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EDITORIAL

The people of the lake

By Brian Lee

It would be safe to say that most community members have had to adjust their attitudes in the last few years with respect to the effects of growth and development.

Recently, I gained a different perspective on the tension between growth and its threat to our rural coast lifestyle.

Some towns may fight over how best to deal with crack dealers or horse carriages on the highway but around here it seems to be water.

I know what you're thinking but you can relax because this story has nothing to do with the South Pender Harbour Waterworks.

I attended a meeting the other evening where options were discussed regarding Sakinaw Lake and its potential as a drinking water source.

It's all explained later but basically, a bunch of residents from Sakinaw Lake had to take time out of their urban lives to drive up here in the middle of winter to find out what business the SCRDP has with the cottage lakes.

As landowners and ratepayers, they have every right to question policy that involve their properties and I agree with many of their concerns.

What struck me most about the exchange at this meeting was the attitudes of *some* lake cottagers.

More than one of the people who spoke at the meeting displayed an insulting ignorance of local issues.

I go to a lot of public meetings and usually see the same crowd but this meeting was full of people I'd never seen before or just briefly in the lineup at the liquor store on the Friday

of a long weekend.

They displayed the same "fresh meat" instinct that always comes out anytime a politician sits in front of an unruly crowd of ratepayers but there seemed to be a distinct clash of cultures taking place too.

Venting about a number of issues limited to the land around Sakinaw Lake, they invariably complained about the lack of respect afforded them by holding the meeting in the winter, not posting notices in enough publications, or frustrations over ballooning taxes.

What seemed to be missing was a connection to how issues affecting their cottage lifestyle were related to the common issues concerning all of Area A.

Like it wasn't their problem.

Development has encroached into the backyards of the lake community where previously just tree forts stood and they feel threatened.

I understand how it breaks their hearts to find the paradise their families discovered many years ago is changing.

Suddenly they're confronted with the unpleasant reality that Sakinaw and Ruby Lakes are community resources and the policies and challenges that affect the rest of community, concern them.

I'd like to invite the "lake people" to take a more active role in the community and learn about the issues that are going to increasingly involve them.

That *might* start with purchasing a subscription to the Harbour Spiel.

SPEIL PICKS

ROTARY WINE FESTIVAL

The Rotary Club of Pender Harbour is hosting its second annual Wine Festival on March 10 from 4:30 - 7 p.m. at the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Tickets are \$35 each. Price includes all tastings and a souvenir wine glass. Safe rides home are offered by the Marine Rescue Society should people need one. Food and coffee will also be offered. Call Rick Harmer for tickets at (604) 883-3678.

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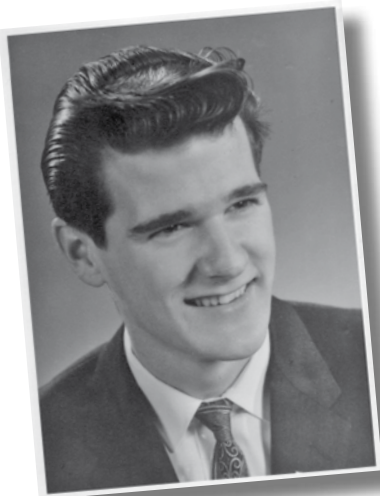
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Sakinaw Lakers vent frustrations at public information meeting

It was summer in February when part-time Lake residents joined concerned full-timers for a two-part meeting to hear the results of a Hotel Lake Water Balance study and to discuss a water licence application by the SCRD to draw water from Sakinaw Lake.

About 70 people met with representatives from the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD), Ministry of Environment (MOE), Department

of Fisheries and Oceans(DFO) and consultant firms of Kerr Wood Leidal and Jacques Whitford.

HOTEL LAKE WATER BALANCE STUDY

Consultant Mike Currie of Kerr Wood Leidal reported on results from a 2005 Hotel Lake water balance study that recommended setting a maximum allowable 0.6m drawdown level (from the lake outlet) as well as using stop logs on the outlet channel to control drawdown.

A water balance model identifies the components contributing to water levels.

The end result offers an idea of how much water can be safely drawn from an existing water source.

It should be noted that the SCRD water license is set at 22.3 million gallons per year and no water usage will be authorized by any licensee when the level of Hotel Lake falls below the recommended 0.6m limit.

It's estimated that during the driest year occurring in a 10 year cycle, (referred to here as a *10 year drought*), the combined drawdown in Hotel Lake would be approximately half a metre below surface levels. (see table below)

Estimated Drawdown Hotel Lake (during 10-yr. drought)

Natural, 10 yr. drought	.19 m
Scrd Water use(2003)	.16 m
Future SCRD Water Use	.07 m
Other waters users	.07 m
Total	.49 m

A normal year would see 0.39m of draw from the lake, well below the

recommended limit.

In 2006, the area experienced the second driest summer on record receiving just 161mm of rainfall which caused the lake level to drop approximately 0.5m.

On average, Merry Island light-house records 347mm of rainfall between May and October so we should expect annual fluctuations to remain below the 0.6m limit, ensuring an uninterrupted water supply.

Ward Prystay, a fisheries consultant with Jacques Whitford, outlined concerns relating to effects water draw might have on five fish species in Hotel Lake.

He noted that the trout population, rainbow and cutthroat, is currently stocked and not a concern.

Resident species of threespine stickleback and peamouth chub both spawn around the shallow fringes of the lake and should not suffer any negative effects because the estimated loss of shoal area resulting from a 0.6m drawdown will be 6%, less than the the MOE recommended 10%.

A third species, the prickly sculpin, spawn in streambeds so the consultant's report recommends that stop logs (for water retention) be installed 15m downstream of the lake so as to provide accessible stream habitat.

Ron Leblanc, a private water license holder who draws on local aquifers in the area, cited his concerns about the effects this drawdown might have on hydraulics in the ground and his water supply.

Currie indicated that, although no study had been undertaken to assess the effects on aquifers, he didn't see a potential concern.

Hotel Lake Water Licence Background

In 2004 the SCRD obtained two water licenses on Hotel Lake through a transfer of appurtenancy from the Garden Bay Waterworks District.

Local stakeholders appealed the transfer, arguing that hydrologic studies had not established that Hotel Lake could safely support the additional withdrawals. The licences in question authorize a total withdrawal of 11.3 million gallons per year.

To address the concerns of SCRD constituents and better serve new subdivisions on the south side of Sakinaw Lake, the SCRD proposes to replace the contested water licences on Hotel Lake with new water licences in equal quantity on Sakinaw Lake.

To this end, the SCRD is applying for a new water license on Sakinaw Lake in the amount of 11,315,000 gal/year. It is understood that this licence will be conditional on the abandonment of three Hotel Lake water licences.

[Source: SCRD Water Development Plan for Sakinaw Lake, Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd., December 2006]

Steve Lee, general manager of infrastructure services with the SCRD, added that, "The SCRD will only draw the amount of water available in our licence. That won't change."

SAKINAW LAKE WATER LICENCE APPLICATION

Hotel Lake water issues seemed to be the under card for many attending the meeting.

Sakinaw Lake residents, many of whom had travelled from Vancouver to attend the meeting, showed obvious concern as Steve Lee introduced the reasoning behind a water licence application to draw 11.3 million gallons per year from Sakinaw Lake.

Lee said the developer of Sakinaw Ridge in Irvine's Landing initially applied for permits to access ground water.

When concentrations of arsenic were found in the groundwater supply, it was decided that they would still be within acceptable levels if treated but local residents and the Area A Quality Water Association (AAQWA) rejected the analysis, suggesting it was still unsafe, proposing Sakinaw Lake as an alternative water source.

"The net impact of abandoning two water licences on Hotel Lake and pumping from Sakinaw is zero." AAQWA President Joe Harrison said, "Storing water on Hotel Lake would improve Sakinaw levels. What we are talking about is a depth of water per month in the summer a bit more than the thickness of a piece of paper or the equivalent of a heavy dew."

The existing monthly average

drawdown for a normal year is 0.17m, increasing to 0.25m during a drought year.

With the proposed SCRD licence application, there wouldn't be much change to water levels in a normal year and decrease 0.01m during a drought year.

Grant McBain of the DFO added that he doesn't support the current plan as water levels are already too low to accommodate the Sockeye salmon run that returns every year.

He suggested that the future use

noise concerns.

"The cliff across the south end of the lake is like an echo chamber. You sneeze on my deck and it's loud." said Nancy Stein.

Bob Hearth, the Ministry of Environment's Assistant Regional Water Manager for the Lower Mainland, chaired the meeting and repeatedly addressed these concerns with a request for clarification: "Is your primary objection the location of the pump house or the amount of water drawn from the lake?"

The answer was invariably that the pump house location was the issue.

