rental cabins on a bluff across from a log-booming ground in the rock-strewn shallows on the east side of Gerrans Bay.

It was no coincidence that Sladey's enterprise started a year after Black Ball Ferries started regular car service to the Sunshine Coast.

Suddenly it was easy for city dwellers to come up for a weekend visit and the ferries paved the way for a mode of tourism previously unseen in Pender Harbour.

It was called the Madeira Park Motel and if guests wanted to get down to the water, they did it at their own peril.

Reg and Davena Morton started driving up to the resort in the mid-1950s and for 30 years they came every summer except one — their perfect record broken by a trip to Mexico.

"It was very primitive — very primitive," says Davena.



Reg and Davena Morton photo

Davena Morton and a family friend sit on the steps of Cabin 2 in 1954.

“The dock consisted of a four by eight sheet of plywood on a couple of floats and there was nothing over the bluff to get down to the water so you had to climb over those cliffs.”

With the help of a man named Archie Walker, Sladey built a total of eight cabins on the bluff before selling the motel to a couple named Gerald and Roma-Irene Wood in 1956.

Gerald died soon after they completed the purchase and the couple never got to operate it.

## ED AND VERA

The widowed Wood sold the resort to Ed and Vera Lowe in 1957.

The Lowes were celebrated dancers who’d won a number of competitions. After they bought the resort, Vera taught ballroom and tap dancing in a little studio under their house that was later nicknamed “The Suite.”

Not long after purchasing the resort and changing the name to Lowes, they started renting boats.

It was as unlikely a spot as you could find to operate a boat rental business. The path down to the dock was still pretty sketchy but things got worse once you shoved off.

The uninitiated had to weave their way blindly through a maze of submerged islands and shallow reefs until they reached the relative deep water of Gerrans Bay.

The first boats were plywood-hulled Sangsters with inboard engines and gave people the freedom to go fishing without the hassle and expense of hauling a boat with them.

As the ferry service improved through the ’60s, the area’s reputation as a sports fishing destination began to grow.

As it did, so too did Lowes Resort.

By 1970, Ed and Vera had added two more cabins to the layout and replaced the rental boat engines with outboard motors.

But they were looking to retire and wanted out.

## BARRIE, JUDY, LARRY, LINDA

As luck would have it, two Vancouver couples were discussing options to make a life change at this time and were considering getting into the tourism recreation industry.

Friends who met in nursing school, Judy Wilbee and Linda Curtiss introduced their husbands to each other and the four became friends.

Larry worked for an auto parts company that was slowly going broke and thought the future lay in outdoor recreation. Barrie was a dissatisfied Ph.D candidate, doing research in electrical engineering at UBC and after looking around at a number of resorts in the Interior and Vancouver Island, the four came up to look at Lowes.

“I think he was asking \$150,000

and he agreed to sell us the resort with \$40,000 down,” says Barrie.

“He really wanted fifty but we didn’t have it so he operated it through the summer and we took over September 1, 1971, green as grass.”

Lowe probably knew there would be very little income through the winter as he usually shut down and travelled to Mexico.

“The rumour was that he thought he was going to take it back in a year,” recalls Larry.

“That’s what the locals told us, anyways — he said, ‘Those young bucks don’t know what they’re doin’.”

At the time, St. Mary’s Hospital was desperate for nurses and Linda says they hired her and Judy on the spot.

The wives moved up that June, three months before the men, to live in the nursing quarters at the hospital.

“Come August 31, in the night, Larry and I showed up,” recalls Barrie.

“We just lay on the floor in sleep-

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Larry and Linda Curtiss photo

Lowes boathouse and dock, Sept. 1971. Linda Curtiss took this photo shortly after she and husband Larry partnered with Barrie and Judy Wilbee to purchase the property on Lagoon Road from Ed and Vera Lowe.

## Lowes Resort (cont.)

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ing bags and got up in the morning and said, ‘What do we do?’

“So we thought we’d better go down to the wharf. We had boats people could rent and there were people staying there so we went down just around daylight and people wandered down and we rented boats.”

The resort was pretty Spartan in 1971 consisting of 10 run-down cabins, a small house with a suite below, a makeshift boathouse and a seemingly never ending list of repairs.

“We became pretty good at fixing stuff,” says Wilbee.

A nurse’s salary didn’t stretch far in 1971 but it turned out to be all they had that first winter as they pumped every spare penny back into the resort.

“That first winter my brother came up to live with us and he went fishing every day,” says Linda.

“If he didn’t get fish we almost didn’t have food on the table. My brother-in-law worked in a cannery and he gave us cases of chili, so all we ate was hot chili and salmon.”

The young couples were full of ambition and, despite non-stop mishaps, they happily settled into a routine of enjoying their new enterprise.

“We had a lot of fun. We looked forward to a jug of wine — Calona Red — and we worked hard but we used to play hard too. Oh, we used to play hard,” says Larry with a laugh.

“Whoa.”

Despite Ed’s warning that it would take about 15 years before they would be accepted into Pender Harbour social circles, it only took a year thanks to a fire in Cabin No. 6 in February of 1972.

“Willie Mattis drove up all by himself,” says Larry. “He pulled a line

off the fire truck and said, ‘Here — quit standing there with your thumb up your butt.’”

They managed to put the fire out and then both men immediately joined the fire department, quickly making many friends in the process.

They’re still members of the PH-VFD but the fire had another benefit — it forced them to rebuild the unit.

“We started to realize there was a demand for that kind of accommodation — more upgraded and fancier and stuff — so that’s when we started on that path,” says Barrie.

He recalls the going rate was about \$12 per night back then but they were able to rent the refurbished Cabin No. 6 for \$16 a night, prompting future renovations.

But Lowes Resort was never about luxury. It was a family place that attracted blue-collar families who appreciated affordability and the friendly rustic atmosphere.

Lowes doesn’t have a long list of Hollywood stars who would drop in but they did attract their share of pro athletes, especially CFL players.

Jackie Parker was a CFL Hall of Famer and general manager of the BC Lions.

Larry tells the story of how, in 1975, the Lions were having a terrible season so they fired him.

To cheer him up a buddy took him to Lowes to go fishing. On the night of the first game since his dismissal, Parker didn’t go fishing with the rest of his group.

“I was down at the dock with him and he said, ‘What’re ya doin’ Lar, why don’t you come up and sit and listen to the game on the radio?’

“So we walked up the hill to Cabin No. 3 and sat on his picnic table drinking beer and the Lions just



Larry and Linda Curtiss photo

Linda, Judy, Barrie and Larry with rental boats at Lowes in the summer of 1972.

kicked ass! They literally kicked ass and it just made him feel worse.”

In 1975, the business got a boost when McQuitty’s Pender Harbour Fishing Resort (now Madeira Park Estates) closed down and many of their customers came over to Lowes.

Lowes also started hosting annual fishing derbies for large groups like the North Vancouver Firefighters and Molson Breweries.

By the late ’70s, they started to benefit from what Barrie calls the emergence of the blue-collar worker — union types with good jobs and disposable income.

Along with families, Lowes became popular with groups of men for weekend fishing/drinking trips.

It wasn’t uncommon for groups to stay up all night partying in a cabin before continuing through the next day on the water.

No one ever was seriously hurt in a Lowes rental boat but Barrie says there were a lot of accidents, damaged boats and rescues.

Around this time the owners began to notice a distinctly new type of customer start showing up.

Asian families typically fished rock cod and would arrive in big family units on the first ferry in stacked mini vans.

The relative calm of a Saturday morning would be shattered shortly after 9 a.m. as the boat house suddenly overflowed with people of all ages needing boats, fishing licences, tackle, bait — and instruction.

The Asian guests presented a completely different set of challenges for the people operating the resort.

“It didn’t take a lot to keep them



Reg and Davena Morton photo

The Morton family enjoying Lowes as guests in 1974.

happy but they weren’t really water wise either,” says Barrie.

“I could go on forever but I think the most amazing thing is we operated that resort for 34 years and never got sued.”

There was often a language barrier and since many had never operated a power boat before, dock staff could never really be sure if their instruction was absorbed before untying the boat.

One cultural habit commonly manifested at Lowes was their desire to be together, whether it was in a cabin or a boat.

Barrie and Larry recall times when they would rent a boat to part of a group and then notice the rest of the family would disappear.

After awhile they figured out that the renters would take the boat around to the Madeira Park government wharf to pick up the rest of their family, out of sight of the dock staff.

It wasn’t always about saving money — the Asian customers really

enjoyed being together in the same boat.

After forcing a group to divide into two boats, a quick run through the harbour would sometimes find the family crammed into one, happily anchored with the second boat tied off the stern, empty.

