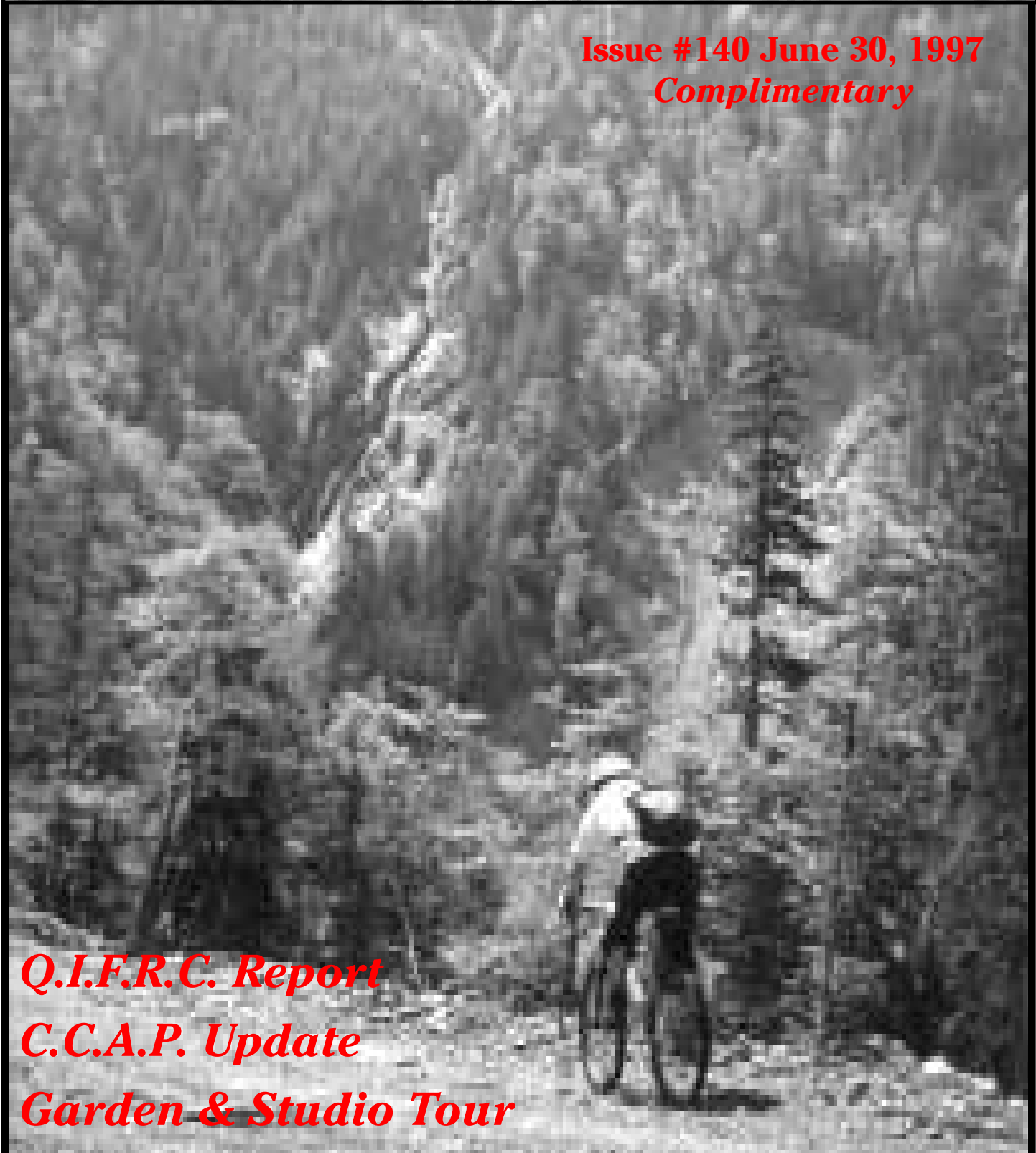




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Island Forum

To Corky Evans,

May 29/97

Sir:

This morning's CBC radio news stated that scientist's worst fears are being realized. There is an outbreak of a serious virus in a Johnstone Strait fish farm which raises Atlantic Salmon.

These infected fish will infect the Pacific salmon coming up from the Fraser River. What could make it clearer that we need a continuation of a moratorium on new fish farm licences?

There MUST be closed containment where these farms already exist.

There MUST be no medicated feeds in open netcages.

There MUST be NO FURTHER EXPANSION OF FISH FARMING. The Farm Protection Act should have nothing to do with salmon aquaculture. It was never meant to protect non-traditional farming of this type, which is clearly deadly to indigenous species, not to mention extremely questionable to the health of humans who eat these farmed Atlantic salmon packed with antibiotics, without earning label.

Sincerely,

Marna Disbrow

June 18/97

Sir:

On May 29/97, I faxed you a letter in which I expressed urgent concerns about an outbreak of a viral infection in a Johnstone Strait farm raising Atlantic salmon. I have heard nothing more at all about this issue. I know your government has been much concerned with the Pacific Salmon Fishery treaty problems with the Americans, and I applaud the way you and the Premier have been dealing with these. However, I remain deeply worried that, if the open pen rearing of these non-indigenous species is allowed to continue, and indeed, proliferate, there may soon be no wild stocks left for you and the Americans to fight over. Please answer my questions -

What are you doing about the farming of Atlantic salmon in Pacific waters?

What was done about the infection in the Johnstone Strait fish farm?

Can you prevent medicated feeds in open net cages?

Can you force farmers to use closed containment?

Wouldn't it be infinitely better for all if you used available financing to assist local salmon enhancement programs up and down the coast?

Can you at least force farmers to label their farm fish, when sending them for sale, and let the consumer know what he

is buying?

Sincerely,

Marna Disbrow

Dear Editor,

We are writing to say how much we appreciate the hard work of Judy Johnson, Ray Grigg, Noel Lax and many others who continually give so much of their time striving to keep this island beautiful.

Their efforts have produced many magnificent hiking trails plus new provincial parks which should protect some of the island's special areas including most of the area around the Village Bay Lake system.

In addition to the enjoyment derived from living in a beautiful environment, for the many people working in tourism, in the stores and other small businesses, even people selling their homes, it is most important that Quadra Island remains the beautiful and friendly place which attracted us in the first place.