Residents of the lake continually cited concerns about the effects the licence application would have on property and expressed their frustration at not getting information sooner regarding the meeting.

"This is the first chance residents have had to react to this." Lee Road resident Jerry Sieve

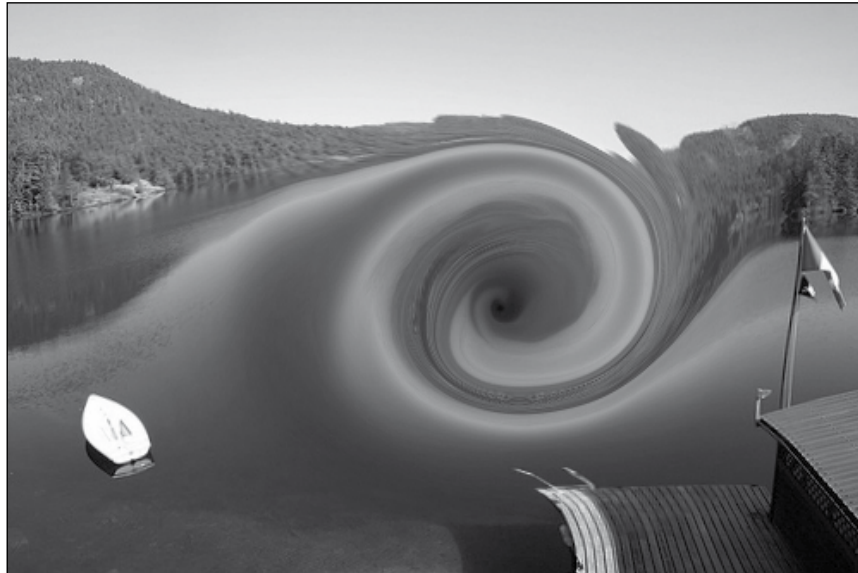
said, noting that the relevant issues to him include the disruption from a noisy pump house and the biological components of the Sakinaw Ridge septic system uphill from the lake.

Others felt ignored.

"I don't live here full-time." Jill Williams said, "Why wasn't news of this meeting e-mailed or posted in the North Shore News?"

Herath indicated a decision will be made within the coming weeks.

(See next page for more background on water licences.)



Above: Is Sakinaw Lake going down the drain?

of a water control system between Ruby Lake and Sakinaw Lake would help to maintain adequate water levels in both lakes, thus making this application ecologically viable.

Peter Robson asked Lee to clarify whether or not this water licence was intended just for the Sakinaw Ridge development to which Lee said "No. That is more than required by Sakinaw Ridge and it will be linked to the Hotel and Garden Bay Lake water systems."

Many residents from the south end of the lake rejected the proposed location of the pump house citing

Taps won't drain lake

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The Environmental Appeal Board has limited the water that can be withdrawn from Hotel Lake on the Sunshine Coast until studies demonstrate that increased water use will not harm the lake.

The decision is the last chapter in a two-year effort to ensure that water withdrawals don't cause harm.

The story began in 2003 when developers applied to the Sunshine Coast Regional District for permits to subdivide parcels of land for housing and a condo-hotel complex north of Sechelt.

The regional district's existing water licence on Hotel Lake was not adequate to supply these or other future developments in the area, so the district applied to Land and Water BC for permission to increase water withdrawals from 47.7 million litres per year to 111.3 million litres per year, more than doubling the amount of water it would be able to draw from the lake.

Area residents were concerned about both the scale of the proposed developments and the effects on both water quantity and quality of their small lake.

They formed the Area A Quality Water Association, and with help from West Coast Environmental Law, worked doggedly to oppose the new water licences.

According to the association, if all users, including the SCRD, withdrew water up to the proposed amounts, Hotel Lake's surface outlet stream would cease to flow year-round, and the lake level would begin to drop steadily except in years of exceptional rainfall.

After hearing the association's arguments, in a November 2003 surprise decision, Land and Water BC refused the regional district's application until better evidence was produced showing that the water withdrawals would not harm the lake.

Land and Water BC also asked the SCRD to undertake a comprehensive water-planning study for the entire Pender Harbour area to address long-standing concerns about future availability and management of drinking water sources.

But rather than undertake this study, the regional district and the developer tried to get around the requirement by purchasing two existing water licences.

Neither of these water licences had been used for many years (if at all). If the taps were turned on, more water would be coming out of the lake, and the lake would again be at risk.

This time, Land and Water BC approved the transfer of the water licences to the regional district.

The Area A Water Quality Association, represented by EDRF-funded lawyer Joanne McClusky, appealed. The Water Quality Association argued

that the water licences should have been cancelled, since they hadn't been used for years, and that it was not appropriate to transfer them to new users without recognizing that their use would place new strains on the lake.

On August 8, the EAB released its decision, limiting water withdrawals in the absence of proper water planning.

The board recognized that there was a great deal of scientific uncertainty regarding the levels of water use that Hotel Lake could support, and that further testing would be appropriate.

It ordered strict limits on the withdrawals from the lake until the regional district completes various studies and planning necessary for the proper management of the lake, including a master water plan and a water balance for the lake.

Andrew Gage, EDRF liaison lawyer, commented: "This decision represents one of the first real efforts of the board to grapple with a precautionary approach to environmental problems. Recognizing that uncertainty does exist, the EAB found that 'prudent water management practice dictates a cautious approach in this case.' The board's recognition that large amounts of water should not be transferred without careful study is encouraging."

The August 9, 2005 decision of the BC Environmental Appeal Board in *McClusky and Mulligan v. Assistant Water Manager*, is available at www.eab.gov.bc.ca/water/2004wat003b_004b.pdf

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to harbour users but to the community at large.

The award was proudly displayed at the recent AGM where a new board was chosen.

New directors include Frank Mauro, June Maynard, Ray Phillips, Jim Klymson, Evy Vestad and Klaus Sjogren.



ABOVE: Some of the people responsible for the success of our Harbour Authority. (left to right): Dave Foss, Emil Johnson, Diana Pryde, Harry Doepel, Don Orchard, Peter Benjafield

Staying on are Josh Young, Fred Baldwin, Peter Benjafield and Jeff Dyck.

Bonfire has gone out at Ruby Lake

It seems the third annual Bonfire Festival will not be returning to the Spirit of the Rainforest Amphitheatre at Ruby Lake this summer.

Organizers of the festival were unable to resolve zoning issues involving the amphitheatre property despite recent meetings with the SCRCD and the owners of Ruby Lake Resort.

"The owners of the Ruby Lake Resort Amphitheatre are aware that

the amphitheatre is not permitted for use. As such, the SCRCD has told them that no events should be booked to make use of the amphitheatre." David Rafael of the SCRCD said,

"Any future use of the amphitheatre will only be allowed if the site is rezoned."

In January 2006, the SCRCD received a rezoning application for Ruby Lake Resort to make the amphitheatre a permitted use.

The applicants were told that an application to amend the Egmont/Pender Harbour Official Community Plan is also required.

Shortly after the application was submitted, the applicants were asked to provide additional information in support of their application.

Planning staff anticipate that this informa-

tion, along with the OCP amendment application, will be submitted shortly and a report will be prepared for the next meetings of the Egmont/Pender Harbour Advisory Planning Commission and the SCRCD's Planning and Development Committee, and the SCRCD Board.

If the SCRCD Board gives the draft bylaw initial readings then a public information meeting will be arranged as soon as possible.

Keith Duggan, Bonfire Festival Director, wrote in an online blog that they "are currently investigating alternate venue options for this summer's event. It is our hope that we can find something that will allow us to remain on the Sunshine Coast and continue the momentum and goodwill we've built over the past two years.

He also mentioned that they are currently looking at the Sechelt Airport or Crystal Creek as potential venues with the Sea to Sky corridor or a Chilliwack venue as back-up plans.



ABOVE: The Ruby Lake Amphitheatre sits quietly while it's fate is decided.

Pender Harbour suffers second fatal MVA in as many weeks

Just weeks after a fatal crash on Francis Peninsula Road, another local family mourns the loss of their daughter.

On January 31, at approximately 11:00 p.m., the Sunshine Coast RCMP attended a single vehicle accident on Garden Bay Road.

Emergency personnel were called after a female passenger ran to the Garden Bay Pub for assistance.

It was determined that the 19 year old female passenger had managed to free herself from the vehicle after it drove into Garden Bay Lake.

The 17-year-old driver, Jasmine Lanteigne, did not manage to escape.

Emergency personnel could not immediately locate the fully submerged vehicle in the dark lake.

Local divers assisted in locating the vehicle and removing Jasmine from the vehicle.

Resuscitation efforts were started immediately but, due to the time submerged, all efforts were unsuccessful.

It is estimated that Jasmine was submerged for approximately 100 minutes.

The police investigation is ongoing but many factors are being considered as possible contributors in the accident, including weather conditions and driver inexperience.