## REG AND DAVENA

In 1984, Reg and Davena Morton bought a quarter share because, as Reg puts it, “I just got tired of going home.”

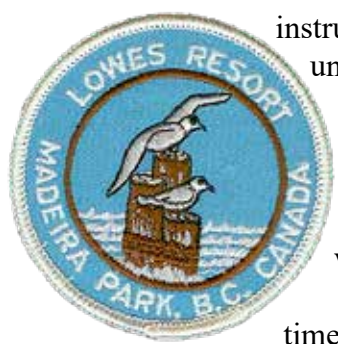
Larry and Barrie were at a point where it was getting too big to handle on their own.

Barrie and Judy had split in 1979 and the partners had just built a large, two-storey shop.

The recession combined with the 23-per-cent interest rates of the early 1980s had them stretched pretty thin.

The Curtisses had bought the local school bus business and house from Mark Myers and were looking to move off the property.

So, serendipitously, Reg and



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Davena bought half of their interest, moving into their trailer in July of 1984.

The Mortons injected a new energy into the resort and through the '80s it underwent a revitalization.

Business also picked up and a number of projects continued simultaneously

"Reg brought a lot of skills in terms of his trade and Davena was a very hard worker. They brought a lot of tools too and that was right around when we got the shop set up so we were able to do some major things," says Barrie.

They built the camper's wash-room, installed a new septic system and rebuilt the boathouse.

Landscape projects on the beach-front and the front entrance area were

ongoing as were continual renovations to the cabins.

Fishing was good and Lowes had become the hub of Pender Harbour's growing tourism industry.

Barrie remarried in 1985 and his new wife, Bev, lived part time in Vancouver where she owned a business.

The men settled into their relative jobs — Barrie repaired boats, Larry monkey-wrenched engines while Reg might say he did everything else.

But it wasn't always easy to get the work done because the shop had acquired a reputation for bottomless bullshit sessions.

At any given time — especially before noon — you could find an ever-changing lineup of guests, locals, staff and management all talking story.

"It was a waste of time," says Reg. "I'd come in and there was always somebody sitting on my bench. A work bench is for tools — Barrie didn't know that, eh? He thought it was for sitting."

Reg was a retired steelworker who, despite protests about how he could never get any work done because of people dropping in, took to decorating the shop with sight gags and props for practical jokes.

It became a den of curiosities and genuine artifacts and Reg was more than happy to delay his work day to show off his latest exhibit.

He'd often pull up in a big old station wagon and let go with a simulated submarine dive horn he had mounted under the hood. "Aaahhh-roooooon. Aaahhh-roooooon."

Some new guests were often unsure how to take the unconventional antics but few complained — it didn't take long to understand that Lowes had a certain sense of humour about it and it shone through the people who ran it.

A group of part-time residents lived in the "Back Forty" and were affectionately called the "Village People."

They rented coveted trailer pads year round but usually only came up for extended stays during the summer.

Many of them ended up moving here full-time and Barrie credits Lowes for introducing them to Pender Harbour life.

"You don't realize how much that played a part in people's lives," says Barrie.

"For some of the people at the resort, it was their integration to the community of Pender Harbour. And for some of the people in Pender Harbour it was their way to relate to



Larry and Linda Curtiss photo

'We became pretty good at fixing stuff.' Barrie Wilbee and Larry Curtiss in the early days before employees... and barbers.

people outside the community.”

Sometimes the three men had real work to do and all developed various methods to dodge the coffee klatch.

Larry had the buses, Reg would disappear to do some chore but Barrie was usually trapped working on a boat.

On any given day he could be found working on an overturned hull, just outside the shop doors, a fresh patch covering the result of a green-horn’s brush with the ocean bottom.

To discourage interlopers, he’d create a hostile environment with a toxic cloud of fibreglass dust, the buzz of his disc sander effectively calling an end to the morning bull session.

As employer to a lot of local kids, Barrie says he considered his role as almost a mentorship position and thinks working at Lowes helped out a lot of kids.

“Myself and Larry too, we were some of the first adults that a lot of young people really related to,” says Wilbee. “You know, when they’d start to tune out their parents.”

Dock and cleaning staff made up the majority of the positions and Barrie guesses there could have been a couple of hundred employees that passed through Lowes over the years.

“Lowes taught them something about themselves and they went on to become good people,” says Wilbee. “I think that’s Lowes’ biggest legacy, I really do.”

Business peaked in 1991 when they pulled in \$44,000 in boat rentals for August alone.

But as the resort moved through the ’90s, things began to change.

The sports fishing dropped off and so did the boat rentals that relied on it.

To offset the loss of guests, the resort actively pursued the outdoor recreation market by promoting scuba diving, golf and tours.

They rented bikes and kayaks and helped start the Pender Harbour Tourism Association, travelling to trade shows, all in an effort to reinvent Pender Harbour’s traditional tourism draw — sports fishing.

“That was important for the Harbour itself, not just for us,” says Larry. “It was successful but it was a lot of work.”

But it wasn’t enough and the owners understood that the industry was changing.

## FINAL DAYS

In November of 2004, they sold Lowes to the developers of Painted Boat Resort.

All three partners talk about the sense of ownership — and even hostility — expressed by the community when they finally decided to sell the resort but offer no apologies.

“It was time. You can’t run that kind of business anymore — the land is worth too much money. There’s no way you can get a return by renting 10 or 15 cottages for only 100 days a year,” says Larry.

The landscape has been completely modified and now boasts a

restaurant, spa and fitness facility with a hot tub and swimming pool — all surrounded by clusters of “luxury vacation villas” with a new clientele as different as the landscape.

“The sentimental part of me can’t walk by without knowing there isn’t a single remnant of our hard work left,” says Linda.

“But the realistic side says that it is a business that is providing great employment.”

Linda points to the 15 cleaning staff working at the Painted Boat Resort this past

May Day — more than Lowes entire staff during its peak.

If the Painted Boat is the new model of tourism, Lowes was the good old days.

Barrie Wilbee lived in Ed and Vera Lowe’s house from 1971 until 2004 and says leaving his home at Lowes was one of the most difficult challenges he’s had to face.

Always the philosopher, Barrie takes a crack at pinpointing why Lowes stirs such emotion in the people whose lives it touched.

“It was a complex overlay of a whole bunch of things — the owners, the staff, the customers, the changing environment around the province and the rest of the country,” he says.

“You know, it was one of those things...”



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- 1:30 p.m. Infrastructure Services Committee

### **Monday, July 6, 2009**

- 9:00 a.m. Policing
- 10:30 a.m. Transportation

### **Thursday, July 9, 2009**

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

### **Thursday, July 16, 2009**

- 10:00 a.m. Special Infrastructure Services Committee (Watershed)
- 1:30 p.m. Community Services Committee

### **Thursday, July 23, 2009**

- 1:30 p.m. Corporate and Administrative Services Committee
- 7:30 p.m. Board

## DIRECTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Director Eric Graham is available to meet with residents to discuss local issues related to the Sunshine Coast Regional District government. He can be reached at home at 604-883-9061 or by email, [ericgraham@dccnet.com](mailto:ericgraham@dccnet.com).

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## Some information about the Pender Harbour Landfill



By Eric Graham  
SCRD Director,  
Area A

I would like to thank all 110 people who went to the June 13 information meeting held at the Legion. Towards the end of 2010 the present footprint at the Pender Landfill will be full.

The options at that time will be:

1. Expand the footprint to the west to receive garbage for the next 16 years;
2. Make a new footprint to the north to receive garbage for the next 29 years;
3. Create a transfer station at the same site and truck all the garbage we are putting in our landfill to the Sechelt Landfill.

If option 2 or 3 is chosen the current part of the landfill will have to be closed at a cost of over \$600,000.

This seems straightforward but it isn't.

If we want to expand our current landfill, we have to receive approval from the provincial government and a majority vote of the directors on the Sunshine Coast Regional District.

The total income in 2008 at the Pender Harbour Landfill was \$234,581 while Sechelt brought in \$1,608,456.

The total expenses at the Pender Landfill came to \$425,338 while Sechelt was \$1,405,123.

I have to include recycling as it is part of the function, so Pender Harbour (GRIPS), Sechelt (SCRD) and Gibson (SCRD only) total income in 2008 was \$56,723 with expenses of \$590,655.

As you can see, the revenue from the Sechelt Landfill helps pay for part July 2009

of the losses from the Pender Harbour Landfill and for some of the losses of the recycling on the Coast.

There are eight regional area directors in the SCRD and all areas pay into the Regional Solid Waste Function.

Because of assessments, Area A paid the third highest budgeted percentage in 2008.

I have tried to explain this as best I could and dug these figures out of the 2008 SCRD budget.