Sincerely,

Joan & John Sell

'Card of Thanks'

We would like to say thank you to all the many friends who supported Norma during her difficult time these last few months. A special thanks to those who helped with the tea at the memorial service.

From Norma Cartwrights' family

An Open Letter

June 11, 1997

As Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks, a number of concerns have been brought to my attention regarding the Spirit Bear park proposal.

I would like to assure you that this government places a high priority on protected areas and protecting wildlife habitat. Through the Protected Areas Strategy, the Government of British Columbia is committed to dedicating 12 percent of the province to protected area status by the year 2000.

Currently in the Central coast, where the Spirit Bear park proposal is located, 10.74 percent of the region is already protected. Another seven percent of the region has recently been established as official study areas where logging will be deferred until the Central Coast Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) is complete. This is consistent with the limit

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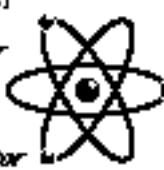
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habitat. A priority in choosing additional areas for protection is to maintain the habitat of endangered or threatened species or those considered rare, including the white-coated Kermode bear which is unique to this area. Two of the new study areas to be considered for permanent future protection, Spirit Bear (on Princess Royal Island) and Khutze, include the most significant parts of the Spirit Bear park proposal. The Khutze offers an opportunity to link current protected areas to the east (Fiordland and Kitlope) with Princess Royal Island.

The Green Inlet portion of the Spirit Bear park proposal was not established as a study area. Green Inlet was determined to be a lower priority than other areas in the Central Coast because the ecosystem in which it is located, the Kitimat Ranges, already has more than 16 percent of its area protected. In addition, the habitat values are ranked lower than for other candidates, such as the Khutze. Since Green Inlet is not an official study area, timber harvesting may proceed and must follow the planning and other requirements of the *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act*.

With logging in the most sensitive and critical parts of the park proposal, the Central Coast LRMP will now have the responsibility of recommending how much of that should be protected relative to other protected area candidates in the planning region. Based on experience to date, I am confident that this consensus-based planning process will result in recommendations that will permit sound and sustainable land-use decisions.

I appreciate your taking time to express your interest in the protection of this area.

Yours sincerely,
 Cathy McGregor, Minister

Dear Editor,

As a thirty-eight year resident of the Campbell River district I was shocked and dismayed at your editorial in the June 20, 1997 issue entitled "nonresident fees justified".

Since I arrived in this area in 1959 I have lived seven years in Willow Point, before it was part of C.R., seven years in Campbell River proper and twenty-four years on Quadra Island. It has been my intention to return to Campbell River and purchase a condo in about four or five years. This decision by the council of Chickens**t Creek, formerly Campbell River, could affect that decision.

Over the years I have purchased groceries, clothing, furniture, building supplies, engines, marine and fishing

supplies, restaurant meals and haircuts in your little village. I am sure that the merchants and businesses I have dealt with over the years pay taxes and business licenses to Campbell River.

During the recession of the mid 1980's I attended the Employment Stability Council meetings held at the Municipal Hall. I was there to represent the fishing industry and Jim Lornie was there to represent the non-union fish processors. As you will remember, Jim was a Quadra Island resident for several years. One of the objectives of the Council was a shop locally campaign. The aim was to encourage shoppers to purchase their goods at home rather than spending their hard earned dollars in Courtenay, Nanaimo, or horror of horrors, the sin city of the south, Vancouver.

I thought at the time, suppose Port Hardy, Sointula, Port McNeill, Alert Bay, Tahsis, Gold River and Woss Lake all put on shop locally drives. How would the merchants of Campbell River like that?

It chokes me up to think of the "Secret Police" lurking in the shrubbery outside the Sportsplex trying to apprehend outside residents trying to sneak in for an illicit game of squash.

An easier way of fund raising would be to charge nonresidents a daily fee of one or two loonies rather than a blame yearly charge.

Sincerely, Harry Allen

Dear Editor and Arne,

Well, I said to myself, I suppose the only way to sort out this mess is to phone Arne. So that's what I did. Here's an approximate account of our conversation.

"Arne", I said, "this is Ray Grigg. I'm phoning you about your letter in the last edition of the *Discovery Islander*. (Arne chuckles. I chuckle at his chuckle.) I'm a little mystified by it. I assume you were writing in response to my open letter to John Duncan, the one in which I questioned the ethics of my Member of Parliament sending my letter directly to TimberWest. You understand that was nearly two years ago."

"Ya," he said. "I figured that out."

"So you understand the national park issue is dead. There's not going to be a national park for Quadra Island."

"Ya."

"Then Arne, I don't understand your response. My open letter to John Duncan was just addressing an ethical issue, an issue which I thought was of public interest during an election. It wasn't arguing for a reconsideration of a national park."

"Well," Arne said, "the national park

questions from loggers about the national park. How could I have lied to them?"

"Well, then, you lied by omission. You didn't tell us when you should've"

"But, Arne, I don't even remember talking to loggers about anything to do with national parks."

"Yes you did. You came to a loggers' meeting above the firehall and you talked about parks."

"Arne, that was four or five years ago. The meeting was about a regional park for Village Bay Lakes. The national park wasn't being considered by anyone. How could I have misled the loggers about it?"

"Well, you and your preservationist friends have been doing a lot of things behind the backs of loggers. You never tell us anything about what you're doing"

"Okay, Arne,. But I still feel uncomfortable about the accusations you've made about me lying to loggers. It seems to me there's been a misunderstanding. Would you be willing to write an explanation and an apology to resolve this issue?"

"Maybe I will. Maybe I won't. I haven't decided yet. I'll wait 'n' see what happens."

Ray Grigg

To our many friends on Quadra

We want to thank you for many years of friendship during our 30+ years on Quadra. Quadra has been a wonderful place to raise our family. We have been especially

moved by the many expressions of love and support during this past transitional year for our family, a year of uncertainty as to our future. Being honoured at May Day this year is something we will treasure for the rest of our lives.

As most of you know, we will be moving to Prince George, where I have already begun work. I have accepted a position as Pastor of Discipleship at College Heights Baptist Church in Prince George, a role which will involve people development and leadership training, as well as leadership in music and worship. We have been accepted warmly by the Prince George community and I can see my work will be challenging.

