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Jesse and Angela Burns at the Sierra Quadra Annual Beach Cleanup Photo: Tanya Storr

# Island Calendar

## •1st Friday of every month

-Yak Shak Coffee House  
7:30-10pm

## •Every Saturday

-Fall, Winter, Spring Market QCC  
10:00a.m.- 2:00p.m.

-Village Square Winter Market Village Square  
10:00a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

## April 28, Saturday

-Quadra Singers Spring Concert QCC  
8:00 p.m.

## May 4, Friday

-Mitenatch Field Naturalist Society QCC  
Topic: Buffalo with Dr. Valerius Geist  
8:00 p.m.

## May 5, Sat.

-Island Voices Concert St. Peter's Church, C.R.  
8:00 pm  
-Customer Appreciation Celebration Tsa-Kwa-Luten  
2 Jazz Trios, Native Dance

## May 10, Thursday

-Quadra Island Garden Club QCC  
Topic: Preparing the Winter Garden with Mary Ballan of West  
Coast Seeds 7:15 p.m.

## May 12, Saturday

-Comedy Night w/ Henry Watson Tsa-Kwa-Luten  
dinner 6:30pm/ show 8:00pm  
-Jazz Caberet & Dance w/ HiproMasba Gorge Hall, Cortes Island  
8:00 p.m.

## May 13, Sunday

-Mother's Day Brunch Tsa-Kwa-Luten  
2 seatings 10:30am/12:30pm

## May 19, Saturday

-First Nations Storytelling Tsa-Kwa-Luten  
dinner 5-7pm/ performance 8 p.m.

## May 26, Saturday

-May Day Parade Rebecca Spit  
-Tentative May Day Dance QCC  
needs an organizer!!!  
-Legion Dance on May Day Quadra Legion  
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

## Help, Rescuers Needed!

The Official Quadra Island May Day Dance needs an organizer, or two, or three... Don't let this fun, exciting event go by the wayside...Come on out and Volunteer!!!

Phone Sandy at 285-3243

## Open Stage

Come and share your talents in an evening of variety entertainment for the family, songs, poetry, juggling, dance. Admission \$3.50. Students & performers \$2. 1st Friday each month, 7:30 - 10:00pm, Yak Shack Coffee House, corner of Taku Rd.. and Heriot Bay Rd.. Downtown Heriot Bay. For more info. call John at 285-2958

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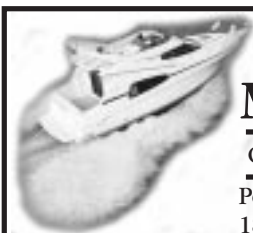
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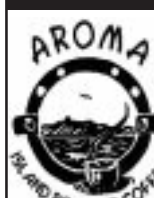
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*While every effort is made to include all items submitted, errors and accidental omissions do occur and the Discovery Islander should be only one part of your publicity efforts.*

**Next Deadline:** 7pm Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

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New members are welcome and membership forms can be downloaded from the Chamber's web site at [www.discoveryislands.ca/chamber](http://www.discoveryislands.ca/chamber) or requested by calling 285-2724.

Look out for news of the DICC's AGM soon.

## Amnesty Women's Action Network

We meet the last Monday of each month at 7:30pm. We are always welcoming of new members. We continue to follow issues pertaining to Afghanistan closely. We will soon be having a tulip sale to raise money for our group. If you are interested in our letter writing campaigns but unable to attend meetings please pick up a copy of an already drafted letter from the box to the left of the bulletin board at Quadra Foods. Take this letter home, sign it ( with your first name in initials ), and mail it. These letters really do make a difference to prisoners of conscience and victims of torture world wide. For further information about our group and it's activities phone 285-3632.