If the decision is made for a transfer station, all the garbage that is accepted at the Pender Landfill will still be accepted (including metal, propane tanks, tires, construction material, wood, brush, gyproc etc.).

All of the yard waste will be chopped and given out free and the excess will be sold and trucked out as it is now.

The major change will be garbage that is presently buried here will be compacted and trucked to Sechelt.

At the meeting on June 13 a questionnaire was handed out and a

general mailout was sent to everybody in Area A.

If you did not receive one please stop by the Pender Landfill or the Water Board office on Lagoon Road (across from the Painted Boat).

If there are any questions, please call Dion Whyte or Cathy Kenny at the SCRD office at 885-6800, email [dion.whyte@scrd.ca](mailto:dion.whyte@scrd.ca) or check out the web site [www.scrd.ca](http://www.scrd.ca).

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## Proposed Area A bus route dooms trial to fail

Dear Editor,

I wish to submit an opinion about the future bus route proposed to operate between Egmont and Sechelt if, and when, it's approved.

Overall ridership will suffer if it's not available to the Garden Bay area.

Eric Graham had once asked for volunteers from Egmont, Garden Bay and Madeira Park to plan a route to

service Egmont to Garden Bay to Madeira Park then southbound to Sechelt and return.

It was published (*Harbour Spiel*, April 2009) that there was no turn-around area in Garden Bay for it.

The designated pick-up spot will be the Petro Canada station in Kleindale. Wonderful.

He asks for ridership to support a well thought plan but just eliminated a good portion of potential ridership.

I ask this of you — how do large trucks deliver goods to John Henry's?

Do they back out all the way to Garden Bay pump house?

It never occurred to Eric's group that a bus could actually travel along Garden Bay Road then proceed either via Irvines Landing Road to Hotel Lake Road and return outbound on Garden Bay Road back to Kleindale?

Or the opposite way — either direction requires no reverse gear.

The proposed route does not involve a ring road route in the least bit

for either side of the pond.

The roads are there. Paved too.

The concept or function of a public transit system is one that serves residential areas, not being just a high-way transportation route.

If you study the proposed route, it is nothing more than the identical route of Malaspina Coach Lines that already uses both Kleindale and Madeira Park pick-up and drop-off points.

As read in the Spiel, Graham has more than once mentioned that this continued service depends on ridership.

Not to degrade the route planners but a lot has been overlooked.

There will be only one kick at the cat for permanent feasibility.

To this end we suggest a re-evaluation of the proposed route so we don't let this once in a decade opportunity slip away.

Take a moment to visualize a realistic public transportation system in place.

Route and usage are the key and both go hand in hand.

Ridership will tell the story.

Do a survey on your own and see how many patrons from this side of the pond will use it.

Let's not sit back and watch this badly needed service fizzle at the starting gate — this is to benefit all, not just a few.

On behalf of others as well, glad to be the mouthpiece.

Respectfully,  
Wayne Schoenhals  
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## Doomsayers were wrong about White

Dear Editor,

That is a good letter on the Pender Harbour dump by Howie White. But he leaves out something.

Since they partially closed the dump, more land fill accumulates.

When the dump was open, people would dump stuff and then look around and finally drive away loaded with "good stuff."

Once Willy Rousseau was working there and phoned me.

He said someone had left a Gilchrist logging jack and asked if I wanted it for my museum stuff.

I said, "Of course," and went right down. To my delight, I found it was an Ellingson jack, also made in BC, but rare.

## Poole jumps in

Dear Editor,

A couple of footnotes to Shane McCune's hoot on newspaper headlines...

Back in the early 1950s, an MP was chastised by a Conservative colleague for excessive rhyming in a Commons speech.

The Province headlined the story:

### **RHYME'S A CRIME SAYS ROARY TORY**

And easily the most tasteless headline from the years I worked at The Sun was over a story by Simma Holt, the paper's resident sob sister, about some poor kid who was killed by a car on the way to the store:

### **CHILD DIES FOR LOAF OF BREAD**

Michael Poole  
Halfmoon Bay

Now we have a Gilchrist and an Ellingson on display at the Heritage Centre.

But more on Howie. When he started collecting stories for Raincoast Chronicles, doomsayers gave him one year and he would be broke and gone because no one would buy his books on BC history.

I do not know if he is broke but he is not gone.

And many other publishers now also print BC historical stuff.

If it was not for Howie, much BC history would be lost as the old timers are mostly gone.

Thank you Howie.

Billy Griffith

## Denture dilemma dissolved

People who need to wear dentures almost always have problems keeping them securely in place.

Social activities can be stressful if you are concerned about a denture inhibiting your speech, laughter and eating.

One of the challenges of eating with dentures that move, sometimes fall and invariably trap food, would be to maintain a healthy diet.

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# Egmont Day 2009



## Not just another day in Egmont on June 6

If you've never attended to Egmont Day, you should.

For the most part, the adults sit around and socialize while the kids run around with only a hint of supervision.

The biggest danger to kids on June 6 seemed to be a large fir tree on the playground with thick branches so low to the ground it absolutely dared kids to climb it. As far as this reporter could tell, the tree claimed no significant casualties this day.

Kicking off Egmont Day, the kids' fishing derby has been going on for longer than most can remember.

The posted 9:30 a.m. start turned out to be a little optimistic. The Silvey family arrived on time and wondered if they got the day wrong until others filtered down the wharf an hour later.

After almost 130 years of living there, one would expect the Silvey clan to be familiar with Egmont time.

A kid named Cameron took the day with a 22-inch lingcod.

In an unexpected turn, the parade started on Pender Harbour time — a mere 10 minutes late — surprising many and forcing them to hustle from their cars so as not to miss the parade's multiple turns through the downtown core.

The parade was shorter this year, lacking the participation of local businesses who kept it robust in past years.

Parades make people hungry. After the long line for burgers and hot dogs disappeared, the kids cakewalked to the Cornpones' fiddle music. Kind of like musical chairs: When the music stops someone gets a cake.

Afterwards, the cake-eating kids headed on to the field to test their skills and strength in the races.

Multiple false starts and collisions punctuated the series of events that ranged from all-out sprints to sack races and potato and spoon races, with categories for all ages.

As the day wore on the events became more serious.

The canoe race offers annual bragging rights for strength and ocean skill. Local knowledge of tides is key as racers decide for themselves which route to take around the island lying 200 metres off the Egmont wharf.

Gus Angus recalls a race he took part in many years ago.

Angus hints alcohol could have fuelled the participants' competitive spirit as a melee erupted behind the island.

Back on the wharf, all the spectators could see were paddles flying through the air until two submerged canoes and swimming paddlers came into view as they were getting sucked into Sechelt Inlet.

"I grabbed the first canoe I could get my hands on — I think it was Rod's (Cummings)," Angus said.

He and his partner were able to bail it out and paddle back first for the win. It remains unclear what happened to the others.

Their trophy (24 beer) was curiously misplaced during the race but Angus says they were able to catch up with remnants of it later that evening.

Jake Mees grew up in Egmont



Heather Smith photo

Purchased as snake food, "Licorice" the gerbil was donated to the Egmont Community Club to be raffled. Sources close to the gerbil say it was too quick for the snake who, after a couple of attempts at capture, gave up and refused to eat it. Licorice raised \$40 for the community club and made the winner, Thomas Evans, a happy kid.

and is one of the few locals who kayaks the Skookumchuck.

Mees and his partner won it last year and were the team to beat.

In the second heat, team Mees faced a couple of heavyweights, Rolly Nichols and Rory Leander, who outweighed them by a good 175 pounds.

With only a few inches of freeboard in their 16-foot canoe, it seemed Team Clydesdale would capsize before making it back to dry land.

The teams took opposite routes

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## Egmont Day (cont.)

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around and looked even as they made their final push to the finish line.

Many wondered if a younger Jake Mees would have taken it but he and his partner pulled up short, exhausted, as the powerful strokes of Nichols and Leander pulled their canoe across the line ahead of them.

Team Clydesdale had a 15-minute break before handily winning the final against two newcomers, Ambrose and Deven.

Spectators and contestants moved back to the Egmont field for the main event of the day — the Skookum Burger eating contest.

If the canoe race offers up the title of Egmont Ocean Man, the Skookum Burger Eating contest crowns Egmont's Biggest Glutton.

There's no question which title is more coveted.

All eyes were on young Cyrus Foster as he shoved the last handful into his overstretched mouth and looked to be the winner.

But in eating, as in life, experience pays.

Andrew Curtiss had just polished off a couple of burgers only two hours before and wasn't really expecting to win — he said the burgers just looked good and he wanted one.