We want to invite any of our friends to visit us in Prince George. Our new address is 7749 Kingsley Crescent, Prince George, B.C., V2N 3M9, and our phone number is (250) 964-1864 and my work number (250) 964-4181.

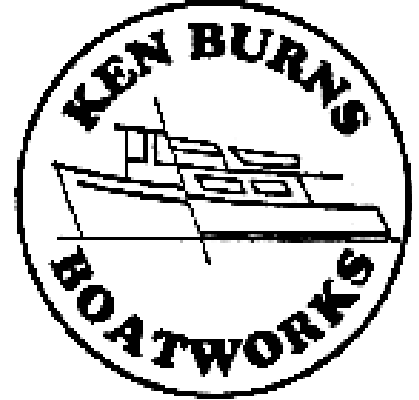
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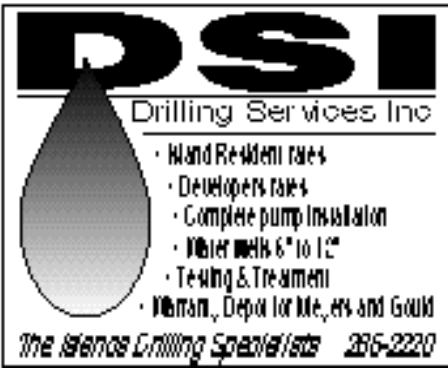
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Crimestoppers

Anyone with information concerning the following can contact Quadra Is. RCMP directly or call Crime Stoppers at 287-TIPS. You do not have to give your name and you may remain anonymous.

97 June 13 Break, enter and theft from residence on Noble Rd. Suspect(s) entered open patio door. Numerous items stolen including: Yellow Sony Walkman, Seaboy HR80 hand-held VHF Marine radio, Radio Shack Pro-38 Scanner, 3 mens wrist watches, jewellery box and numerous pieces of jewellery.

97 June 13 Electric "Scotty" down rigger stolen from vessel on trailer at RPM Marine, Harper Rd.

97 June 13 Theft of two new prawn traps from roadside on Quadra Loop Rd.

97 June 15 Unregistered campers at Smelt Bay Provincial Park, Cortes Is.

97 June 16 Theft of cash box from Paradise Sea Farms Antler Rd.

97 June 17 Bicycle parts found at roadside on Heriot Bay Rd. Owner may claim at detachment.

97 June 19 Ladies quartz watch found on Green Rd. Owner may claim at detachment.

97 June 21 Break, enter, theft and vandalism to Cape Mudge Community Centre. Suspect(s) entered hall and caused extensive damage by emptying contents of condiments on floor and exhausting fire extinguishers. Tables were knocked over, beer bottles were broken as well as windows were smashed, doors were broken and other items were vandalised.

97 June 22 Orange and black coloured vehicle racing up and down Buker Rd.

97 June 22 Homeowner apprehended two transients fleeing his residence with goods in tow. Suspects were charged with break and enter. One of the transients will spend the summer and fall behind bars while the other is awaiting disposition with the condition not to attend Quadra Is.

Ongoing vandalism to gate at Haskin's Farm Trail. The gate has been replaced after being extensively damaged by unknown vehicle.

I know many of you are aware Cst. Marty Hooper has been transferred out of Quadra to the interior of B.C. We, and I know many of you, will miss Marty and the excellent service he provided the community. He will be greatly missed by the Detachment. We wish Marty and his family all the best for the future.

Marty's replacement is Cst. John Clemens who is transferring from Alexis Creek. John and his wife Sue, and their two sons feel very fortunate to be moving to Quadra and look forward to

Money Matters

By Steven Halliday

Being a newcomer to Quadra Island, one of the first things I wanted to do, particularly in light of my occupation, was to join the local Chamber of Commerce. Much to my surprise and chargin, *there isn't one!!* Rummaging around through the dusty stacks of old materials at the office I found information relating to the Quadra Business Association. "Wonderful", I thought, "this will do just fine!" Off I went to speak to Joanne Crawshaw of Country Charm to find out when to expect the next meeting, only to learn that the QBA was no more. This being said, Joanne indicated that she and several others in the business community would be most interested in the formation of a Chamber. with this encouraging news in hand, I have decided to take the proverbial bull by the horns and establish a Chamber for the Discovery

Islands.

While living in Alert Bay, there was much talk among the tourism oriented business' of the need for some highway signs to inform people travelling the North Island of the many charms awaiting them on Cormorant Island. The several previous incarnations of a Board of Trade had tried many times since the late 70's to accomplish this, without success. I found it difficult to believe that such a simple task could not be achieved, and utilized this goal as the basis for the establishment of a vehicle that could organize the resources available to get the signs up. To make a long story short, we established a Chamber, and had not one but two signs plus directional indicators installed by the Department of Highways in less than 6 months! Highways even erected the signs at no cost. The parallels of the situation were made even more apparent when Joanne indicated

that the Business Association also had an initiative to erect signs at the Campbell River terminal, and at the foot of Quathiaski Road just past the ferry line-up.

Therefore, through the good graces of the Islander, I am dedicating this issue's column to recruiting members for the fledgling (actually, it's not even fledgling, yet) Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce. Business owners or managers interested in becoming involved should write to me c/o Quadra Credit Union at P.O. Box 190, Quathiaski Cove, indicating your interest and providing me with contact names and numbers. Those of you who are especially motivated can phone me at 285-3327 and you can share in the fun of being on the interim Board of Directors (we need an interim Board to register the Chamber). I can't even estimate the dues, but you can be assured that we will keep them on the economy scale, and I'll do my best to get you value for you dues dollars. But *please* be prepared to work at it, as the long term benefits of an active, energetic



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Ruth Rombough- Manager, Member Services