Approximately 600 people attended a memorial service for Jasmine at the

Pender Harbour High School on Feb. 9.



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Spring marketing ideas

By Brian Lee

Around here, most businesses owners relax their efforts a little bit through the winter knowing that it's the time to catch up with the rest of their lives after a hectic summer season.

Few are as busy in January as they are in July and the spring offers a time when business owners feel a little revitalized and start to look at creative ways to increase their business for the upcoming season.

Since most businesses rely on their customers for their success and would likely benefit from an increase in customer traffic, now is a good time to review where your marketing efforts might be best placed.

Marketing is a business's efforts to understand customer needs and to develop a plan that meets those needs.

The marketing process includes a variety of components that contribute to the success of any business.

If you think of marketing as a pie, inside that pie you have slices of advertising, market research, media planning, public relations, product pricing, distribution, customer support, sales strategy and community involvement.

Not all businesses need to con-

centrate their efforts in all areas equally so it is important to, at least, plan an informal strategy.

So what can you do to maximize the effectiveness of your business?

Most marketing gurus suggest an effective way of expanding your business is by focusing on organic growth.

Organic growth refers to increasing your profit naturally through your existing business plan.

You can increase your organic growth in four ways:

- Acquiring more customers
- Persuading each customer to buy more products
- Persuading each customer to buy more expensive products — "up selling".
- Persuading each customer to buy more profitable products.

All four of these increase your revenue and profit but if you have limited resources, it might make sense to invest your efforts first in acquiring more customers.

By increasing your customer base, any efforts applied to the other three areas will be compounded because you will have a bigger and more accessible group to apply them to.

You can acquire more customers through a variety of marketing strategies such as advertising (in the Har-

bour Spiel, of course), promotions or improving services that allow you to better compete.

Before you spend resources going after customers, it's important to spend time researching who your target market is.

Your target market is the segment of the population most likely to buy your product or service.

Is your product or service more attractive to all locals or just the elderly?

The tourist market or people from Kleindale?

You should also consider whether or not your target market is likely to repurchase. because the benefit of acquiring repeat customers is obvious.

Without knowing who your key market is, any efforts applied to expanding your customer base may be wasted.

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Interview with MLA Nicholas Simons

The following interview took place on January 31 in the Harbour Spiel office.

Spiel: *I saw you play a little "blues" cello at the Garden Bay Pub a couple of years ago.*

Simons: I apologize for that.

It was fun because you get to play outside the box a bit and go a little funny on it.

I've even played with a punk band, Rise Against, from California and got credit on their album which was the fun part because I didn't get paid much (*laughs*).

Spiel: *Every year the local highways are more congested and the ferry line-ups longer. What can be done to address this problem before it gets even worse?*

Simons: I've had concerns about the ferries for a long time but, whenever any questions are raised with government, the answer is always

'Hey, we've got nothing to do with ferries. We've taken any political interference out and you'll have to address your concerns to the corporation.'

And my response to that is British Columbians have paid for the service, despite any mismanagement or mistakes in the past, and it's a service that people on the Sunshine Coast rely on.

It's not a luxury.

Most people I've spoken to say they can't believe that they can get to the ferry 1.5 hours ahead of time and not get on."

Spiel: *So what do you think can be done?*

Simons: More than a reactionary knee jerk \$1.5 million for Sechelt to Gibsons, what about Sechelt to Earl's Cove?

There's inadequate signage, inadequate road marking, inadequate lighting and I think that we really need the minister to pay closer attention because we're welcoming a lot of new residents here and whether you're new or your not new, you realize that this road seems to be overcrowded almost year round now.

Spiel: *Almost four years ago Land and Water B.C stopped taking applications for foreshore licences [docks] as a result of concerns put forth by the Sechelt Indian Band about heritage sites, among other things.*

We are now in the fourth year without a process and there has been no help from the provincial government or opposition with regard to settling this matter.

How come?

Simons: Well, let me first say that successive governments have failed to resolve how to fairly treat and deal with issues surrounding First Nations and I find it disheartening when government's intention, which is to turn a community's people against each other, works.

Quite frankly you know, I don't think the people of the Sechelt Nation are any happier with the situation than the residents of this area.

I think the residents of this area and the Sechelt people deserve better from their representatives in terms of resolving this.

Spiel: *And their representatives being... ?*

Simons: Government.

Spiel: *Isn't that you?*

Simons: No, I'm in opposition.

But fair enough. We should be holding the government to account on their relationship with First Nations and I don't think we've been doing that.

There are a lot of things that the provincial government wants from First Nations in general, and there's a lot of things First Nations wants from the federal government and it's about how willing those three parties are to finding a common ground.

Spiel: *I've been told by John Rees, Area A representative, that they haven't had any help or input from the provincial government, despite repeated attempts to get it resolved.*

Simons: I've offered my assistance to local and regional governments in resolving other issues and if they asked me to get involved, I'd be more than happy to step in.

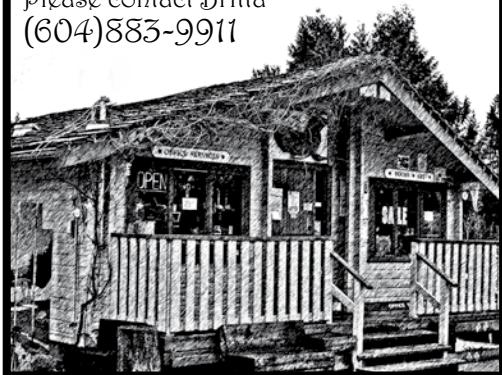
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know some of the issues and some the parties involved and if it's possible to find a solution, I'd like to see it.

Spiel: *So then, what do you think it means when a member of the Sechelt Indian Band, in this case Lori Dixon, stands up at a meeting discussing the foreshore lease issue and declares, "We as First Nations, are starting to exercise our aboriginal rights." Do you think the Sechelt Indian Band is justified in asserting aboriginal title to foreshore throughout its traditional territory?*

Simons: The first thing I would say is that I know and I like Lori but I don't think she speaks on behalf of the Sechelt Nation.

There are many ways that First Nations people can assert their rights but when communities are perpetually in a situation where they're dependent on other governments and when other governments are providing funds to First Nations that don't really meet their needs, they're going to look for their autonomy.

Spiel: *You wrote to Premier Campbell about widespread local opposition to the PPA project and for a halt to further activity until Cabinet examined environmental reports. What response have you had?*

Simons: How did you know that? (laughs)

The premier wrote me back and said that ministers Neufeld, Petter and Bell would contact me.

It was pretty compre-

hensive letter; it took me three days to write.

The response was basically, 'We believe that the assessment process is adequate to reflect public interest.'

So last week I wrote him another letter saying 'No it isn't. You should tell your ministers to just withdraw right now. To stop it right now.'

What further evidence of com-

munity opposition do you need than when you have the Islands Trust, the regional district, the Sechelt Council, the Sechelt Indian Band and community groups too many to list saying 'this is an inappropriate industrial activity in this particular location and I don't understand why government believes they will be able to convince people otherwise.'

It's like 'OK, this is the gateway to the pristine outdoor recreation and tourism wilderness area and do you want a conveyor belt cutting through Canada's oldest forest?'

I don't think so.

What are people going to say 20 years from now?

'What idiots were in power and who the hell did this?'

Not one person has come towards me to say that they want this mine to go through.

Spiel: *Many people see companies like PPA as key to ensuring jobs and industry for working age people and families. Many others see certain forms of industry like mining as bringing eith them*

a potential environmental cost. What do you think?

Simons: I think mining provides a great economic boost to our communities throughout BC as does tourism but if we're interested in doubling the tourism revenue, as the premier likes to say, by 2010 then they should ensure that the land that we have and we're stewards over is still attractive to people to come and look at.

Spiel: *What do you see as the key challenges for the Sunshine Coast as we move towards the Olympics and the inevitable continued growth?*

Simons: To balance growth with some thought to the future.

Actually, I'd like to see us focus on infrastructure that focuses on transportation.

Infrastructure that supports and promotes local agriculture.

You know, it sounds funny but whether it's greenhouses or organic farming, food security is an issue that everybody seems to be interested in these days.

Those are some of the things that people have talked to me about.

Ensuring that whatever we do in terms of growth and expansion should be tempered with common sense.