## Ladies and Gentlemen..

The theme for May Day 2001 is .....  
**Under The Big Top!!!** Polish that clown nose, squeeze into a tutu and join the fun. Interested in entertaining after the speeches? Phone Sandy at the Community Centre. Ever fancied your self a ringmaster? Volunteer to be the Master of Ceremonies. If you want to dance & & Volunteer! We need people to help with many aspects of this traditional family fun day. Let 's get into the spirit and have fun with costumes and floats. Do you have any suggestions? Great! Come to the next meeting on April 30th at 10:00 am. Can 't make it? Then phone Sandy at 285-3243.

## Legion News

May Day Dance, Saturday, May 26th. Dance to Thor and the Thundercats, 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Legion. Classic Rock, Texas Blues. \$6.00 cover charge. All members and their guests welcome.

Are you entering a college, university or technical institute? Help may be available to you through a Legion Bursary or our L.A.'s Kay Dubois Memorial Bursary. If you feel you may be eligible or need more information, phone Cathy - 285-3828 or Joyce - 285-3971 for the Legion Bursary or Shirley for the L.A. Bursary at 285-2757. Deadline for receipt of applications is May 10th, 2001.

## Farmer's Market & Bazaar

Our Market is held rain or shine from the beginning of May to the end of September every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. behind the Credit Union. Vendors must be from Quadra or the outer islands. Set up charge is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for kids. Bring your own table. Dancers, drummers, jugglers, musicians are very welcome. This is our village green! Please have dogs on leashes. Note that the Credit Union parking lot is for Credit Union customers only! Market parking space is on Green Rd. Come and join us to make the Market the best it can be.

Information: Pauline 285-2076

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## Two Quadra Singers Spring Concerts

On Friday, May 4, Quadra Singers are joining forces with the North Island College Professional Cook Training and Tourism & Hospitality Students to present a fabulous "Spring Concert & Dinner" at the NIC Third Course Dining Room and cafeteria for \$25 per person (includes all taxes & gratuities). The buffet dinner will be prepared and served by NIC students and will include a full range of delicious salads, pork loin and vegetarian cannelloni entrées, and very special desserts.

If the music alone is filling enough, on the previous Saturday, April 28, Quadra Singers will perform their Annual Spring Concert at the Quadra Island Community Centre at 8:00 PM (doors open at 7:30). Tickets \$8 at the door.

Quadra Singers is a community singing group, directed by John Montgomery, musical director for Shoreline Productions and music teacher at L'Ecole Phoenix. After singing with John for ten years their tuneful, energetic and entertaining concerts have become legendary in the community. Just a few of the songs on the entertainment program that will send you home with a song in your heart include a couple of timeless classics by Mozart, a touching "West Side Story" medley, a lullaby by Billy Joel, and a rousing selection of energizing spirituals. Small group and solo performances will add spice to the festivities. Helen Moats will accompany with her usual grace and finesse on the piano.

Quadra Singers are always looking for more members. Why not check them out and indulge in a treat for ears and taste buds as Quadra Singers stroll down their musical memory lane? Tickets are on sale at Page 11 Books, the Tidemark Theatre, the NIC cafeteria, and Steph & Gordie's Picture Framing in Campbell River. On Quadra Island, get tickets at Hummingbird Office Supply or Quadra Crafts. Call Nanci at 285-3105 or Nancy at 285-2772 for more information.

## Do You Have an Announcement or Advertisement for Publication?

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## N Island Green Candidate Appointed To Shadow Cabinet

Ralph Keller, North Island Green Party Candidate, was named the official Green Party critic for the Ministry of Tourism and Small Business. Adriane Carr, leader of the Green Party, made the announcement Friday, April 20. Keller, a 25 year resident of the North Island, is an example of a forest sector worker who made a successful transition to the tourism industry. Keller left the logging industry 15 years ago and founded BC's first sea kayaking lodge, Coast Mountain Expeditions. A fundamental objective of the Green Party is to fully diversify the North Island region by creating an environment conducive to increased tourism. "This is NOT a case of tourism v.s. forestry jobs!" Keller points out. "The forest industry is really important to our economy. What we're after is both a strong forest industry AND a strong tourism industry. We want the best of both worlds and we aim to get it. It is true that tourism related employment doesn't pay as much as forest sector employment, but the sad reality is that the forest economy isn't able to create more jobs right now. Besides, when you look at Tourism's contribution to the whole region, it adds a measurable, stabilizing effect to the economy."