Carol Marrett- Member Service Supervisor

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Island Calendar

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July 2&3rd Summer Rec. Registration	Community Centre	7pm-9pm
July 9,12,16,19,23,30th Puppet Theatre	Kwagiulth Museum	1:30 pm.
July 12,19,26th Puppet Theatre	We Wai Kai Campsite	3:00 pm.
July 7- 11 West Coast Hoop Fest	Cape Mudge Gym	9 am - 3 pm
July 7-Aug.15 Summer Recreation	see program	
July 11, Fri. Mad Pudding 8:30 pm.	Community Centre	
Aug. 2,6,9,13,16,20th Puppet Theatre	Kwagiulth Museum	1:30 pm.
Aug. 2,9,16,23,30th Puppet Theatre	We Wai Kai Campsite	3:00 pm.
Aug. 11&18 Kids CAN-BIKE 3pm		9 am -
September 14, Sun. QPC Giant Garage Sale 2:00 pm.	Community Centre	10 am -
September 20, Sat. "Step into Tibet"	Community Centre	
Sept. 26, 27 Keeping Quadra Healthy	Community Centre	
	Weekly	
Farmers' Market - Sat p.m.	Credit Union	10-1:00
Meditation-Sundays noon	Community Hall	10am-12
Hatha Yoga-Saturdays	Community Centre	9:00 &

Farmers Market & Bazaar

Our Farmer's Market is held rain or shine, from the beginning of **May to the end of September, every Saturday from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm** behind the Credit Union. Vendors must be from Quadra or the outer islands. Setup charge is \$3 for adults and \$1 for kids. Bring your own table. Dancers, drummers, jugglers, musicians, etc. are very welcome - this is our village green! Please come join us to make the Market the best it can be. For more information phone Dalcyce **285-3180**.

Giant Garage Sale

Start saving now for the **Quadra Philippines Connection 3rd Annual Giant Garage Sale** to be held at the Community Centre, **September 14th**. All reusable items in good condition will be accepted and appreciated!

Free Bicycle Repair Class

Smokey is holding free bicycle repair classes on **Tuesdays from 5:30 at 1024 Heriot Bay Rd.** Beginners most welcome. If you can hold a wrench, you can turn it. Learn anything from flat tire repairs to wheel truing.

Don't Miss the Boat!

Please register very early for the next **Mitlenatch** trips, sponsored by The Museum at Campbell River, Saturday, **July 5th and Sunday, July 6th**.

Participants board the 35 - foot offshore sloop, the "T'ai Li", at Heriot bay to sail away for the day with skipper Steve London. One of a limited number of people licenced to land at Mitlenatch, Steve has sailed from Mediterranean Spain to Florida and from New England to the Caribbean via Bermuda. Besides his more than thirty years of offshore and coastal sailing experience, London has studied History and Developing Nations at a postgraduate level. The route taken lends itself to some discussion of the fascinating history of the northwest coast, explored in this area simultaneous expeditions from Spain and Great Britain.

Complementing London's expertise is that of Dennis Mense, a Marine Biologist from the University of Hawaii, who has travelled the world as the expert naturalist on board educational expeditions to such areas as Antarctica, South America, and the Canadian Arctic. Enroute, he discusses the marine mammals and birds indigenous to the area. On the island itself, he will

In Detail...

Q.I. Recreation Society

Is sponsoring a wholistic event called "**Keeping Quadra Healthy**". **September 26th** will feature a major keynote speaker and a presentation of Quadra culture. We are planning an array of exhibits, mini-demonstrations and networking tables on physical, emotional, mental and spiritual health on **September 27th**. We are inviting all interested participants to call Diane at **285-3859**

Kids CAN-BIKE

With the cycling season starting in earnest parents may want to have their children professionally trained in safe

bicycle skills, by a nationally certified C-Bike instructor. **The kids CAN-BIKE course** involves discussion about the rules of the road, the bicycle's place in traffic, safe equipment, practice of bike handling skills, and on-road training is to develop good road position and lawful bike operation, good planning skills and good decision making skills. The course is for children 9 to 13 years of age.

Course dates are **Aug. 11th & 18th Classes - 9:00 a.m. - 3 pm. \$45 per pupil. Call Jerzy Dymny at 285-2447** for more information. Adult course, beginner and advanced, are available to groups of six or more.

guide participants carefully through the identification and interpretation of the largest breeding colony of seabirds in Georgia Strait. Since it is past the middle of June, hatchlings should be appearing, and many species of wildflowers in bloom. The early to midsummer flower display progresses through the blooming white fawn lilies, chocolate lilies, blue camas, and monkey flowers, to tiger lilies, prickly pears, brodiaea, and woolly sunflower.

Likened to a Garden of Eden, (complete with serpents), this volcanic basalt island has been a protected Provincial Nature Park since 1961, consisting of the Island of Mitlenatch as well as a 300 meter protected offshore marine boundary.

Advance registration is imperative to ensure a space on these trips, so allow at least a week before departure date. Register at The Museum Shop, 470 Island Highway, between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday, noon to 5:00 Sundays. The cost is **\$70.00 Adult/ \$65.00 Student**, with a 10% discount for Museum Society members. For more information, call **287-3103**.

Puppet Theatre

Come celebrate the beginning of summer with **The Museum at Campbell River's Puppet Theatre**. The Puppet Show takes place at the museum on Wednesdays at 1pm, and Saturdays at 11 am and 1pm. **The opening performance is Saturday June 21 at 11 am.** The stories involve amazing yet true historical events. Some of the play titles include: Fred Nunns' Pumpkins; The Salty Cake; and RippleRock.

The Museum at Campbell River is proud to present another summer of Puppet Theatre, now in its 11th season of offering shows and related fun activities. This year's puppeteers, Jennifer Fric and Kathy Stothard, are hoping you'll join them at the Museum. The performance will continue until late August. Admission is \$1.50 per child, and accompanying adults are free. Private bookings are also available. For more information please call Jennifer or Kathy at **287-3101**. The Museum at Campbell River is located at 5th Ave. and the Island Highway. Special thanks to Young Canada Works and the Department of Canadian Heritage for their support.

Mad Pudding on Quadra!

On **Friday night, July 11th**, Quadra Island is in for a foot stomping Celtic romp when Vancouver's Mad Pudding hits the Community Centre stage. After a triumphant tour of England, Scotland and Ireland last year, dozens of folk festivals throughout North America and

the release of their third CD, the band is building a huge following on both sides of the Atlantic. They just keep getting better. Strong writing, great vocals, fun, high energy, brilliant musicianship and the awesome fiddle of Cam Wilson are a tough combination to beat.

This summer Mad Pudding is kicking off a European tour with a stop on Quadra. I hope you don't miss it. **Doors at 8:30 pm. Admission \$10.** A Quadra Rec. Cultural Event.