As Foster tried in vain to swallow his last mouthful, Curtiss calmly took his last three bites and swallowed, standing up at five minutes even to claim his crown.

Beside him sat last year's winner, Patrick Thomas, with a quarter burger left and the empty look of defeat clearly visible through the thick film

of beef fat coating his face.

Thomas can be consoled in knowing his world record from last year of four minutes and 48 seconds still stands.

Afterwards, Emily from the Backeddy Pub announced that the mighty Skookum Burger would soon be no more.

It seems the bun maker has called it quits.

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A Harbour Seal of Disapproval to the **staff at GRIPS on May 16, 2009**. Your attitude toward a 15+ year volunteer at your facility was inexcusable. Volunteerism is needed in our society and these unselfish workers should be treated with dignity and respect.

Lou Farrell and (his) family

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A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Lafarge Construction Materials, Pender Harbour Lions Club and the Rotary Club of Pender Harbour** for the financial contributions toward my electric wheelchair. Freedom Again!

Gord Wenman

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the **couple in the black SUV** who, @ 4:35 p.m. on June 16 on Warnock Rd, stopped the white car from passing them while there were kids on the road. I didn't hear all the comments but I do thank-you.

Brenda Seabrook

A Harbour Seal of Disapproval to the **person in the white car** for your careless driving. The kids were on their side of the road, on the grass and in plain sight. Please use more caution — there will be many kids around now that summer is here.

Brenda Seabrook

A Harbour Seal of Approval to the **Women's Connection and Senior Ladies**. Thanks for the great day in Powell River at the Laughing Oyster. You all made my day really enjoyable. The only thing missing was the glass of wine that would normally go with the wonderful lunch. Cheers and thanks again.

Wendy Haddock

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Art Joss and John McDonald** of Capilano Highways for spraying our driveway. Much appreciated. Thanks. Glenn and Jacalyn Vincent

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Jill Wagner

2009 May Day Committee

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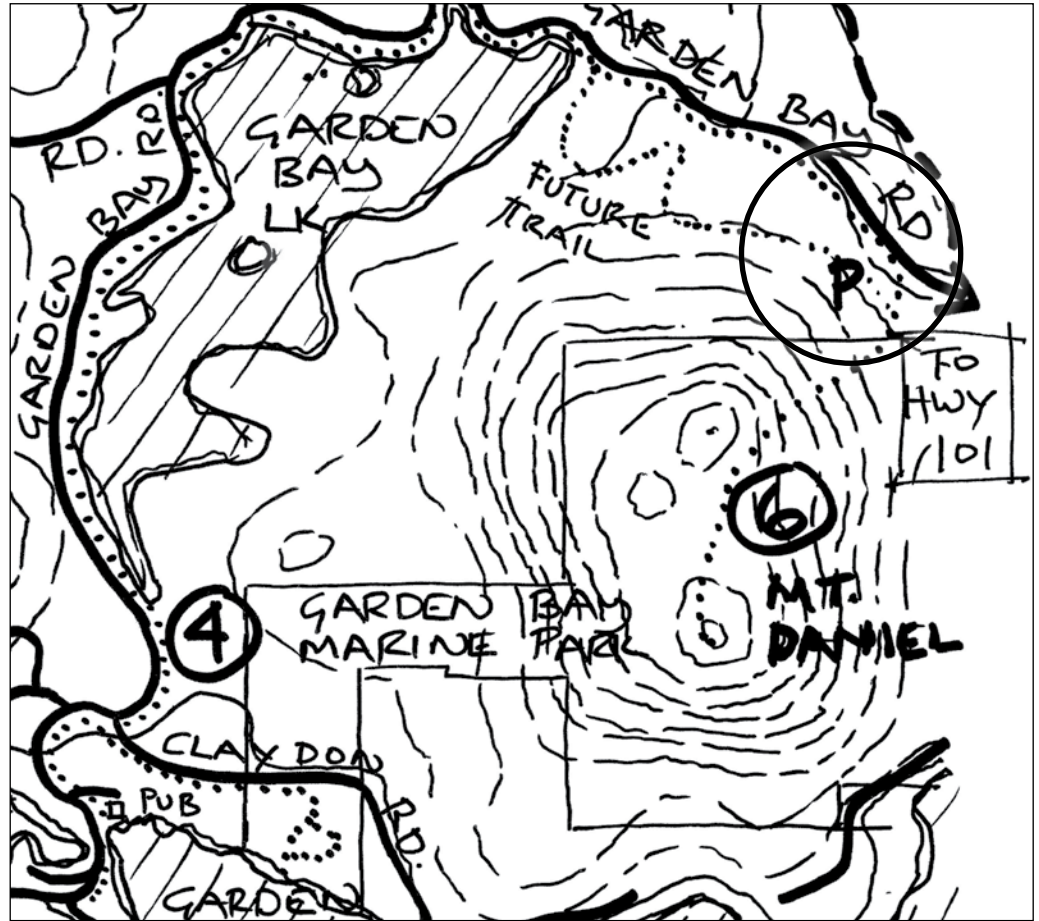
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Allow 40 to 60 minutes to get to the top.

For more information on local trails, pick up a copy of *Fat Tires and Walking Sticks: A Pocket Guide to "Some" Pender Harbour Trails*. Available at retail locations throughout Pender Harbour.



Map produced by Jon Paine

Keep telling yourself that it will all be worth it because it will be. The Mt. Daniel trail is one of the most popular local trails and the standard photo op.



Samantha Warner photo

The Grade 6 class from the Madeira Park Elementary School took a field trip to the top of Mount Daniel on June 17. See... they don't look tired.

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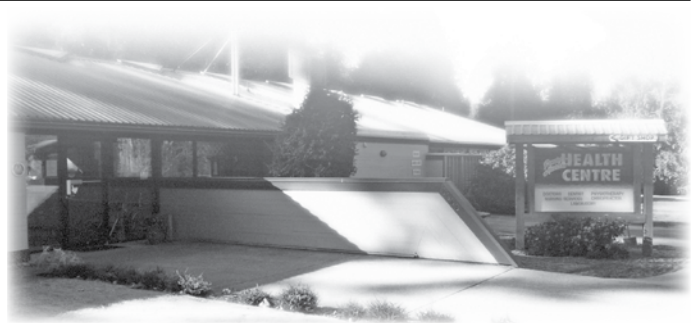
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Breastfed babies should be given vitamin D drops until they are drinking two cups of vitamin D enriched beverages per day — for example whole cow's milk.

Vitamin D is important for healthy bones and teeth and may reduce the risk of some diseases including rickets, diabetes, multiple sclerosis and rheumatoid arthritis.

Although your child can make vitamin D from being in the sun, in most areas of BC we can't make vitamin D from October until April, even on sunny days.

Also, all babies should be kept out of direct sunlight because of skin cancer concerns until they reach their first birthday.

Starting within the first week of life breastfed babies need 400 IU of vitamin D a day (usually given by a 1 ml dropper.)

It's safe to give vitamin D even if your baby gets sun exposure as well.

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## THE DAYS

### BIRTHDAYS

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July 5: Ali Fraser, Wendy Lowings, Andrew Vickers and Lawrie Munro.

July 6: Bryce Viitanen.

July 7: Cypher Clerx, Shaun Georgison and Alexa Dornbierer.

July 9: Silas White and Danielle Atherton.

July 10: Ted Girard, Tanner Haase, Beau Pantages, Sage Wright, Candy Whittaker and Maureen Luck.

July 11: Brittany Bouvette and Skinny Jimmy Dougan.

July 12: Betty Silvey and Bill Jack.

July 13: Steve Morris, Amy Coombes, Terry Cowan and Daron Petraschuk.

July 14: Malcolm Ingram.

July 15: Ty Campbell and Fred Baldwin.

July 16: Jane McOuat, Shelly Brown, Danielle Gough and Jodee Young.

July 17: Greg Howitt, Cypher Clerx and Amanda Civitareale.

July 18: Jim Rutherford and Maxine Gilkes.

July 19: Wade Lajlar.

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July 21: Eric Phillips and Karen Purnell.

July 22: Buck Rice, Lee Walters, Mike Zacharias, Christina Wharton, Wyatt Baldwin and Tiffany Baldwin.

July 23: Brody Pantages.

July 24: Paige Coombes and Renee Harper.

July 25: Adam Dornbierer

July 26: Chris Schroeder.

July 28: Rick Wagner Sr., Keith Mackie and Rick Metcalfe.

July 29: Randy Edwardson, Connie Sutherland and Tucker Pantages.

July 30: Darlene Fowlie, Shane McCune and Marvin Wutzke.

July 31: Parker Hohn and Ron Sim.