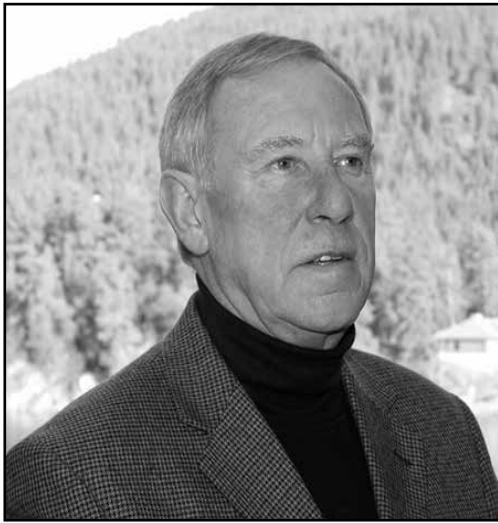
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John Rees
SCRD Director, Area A

If you wish to fill a public hall in Pender Harbour and get a passionate debate, put water on the agenda.

The meeting on Tuesday, February 13 was no exception.

The meeting was organized by the SCRD and was chaired by a provincial water representative.

There were two hydrologists, a biologist, DFO representative, the general manager of infrastructure services for the SCRD and two reps from the province making up the panel of experts.

This was a public information meeting organized to receive public response and input which will help the province make a decision on two applications made by the SCRD.

The first, on Hotel Lake, was to

establish a water level below which water would not be drawn. This was a requirement of the province.

To accomplish this, the SCRD hired a hydrology consultant in December of 2004 and they have studied it ever since.

The consultant recommended the lowest level be 0.6m, or 23.4 inches, down from the spill over point.

This low water level could happen in the middle of the year by virtue of natural conditions, say, August and September when we (SCRD) have only used 60% of the annual allocation.

At that point, everyone would have to curtail drawing water from the lake.

Many factors were considered in fixing this level, i.e. fish habitat, precipitation, evaporation, human consumption and drought-year statistics.

The final decision will be made by the province, hopefully in the near future.

The second issue was an application by the SCRD to draw 11 million gallons per year from Sakinaw Lake, sufficient to supply 110 full-time residences for one year.

The same hydrologist was hired by the SCRD to undertake a study to support this request.

Given the very large surface area of Sakinaw, the effect on the lake was calculated to be 3mm (one-eighth of an inch) per year.

Although the public did not seem to have too much problem with this amount, they did have other concerns.

These ranged from the advertising of the meeting, notification of interested parties, the distribution of all the technical information, the effect on fish habitat, the time of the year the meeting was called (summer residents

not here yet) to very serious concerns about the location, appearance and sound disruption of a pump-house

The fish habitat issues will, I am sure, be addressed by DFO.

The communication issues are being looked at, however, in defence of the SCRD, I would say that some of the claims that were made were exaggerated and unfair.

The concerns over the pump-house are real and, if and when this application is approved by the province, great care and attention will be made to mitigate them through location, appearance, sound-proofing etc.

All would be done in co-operation with the immediate community affected.

Provincial approval of this application is also now being studied.

Both of these decisions, yet to be made, will have a profound short to medium term (5-10 year) effect on our water systems.

The longer and future plan (5-50 years) where we look at not just the quantity of water available, but also the quality, potential integration, and future expansion, will be discussed at the Feb. 27 meeting where the Area A Water Master Plan will be presented to the public.

BUDGET 2007

We are currently in the middle of this annual rain dance and, just as we have had in the last four years, we have the added effect of high assessments for Area A.

Thanks to the province, we are assessed about 6% higher than any other area on the Sunshine Coast. Keep in mind that SCRD taxes represent 25 – 30% of your overall tax bill.

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even start on the budget.

That aside, this year we have to include a payment against the cost of the pool repairs and possibly include a modest increase for the clinic operations.

The clinic is now considerably larger and has not had an increase

since this support function started.

In addition, I have been pushing for a little more support for the Coast Guard volunteers on the coast.

Above all else this year, we continue to face a large deficit at the landfill site and this still has to be worked out.

In the next issue I will bring you a more detailed position. By that time the 2007 budget will be almost complete...

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Thursday, March 8, 2007

- 1:30 pm Planning & Development Committee
- 7:30 pm Regular Board

Thursday, March 15, 2007

- 1:30 pm Community Services Committee

Thursday, March 22, 2007

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

Thursday, March 29, 2007

- 1:30 pm Special Board

Budget meetings will be held from March 19 - 23 at 9:30 am.

AREA "A" DIRECTOR JOHN REES

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

AREA A ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

The next meeting of the Egmont/Pender Harbour Advisory Planning Commission is scheduled for:

Wednesday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.

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Alternate Director Barrie Wilbee is now assisting Director Rees with Policing and Transportation issues and can be reached at (604)883-2243.

NEW TIPPING FEES

Tipping fees at the Pender Harbour and Sechelt Landfill will increase by \$10/tonne effective April 1, 2007.

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Detailed information is available on the SCRd website or can be obtained from the Landfill Attendant or at the SCRd office.

2007 BUDGET OPEN HOUSE

The Sunshine Coast Regional District Board will be hosting an open house to provide residents the opportunity to review and offer input into the Five Year Financial Plan (2007-2011)

Tuesday, March 6th

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

SCRd Office, 1975 Field Road, Sechelt

Your attendance and participation in the development of the 2007 Budget/Five Year Financial Plan is encouraged and appreciated

South Pender Harbour Waterworks District

MEETING CANCELLED

Special general meeting to elect a water board trustee

The South Pender Harbour Waterworks District has cancelled the special general meeting of Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pender Harbour Community Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to elect a Trustee to fill the vacancy created by a resignation. Only one name was nominated for this position prior to the closure of the nomination period. The person nominated is thereby elected by acclamation and the special general meeting is cancelled.

Rob Metcalfe is elected Trustee for the South Pender Harbour Waterworks District for the remaining two years of a three year term.

The South Pender Harbour Waterworks District welcomes Rob Metcalfe to the Board of Trustees.

Please continue to call in any suspicion of a leak. We are happy to investigate.

Source to Tap

The Source to Tap Study is nearing completion. The 9th module of the Source to Tap, addressing the merits of remaining independent or joining up with the Regional District will be made available to District Ratepayers after the release of the final draft. A Special General Meeting will be held once the information has been distributed so that questions from the ratepayers can be asked and answered in a public forum. For further information please contact the district office at 604-883-2511.

Preparing for Summer Shortages

The days are getting longer and it is time to start thinking about "spring cleaning." Keep in mind that the water generally stops going over the dam by June 30th. Please plan large pressure washing jobs such as driveways and metal roofs to be completed before the end of June.

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LETTERS

In loving memory of Jasmine Thyme Lanteigne

Dearest Jasmine

Everytime I saw you, you had a beautiful smile on your face.

You were my first and best friend when I came to Pender in 1998 for Grade 3.

I remember when you lived in the blue house and we painted the rocks in your front yard with nail polish.

We would go horseback riding

together or just hang out when we needed each other.

Jasmine you were a gift sent from God to your parents on Valentines Day.

I will never forget you sweetie!

I give all my love and respect to your mom, dad and beautiful baby sisters.

I love all of you!

In our hearts forever Jazzy.

Amber Kincaide

Power outage solution needed

Dear Editor,

I was overjoyed by Howard White's reaction to the appalling power outages this winter, particularly from a native BCer.

I have lived on the Sunshine Coast for five years, and am becoming more and more frustrated by power outages.

But my frustration really boils over with the natives of these parts, who perceive power outages as normal and an occasion for relaxing and goofing off.

When I describe growing up in one of the first areas of Canada, Westmount, Quebec, to put power wires underground, they just laugh and say this cannot happen in BC.

It's too expensive, they say, and we live on all this rock.

If you don't put water lines up in the air, why must you do so with power lines?

We have lived all over eastern Canada, in the north-eastern US and in many European countries, including isolated, coastal West Ireland. Coastal BC is the first place where

constant power outages hamper our lives.

In Montreal, for a century people said that a subway could never be built because the underground streams prevented suitable foundations.

When Jean Drapeau was elected mayor, however, he said, "Just do it!!"

The rest, as they say, is history.

With the support of someone as respected as Howard White, perhaps the Spiel could lead discussions in Pender Harbour towards long-term solutions to our power outages, much as John Rees is doing for our water supplies presently.

Or are we determined to remain forever in the Third world?

Richard John Aylmer

Francis Peninsula

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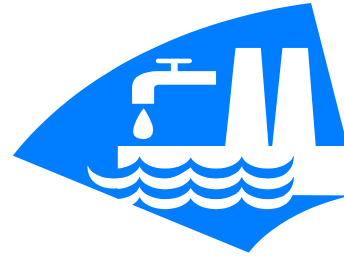


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SPHWD Ratepayers: Do You Know the Facts?