"The North Island region is one of the most spectacular regions in the world. We have wonderful First Nations cultural heritage, whales, rainforests, sandy beaches, big surf, hiking trails, incredible mountains – we have the best of it all. People all over the world are looking for real wilderness and real adventure. The North Island is a tourism gold mine!" Vancouver Island is the most visited non-tropical Island in the world. In BC, tourism is worth over 9 billion dollars, roughly the same as the forest sector. Most BC tourism revenue is generated by small business, and tends to go un-noticed by the public and politicians. There are, however, 17,000 small businesses province wide who employ over 110,000 people. Ralph Keller is excited about being the Green Party candidate for the North Island, and stresses that the Green Party is not just a one issue party. They have a complete platform which covers all the issues.

For more information about Green Party Candidate Ralph Keller, phone (250) 285-2823 For full information on the Green Party check: [www.greenparty.bc.ca](http://www.greenparty.bc.ca)

## Fashion Show Fiesta

The spring 'Blame it on Bossanova' fashion show will be held on Saturday, May 5th, the day of the Mexican Cinco de Mayo holiday. Please note that this day has been changed from the original date of April 21st that was advertised in the recreation brochure.

Any business or organizations who would like to be involved in the show should contact Kami at Bossanova (285-2003) before March 31st. Please note that this is not a call for models. Keep your eyes peeled for more information to come!

## Quadra Island Garden Club

The next meeting of the garden club will be on **Thursday, May 10, at 7.15 pm in the Community Centre. Mary Ballon, President of West Coast Seeds Ltd. will be talking about Preparing your Winter Garden.** This may seem like an odd topic for spring but it is time to think of space for all those winter vegetables that will keep us supplied with great tasting meals over the winter season. We are blessed in this part of Canada with the type of climate that allows us to grow selected vegetables and flowers year round. It is amazing just how many different types of vegetables can be grown over winter if you choose the right variety and provide the correct conditions. Mary is an expert in this field and will not only tell us about the techniques we can employ but will bring some selected seeds for sale. She is an excellent and entertaining speaker so please come and enjoy some gardening talk and meet one of B.C.'s best known horticulturalists. There will also be the Bring and Buy table so bring along any extra seedlings, etc that you may have as well as magazines for the magazine table and plants or other interesting garden trivia for the Show Bench.

As the garden club is likely to become a permanent fixture, it is now offering membership at \$10 per year. Membership not only allows free attendance at meetings to hear speakers, but many garden nurseries give discounts to garden club members. Discounts vary with the garden centre but are generally in the 10% range.



## Green Party Momentum Builds on Quadra

Support of the Green Party and North Island candidate Ralph Keller continues to build, with two events on Quadra Island garnering enthusiasm and interest.

A potluck dinner Sunday April 22 drew 60 interested Quadra Island residents to hear Ralph Keller speak about the Green Party platform and how it affects the North Island. Attendees were told that the Green Party is much more than a one issue environmental party, with a sensible platform on all issues facing British Columbians, including healthcare, finance, and education.

However "Forestry and the environment remain huge issues in this riding", Keller stated. "On Vancouver Island there has been a 200% reduction in 20 years in the forest industry workforce. Green Party solutions for increased employment in the forest sector include reducing the tree farm license size of multinational corporations through increasing the clawback from five percent to 10%, turning this into

sustained yield community wood lots." Encouraging value added production in B.C., and economic diversification were other solutions mentioned.

A volunteer recruitment meeting held Thursday April 19 also attracted many Quadra Islanders eager to help with the election campaign. Lots of energy and ideas were shared, and volunteers signed up for various campaign tasks.

Ralph Keller is excited about running for the Green Party on the North Island. This is his first election. In this campaign he is focused on the Green Party's comprehensive platform which covers all the issues, with special concern for forestry issues which affect the North Island.