### JULY ASTROLOGY

#### JUNE 21-JULY 22 (CANCER)

Those born under the sign of the Crab value security, enjoy the safety and comfort of familiar surroundings and activities, and don't like surprises. Cancerians coin new words to describe philosophical concepts. George W. Bush is a Cancer.

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## OF JULY

### WAFOP (WEB ACRONYMS FOR OLD PEOPLE)

Here's a quick reference to understand your kid's cell phone texts:

|          |                                          |
|----------|------------------------------------------|
| 4RL      | For Real?                                |
| B4N      | Bye for Now                              |
| BF       | Boyfriend                                |
| BFF      | Best Friends Forever                     |
| BHOF     | Bald Headed Old Fart                     |
| BION     | Believe It Or Not                        |
| BOB      | Battery Operated Boyfriend               |
| CUWTA    | Catch Up With The Acronyms               |
| CWYL     | Chat With You Later                      |
| DPUP     | Don't Poop Your Pants                    |
| GF       | Girlfriend                               |
| ICMDC    | I Crashed my Dad's Car                   |
| LOL      | Laugh Out Loud                           |
| LMAO     | Laughing My Ass Off                      |
| OMG      | Oh My God                                |
| ROTFL    | Rolling On The Floor Laughing            |
| ROTFLMAO | Rolling On The Floor Laughing My Ass Off |
| TTYL     | Talk To You Later                        |
| WTF      | What The F***?                           |

## JULY WEATHER

### TEMPERATURES (MERRY ISLAND)

Our average daily high temperature is 21° C and low is 14.3° C giving us a mean daily temperature of 17.7° C.

The highest July temperature recorded is 29.4° C (July 12, 1961) and the lowest is 9° C (July 1, 1979).

### JULY PRECIPITATION

July averages 7 days with rainfall with a total of 41.5 mm • July has an average of 283 hours of bright sunshine. The highest daily rainfall recorded in July is 37.1 mm back on July 19, 1968. Total rainfall for the month averages at 41.5 mm.



### SKOOKUMCHUCK

## VIEWING TIMES

### JULY

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

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| July 3  | 9:48 am -L, 4:13 pm +XL   |
| July 4  | 10:34 am -L, 5:10 pm +XL  |
| July 5  | 11:15 AM -L, 5:48 PM +XL  |
| July 6  | 11:37 am -L, 6:28 pm +XL  |
| July 7  | 11:17 am -L, 7:02 pm +XL  |
| July 8  | 11:40 am -XL, 7:31 pm +XL |
| July 9  | 12:09 pm -XL, 7:55 pm +XL |
| July 10 | 12:42 pm -XL, 8:13 pm +XL |
| July 11 | 1:18 pm -L, 8:29 pm +XL   |
| July 12 | 2:01 pm -L, 8:48 pm +XL   |
| July 13 | 9:31 am +M, 2:54 pm -L    |
| July 14 | 10:44 am +M, 4:02 pm -M   |
| July 15 | 11:48 am +M, 5:27 pm -S   |
| July 16 | 1:11 pm +L, 6:55 pm -S    |
| July 17 | 2:28 pm +L, 8:13 pm -S    |
| July 18 | 7:04 am -XL, 3:37 pm +XL  |
| July 19 | 8:35 am -XL, 4:36 pm +XL  |
| July 20 | 9:49 am -XL, 5:30 pm +XL  |
| July 21 | 10:43 am -XL, 6:15 pm +XL |
| July 22 | 11:33 am -XL, 6:53 pm +XL |
| July 23 | 12:24 pm -XL, 7:26 pm +XL |
| July 24 | 1:10 pm -XL, 7:56 pm +XL  |
| July 25 | 1:57 pm -XL, 8:30 pm +XL  |
| July 26 | 8:41 am +M, 2:47 pm -L    |
| July 27 | 9:47 am +L, 3:44 pm -M    |
| July 28 | 11:09 am +L, 4:54 pm -M   |
| July 29 | 12 :29 pm +L, 6:01 pm -S  |
| July 30 | 1:46 pm +L, 7:16 pm -S    |
| July 31 | 8:01 am -L, 2:55 pm +L    |

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| • Community Choir .....                                     | 883-2283 |
| • Community Club, Egmont .....                              | 883-9206 |
| • Community Club, Pender Harbour .....                      | 741-5840 |
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| • P. H. Paddling Society.....                               | 883-3678 |
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| • Power & Sail Squad (2nd Wed. Legion).....                 | 883-0444 |
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## ~ ORGANIZATIONS ~

### ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Come out for a summer treat on Sunday, July 5 at the Pender Harbour Legion — it's Christmas in July!

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This postcard from the 1950s shows how the saltwater lagoon in Garden Bay used to be a popular swimming hole.

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A pod of orcas with at least one juvenile travelled past Pender Harbour on June 4. They put on a spectacular show for over an hour as they fed at the mouth of Agamemnon Channel.



'Two Much Guitar' surprised everyone at the Pender Harbour School of Music June 14 by showing up with a bassist and drummer too. Clockwise from left: Oliver Gannon, bassist Darren Radtke, drummer Dave Robbins and Bill Coon. Before the show, P. H. Music Society member Paul Hopkins announced that the building would soon house a new Yamaha Grand Piano complete with a brand new stage for it to sit on.



photo submitted

Paul McKimm of Slo Cat Tours invited the Grades 1 to 3 students at Madeira Park Elementary for a tour of Pender Harbour. McKimm made four trips around the Harbour before travelling out to the mouth to watch the seals basking on the rocks.

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## Healthy skin?: Seek shade, wear sunscreen and put on a hat



By Cheyenne Lightbourn

Everyone is raving about the weather.

The lakes are packed once again, and sprawled across the beaches are women of all ages in bathing suits, slathered with slick tanning oil.

The oiled-up beach bums are a common sight lately and it seems tan is in. But what is the obsession with being tanned nowadays?

And why do some strive to be tanned when it's well known that exposure to UV rays damages the skin and causes harm to our bodies?

Way back when, only working people had tans. Rich and middle class women strived to have fair, beautiful skin that appeared to have never been touched by sunlight.

Being tanned was a sign of the lower class. That association has definitely changed.

The more we discover about sunlight and the harmful effects it can have, the more we are all encouraged to "seek shade, wear a hat, or put on sunscreen."

Studies show that too much sun exposure can lead to melanoma and other types of skin cancer, and can drastically speed up and exaggerate the signs of aging.

When asked why she would expose herself to UV rays so often, a 16 year-old PHSS high school student announced that she thought tanning made her "look healthier."

When the harmful effects of sun tanning were brought up, she insisted

it was "totally worth it" and she didn't care that it was bad for her.

Already quite tanned, she says she plans to tan every chance she gets now that it's nice out — in addition to her weekly visits to the tanning salon.

Not only are teens scrambling to beaches and sunny backyards with tanning oil and towels in hand, many are flocking to tanning booths for that "healthy" glow that is so sought after these days.

Basically, a visit to a tanning salon involves staying under the lights for however long you want, baking your skin to your preference.

There is little warning about skin damage or cancer at most salons and when you come out of the booth — burnt to a crisp — they reassure you with a huge smile, happily reciting the tanning junky mantra, "Don't worry, it'll turn into a tan."

Though many may think that a tan looks healthy, if you have to try that hard to get one, let alone maintain it, then it's not.

Some doctors recommend people with seasonal depression visit a tanning salon for a nice low dose of sunlight.

But even if you frequent the tanning beds that another young Pender teen claimed "gave her goose bumps it was so tame," you are still exposing yourself to unnecessary radiation and UV rays.

No matter how you slice it, you are damaging your skin.

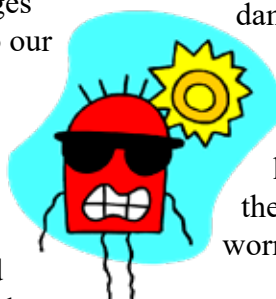
Fair skin is beautiful. Leathery skin is not.

Take care of your skin and remember that even if your newly tanned skin looks great now, in 10 years it won't.

Moist, supple skin is much nicer

than dry and wrinkly skin and if you abide by the "sunny day rules" and keep away from the addicting tanning salons, then your skin will reward you by looking great all your life.

Enjoy the sunny weather but seek shade, wear sunscreen, or put on a hat because in the end, healthy skin is always beautiful skin.



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## Balandra's journey: A heritage sloop sails into the 21st century



Shendra Hanney photo

Balandra sits at the A & G Boats shipyard in Brentwood Bay awaiting her recently completed restoration.

By Shendra Hanney

A pre-restored *Balandra* graces the bottom left corner of the poster for this year's Sunshine Coast Wooden Boat Festival kicking off July 31.