1. **This year, ratepayers of South Pender Harbour Waterworks District (SPHWD) will be paying the highest water fees on the Sunshine Coast.**
 - ◆ With the recent increase in water Tolls and proposed increase in water Taxes the residential rate will be **\$400.**
 - ◆ Lower rates in other areas **already** include debt repayment and water treatment.
2. **The SPHWD is NOT eligible to receive Government grants.**
 - ◆ SPHWD is an Improvement District and **cannot** apply for grants for infrastructure improvements (treatment plants etc.).
 - ◆ Funds needed for improvements have to come from **you**, the ratepayers of SPHWD.
3. **Additional costs to YOUR household could be approximately \$375 per year:**
 - ◆ Water treatment Plant – financing a debt of \$ 2.5 million — additional **\$175** /household/year
 - ◆ Estimated cost to operate the plant - \$100,000 per year — additional **\$100** /household/year
 - ◆ Upgrades needed to SPHWD could add \$1.5 million — additional **\$100** /household/year

NOTE: This is in addition to this year's cost of \$400, for a total of at least \$775 per household (compared to \$280 in 2006).

4. **Under Area "A" Master Plan, the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) has applied for grants of \$6.9 million.**
 - ◆ The Area "A" Master plan addresses the water needs for Area "A" including SPHWD. The grant application earmarks **\$2.5 million for a SPHWD Treatment Plant** but currently, we do not qualify to access these funds.
 - ◆ North Pender Harbour Waterworks District (NPHWD) as part of SCR D, qualifies and has already received \$33,000 for an Ultra Violet Treatment System (UV kills *E. coli*, Giardia etc.).
 - ◆ Amalgamation does **not guarantee** receipt of grant funds –just **access** to them. The first step would be for SPHWD to meet with NPHWD and SCR D.
5. **Amalgamation means we benefit from SCR D professional engineering skills and infrastructure.**
 - ◆ Use of SCR D operational equipment and access to technology (billing, information and GIS).
 - ◆ Advantages of increased purchasing power.
 - ◆ Better source protection and development i.e., contingency plans for drought and future development.
 - ◆ SPHWD employees would have the opportunity to work with SCR D as NPHWD employees do.
6. **SPHWD assets will remain in the community and the new Amalgamated Area will be financially independent.**
 - ◆ All money and assets will stay here and serve the customers who have built them up over the years.
 - ◆ Taxes and tolls for the area will be calculated separately from other areas in the SCR D.
7. **Amalgamation with NPHWD creates extra capacity in case of emergencies.**
 - ◆ Back-up infrastructure provides extra capacity in case of **fire**, pump failure or contamination.
 - ◆ Combined systems allow tanks and pumps to be taken off line for repair without interrupting service, and creates a more balanced and flexible water supply to alleviate environmental concerns associated with a single source of supply.

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Taylor not 'not a team a player'

Editor,

In your last issue I was labelled as "not a team player."

If that means I was supposed to agree with how some things were done but didn't, then I guess the label is correct.

As a candidate for election, I stated that I was opposed to the PPA mine, in favour of amalgamation with the SCRD and would do whatever I could to improve transparency.

You can guess how these ideas might sit with the status quo.

I haven't changed my mind on any of those issues and neither have the citizens who elected me.

Along the way, I've grown more concerned about providing clean, clear, healthy water.

You do drink the water, don't you?

You might be interested to know that concerns about water led the Board of Trustees to vote unanimously against the mine.

It's time that you knew that, and by the way, it's time that the Environmental Assessment Office knew that.

With regard to amalgamation in general, the board and the administration appear to be against it, even though the costs of remaining independent will guarantee huge increases in your water rates.

Transparency has improved because of the efforts of some of the local citizens.

Board meetings are now open to the public, minutes of the meetings and water quality tests are available at the office, and information is now published on the website.

I can only take small credit for these improvements and congratulate the citizens for their efforts.

Did you know that there are no bylaws that lay out the duties, powers and responsibilities of the board of trustees?

I was told that the bylaws would be part of the source to tap study.

Not so.

They are only identified in the study as one of the deficiencies.

And speaking of the source to tap study, the comprehensive engineering report on the entire system, the sooner it's available for you to read, the better.

I have raised concerns about the lack of trustee involvement in the Area A Master Plan meetings, the need to be designing a treatment plant when the community has yet to decide whether to amalgamate or not, the reasons for not issuing a "boil water notice" as soon as a system failure is discovered and the reasons for not notifying all the trustees when a problem occurs or a decision is to be made, to

name a few.

Maybe that's why I'm "not a team player?"

And finally, when I received the draft copy of the Water Toll and Water Tax Increase for 2007 via email, I was surprised to read, "the Board has approved a budget".

Immediately I replied that "the board did not approve the budget" but no attention was paid to this correction.

The time had come for the "not a team player" to do something else with his volunteer water efforts.

Ted Taylor

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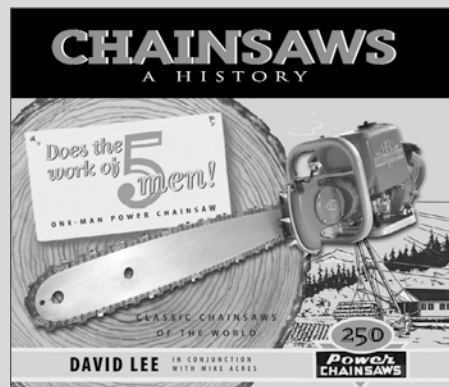


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Special meeting?

Editor:

Once again, I am perplexed by the actions of the South Pender Harbour Waterworks Board.

Last month, I wrote a letter to the editor voicing my concerns about the exorbitant increase in my water tolls.

The dust hasn't settled on that issue yet and here we go again.

The AGM for SPHWB is usually held in March or April at which time we can elect new members to the board.

Why is it that this year a *special meeting* has been called for March 28 just to elect one board member?

Two additional members must be elected at the AGM which has to be held before May 1st.

To me, this is a waste of time and money.

I hope the agenda will allow for discussion of other issues because there is sure to be a few.

History has shown that it is hard enough to get people out to the SPHWB meetings, never mind two in as many months.

Jack Dennis

[Meeting cancelled. See p. 14.
-Ed.]

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Clarification of facts on infrastructure funding

Editor,

The Water District Board wishes to provide clarity and correct information on four points that Director Rees addressed in regards to SPHWD in his February column.

First, Director Rees informed the public that the SCRD applied for funding towards a treatment plant for the SPHWD.

The board of trustees for the Water District was not informed by Steve Lee, SCRD general manager of Infrastructure, until the November 9th Source to Tap meeting that such an application had been submitted.

Neither the board of trustees, nor the district office staff was contacted prior to the submission on the district's behalf.

Our budget in regards to the multi-barrier water treatment plant is for planning purposes only.

Most importantly the water district is not jeopardizing any grant application.

When applying for infrastructure funding, detailed information must be submitted to justify the need for funding assistance.

The SPHWD budgeted funds will not be wasted.

Director Rees was informed at the January 19th Water Master Plan meeting that the water district was not disqualifying the district from the grant application process.

Funds spent prior to a grant application do not disqualify an applicant from future funding.

Dion Whyte, engineering assistant to Steve Lee, validated this information.

The Source to Tap review's added ninth module will cover the pros and cons of the water district remain-

ing independent versus the SCRD taking over the SPHWD operations.

This is an independent review.

The review does not cover possible amalgamation with the North Pender Harbour Water District (formerly Garden Bay Waterworks).

Finally, the SPHWD has included the SCRD in the water district's Source to Tap discussions.

Steve Lee attended the November 9th meeting to discuss the first draft and, in these discussions, Mr. Lee was aware that the SPHWD engineer would contact him for SCRD information to include in the ninth module.

Richard Frappier, Chair
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The little health centre that could

by Judi Georgetti, RN

Soon you will be hearing about a joint fundraising campaign to pay down the P. H. Health Centre mortgage, which is approximately \$350,000.

This will be a combined board/auxiliary venture so watch for more information when the campaign kicks off.

What I want to do is to explain why we need to raise the money - because the health centre is *ours*.

Many of you may not realize that we do not bill Medical Services for what we do here.

The only reason that we ask for your Care Card number is because the laboratory at St. Mary's does bill MSP and they need the number.

Otherwise, all of the services provided by the nursing staff at the centre are funded in a variety of ways:

1. We receive money from the SCRD in the form of a bylaw grant.

This was established four years ago and provides us with the funds to operate the physical plant.

We use that money to pay for utilities, cleaning, garbage collection, maintenance etc.

It also covers a portion of the administration costs for the management of the health centre.

For the past four years we have received \$80,000 per year and, thanks to the effort of our regional director, that amount will be increasing next year to cover the additional costs of

maintaining the extension.

2. In 2005, the board signed a contract with VCHA which reimburses us for providing services that would have to be provided either by St. Mary's Hospital or by Home Care Nursing out of Sechelt.

This contract covers our medical expenses and wages of the nursing staff.

This contract means that, finally, we are not totally dependent on donations to pay for the salaries of the employees of the

Health Centre.

The contract is renegotiated and signed annually.

3. We rent space to other health care professionals such as the doctors, dentists, physiotherapists, chiropractor, public health nurse etc. who provide services out of the health centre.