"Step into Tibet"

WANTED: Enthusiastic volunteers for a "Step into Tibet" evening scheduled for September 20 at the Quadra Community Centre - all proceeds going to the Tibetan Refugee Nuns. Planning is well under way and if you want to join in some of our current activities, such as making Tibetan Prayer Flags, please ring **Patrick Stewart at 2960, Caroline Helm at 2557 or Heather Kellerhals at 3570**.

Summer Rec. Extended Registration Hours

For the convenience of families who are unable to sign their children up for the summer recreation programs during the regular community centre office hours (Mon-Fri, 9-2), we would like to offer extended registration times. On **Wednesday, July 2nd and Thursday, July 3rd**, the community centre office will be open from 7pm to 9pm to receive new registrations. It is hoped that these increased hours will be beneficial to working families and allow more people the opportunity to sign up for the summer recreation programs. If you have any comments or questions regarding these programs please contact **Marcia Lott at 285-3243, Mon-Fri, 8-2**.

Kwagiulth Museum and Cultural Centre

Once again the puppet theatre is back for the summer at the Kwagiulth Museum and Cultural Centre. Located at Cape Mudge on picturesque Quadra Island. The museum will present performances of traditional K'ak'akewak' legends by our knowledgeable and capable summer students: "The Legend of Dunuq'a", "Wisest One", and "Full Moon and Half Moon". The students look forward to researching more plays as well as creating new puppets to increase the Puppet Theatre repertoire for the 1997 season.

Performances will be done throughout July and August at the

Kwagiulth Museum and Cultural Centre and the We-Wai-Kai Campsite at Rebecca Spit, starting at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and Saturdays at the museum and 3:00 pm. Saturdays at the We-Wai-Kai Campsite. The first performance will be at the museum, Wednesday July 9th at 1:30 p.m.

Watch for local advertising on a "Children's Puppet Theatre Festival" to be produced later this summer by the Arts and Culture on the Discovery Coast consortium.

Puppet Theatre is included with admission to the museum. **Children \$1, Adults \$3, Seniors \$2, Members Free.**

Puppet Theatre provides great entertainment for Birthday Parties and any social event. For more information or to book a show, please contact Jason Wilson or Danielle Uhl at (250) 285-3733, 7 days a week.

Do-A-Dig

Children 9 to 12 year old are invited to "Do-A-Dig", an extremely popular workshop in archeology for children, to be held at The Museum at Campbell River, **Wednesday July 9th through Friday, July 11th, from 9:30 a.m. to noon each day.**

This is predominantly a hands-on workshop, where buried "finds" are used to solve the mysteries of the imaginary people who left these things behind. Children use proper archaeological procedures to make their discoveries and draw their conclusions about the fictitious sites they investigate. As a final exercise, participants will create a replica tool which they will be able to bring home.

Experienced archaeologist Sharon Johnson introduces children to this subject and some of the techniques used by real archaeologists. Sharon has been involved in educational programming on the Lower Mainland, introducing over 5,000 students to excavating techniques and practical experience in archaeological procedures.

Register early at The Museum at Campbell River, 470 Island Highway, Phone 287-3103. Cost is **\$25.00 per person**, and includes materials.

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Island Report

Major Moves Planned for CCAP

by Tanya Storr

Ifall goes according to plan, the ground will be broken for the Quadra Island Community Centre Addition Project next spring, said Recreation Society president and chair of the Building Addition Steering Committee Brett Johnson in a recent interview. The addition will greatly expand the uses of the existing centre, he added, and will represent years of planning, volunteer effort, and donations.

The plans for the community centre addition are almost complete and will soon be on display at QCC and the Quadra Credit Union. M.M. Johnson Ltd. has drawn up the plans at cost, based on a design by CCAP Design Committee members Jonathon Whittingham and George Murdoch. "Jonathon and George have been very patient and spent years working on the design," said Brett. "In a case like this where it's a public, multipurpose facility and we wanted public input, it takes longer than usual to come up with a design. There are always compromises—the design tries to best meet the needs of all the user groups, while still retaining its multipurpose function and keeping within a reasonable budget."

Brett explained that the original design was made into a model, and then the decision was made that it could be improved upon. The design was reworked and another model made, "and it was a good design but beyond our immediate financial reach." After the community had a chance to critique the model, George and Jonathon went back to work and came up with the present design. Although the previous design was downsized, Brett said "the part we're not going to do now is still a vision for the future." There are still a number of details such as interior finish to work out, he went on to say, but "we will be going with these plans if we get the grant money we need." Grant money will be key to the project's success, as will the money raised through fund-raising.

Val Barr, who is on both the CCAP Fund-raising and CCAP Grant Writing Committee, said that as of the beginning of May, over \$60,000 had been fundraised for the addition project. That amount has increased since then, due to recent fundraisers such as the Garden Tour, which brought in about \$5,300.

CCAP fund-raising efforts began three years ago, Val affirmed, which means the community has raised an impressive \$20,000 per year towards the addition. "The money has been raised through thousands of hours of volunteer effort—through different festivals, Garden Tours, and concessions—and also personal donations where people have given money to the addition project," she said. One of the fund-raising committee's endeavours,

a letter campaign to nonresident Quadra property owners, brought in over \$2,000 in donations.

Val was on the Recreation Society Board when the fund-raising began in 1994, and has continued to put her energy into the CCAP efforts since then. "I've simply tried to keep the momentum going but there are hundreds of people who make this work. It's coming along quite well. We'll be making some major moves in the next year."

Some of the money raised to date has been spent on the plans, a needs assessment to go along with grant applications, costs related to fund-raising, etc. Val said the CCAP account has roughly \$55,000 in it at present. In an effort to determine exactly how much money will be required to complete the project, M.M. Johnson Ltd. is in the process of costing out the addition, and Brett is approaching different contractors to get estimates on electrical, plumbing, heating, and other mechanical systems.

"We don't know exactly how much is needed, but we're going to try to raise another \$150,000-\$200,000. In a renovation some things are going to be fairly expensive—we're probably going to have to upgrade the electrical service to the building and the heating system will cost a fair bit, to give a few examples. Once the estimates are in, we'll figure out a detailed budget before applying for grants because we need to know how much to ask for," said Brett.