*Balandra* will return as a fully

restored classic at this year's wooden boat fest.

After the 2008 festival, the plan was to donate *Balandra* to SALTS (Sail and Life Training Society) in Victoria (*Harbour Spiel*, July 2008).

By the time she was delivered to the Heritage Shipyard it was inundated with donated boats needing attention.

The great spars of the tall ships were also crowding the shed for their winter maintenance and there was "no room at the inn" for *Balandra*.

While I searched for a shipwright and a yard that could accommodate her for restoration, SALTS Manager David Eggert suggested that I contact

Rob Abernethy and Jean Gaudet of A & G Boats in Brentwood Bay.

Rob and Jean specialize in building and restoring classic wooden boats and immediately appreciated *Balandra's* lovely lines and her story.

*Balandra* was stripped, scraped, sanded.

Sixty-three years of accumulated paint up to half an inch thick was removed in great swaths from the deck canvas using a tool reminiscent of Dickens' era.

*Balandra's* mast was found to be in perfect condition after six decades of varnish was removed.

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rigging — ready to continue her sailing life.

It has been a privilege to be part of it, utilizing what little skills I possess to contribute to her restoration and to work with the dedicated shipwright crew.

I have travelled to Brentwood Bay many times to record the various phases of *Balandra's* restoration.

Materials not available in 1945 have been incorporated.

She sports a new mahogany rail and additional toe-rail, as well as teak afterdecks and hatch covers.

The Everdure mast fittings are burnished as is her winch and a whole new anchoring system is in place.

I rejoice in how well she has withstood the test of time and decades of seagoing adventures.

I silently thank Collin Hanney for his expertise in creating *Balandra* to be so strong and enduring.

This has been a 10-month gestation period for *Balandra's* regenesis.

Little did Collin know when he built the William Hand-designed 22' sloop *Balandra*, and launched her on June 13, 1945, that on her 64th birthday she would be relaunched fully restored to begin the second phase of her life journey.

Collin's daughter, Corlynn, was just three months old in 1945 and witnessed the christening from her



Shendra Hanney photo

Corlynn and Shendra Hanney at the relaunch of *Balandra* after its intensive restoration. *Balandra's* makeover can be viewed at the fifth annual Sunshine Coast Wooden Boat Festival in Madeira Park, July 31 to Aug. 2.

grandmother's arms.

Now a grandmother herself, Corlynn is part of this turn in *Balandra's* history.

And what of *Balandra's* future?

Her home port will be Brentwood Bay, under the stewardship of Rob Abernethy and the A&G Boatyard.

Details of *Balandra's* genesis, her years of coastal explorations and current adventures will be posted at [www.balandra.net](http://www.balandra.net).

*Balandra* will be open to the public at the upcoming Sunshine

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## Wildflowers: Please don't pick me

By Jim Rutherford &  
Nolan Sawatzky

### WILDFLOWERS

Ever notice how our wildflowers just aren't there any more.

Guess they got picked.

Not even the icelandic poppies at the foot of the driveway survived.

If the beach peas, as we call them because they grow prolifically right down to the ocean, disappear there will be name-calling.

These are really just wild perennial sweet peas and they can volunteer

(spring up, unplanted by human hand) almost anywhere.

The only problem is that we find them very difficult to transplant, even from seed.

The sweet peas usually bloom in pink and rarely white so treasure the white ones.

I have them on the verge of my driveway and in a rock wall.

Other wildflowers that proliferate here (or did) are campion, lupines and Queen Anne's lace (wild carrot).

If you must cut these, please take along some sharp shears and cut the bloom only, leaving the other flower stalks to go to seed.

As people walk past my house, I wonder what they intend to do with the entire plant they've pulled out of the ground?

soil and which is never allowed to dry out.

That said, it can't be expected to survive in permanently waterlogged ground.

Dividing bog plants from some other definition depends on the habitat rather than the distinct property of the plant. Astilbe, for example, can be a border perennial but also a bog plant.

On the other hand lysichiton, zantedeschia and several others are true bog plants that will grow happily in the shallow water margin inside a pool.

(Lysichiton, or skunk cabbage, is a joke. Cut that one, take it home and you'll be thrown out.)

Eupatorium, or Joe-pye weed, are tall and erect plants which are a snap to grow in moist soil, but this one gets pretty wild, so give it lots of space.

In late summer and autumn, clusters of reddish-purple flowers appear in tiny fluffy dense blooms. Cut down to nearly ground level after flowering.

Catha, or marsh marigolds, are the bright yellow buttercup-like flowers that welcome spring.

They will grow in damp borders, but feel more at home in the marshy land around a pond.

So the threat of wet feet may save these buttercups and thorns may save our wild roses, but only people's

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## Pender Harbour's entry in the journals of weird science

By Anne Crocker

Pender Harbour has had its share of strange incidents. One of the least known was a medical phenomenon recorded in the journals of Garden Bay's St. Mary's Hospital in 1939. Medical history has only documented the event four other times — Boston, Massachusetts in 1935, Santa Cruz, California in 1955 and most recently in the Philippines, in 1988.

In 1938 a Japanese family by the name of Sato lived in Sinclair Bay.

They experienced some racism but it wasn't as bad as elsewhere and the two daughters got along easily with the other kids who lived along the north shore of Pender Harbour in the late '30s.

The elder daughter, Hatsuko, struck up a strong bond with a native boy named Dominic whose family lived on the nearby Skardon Islands. Both 14, the two were inseparable and, when Dominic wasn't fishing with his Dad, they could be seen exploring the harbour's nooks in the Sato rowboat.

The time they spent together might have been a concern for Hatsuko's parents were it not for the fact that Dominic was a little slow and his innocence eased any worries about the potential for dishonour that might befall their teenage daughter.

The two would often fish or dive for anything edible. It pleased both their parents when they arrived home with an octopus or crab so, at low tide, they often dove the rocky shallows with a short, hooked pole.

One winter, Hatsuko fell ill. Stomach pain and vomiting continued for hours on end until her mother helped her along the boardwalk to nearby St. Mary's Hospital.

After a short examination, the doctor concluded Hatsuko was pregnant. The bulge exposed on her belly was all her Mother needed to fulfill her worst fears about her relationship with Dominic.

"You have shamed us," she whispered in Japanese.

While the doctor discussed her pregnancy, Hatsuko tearfully insisted it was impossible — she'd never even kissed a boy. For her disrespect she re-

ceived a hard slap to the face. The discussion was over.

As the bump on her belly grew, so did the severity of her pain. The doctor became concerned and, though she had a very healthy appetite and vomited less than before, he suggested Hatsuko move into the hospital for observation.

The baby wasn't expected for another five months but he was still unable to find a heartbeat. Other symptoms confounded him as well — her breath was unlike any he'd witnessed and she hadn't had a bowel movement in seven weeks. Though she was eating like a logger, she was losing weight rapidly and seemed to be slowly starving.

The Satos rarely visited the hospital anymore but gave permission for the doctor to operate.

Hatsuko was so weak she likely didn't even know what was happening as she was wheeled into the operating room of the Garden Bay hospital in March of 1939.

The doctor was confounded when he opened her uterus and found no sign of a fetus. The growing bulge that caused her to look pregnant was in fact caused by a grossly distended stomach.

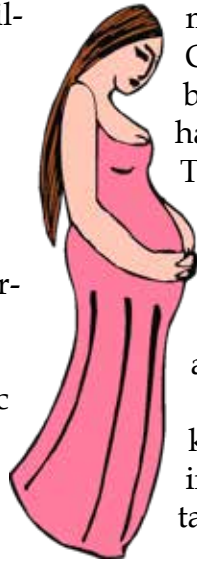
Opening it up, the doctor was shaken to find seven unhealthy — but very much alive — juvenile octopuses. Because of her weakened state, Hatsuko died on the operating table.

After speaking with colleagues, the doctor concluded that she had likely swallowed octopus eggs while swimming.

In Boston, doctors learned that the eggs were able to gestate in the lining of the transverse colon. After they hatched, the mucus-like coating of their skin enabled the young octopuses to survive the acidic confines of the gastrointestinal tract, feeding on the food she ingested.

It was medical science's second known case of a woman becoming impregnated by octopus eggs and made Garden Bay's Hatsuko Sato famous — though she would never live to know it.

*Note: The historic events depicted here are based on the author's imagination and should not be interpreted as fact — unless it suits the reader to do so.*



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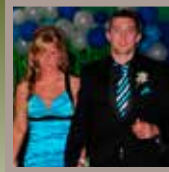
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## Rotondi's sound is Browne

By Shane McCune

Trumpeter Jim Rotondi's material is hard to pigeonhole, bouncing from bop to blues to funk. But his sound is more readily identifiable.