These professionals do bill, either you directly, or MSPBC for providing their services.

We also get donations (both we get donations) both in memorial donations and "just because" donations.

We receive a large sum from the auxiliary every year from their Bargain Barn operations, money from the Legion Poppy Fund, which assists us

in purchasing needed equipment, and the membership fees.

The money that we receive from these sources has previously gone into term deposits and savings which is why we were able to pay for the first half of the building without getting a mortgage on the full amount.

Now those monies will go toward paying the mortgage off and once that is completed this money will go towards community projects such as our continuing diabetes education program, a well woman's clinic, healthy heart program and many other innovative and needed community education projects.

The land and building is owned by the Pender Harbour & District Health Centre Society whose board of trustees is made up of community volunteers elected annually by the membership of the society.

It needs to be noted that this health centre is the model upon which community health centres were designed many years ago but is one of the few in the province that continues to operate in this manner – responsible to community needs and receptive to community support.

The citizens of Area A should be proud of what they have accomplished through their ongoing generous support of this facility.

I know they will continue to generously support what we do here when the campaign kicks off.

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Pender Harbour Bananas return to form and win at home

By Michele Mocellin

The Pender Harbour Bananas played the IGA Selects on Sunday, February 15 at the highschool field.

The Bananas dominated the play from the outset of the game with Richard Masullo getting a few good chances to score early.

The quick reflexes of the Selects' keeper kept the ball out of the net when it looked certain that the Bananas would score.

The Selects got a goal in the first half, very much against the flow of the play, on an unlucky deflection and a strange bounce.

The Bananas came out in the second half continuing their strong play and were rewarded with a penalty kick from 25 yards at the Selects' goal.

Newcomer Dennis Tasic, who

played a huge game in Pender's midfield, blasted a shot directly into the goal, tying up the game.

Not long afterwards, Corey Mottishaw made a run up the right side and took a shot on net that was stopped by the goalie, but Corey bravely charged into a scrum of players to pop in his own rebound.

The Selects rallied towards the end of the game and kept the ball



Above: Bananas' forward Corey Mottishaw sprints in to take advantage of another scoring opportunity. Bananas won 2-1.

mostly in Pender's half but goalie Alan Stewart and the defenders denied the Roberts Creek team any chance to tie the game.

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Bruce Forbes and Ted Roberts

A Harbour Seal of Approval to our backroom workers: **Sylvia Tietjen, Dorothy King, Joan Joseph, Angela Wiens** and **Lois Webster**. The work you do sorting, pricing and displaying is the backbone of our success. Thank you so much. Also a special thanks to Bill – we love having you around.

Janet Thomas, Chair
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A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Linda White** and **all the staff of the Pender Harbour branch of the Sunshine Coast Credit Union** for their help with the Abbeyfield House Christmas tree decoration fundraiser. Another big Seal of Approval to all of those who purchased the ornaments and to **Louise Berg** for organising the project. Every little bit helps toward building a supported living home for seniors in our community!

Jackie Ordronneau
Area A Seniors Housing Project

A “Ship Full of Thanks” to **family and friends** for the cards, good wishes, flowers and “food” after my surgery. Everything was appreciated very much.

Diane White

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Peter Nattall** for rescuing me and my truck one frosty morning on my way to work. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Terri Bosner

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Mary Cain** for her work with the pictures for the kids’ Christmas party. Another Seal to **Hans Schroeder** for his \$500 donation for the Lions’ Hall addition, **Bill Parnell** for the ping-pong table and to **Neale Smith** for the pool table.

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In the Curtis Lumber Shopping Plaza

Etiquette and your landscaper/gardener

by Jim Rutherford

CHOOSING A LANDSCAPER

Here's some hints for getting the right person for your gardening and landscaping needs.

A landscaper should be able to do it all.

That is install shrubs, perennials etc. in a new design or for enhancement of an existing garden.

Some landscapers do irrigation. Just ask.

A gardener is likely a step down in qualifications but will be able to follow a landscape for installation and maintenance.

For pruning, years of experience is the best asset as the person will know how most of the plant material will recover over the coming seasons.

The same applies to transplanting.

Lawns may seem simple, but there can be some pitfalls.

If you're having "junior" do the work as a home owner then be prepared to check the cutting height of the grass over the season, i.e. too short a cut going into high summer and the grass will really burn off.

The best relationships with your gardener/landscaper are built on trust and consideration. To prepare for a gardener/landscaper, you should have a pretty good idea of what you want done and the overall look.

If you want it very tidy, fairly casual or a quick once over, just make it clear in the beginning.

EXPECTATIONS

Sometimes, appointments have to be broken or changed.

Without notice, that can only happen once by either party.

Expect your gardener/landscaper to at least call to advise you if there are any changes in plans, or else start to make other plans.

From a fellow landscaper, lack of communications can lead to great misunderstandings.

In initiating a new crew, perhaps allow a little more time the first time your grounds are done as we will not know the lay of land, where the irrigation spigots are or those lovely hidden rocks.

Some customers want to work

with the crew, but you should ask first.

Please don't ask for your grandchildren to help or other labour you want to parachute in. WCB would go wild.

MONEY

The first time someone does your yard/garden, anticipate paying that day on completion, unless other arrangements have been made.

This is just good faith and then ask to go on a monthly billing period.

Sometimes, everyone gets super busy and the cut off date may have to be moved to mid-month.

When projects are initiated outside the regular maintenance like a new bed, rock wall, hedge trimming etc, you might anticipate that to be billed separately and immediately.

One fellow said to our junior, "Pick up the pace!"

We're still laughing about that and composing a very rude retort.

Instead, if you're concerned about time, why not ask if the work will be done by 4 p.m. so we can all have refreshments.

After all, we all know it's the same thing and the objective for all of us is to co-operate.

Playing the "Name That Plant" game with a new client can be very amusing.

I guess it's a test to see how knowledgeable the gardener/landscaper is but no one can name them all.

When cornered, I always respond, "It's a *Styrophilum Grandiflorum* or a *Sutherlandia Fructogranum*".

Doesn't that say the jig is up!

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Antifreeze poisoning in pets

By Kirsten Andersen, RATH

All vehicles use antifreeze to help prevent their engines from freezing up in the winter and over-heating in the summer.

Most brands of antifreeze contain 95% ethylene glycol which is very poisonous — to people and animals.

Even a few licks of this sweet-tasting liquid can be fatal to a cat or dog.

Ethylene glycol-based antifreeze is also extremely hazardous to children.

A few ounces are lethal.

Thousands of animals (pets and wildlife) die each year from antifreeze poisoning.

Many animals like the taste of antifreeze and will readily consume it when given the opportunity.

However it can have a very harmful and often fatal effect on your pet.

Most animal intoxications take place in the fall, winter, and early spring, which are the seasons when antifreeze is most frequently used.

Approximately 88% of animal encounters with the toxin will end in fatality.

If you suspect your pet has consumed antifreeze you must take your pet to a veterinarian immediately.

The quicker you get to the veterinarian the better chance your pet has of being treated successfully.

Animals that have ingested antifreeze go through two stages of symptoms.

If untreated, death from kidney failure will occur within days.

Stage 1: Within about 30 minutes

the ethylene glycol in the antifreeze causes a drunken appearance in the animal (staggering, lack of coordination, and apparent disorientation and vomiting) and may continue for several hours.

Stage 2: After stage 1 it may appear your pet has recovered, however, in this stage the antifreeze is being processed by the liver and is creating substances that cause permanent kidney damage as well as signs of central nervous system damage.

Within 12 to 36 hours of ingestion, these metabolites have reached such a level that the dog's kidneys stop functioning, and the animal slips into a coma.

The more antifreeze the pet has ingested the more damage.

Death usually occurs within 48 hours.

Immediate treatment is critical. If you suspect your pet has been poisoned, take your pet to a veterinarian.

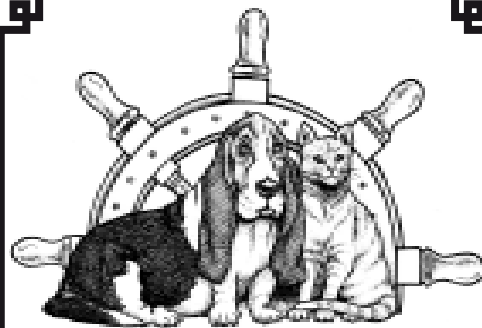
Your pet will NOT recover without treatment.

To help prevent antifreeze poisoning, take old antifreeze to an auto centre that recycles antifreeze - call ahead to check or contact the Recycling Council of BC at 1-800-667-4321 for a list of outlets.

Never pour used antifreeze down storm drains, sinks, toilets or on the ground.

If you see a puddle of greenish-colored liquid in your driveway, flush the area with plenty of water and don't delay locating and fixing the leak.