The Grant Writing Committee is aiming to have a grant application package ready to send off to prospective donors by the end of September. The package will include the Quadra Island Community Centre Addition Needs Assessment researched and compiled by Chantal Rose, the plans, a detailed budget, a description of the addition, letters of support, and other relevant information. Governments, corporations, and foundations will be approached; however, as Brett said, "it will be months and months before we hear how our grant applications are received, i.e. if we're getting any money." In the interim, local fund-raising efforts will continue.

If the required funds are raised in time, a project manager will be hired in early spring 1998. The project manager will be in charge of supervising the

construction of the addition. Brett said the Recreation Society Board's aim will be to hire locals to work on the project whenever possible.

Pre-construction work would be done in March/April, with the actual construction beginning in May. "There's no big rush to build it except to get the roof on. We're hoping to have construction completed by January 1999. It's just a tentative schedule, but it's a starting point. Once the addition is completed, we'll have an opening ceremony and party. I expect that will be a pretty good party because the addition has been so long in the making. From what I've heard, as soon as the present building was completed there was talk of a need to add on to it," he said.

Instead of building the addition in phases, Brett explained that the plan now is to treat it all as one project. Including storage space, just over 4,150 square feet will be added onto the community centre. The building will then have twice as much floor space, almost 1,200 square feet of which will be upstairs. Design highlights include a 450 square foot multipurpose room, a 175 square foot meeting room, additional washrooms which will be handicapped-accessible, a new stage with big wings, a new foyer, a bigger auditorium, and a concrete sidewalk to make the centre more wheelchair-accessible.

Brett predicts the multipurpose room, with its bright design and big 8 x 8 foot doors opening into the main hall, will become a favourite. "Depending on the size of the group, it will likely be good for yoga, meditation, Tai Chi, arts and crafts, etc. One of the problems right now is that we can really only have one thing going on at the centre at a time. The community centre will be able to charge an hourly rent for the multipurpose room or meeting room, and this will cost groups less than what it costs to rent out the entire hall now."

The multipurpose room and meeting room will be located behind where the stage is now, and the stage itself will be moved to the east side of the hall. Big new wings on the stage will provide storage space and be useful for large productions, and the multipurpose room can become a "green room" where performers change and wait for their turn on stage. "Quadra Players, Quadra Singers, and other groups that put on performances are really happy about the green room, because right now

they use the office and it's really awkward," Brett said.

The new foyer will have interior doors to the main hall, as well as double doors to outside. "In essence, the doors will relieve congestion in the entrance way. The foyer will be almost all glass and a really nice space. It'll be a place where people can sit and wait for others without disturbing what's going on in the auditorium, but they'll be able to see what's going on because the doors will have glass in them," detailed Brett. A second story, to be used for storage space, will be added on over the multipurpose and meeting rooms. An extra four fire exits will be added to the building, for a total of nine. The kitchen will remain the same size and in the same place, but it will be repainted and other improvements will be made.

"The great thing about this design is that it will retain the feel of the main hall—the logs and posts will remain. The space in the main hall will be utilized better because reorienting the stage widens the seating area, giving better visibility to the audience. The kitchen will be behind the audience

which will cut down on distractions," Brett continued.

Most of the regular user groups of QCC wrote letters documenting their support for the project, and these letters will be included with grant applications. "The people who make decisions on whether to give us grants will want proof of the need for the addition. The fact that we've already raised so much money locally is a key indicator of the need for and the support behind this project. Also, the number of people who donate so much time to the centre and events are another indicator of the enthusiasm for this project. People have been very patient—even after all these years they're still committed and want to see it through. I'd like to thank all the people who have donated money and time to the project," he said.

The Recreation Society Board is involved in every part of the planning, Brett added, and Community Recreation coordinator Sandy Spearing has been a key person. "We've got a lot of advice on

Wilderness Watch Day

Saturday, 14th June was Wilderness Watch Day sponsored by BCWF (British Columbia Wildlife Federation). Our local Conservation Officers and members of the Campbell River Fish & Wildlife Association (Wilderness Watch Division) were out in force to emphasize the role of this program. Quadra Island was also a target where signs were placed from the south end to Village Bay lakes. The object was to make clear that Quadra is now a patrolled area. "Observe Report Record" and "BCWF Wilderness Watch", as well as, "Observe Report Record (ORR)" cards were distributed. BC Environment published the ORR literature and BCWF in conjunction with Crime Stoppers, the "Wilderness Watch" brochures.

Volunteer participants, cleared by the local RCMP detachments patrol rural areas within their region to Observe Report and Record infractions of environmental legislation (e.g. fish or wildlife poaching, pollution, vandalism, etc.) Volunteers have no power to confront or apprehend violators beyond those of any other citizens. Rather they are the *eyes and ears* to assist enforcement agencies in their protection of our wildlife.

Wilderness Watch

1. Provides protection of our natural inhabitants and their environment.
2. Provides an opportunity for direct supervised involvement by concerned individuals in the protection of our resources.
3. Helps to ensure continued access for the pursuit of hunting, fishing, camping, and other outdoor recreation activities.
4. Demonstrates to the community at large a personal commitment to the natural environment and the need for citizens to become involved in the protection of our natural resources.

5. Serves notice to government that the public is prepared to take positive and direct action to protect crown lands abuse and to retain in the public domain.

How can you help?

Conservation officers and fisheries officers are responsible for the enforcement of wildlife and fisheries regulations, but the job is an enormous one. British Columbia is an enormous province, and much hunting, fishing, and industrial activity takes place in remote areas. This means that offences may be committed, and damage done, without the offenders ever being caught.

An important goal of enforcement is the prevention of violations before damage is done. This is where you can

The Needs Assessment

The Quadra Island Community Centre Addition Needs Assessment, researched and written by Chantal Rose, will be included in grant application packages. The detailed document gives information about QCC and Quadra in general, and explains why the addition is necessary. Chantal unearthed some interesting Quadra facts that she includes in the Needs Assessment:

1. **Population:** The population on Quadra increased by 450 people between the 1986 and 1991 census, a growth rate of 4.2% each year. Chantal writes that current growth rates are difficult to find, but using a 3% growth rate (the usual growth rate used by regional district planners for Campbell River) and the 1986 and 1991 census figures, she estimates the population in 1996 was 2,794 and the population in 2006 will be 3,755. She cautions that 3% may be too low a growth rate, so this should be seen as a guide of the minimum possible growth.