For more information about Green Party Candidate Ralph Keller, at: (250) 285-2823

or Michael Stahnke campaign manager at: (250) 285-2830

For full information on the Green Party check: [www.greenparty.bc.ca](http://www.greenparty.bc.ca)

## The Victoria Human Exchange Society

is setting up a new House in Victoria for the homeless and at risk brothers and sisters. This house will also cater to temporarily homeless Gulf Islanders. Gulf Island residents who have to travel to Victoria for medical reasons - (their own or a companion's) have been known to sleep in their cars or in waiting rooms at night because they cannot afford a motel. There is some low-cost accommodation if Fairfield area but often it is full.

In Sept, 1999, the Victoria Human Exchange society announced a new house in Sidney where stranded Gulf Islanders are welcome to stay for \$10 a night.

On March 1 the VHES opened a house in Victoria. The exact location downtown will be given to anyone who needs to stay right in Victoria. \$10 single, \$15 couple for overnight. If you require accommodation at Charlie Pyott House in Victoria, just page 1-800-691-9366 to make arrangements. Excerpt from the *Island Catholic News*

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## Quadra Island Seniors Housing Society AGM

Monday, April 23, 7p.m. at the Quadra Recreational Centre. Enter by south east door to meeting room. Construction site plans and landscape design will be available. Everyone welcome.

## Mitlenatch Field Naturalists Society

The last meeting of this season will be held on **Friday, May 4 at 8.00pm at the Community Centre**. We are delighted to welcome back **Dr. Valerius Geist**, whom many remember fondly from his previous visit a few years ago. Dr. Geist has an all consuming interest in animals and from his earliest years, he has spent hundreds of hours observing them. He spent two years in isolation in Northern Canada studying mountain sheep and goats, as well as working on mule deer and elk. Animal communication, the nature of aggression and status displays have been the focus of some of his research.

His interests also extended to the evolution of Ice Age mammals and later to humans. He was the first Program Director of Environmental Science at the University of Calgary where he concentrated on generating environments that maximize human health and developed a biological theory of health. However, his fascination with animals never left him and he continues in his retirement to be active in the field of wildlife conservation policy.

Valerius Geist is the author of many books on ungulates, including Mule Deer Country, Elk Country and Wild Sheep Country as well as Mountain Sheep for which he won the 1972 Book of the Year Award from The Wildlife Society. His presentation will draw on his book **Buffalo Nation, History and Legend of the North American Bison** (1996), which he is currently updating prior to reprinting. Come and enjoy a fascinating evening with a most entertaining speaker.

## It's The Raffle of All Raffles!

Thanks to Island businesses, Quadra Island Preschool is pleased to announce our third annual raffle. This year the prizes are as follows: A Fujifilm 35 mm camera kit, A 4hr. Fishing / Sightseeing trip with Sutil Charters, 4 Pam Holloway Ltd. Edition Prints, a Child's Native Vest by Patti James and 2 Gift Baskets each containing over \$200.00 worth of Gift Certificates and gifts! Big Thank You's to the following: Peoples Drug Mart, Sutil Charters, Pam Holloway, Patti James, Aroma, Dirt Co., Explore, Footworks Reflexology, Heriot Bay Store, Hummingbird, The Inner Garden, Isle Tech Auto Service, Lovin Oven II, Plum Blossom Acupuncture, Quadra Foods, Quadra Island Builders, Village Gift Centre and Village Hair. The draw will be held on May 26th. Thank you to those who purchased bulbs, we raised \$630.00 which will be used to purchase new equipment.

## Quadra Quilters

The Quadra Quilters have been enjoying using the new accommodations at our enlarged Community Centre. The April meeting took place in the upper room to avoid the noise of the main hall and it was most pleasant to enjoy the natural daylight and the view of the trees. The block of the month, a paper-pieced hummingbird, seemed very appropriate in that setting. Workshops have taken place on the stage which affords not only lots of space and natural light but electric sockets which allow us to plug in our irons without blowing a fuse. Various workshops have been an enjoyable part of this year's activities, the latest being given twice by Karla Thomson on curved piecing.