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Sixth annual April Tools wooden boat challenge: April 28, 2007

By Marg Penney

It's never too soon to start thinking about boat designs.

That way you'll be ready for the sixth annual April Tools Wooden Boat Challenge on April 28, 2007.

As usual it will be held at the

Madeira Park Government Dock in Pender Harbour, and the major event will involve teams of boat-builders who have three hours to create a boat from materials provided, using hand tools only.

Then the builders race their boats around a pre-set course in front of

thousands of screaming fans (well, maybe hundreds), vying for first, second and third place cash prizes.

Back by popular demand will be the "Spiffy Skiffy" prize (People's Choice award) for the best looking boat and the Broken Paddle award for the team or individual showing the greatest perseverance in the face of adversity!

And, of course, it will all take place at Seafarer Millennium Park (at the government dock) in Madeira Park on the last Saturday in April, April 28, 2007.

Every year, the planners of this crazy event introduce a new twist.

Last year was the year of the polyethylene plastic boats...remember?

This year, the "new twist" will be revealed only when you show up on the morning of April 28th.

But some things don't change.

As usual, you bring your own hand tools; the only exception is a battery-powered screw gun.

There will also be the ever popular mini-boat building for kids, and, new this year, origami boat building, as well as other kids' activities, and boat-building demos.

The Pender Harbour Rotary Club will set up their BBQ on the dock to tempt you.

Good Oral Hygiene is Key to a Healthy Body

One of the most important things you can do for your total health is to take care of you teeth and gums.

There is a growing body of current research that supports a link between oral diseases and diabetes, heart disease, stroke, lung diseases and pre-term, low birth weight babies.

In addition, peridontal (gum) disease is an infectious disease that may be transmitted from one person to another.

Women who are considering pregnancy or who are pregnant should see their dental hygienist as an important part of pre-natal care.

Start by using a good brushing and flossing technique.

The basics: hold the tooth brush bristles at a 45 degree to the gums and "wiggle" the brush softly to work the bristles around the gums and then draw the bristles over each couple of teeth.

Repeat five to 8 times per area covering two to three teeth.

Look into the mirror to make sure that you don't miss any areas.

Using dental floss after brushing is a very necessary part of oral hygiene.

Flossing not only removes food particles and plaque between the teeth but also introduces oxygen into the area.

Oxygen deactivates the disease-causing plaque and prevent them from invading the tissue.

To learn more about how your oral health contributes to your total well-being, make an appointment for cleaning and review for your dental health.

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Ryan Campbell photo

The story of the *Harold Clay*

By Evelyn McNee

The *Harold Clay* is the rescue boat of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary - Pacific (CCGA), Unit 61, Pender Harbour.

The boat is financed and owned by the Pender Harbour & District Marine Rescue Society.

During the 1990s, Unit 61 used owner-operated boats (Joe Adams, Harold Clay, Don McDougall and Dave White) to respond to distress calls in our waters.

The society decided it needed its own boat since it was losing available boats as its owner-members aged.

Mark Clay discovered a boat at the head of Salmon Inlet and brought back pictures of the 26-foot boat.

As soon as they saw the red and white boat, the society members wanted it although it had been gutted by fire.

On April 9, 2004 Don McDougall, Chuck Larose, Ray Bunt and Jack Dennis travelled to see it with Harold Clay on his boat *Rejoyce*.

The asking price for the boat was \$3,000 but the owner agreed to accept a tax receipt for his donation of the boat.

Rejoyce and the boys towed it back and Rick King delivered it to Harold's shop.

BC Gaming provided a grant to fix the boat but lots of volunteer time was needed to make it happen.

For the next year, the boat was worked on by Chuck Larose, Ian Wright, Jack Dennis, Don McDougall, Ray Bunt, Fred Lawrence, Dave White and Harold Clay, to name a few.

Don McDougall suggested the

March 2007



Photo submitted

ABOVE: Members of the Pender Harbour & District Marine Rescue Society pose with the *Harold Clay* in Harold and Joyce Clay's back yard.

Unit 61 boat be named the *Harold Clay* since Harold had been involved for years in marine rescue on the coast and had done so much for the CCGA in Pender Harbour.

The society agreed.

The boat passed an Auxiliary Vessel Inspection on April 9, 2005 and was named the *Harold Clay*.

This was a surprise for Harold

and he was touched that there would always be a *Harold Clay* on the water.

The first call out was on April 27, 2005 and since then the *Harold Clay* has assisted the boating community many times.

Early in 2006 the Society decided to fundraise and apply for gaming-

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COAST GUARD LOG

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grants for a new boat since the *Harold Clay* was not fast enough and new CCGA standards required a rigid hull, inflatable boat.

With grants and fundraising monies, a new Titan boat was purchased for Unit 61 and the society wanted to find a new home for the *Harold Clay*.

We are happy to announce that the CCGA unit in Inuvik has taken it over and the *Harold Clay* will continue its life on the water as a rescue boat.

The society will be bringing its new rescue boat to Pender Harbour in

the next few weeks.

The community is being asked to submit names for the new boat in the "Name the Boat" contest.

Please submit your boat name to Evelyn McNee at evelynmcnee@telus.net or mail to R.R. 1, S. 4, C. 6, Madeira Park, B.C. V0N 2H0

Please include your name, address and phone number.

The deadline for submission is April 19 and the winner will be announced on May Day.

The winner will receive a cruise of the Pender Harbour area in the new Unit 61 boat.

PHOTO JOURNAL



Photo: Ryan Logtenberg

ABOVE: Carole Logtenberg ponders the age of the largest documented tree in Pender Harbour before it was toppled during the storms of this past winter. The Red Cedar's age is currently unknown but it had a circumference of 9.1m (30") and a diameter at the base of 2.89m (9.6 ft.).

The next largest documented tree is a Douglas Fir measuring 7m (23") around and 2.2m (7.4") in diameter.

Egmont and District Volunteer Fire Department hall

by Beth Callahan

February brought a new intensity in the construction of the EDVFD hall.

Since the beginning of the year, firefighters and other hardy citizens have turned up, rain or shine, to the building site on Egmont Road to assist in the work.

Fire Chief Peter Sly welcomes one and all to give a hand in whatever capacity you can.

Some of you may remember Peter is still recovering from a bad car accident which laid him up for a few months last year.

Dave Dieter, volunteering as general contractor for the hall, has everybody building walls now.

In order to make construction easier, the process is being done horizontally.



Beth Callahan photo

Once built, the walls will be raised into position with the help of a crane.

This building process also enables anyone who can pound a nail the opportunity to participate without

climbing ladders or scaffolding.

The group meets regularly onsite at 10 a.m. on Saturday mornings with work continuing until about 4 p.m.

Even a couple hours assistance is welcomed.

Bring your hammer!

The department and the society would like to thank those who have been participating: Peter Sly, Dave Dieter, Peter Foerderer, Frank Boudreau, Jim Smith, Dianne Smith, John Dicken, John Duggan, Chris Ward-Ayre, Pierre Lardy, Mike Elewonibi, and Dave Ball.

Thanks to Kim Foster for bringing sandwiches.



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Mar. 07 ~ Mitch Higgins and Cassidy Craig-Watters.

Mar. 08 ~ Jeremy Morin and Trevor Anton William Tiefenbach.

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Mar. 14 ~ Peter Hunsche and Heather Smith.

Mar. 15 ~ Bev Higgins, Arlen Howitt, Carissa Gilkes and Justin McKimm.

Mar. 16 ~ Steve Hanna and Brad Zayshley.

Mar. 17 ~ Bill Bradshaw, Jim Weir, Michelle Cymbalist and Chris Cavielier.

Happy anniversary to Kirk & Leanna Mackie.

Mar. 18 ~ Mike Reid, John Struthers, Tayler Metcalfe, Blair Landry, Janie Arduini and Michelle Bernier.

Mar. 19 ~ Megan Knock.

Mar. 20 ~ Larry Curtiss, Patrick White, Kim Smail and Tammy Collins.

Mar. 21 ~ Melissah Charboneau and David Massullo.

Mar. 22 ~ Eric Graham, Margaret Hartley, Ross Palmer and Dennis Cotter.

Mar. 23 ~ Mary Ann Haase and Barb Cowan.

Mar. 24 ~ Jane Reid, Heather Fearne, and Doris Pride.

Mar. 25 ~ Hailley Schroeder, Lexine Scoular, John Seabrook and Shirley Norish.

Mar. 26 ~ Motoko Baum and Halle Bosch.

Mar. 27 ~ Maureen Lee, Donna Edwardson, Cole Edwardson, Doris White and Rick Wagner Jr.. Happy anniversary to Rick & Jill Wagner.

Mar. 28 ~ Tom Barker, Joka Roosen and Jill Bennett.