2. **Summer Population Increase:** Quadra Seniors keep a record of visitors who visit the tourist booth between June 15 and September 2 each year. In 1996 there were 2,700 people from all over the world who visited the booth, a decrease from the previous year of 3,200 people. In 1994, there were 2,800 visitors to the booth. Chantal adds that many visitors do not stop at the booth.

3. **Dwelling Rentals vs. Owners:** There has been a trend on Quadra towards owning rather than renting a dwelling, as revealed in the 1986 and 1991 census reports. Over three quarters (77%) of the Quadra Island population owns property rather than rents it. According to the Realtor at Discovery Islands Realty on Quadra Island, there are over 400 seasonal residents who own property on Quadra Island but don't live here full-time.

4. **Occupancy Rate of QCC:** There have been over 100 different courses held at the community centre in the past 10 years and 50% have been going on for 5 years or longer. Overall QCC is occupied at least 50% of the time in a 12 hour day (occupancy is defined by the time slot being filled with a scheduled event), which is consistent with other rural community centres such as the one in Black Creek.

5. **Attendance at Shows:** The chair of the Cultural Committee has collected statistics on attendance to shows over the last 10 years. Out of 87 performances during that time, 6 have sold out and 11 have seated over 200 people. Most performances over the 10 years have brought over 100 people to the community centre on average.

6. **Past and Future Needs:** The Quadra Community Centre was originally built in 1986 to service a population of 1,962 people living on Quadra Island, and by the

help. The "Wilderness Watch" program is currently provided by the B.C. Wildlife Federation (BCWF) through regional Fish and Game clubs. The **Campbell River Fish & Wildlife Association** founded in 1946 is one such organization. The Campbell River Fish & Wildlife Association is an organization of outdoor enthusiasts with varying interests, whose goals are to assist fish & wildlife where they can. Our members are men, women, single or married, families or seniors who come from all walks of life and a variety of professions. Monthly meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month except July and August at the clubhouse which is located at 2641 Campbell River Rd. (Hwy 28). A short business meeting precludes the scheduled program and social time starting at 8 p.m. The association is affiliated with the B.C. Wildlife Federation and is active in the Vancouver Island Regional meetings that bring all clubs together focusing on the protection of wildlife. Memberships are available for singles, seniors, juniors, and families.

Your help can make a difference!
For more information call 287- 8277 or Tim Walters at 250-285-3772 (voice/fax) e-mail:quadrai@oberon.ark.com

Garden & Studio Tour '97

The CCAPS committee would like to take this opportunity to express their utmost thanks to all those who participated in organizing and producing the **1997 Quadra Island Garden and Studio Tour**. Special appreciation to all the gardeners/artists who gave so generously of their time - Darrell & Marjorie Rye, Bob & Marie Sutherland, Theresa & Brian Simmons (Quadra Farms), Roger Michel, Steve Harkies, Rick Hepburn, Bob & Pat Evans, Emily Hart, Ed & Ethel Drahanchuk, Susan Westren, Anne and Don Doolittle, Ken & Shirley Duncan, Martha & Gordon James, and Lynn Ramos & Mike Dennison & Zeb at Wilby Farms. We would also like to thank those volunteers who combined their efforts to make this event a success - Joan Blackmer, Paulette Marisi, Linda Vander Minne, Marna Disbrow, Heather Kellerhals, Shirley Wallace, Candace Holmes, Shannon Van Orden, Heather Van der Est, Karla Thomson, Darrell Rye, Betty Toelle, Chris, Anne & Tracey

Hand, Hannah Moss, Dona Hansen, Erika Zylstra, Pat Lowes, Julie & Randy Mellanby, Stephanie Webster, Ruth Miller, and anyone else whose name was inadvertently missed from this list. Our appreciation also goes to all those outlets who agreed to sell tickets for us - The Laughing Oyster, The Garden Gate, CR Garden Centre, Country Charm, Quadra Crafts, Farquharsons (Willow Point), Serendipity In the Garden, Page 11, Explore Gallery, April Point and the Tourist Information Booth on Quadra. The members of CCAPS - Nancy Allwarden, Val Barr, Karen Forbes, Hilary Stewart, Hilda Van Orden and Carol Woods have worked hard over the past few months to put the tour together. Last but not least we would like to thank all those garden lovers who braved the rain and came to view the inspiring displays. Thanks to you, this event has been a great success as just over \$5,000 was raised towards the addition at the community centre.



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Q.I.F.R.C. Report

Report from the Quadra Island Forest Resources Committee

by Michael Mascall

As a member of the Quadra Island Forest Resources Committee (QIFRC), I would like to let the Quadra community know what has gone on during the 20 or so meetings of the last year.

Approximately 15 persons show up for every meeting. There are nine groups represented as listed below:

Quadra Island Conservancy Michael Mascall, Quadra Recreation Terry Noble, Independent Loggers Keith Liseth, Mitlenatch Field Naturalists Judy Johnson, Trails Committee Val Barr, Chinese Mountains Preservation Eve Phillips, Quadra Protected Areas Ray Grigg, Quadra Salmon Enhancement Don McEacheran, & Quadra Eco-Tourism Noel Lax.

In addition, there are several individual members who attend on a regular basis: Alex Hartford, Joyce Overnes, Dan Bingham, Rolf Kellerhals, Dick Whittington and Grant Hayden.

It should be pointed out that Raven has not attended a QIFRC meeting for the last couple of years. Letters have been exchanged but as it is private land there is little which can be done except through the community plan.

To assist with communication and facilitation within the QIFRC a two day long facilitation workshop was held to train members.

After that there were two day long meetings reviewing potential woodlot areas with the Ministry of Forests (MOF) as they wanted to put two new woodlots out to tender on Quadra Island. In addition, MOF wanted to top up the two existing woodlot holders (Alex Hartford and Dick Whittington) close to their legal land area limit of 400 ha. The areas of Heriot Bay to Copper Cliffs, East and West of Saltwater Lagoon, Hyacinthe Point, and the lot just East of the Cape Mudge Road at the Junction with Joyce Road were all discussed.