The raffle quilts are now complete and raffle tickets ( \$2 each or 3 for \$5 ) will be available from members from May 1 till June 30. First prize is a machine pieced, hand quilted, double bed sized quilt, called Country Casual. Second prize is a machine pieced and quilted, large single bed quilt called Fall Colours and the third prize is an original wall hanging called Origami. The first prize quilt will be hung in the Credit Union window on May 29 and they will all be displayed during the Garden Tour. Raffle tickets will also be for sale in gardens where quilts are hung.

The next meeting will be on May 8 when we will be considering the executive for next year and completing a workshop given by Joyce Johnson on joining three seams.

## Thanks Q-School

A heartfelt 'Thank-you' goes out to the all staff, students and parents of Quadra Elementary for their great support of the Food Bank over the past year. Your contributions have been greatly appreciated. A special 'Thank-you' to Marg Taylor and Kevin Kavanagh for their help in making each Food Bank Drive a success. Sincerely, The Quadra School Lunch Program Committee

## Nature, Up Close and Personal

With Marine Biologist:

**Bob Sutherland**

On Saturday May 19th join Island Dreams Adventures, Sea Canoe Tours, for a Marine Wildlife Adventure with Bob Sutherland. Deepen your appreciation and knowledge of the natural world as you spend the morning paddling in a 31, Sea Canoe in picturesque Gowlland Harbour.

Bob Sutherland has twenty-five years experience as an Interpretive Naturalist and Tour Guide on the B.C. Coast. He has been a leader on hundreds of kayaking expeditions in many parts of the world. A Marine Biology Educator on board west coast charter boats and a guide at local outdoor education centers. His wildlife and nature photographs have been published in several books and magazines. Bob has lived with his family on Quadra Island since 1982.

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**Any questions, please call Derek Stevens, 285-2130**



# Quadra Island Volunteer Fire Department Travels to Kemano for Unprecedented Training Opportunity

**Vancouver, April 24, 2001** – Members of the Quadra Island Volunteer Fire Department are travelling to remote Kemano Village in northwestern B.C. this week, where they will join the ranks of hundreds of B.C. fire fighters who have or will soon take part in a unique training opportunity. The Kemano Public Safety Initiative (KPSI) is expected to save lives and to significantly improve emergency-response capacities in Quanthiaski Cove and throughout the province.

Quadra Island fire fighters and other participants will each spend several days at this recently closed company town. During this time they will participate in multiple and fully realistic live burn exercises – using the now-abandoned Kemano buildings – during which they will hone their fire suppression and investigation skills. Participant feedback from the first phase of this initiative, which

took place last fall, indicates it was a once-in-a-career opportunity, and that the improved skills have already proven useful in the course of actual emergency responses.

Kemano was probably the last true company town anywhere in B.C., built by Alcan Inc. in the 1950s and maintained since then for employees of its powerhouse and their families. Due to an ability to semi-automate the powerhouse, along with cost and lifestyle considerations, a permanent residential workforce became unnecessary, and the last residents moved out in July 2000.

The availability of a complete and modern townsite presented an extremely rare opportunity to advance public safety on a variety of fronts. Alcan therefore worked with the B.C. Office of the Fire Commissioner and local fire departments

to set up the KPSI. The National Research Council and various other agencies will also conduct fire-prevention research at Kemano, while the RCMP will conduct tactical and surveillance training. The learning from these various exercises will be captured in training videos, and will be widely shared with other agencies and professionals throughout North America.

"Kemano was a unique B.C. community," said Michael Schuster, Manager of Corporate Affairs and Community Relations at Alcan's Kitimat Smelter. "I think its former residents and all of us at Alcan take pride in knowing it will leave behind such an important safety legacy, whose benefits will be realized in communities throughout the province."