Mar. 29 ~ Rod Webb and Terry Jacks.

Mar. 30 ~ Del Deguire.

Mar. 31 ~ Merv Charboneau.

MARCH WEATHER

TEMPERATURE

Our average March daily high is 9.2 C, our average daily low 4.3 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 6.7 C.

The highest March temperature recorded is 15.6 C (March 11,1965); the lowest, -3.3 C (March 3, 1976).

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March has an average of 127.7 hours of bright sunshine and 15 days with rainfall.

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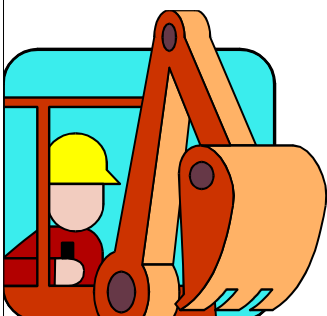
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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: MARCH 11

Daylight saving time (DST), also known as summer time in British English, is the convention of advancing clocks so that evenings have more daylight and mornings have less.

Typically clocks are adjusted forward one hour in late winter or early spring and are adjusted backward in autumn.

DST is used mostly in temperate and polar regions, where summer mornings are longer and have more hours to spare.

Governments often promote DST as an energy conservation measure on the grounds that it substitutes natural summer sunlight for electrical lighting.

Origin

Saving daylight was first mentioned in 1784 by Benjamin Franklin in a satirical essay urging Parisians to get up earlier in order to use sunlight, thus saving wax by not burning candles at night, in the spirit of his proverb, "Early to bed and early to rise / Makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise."

Franklin did not mention Daylight Saving Time—he did not propose that clock time be changed.

DST was first seriously proposed in 1907 by William Willett, but he was unable to get the British government to adopt it, despite considerable lobbying.

DST was first put into practice by a national government in Germany during the First World War, between April 30, 1916 and Oct. 1, 1916.

Shortly afterward, the United Kingdom followed suit, first adopting it between May 21 and Oct. 1, 1916.

On June 17, 1917, Newfoundland became the first North American jurisdiction to adopt DST with the passing of the Daylight Saving Act of 1917.

Saskatchewan is the only province that does not observe DST.

On March 19, 1918, the U.S. Congress formally established several time zones, which had been in use by railroads and most cities since 1883; at the same time it established DST from the last Sunday in March to the last Sunday in October.

The law proved so unpopular, mostly because it obliged people to rise and go to bed earlier than had become customary since the advent of electricity, that it was repealed after 1919, when Congress overrode President Woodrow Wilson's veto of the repeal.

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• Women's Connection (2nd & 4th Tue.)	883-2454

~ ORGANIZATION NEWS ~

PENDER HARBOUR BRIDGE CLUB

The Pender Harbour Bridge Club needs a few more members to fill out a couple of more tables. We play a low impact, non-competitive game in a great new clubhouse at Lily's Lake Seniors Centre on Thursday at 7 p.m. Dick and Lise (883-2130) can fill you in on any other details. Apprentices welcome!

PENDER HARBOUR BLUES FESTIVAL

The Pender Harbour Blues Festival committee is very happy to announce that the Blues Festival will now be held on the May Day long weekend. The Blues Festival will participate in the May Day celebrations providing some of the stars of the festival.

WOMEN'S CONNECTION

On Tuesday, March 13 Christel Snider of Sea/Air Tours and Travel Ltd. will to give us some travel tips and answer your questions with regard to travel. On Tuesday, March 27, come and join an informative gathering with, Angell B. Anderson RPCC, Celebrity Make-up Artist, Life and Beauty Coach. Both gatherings will be at the School of Music in Madeira Park. Doors open at 9:30 a.m., meetings start at 10 a.m. until noon. Members, new members, and drop-ins are always welcome. A \$2 drop-in fee is charged to cover cost of the coffee and facility.

P.H. AND DISTRICT WILDLIFE SOCIETY

The Pender Harbour and District Wildlife Society will meet at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20 at the Pender Harbour High School with guest speaker Allan Cobbin, president of the Sunshine Coast Beekeepers Association. Allan will talk about beekeeping and the production of honey. Non-members are invited to attend. There is no charge and refreshments will be served.

PENDER HARBOUR AND DISTRICT HEALTH CENTRE AUXILIARY

The gift shop at the health centre is closing its gift shop. Our volunteer pool is just stretched to the maximum and we can no longer service the gift shop properly. We are discounting the balance of the stock at 50% off, so it's a good chance to stock up on beautifully handcrafted items, for baby gifts, showers or stash away for Christmas.

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Thoughts of spring golf

By Jan Watson

With a very mixed bag of weather during January and February, it was quieter than usual on the course.

Some snow followed by extremely cold temperatures made it impossible to play even on the lovely sunny days.

Spring is almost here, so now is the time to dust off your golf clubs, polish your shoes and head for the golf course for a round of golf.

This winter, we endured more wild storms than usual however, thanks to hard work by the greens staff and our great volunteers, the course is in great shape.

The pro shop has had a face lift, thanks to volunteers for cleaning and a new paint job.

The clubhouse and pro shop carpets have been cleaned, again, thanks to volunteers.

NEW SEASON READY TO START

Ladies Day starts Thursday, March 22 with the traditional coffee and muffins at 9 a.m. followed by an 18-hole fun scramble.

Men's Day starts Tuesday, March 27 at 9:30 a.m. with 18 holes stroke play (no muffins for the men unless they bake their own or go on their knees to the ladies!)

REMINDER

Non-members and all visitors are welcome to play on these days.

Phone the pro shop at 604-883-9541 for more information and to sign up for all events.

The restaurant is open all day for breakfast, lunch and dinner and available for special occasions.

FROM THE 19TH HOLE

This is a dinner conversation gone badly.

Wife: "What would you do if I died? Would you get married again?"

Husband: "Definitely not!"

Wife: "Why not, don't you like being married?"

Husband: "Of course I do."

Wife: "Then why wouldn't you remarry?"

Husband: "Okay, I'd get married again."

Wife: "You would?" (With hurtful expression on her face).

Husband: (makes audible

groan).

Wife: "Would you sleep with her in our bed?"

Husband: "Where else would we sleep?"

Wife: "Would you replace my pictures with hers?"

Husband: "That would seem like the proper thing to do."

Wife: "Would she use my golf clubs?"

Husband: "No, she's left handed."

WIFE:-----silence-----

Husband: "Oh, oh."



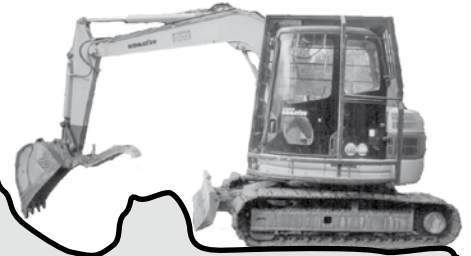
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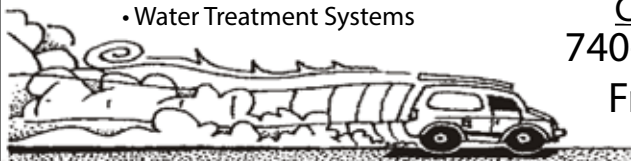
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Fri. March 2.....Larry Cook and the Blues Masters - Copper Sky Gallery and Cafe, 7:30 p.m.
Sun. March 4.....Sibel Thrasher w/ Larry Cook and the Blues Masters - Garden Bay Pub
Thurs. March 6.....Celtic band "1066" - Garden Bay Pub
Wed. March 7.....Pender Harbour Chamber of Commerce Meeting - P.H. Legion, 7 p.m.
Sat. March 10.....Rotary Club 2nd Annual Wine Festival - Pender Harbour Community Hall, 4:30 p.m.
Sat. March 10.....Terri Bosner and Friends - Copper Sky Gallery and Cafe, 7 p.m.
Sun. March 11.....Joe Stanton and Friends - Garden Bay Pub
Fri. March 16.....Trevor McDonald Duo - Grasshopper Pub
Sat. March 17.....Soup and Song w/ Penny Lang - St. Andrew's Anglican Church, 5 p.m.
Sat. March 17.....Trevor McDonald Duo - Grasshopper Pub
Sun. March 18.....Gaetan and the French Connection - Garden Bay Pub
Tues. March 20.....Allan Cobbin, President of the Sunshine Coast Bee Keepers Association - PHSS, 7:30 p.m.
Fri. March 23.....Quiz Night, Hosted by the Coast Guard Auxiliary - P.H. Legion, 8 p.m. sharp
Sat. March 24.....Inspirational Cinema *Asiemut* - Copper Sky Gallery and Cafe, 7:30 p.m.
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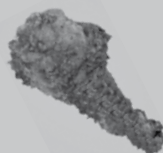
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