Out of these discussions "sensitive area designations" were assigned to: Blind Man's Bluff, Heriot Ridge (which now has a trail in place from the Brass Bed and Breakfast south to Gowlland Harbour Road), the southeastern part (130 ha) of the Heriot Bay block kept out of the woodlot area, Hyacinthe Point, and the area West of Saltwater lagoon. Concerns

of wetlands, old growth, trails, viewsheds, and logging road access were all discussed and generally there was consensus.

One issue that was not resolved was the issue of economic equity for woodlots. The MOF limit woodlots to 400 ha. But at an average log price of \$100/m³ there is a big difference between an annual allowable cut of 1,700 m³ and 3,000 m³ per woodlot. Should the community have any say in this issue? MOF said not at this time perhaps in the future.

MOF then included what is called the takeback area (the area given back to MOF by Fletcher Challenge in 1992, South of Village Bay Lakes and North of Open Bay Creek). This amounts to about 3,000 ha. Alex Hartford has been allocated his top up area next to Open Bay creek and both he and MOF have agreed to leave approximately 100m buffer next to the creek on the North side. We are working on TimberWest who have the tenure South of the creek, but they will not commit to wider riparian strip than what the Forest Practices Code specifies (20m), although they did defer their cutblock plans in the area for the time being.

Firewood has been provided by Dick Whittington to the OAPs and TimberWest will allow firewood taking from the alders and log tops cut in their Walcan area.

In September the QIFRC received a letter from Merrill and Ring applying for the application of herbicides on Quadra Island. The QIFRC sent a letter to them telling them that over the last 6 years we have an understanding with the MOF and TimberWest that we do not use herbicides on Quadra Island. This is an example where in doing the development plan with MOF, QIFRC unanimously agreed we did not want chemicals used on the island both from an environmental point of view and a loss of manual labour. The MOF said they had to include it but it would never be used except in some very special circumstance!

A motion was reached by consensus (later support by the Independent loggers was removed) that we ask the Minister of Forests use the 5% takeback, it gets from the sale of TimberWest, to take TimberWest's tenure off Quadra Island leaving the forest land in the hands of the MOF. It was felt that the QIFRC has more effect in dealing with MOF than with

TimberWest which has the single focus of reducing costs to maximize their profits. TimberWest has tenure, as part of TFL 47, for about 13,000 ha on Quadra Island.

On November 28 the Chief Forester of BC came announced that the Annual Allowable Cut (AAC) for TimberWest's Johnstone Strait area (including Quadra Island) would increase by 24%. Since CORE, in 1993, and the making of parks on 3% of Vancouver Island (from 9.7% on Vancouver Island in parks before CORE to 13% after CORE), the AAC for all of Vancouver Island has increased by 10%. This is mostly arithmetic at this time as TimberWest has done very little logging on Quadra to this point in time. Between 1992 and 1996 they have taken about 3,000/year m³ off Quadra and beginning in 1998 they want to take 50,000 m³/year. This will be a significant change for Quadra.

Throughout this, there has been an ongoing process leftover from CORE which is to designate AAC through the Vancouver Island Resource Targets process (VIRT). This has set up three land use zones for forestry: originally Low intensity Area (LIA), General Forestry Area (GFA), and High Intensity Area (HIA) but now more euphemistically called (in the same order): Special Management Zone, General Management Zone and Enhanced Management Zone. Quadra Island is mostly LIA up to just North of Waiatt Bay which then becomes a General Forestry Zone. The LIA approach is considered by TimberWest to be a reduction in cut of 10%. It is supposed to care for values other than logging, such as: biodiversity, recreation, tourism, wildlife, fish, water, aquaculture, mineral resources and cultural heritage resources.

Right now work is being conducted on TimberWest's Walcan area to take out 20,000 m³ of wood from 80 ha with root rot. There is a controversial question of whether it is effective to take out root rot areas or not, or to use push over logging (leaving the stumps sticking up in the air) to treat it. Quadra loggers are doing the work for TimberWest under Keith Liseth.

TimberWest has brought several logging plans to the QIFRC over the year, as they consider cutblocks in the Open Bay to Granite Bay trench (parallel to the Granite Bay Rd), and the area around North Gowlland Harbour road. They have also proposed cutblocks of 40 ha size in the North end of Quadra. This is an ongoing disagreement with TimberWest as they see Quadra in two parts, the interior area where they do small scale logging with community input and the exterior part where they can do business as usual;

islanders see Quadra as a single island unit.

Some members feel there appears to be a growing indifference by TimberWest to our concerns on this or any other issue. They have been sent letters carefully specifying our concerns but they are read and replied to with no real changes.

Inventories of recreation and Visual Quality Objectives of TimberWest's TFL 47 on Quadra is now being conducted for TimberWest through a FRBC grant. Areas which are considered important are expected to be left unlogged. The emphasis appears to be viewscapes as seen from the water and roads, and there is some difference of opinion that the trails are just as important.

The Forest Practices Code has not had much of an impact on Quadra Island yet, other than increase the paper work for the woodlot operators. Generally our standards have been more protection oriented than the code minimums.

FRBC is making grants available to TimberWest and woodlot holders for chemical fertilizing by helicopter. TimberWest is interested in doing this to a number of their fir growing sites on Quadra with urea (46% nitrogen). QIFRC is considering a response to this issue.

The mining issue on Quadra has been raised but mining claims have a right to be staked and explored anywhere they wish. We and the MOF cannot prevent them from going into sensitive designated areas such as the old growth at Nugedzi. The only areas they cannot explore are inside the park boundaries. Some members of QIFRC have questioned whether mining issues should be dealt with by QIFRC.

Overall, there is the issue of inadequate information regarding karst (cave) areas, the ecology of the areas to be logged, special areas and stream and tributary protection, which applies to most areas and their logging plans. The year has been a lot of work for the 15 or so regular attenders.

Coming up:

TimberWest wanting to harvest 50,000 m3 (1500 truck loads) each year on Quadra; Where should the cutblocks be?

management plan for Quadra Island 1998-2003. Should TimberWest be on Quadra Island; Two additional woodlots on Quadra; Hardwood harvesting on Quadra in the year 2001, for alder and maple, by a furniture making company in Vancouver.

If you have any concerns with any of these issues or any other write a letter (with a copy to QIFRC), come to a QIFRC meeting (last Wednesday of each month at the school) or talk to one of the representatives. We need your comments and support. Quadra is your Island too! MS



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