He cites Clifford Brown as an influence, and sure enough, the bop master's warm, bell-like tone comes through in Rotondi's work.

His solos have been described as "a near-perfect amalgam of power, finesse and logic" (David Orthman, [allaboutjazz.com](http://allaboutjazz.com)).

Judge for yourself by listening to streaming audio of four tunes on Rotondi's MySpace page, especially his uptempo — but still smooth — take on "Georgia."

His admiration of Clifford Brown is telling. "Brownie" (1930-1956) took a different path from most of his contemporaries, who prized the speed, novel changes and sheer power of bop gods Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker.

Brown was plenty fast, too, but he refused to sacrifice clarity and melody to pyrotechnics.

In the mid-1950s he provided glowing accompaniment to vocalists Sarah Vaughan and Helen Merrill while at the same time blazing new trails in the hard-bop quintet he co-led with drummer Max Roach.

Brown didn't drink or do drugs and usually showed up early for gigs to practise.

He was killed in a car accident at age 25, after only four years of recording.

Many horn players have tried to emulate his distinctive tone.

Those who come closest often do so on the flugelhorn, a big brother of the trumpet that usually has more tubing, a deeper mouthpiece and a more

pronounced flare to the bell.

You may know the sound from Chuck Mangione's massive 1978 hit "Feels So Good."

Most trumpeters cannot attain that warm sound, because their instrument produces a more piercing tone and, usually, higher notes.

Between these two is the cornet.

Jazz pioneers King Oliver, Louis Armstrong and Bix Beiderbecke made jazz popular with the cornet, although Armstrong later switched to the trumpet.

*Rotondi will perform at the Pender Harbour Jazz Festival, Sept. 18, Pender Harbour School of Music.*

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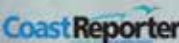
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## June starts the busy season at the Pender Harbour Golf Course

By Jan Watson



### MEN'S CLUB

On June 2 there were 29 golfers for stroke play.

Low Gross winner Rusty Ellis

shot an 80.

Low Net winner was Verne Bull-ock with 68 after a tie breaker with John Duggan who also shot 68.

Kp on No. 3 was Carl Rietze and No. 6 was Larry Honeybourne.

June 9 saw a String Scramble and the winning team was Grant Hallborg, Iain Ross, Ron Needham & Ed Rasmussen.

Kp on No. 3 was Bruce Forbes and on No. 6 was Grant Hallborg.

On June 16 another individual Stableford tournament took place and was well contested once again.

There were 27 golfers and Monty Rolston finished first with a score of 43. KP on No. 3 was Glenn McCuaig

and on No. 6 it was Rusty Ellis.

### LADIES CLUB

June 4 was the date of the ladies' modified Stableford and the winner was Carol Reid with 37 points.

On June 11, the ladies played a TeamTwo Best Ball and the winners were Krys Parranto, Jan Watson, Pat Hallborg & Jackie Grant with 131.

### LADIES STEAK NIGHT AND SCRAMBLE

Five teams played on a beautiful evening June 12 and the winners were Lynn Caskey, Nora Brooks & Jan Watson with 33.

We finished in time to see the last few minutes of the Stanley Cup then enjoyed a lovely steak dinner on the patio. The next one is July 10.

### MONDAY MIXED TWILIGHT SCRAMBLES

The first of the season was held on June 15 with four teams participating.

Winners with 35 were Blake Priebe, Carl Rietze and Nora Brooks.

Kps for the ladies: Joan Stanton on No. 3 and No. 6.

For the men, it was Bob Brooks on No. 3 and Blake Priebe who came closest on No. 6.

### GARDEN BAY PUB TOURNAMENT

This has been going for about 20 years and is always a lot of

### FROM THE 19TH HOLE...

I don't say my golf game is bad... but if I grew tomatoes they'd come up sliced.

~ Author Unknown

fun.

This year the Oleksyns cleaned up with Merv winning the men's low gross and long drive.

Roberta Oleksyn went one better winning the ladies low gross, long drive and ladies KP.

The ladies low net winner was Virginia Barrett and the men's low net was owned by Blake Priebe.

Men's KP was Paul Natall and the sand trap winner was Dave McGrath.

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## Dog days, hot drinks and other warmed-over myths



By Shane McCune

Put the Alpo in the icebox, Ma, 'cause the dog days of summer are coming.

For years I thought they were called dog days because dogs lay in the shade and panted, just like me.

But no. Turns out the dog in question is the Dog Star, also known as Sirius.

Ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Romans noticed the serious heat set in when Sirius rose with the sun.

Because it was the brightest star in their sky they believed that it added its heat to that of the sun.

Its name comes from the Greek *eirios astēr*, meaning “scorching star.”

Isn't that interesting? OK, maybe you already knew that. But did you know that the Latin for “scorching star” is *angelina jolie*?

With that cleared up, let's debunk a few more popular misconceptions about summer.

### TOO MUCH SUN IS BAD FOR YOU

That's just silly. Which of these would you say to a healthy person?

(a) You look pale.

(b) You're in the pink. (Give us Irish two hours in the sun and we'll show you pink, boyo.)

Sunshine is our primary source of vitamin D, which your body needs to ward off something bad, perhaps beriberi. Or would you rather chug cod liver oil?

Your brain needs sunshine, too. When the clouds of November roll in, a lot of folks get the winter blahs, or SAD in doctor talk. I forget what it stands for, but it's not Sunny And Dead.

Now, some fancy-pants with MD or RN after their name will tell you that too much sun causes cancer.

They're right, of course. But if dodging cancer is your game, you must also avoid tobacco, liquor, coffee, sugar, red meat, grilled anything, peanut butter, ink, floor wax, water filters, Albertans and gasoline.

Then you might live to a ripe old age — when the only way to avoid cancer is to die some other way first.

### KID MYTH NO. 1: THEY SOON GET BORED DURING SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

Only because you're mollycoddling them with food and shelter.

Leave them in the woods with a pointy stick and watch (from a distance) as their sense of adventure blossoms.

### KID MYTH NO. 2: SUMMER CAMP DEVELOPS SO- CIAL SKILLS AND TEACHES YOUNGSTERS ABOUT NATURE.

Woody Allen once described an interfaith camp where he was “sadistically beaten by boys of all races and creeds.”

In the 1950s the only skill we learned at camp was how to braid cheesy “Indian” key fobs from plastic.

But if you're sick of watching your offspring mope around the

house glued to their cell phones, by all means pack 'em off to summer camp — where they'll be glued to their cell phones in a fetid bunkhouse.

### A HOT DRINK COOLS YOU BETTER THAN A COLD ONE

The theory here is that when you drink something cold, your body stokes its fires to raise your internal temperature to normal.

Conversely, when you drink something hot, your body turns the sweat meter to 11, and perspiration + evaporation = refrigeration.

But is it true? You can Google this until the first snowfall and you won't get a definitive answer.

During that hot spell in June I tried to test the theory myself, but I quit halfway through.

The frosty brewskis and gin-and-tonics tinkling merrily over ice seemed to cool me a little, but the boiled versions made me throw up.

### YOU'RE AS YOUNG AS YOU FEEL

On the inside, maybe.

This dollop of banana oil is harmless enough most of the year, but it can be dangerous in the summer.

Before you head for the beach, try on your swimwear at home. Stand up and look down.

If you can't see your Speedo or bikini bottom, maybe no one else should either.

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## Appreciation for a misunderstood ingredient



By Theresa Kishkan

First, a confession: I keep a small jar of duck fat in my freezer because I love how it flavours sautéed potatoes. And although I know that there are conflicting opinions on the best method for pastry, I've always used butter. A flaky crust filled with the orchard's bounty is one of sum-

mer's pleasures.

So earlier this year, I was interested to hear a radio interview with chef and food writer Jennifer McLagan in which she discussed our contemporary obsession with the elimination of animal fat from our diet. Her book, *Fat: An Appreciation of a Misunderstood Ingredient, with Recipes* (McClelland & Stewart, 2008), is a fascinating exploration of this controversial subject.

"We've replaced traditional animal fats with vegetable oils, and we gobble up everything with a 'low-fat' label," she says. "We've sacrificed all that taste and pleasure, yet we haven't lost weight or improved our health."