## Millennium Magic Show

Presented by **John Kaplan**, outstanding illusionist, is showing on May 1st, 6:45- 8:45 p.m. in the Quadra School Gym, brought to our community by JackMar's grade 3 and 4 class as a field trip fund raiser. Tickets are only \$20 for a family of five (advanced ticket price) or \$22 at the door, adults are \$7 (\$8 at the door) and kids and seniors are only \$5 (\$6 at the door) and available at the school office, Heriot Bay Store, Quadra Foods and Page Eleven Books.

You'll time-travel with magician John Kaplan on a magical journey through the past century...decade by decade, from Ragtime to Rap...and beyond! It's a magical review show for all ages...incredible illusions are mixed with side-splitting audience participation into a 90 minute program of spellbinding fun the whole family can enjoy.

John Kaplan makes you believe in a world of fantasy through his original blend of magic and comedy with contemporary music, dance and special effects creating a must-see theatrical experience. Kaplan has been making magic across Canada on behalf of community organizations for 20 years.

Be sure to catch this performance that has been **sold out** every year!

## Thanks For Beach Clean-up

Quadra's Beach Clean-up was a great success! Our island's shoreline is discernibly more beautiful. The weather was gloriously sunny and the many participants were purposeful and cheerful. Their enthusiastic efforts collected enough beach garbage to fill two large tandem dump trucks. Clean, hard plastics were separated for recycling.

Many thanks to Seamar Industries (Nigel Phillips) and Upland Excavating (George Stuart and Fred Dahman) for the two trucks, to BC Ferries for free passage, to the Regional District for free dumping privileges, and to BC Parks for the use of Rebecca Spit. Thanks as well to Quadra Foods and Heriot Bay Store, to Aroma, to the Yak Shack, to Pitch-in Canada, and to all those who provided the sumptuous baked goodies for desserts. Appreciation to Viking Bay Ventures (Brian and Susy Stevenson) for the services of their boat and to all those who drove their pick-up trucks to bring in garbage from remote collection sites: Bob Lasby, RTL Painting, Noel Lax, Dave Wellman, Stan Paterson, Terry McMahan, and Brian Simmons.

And a special thanks to all those who bagged garbage from our beaches. You were part of Earth Day celebrations that now involve over six million Canadians and 500 million people from 164 countries.

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## "Exploring Quadra" Hikes

Quadra Islanders and visitors are invited to join the Sierra Club on their "Exploring Quadra" hikes.

Our first hike of the season will be to Maude Island. This all day hike is timed to arrive at Maude Island when the current is running at maximum through Seymour Narrows. The trail starts from Morte Lake, then heads west to Saltwater Lagoon and up to the south slopes of Mt. Lolo for a view over Discovery Passage. We will then continue south to Maude Island stopping to look at the remains of the construction camp. In 1956 this camp was established to build a tunnel under Seymour Narrows in order to blow up Ripple Rock. Lunch will be on the bluff overlooking Seymour Narrows. Hikers should meet at the Heriot Bay Store Parking Lot at 9:30 am to carpool. The hike will be over by approximately 4:00 p.m. Bring a lunch. Wear good hiking/walking shoes. Dogs are discouraged.

Mark your calendar for all our scheduled hikes this summer. All times are listed and the meeting place is at the Heriot Bay Store parking lot.

Saturday, May 5 Maude Island  
Start time: 9-30am.

Sunday, June 3  
Gowlland Hbr.trail/Heriot Ridge Start  
time: 10-00am

Sunday, July 8 M t .  
Seymour Start  
time: 10-00am

Sunday, August 12 Small Inlet/  
Waiaatt Bay Start time:  
9-30am.

Sunday, September 9 B e e c h ' s  
Mountain Start time:  
10-00am.

Sunday, October 14 M i n e  
Lake. /Mine Mountain Start  
time: 10-00am.