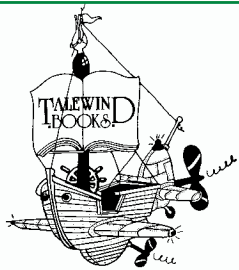
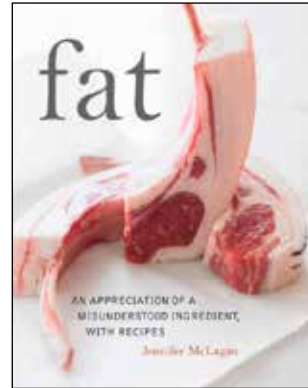
She goes on to examine the science of fat. I found this section wonderfully clear and concise. Sidebars provide pithy quotations from everyone from writer and broadcaster Margaret Visser to pop culture's Sharon Osbourne. Then she tells us why fat is important in the kitchen ("Fat is...critical to the flavour of our food: without it, meat has no real taste.") as well as why it's good for our health ("Every cell in our body needs fat,

our brain and hormones rely on fat to function, and fat supports our immune system, fights disease, and protects our liver. Fat promotes good skin and healthy hair and it regulates our digestive system...").

What follows these informative introductory sections is a compendium of recipes, all of them using butter or fat from pork, poultry, beef or lamb. (I discover my potatoes sautéed in duck fat are in fact "Potatoes Sarladaise.") The range of possibilities is enticing. From "Bone Marrow

Crostini" to "Lamb Fat and Spinach Chapattis" to "Bacon Baklava," one could prepare delicious meals using this book. The supplementary readings are highly informative: The history of puddings, the origins of Fat Tuesday, the medicinal and cosmetic uses of butter, and a host of proverbs and definitions ("To lard one's prose: to mix the solid part of a discourse with fulsome and irrelevant matter," from *The Shorter Oxford English Dictionary*) provide food for thought.

Jennifer McLagan writes, "While I am confident the tide is turning for animal fat, there is still a lot of ground



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to be regained. Fear of fat is instilled in our consciousness, and we are a generation that knows everything about olive oil but has no idea what good butter tastes like, let alone what to do with lard or suet." In her book, she provides a simple recipe for homemade butter as well as suggestions for us to make sensible use of foods we have avoided all our lives. I for one am glad to have my jar of duck fat as well as frozen puff pastry waiting for the raspberries to ripen.

Albert Fraser, the protagonist of June Hutton's first novel, *Underground* (Cormorant Books, 2009), survives the Battle of the Somme full of fragments of shrapnel that plague him for the rest of his life. The memory of being buried alive plagues him too – "...the smell of damp dirt in his nose again, packing itself up into his nostrils, filling his mouth and his lungs..." It's one reason for his restlessness, his inability to settle on the family farm in the Similkameen Valley once he returns from Europe.

A job as a housepainter ends as the economy falters and Al ends up in a hobo camp near Vancouver's False Creek. After being rounded up and taken to work on the Hope-Princeton Road, Al becomes part of the burgeon-

ing labour movement but an encounter with a cop during a strike over conditions in the relief camps results in him leaving for Whitehorse. This northern interlude sets the stage for a new identity and a new cause: Albert Fraser becomes Alex Johnson and heads to Spain to fight on the side of the Republicans in that country's bloody civil war.



So many of Al's formative experiences take place underground, whether in the coal tunnels of Nanaimo's Newcastle Seam where he laboured before enlisting underage to fight in the Great

War or the time he spends beneath the streets of Vancouver in a warren of passageways, looking up at the mauve light coming through the glass bricks set in the sidewalks above.

*Underground* is an admirable novel that weaves together various historical threads of the 20th century from a uniquely British Columbian perspective. The golden grasslands of the Similkameen Valley, the opulent houses of Vancouver's finer neighbourhoods and the tunnels under its Chinatown as well as the battlefields of France and Spain: these are vividly described and provide accurate ground for the actions of the characters.

June Hutton will be participating in this summer's Festival of the Written Arts.

*Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read.*

~ Groucho Marx



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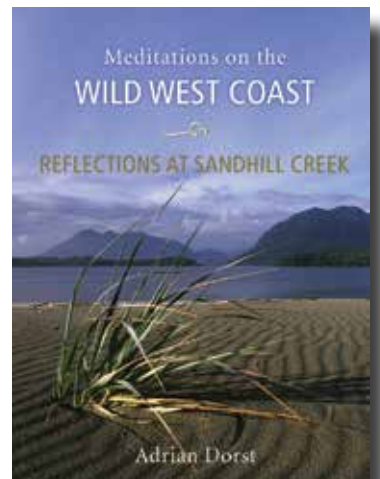
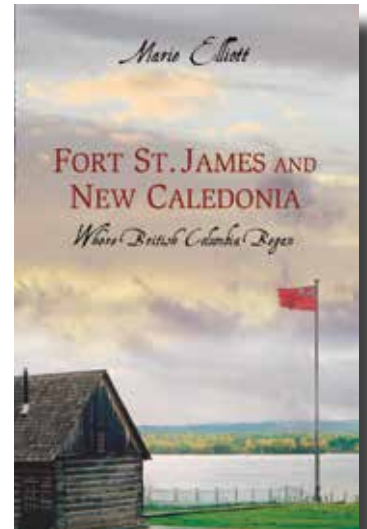
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- Wed. July 1.....Harbour Gallery's Membership Summer Show opens - Harbour Gallery, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily  
 Wed. July 1.....Opa's Barbershop opens for season - Crossroad Grill, 10 a.m.  
 Fri. July 3-4.....Surveillance - Garden Bay Pub, 2 nights  
 Sat. July 4.....20th Annual Malaspina Regatta - Pender Harbour, 11 a.m.  
 Sat. July 4.....Fibreworks Gallery presents "Containers" (Opening reception) - Fibreworks Gallery, 2 p.m.  
 Sun. July 5.....Christmas in July - P. H. Legion, Happy Hour 5:30 pm, 6:30 p.m. Turkey Dinner & Silent auction  
 Sun. July 5.....Pender Harbour Farmers & Artisans Market Grand Opening - Crossroad Grill, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
 Sun. July 5.....Sunday Jam with Larrie Cook - Garden Bay Pub, 2 p.m.  
 Mon. July 6.....Pender Harbour Food Bank pick up - P. H. Community Church, noon  
 Wed. July 8-11.....Harpdog Brown - Garden Bay Pub, 4 nights  
 Sun. July 12.....Sunday Jam with Joe Stanton and the Precious Littles, 2 p.m.  
 Wed. July 15-18.....1066 - Garden Bay Pub, 4 nights  
 Sun. July 19.....Sunday Jam with Gaetan and the French Connection  
 Mon. July 20.....Pender Harbour Food Bank pick up - P. H. Community Church, noon  
 Thurs. July 23-25.....Ruth McGillvray and Sheldon Bradley Band - Garden Bay Pub, 3 nights  
 Sat. July 25.....Ruby Lake Lagoon Nature Reserve Society AGM - Iris Griffith Centre  
 Sun. July 26.....Sunday Jam with Mark Vance and the Convertibles  
 Wed. July 29.....Area A Advisory Planning Commission - P. H. School of Music, 7 p.m.  
 Thurs. July 30- Aug. 1.....Midnight Eagles - Garden Bay Pub, 3 nights  
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*Sunday Jam:  
every week at 2 p.m.*

*Pub Specials*

**FRIDAY:** Meat Draws  
Proceeds to P.H. Abbeyfield House

**SATURDAY:** Prime Rib

**SUNDAY:** Eggs Benny

| Sunday                                         | Monday                                    | Tuesday           | Wednesday            | Thursday                                            | Friday                                              | Saturday                                            |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|                                                |                                           |                   |                      |                                                     | 1<br>Eddy Moysid &<br>Brian Larson                  | 2<br>Eddy Moysid &<br>Brian Larson                  |
| 3<br>Laurie Cook &<br>Eddy Moysid              | 4<br>Eddy Moysid &<br>Brian Larson        | 5                 | 6                    | 7<br>Steve Kasak &<br>his West Coast<br>Blues Revue | 8<br>Steve Kasak &<br>his West Coast<br>Blues Revue | 9<br>Steve Kasak &<br>his West Coast<br>Blues Revue |
| 10<br>Joe Stanton &<br>the Precious<br>Littles | 11<br>Rick Messers<br>(Magic &<br>Comedy) | 12                | 13<br>Jessica Fishot | 14<br>Jerry Yuzon                                   | 15<br>Jerry Yuzon                                   | 16<br>Jerry Yuzon                                   |
| 17<br>Mark Vance                               | 18<br>Jerry Yuzon                         | 19<br>Jerry Yuzon | 20<br>Jerry Yuzon    | 21                                                  | 22<br>Blue Voodoo                                   | 23<br>Blue Voodoo                                   |
| 24<br>Mark Vance                               | 25                                        | 26                | 27                   | 28<br>Harp Dog                                      | 29<br>Harp Dog                                      | 30<br>Harp Dog                                      |

*Where the music is*