## Cabaret & Dance at the Gorge Hall, Cortes Island with HiproMasba

Saturday, May 12th

Doors open 8:00 pm

Cortes Island's cool, boppy, funky, rocky, and hot gentlemen of jazz play tunes by Miles Davis, Charlie Parker, Thelonius Monk, Wayne Shorter, Dave Brubeck and many others. With their own dynamic arrangements and swinging grooves HiproMasba brings a fresh feel to classic jazz standards. Featuring: Bruce Hipkin, piano; Jake Masri, trumpet; Greg Osoba, electric bass; and Tom Sillman, drums. Don't miss this opportunity for a night of memorable melodies and irresistible improvisation! Tickets at the door: \$8-\$12 sliding scale for adults. \$5 for students. \$21-\$25 sliding scale for families.

## Natural Hazards Removal Whaletown, Cortes Island

To reduce risk of potential damage to our customers' parked vehicles, from April 30 - May 4, maintenance crews will remove dead leaning trees, and loose rock from our terminal parking area.

This parking lot is located beside the rock face on the east side of the road, a short distance from the dock.

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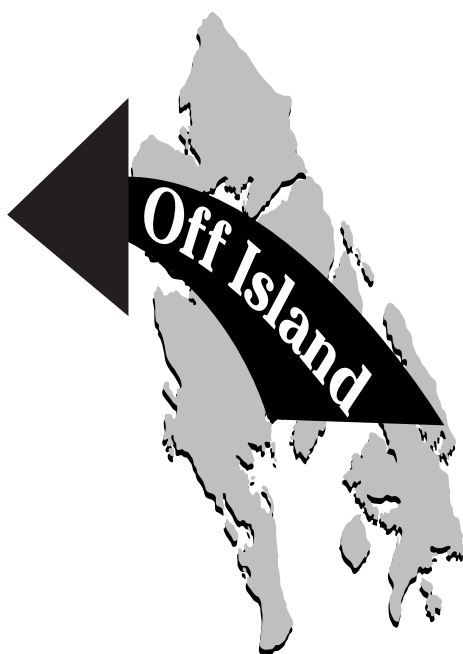
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## Yo-Yo

Question: What is “a spool-like toy attached to a string upon which it may be made to spin up and down by manipulating the string”? Sounds complicated, doesn't it? It isn't really, as you will discover when you create your own----- YO-YO!

Over the years, the popularity of the yo-yo has had its ups and downs but it seems to be making a comeback, partially due to the exciting workshops at the Museum at Campbell River. Learn how to make an updated version of this traditional old toy on Pro-D Day, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Make and decorate your Yo-Yo using exciting metallic colours which will spin together to form new designs when the Yo-Yo is used. The number of tricks you can teach your new Yo-Yo to do will expand as you play with it all summer long and discover its secrets.

Linda Burchill guides kids ages 8 to 12 years through this hands-on workshop, beginning at 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Pre-register at the Museum at Campbell River. The cost is \$12:00 and includes all materials, paints, and additional activities. Wear old clothes and come for an afternoon of fun. For more information, call 287-3103.

## Museum at Campbell River

For 14 years, artist Brian Scott painted colourful pictures of historic Cumberland and listened to its equally colourful stories. Come to the Museum at Campbell River, Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, to and hear some of these tales, view his marvelous expressionistic oils, and see his enchanting little book, entitled “Stories of Cumberland”. The presentation starts at 2:00 p.m. and costs \$5.50. The paintings are on exhibit in the foyer from April 24<sup>th</sup> to April 29<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Arts and Culture Week.

## Mt. Washington Helps Food Bank

**Mt. Washington Alpine Resort** – Mt. Washington Alpine Resort has enjoyed another memorable year. In an effort to say thank you to the surrounding communities who have supported the Resort throughout the season, they provided free lift tickets on April 20<sup>th</sup> in exchange for a donation to the food bank. This was the second free ski/board day the Resort supported this year.

Mt. Washington Resort is no stranger to helping the community. In the last four months they have provided donations in excess of \$80,000, mainly focusing on Vancouver Island Residents with a special emphasis on Children. The donations have helped causes as large as aiding with the fight to find a cure for Cancer and as local as building a new playground for a financially strapped elementary school. With over 50% of food bank donations benefiting Children, Mt. Washington Resort saw a free ski day and a food drive as the perfect opportunity to give back to the people who have helped make the year such a success.

“We had expected one item per guest but everyone's generosity simply overwhelmed us. Skiers and boarders were arriving with grocery bags of food to donate.” Comments Tanya Smith, spokesperson for the Resort. “Skiing appeals to all ages and we have several programs all season long that attempt to make the sport as affordable as possible, but who can deny that free is best.” Continues Smith.

This was a great year for Mt. Washington Resort considering that it has been one of only a handful of Resorts able to open on-time and with all runs operating since its proposed start date. They have also enjoyed one of the highest and certainly the most consistent snow bases of any Resort in British Columbia all year.

## Big Blue Day

Blue is everywhere: in the oceans and sky, in the objects around us, in the clothes we wear, in the expressions we use. A beautiful exhibit devoted to the colour blue dazzles the eye at the Museum at Campbell River. Indigo and cobalt, colouring substances used throughout time, are prominently featured in a wide range of historical and contemporary textiles and ceramics. The cross-cultural array of objects includes blue china, glassware, jewellery, trade goods, fabrics and even the ubiquitous blue jeans.

The exhibit *All About Blue*, circulated by the Canadian Society for Asian Arts, draws many connections between art and craft, design, history and anthropology. It is, however, above all a visual treat equally rewarding for the casual viewer and the in-depth one.

On *BIG BLUE DAY*, Saturday, April 21, foyer displays by local craftspeople and workshops on the use of cobalt and indigo will complement the special *All About Blue* exhibit.

When people think of precious and semi-precious stones, blue and turquoise ones often come to mind. Members of the Ripple Rock Gem and Mineral Club will display “blue rocks” in their collection, and will demonstrate the grinding and polishing techniques that can transform them into brilliant gemstones.

Big Blue Day also provides a showcase of the abundant talent and creativity to be found in local arts and crafts, when fabric artists, potters and other craftspeople display “blue” works in a variety of mediums.

The blue theme carries into The Museum Shop as well, with ceramics, jewellery and weaving in blue available.

The special Big Blue Day exhibits will be on view April 21 during the Museum's regular hours of 12 to 5 pm, and all are included in the Museum's regular admission fee.

There are still limited spaces open in two unique workshops offered on Big Blue Day, April 21. In the morning, Martha and Gordon James focus on the use of cobalt in various clay techniques and processes, while in the afternoon Lynda Glover and Cathie Gailloux teach a hands-on approach to indigo dyeing. The morning “Cobalt” presentation is \$12.00 and the afternoon “Indigo” workshop is \$15.00. Pre-registration is necessary, or for more information please call 287-3103.



## Undersea at Gallery

A fanciful undersea realm will transform the Campbell River Public Art Gallery into a mysterious coral reef for the opening of Seachange on May 4th at 7:00 p.m. Joyce Kline, a Victoria-based artist, has created a strange and beautiful realm where brightly-coloured fish, sea anemones and starfish encroach upon a deserted world. The exhibition includes complementary school programs and a hands-on area where visitors can create miniature coral reefs from inspiring "cast-off junk". Seachange is on exhibition until June 15th and the Gallery, at 1235 Shopper's Row in Campbell River, is open Tuesday through Saturday from 12 - 5:00. Call (250) 287-2261 for more information.

## Island Voices

Island Voices chamber choir invites you to their spring concert, A Sprig of Thyme, with special guests, Cantiamo chamber choir from Courtenay and an Instrumental ensemble. This exciting concert will be at St. Peter's Anglican Church, C. R. at 8 pm on Sat. May 5th. Tickets, including refreshments and gourmet desserts, are \$12 for Adults and \$10 for Seniors and Students, and can be acquired from Page 11 Books, Niels at 923-6320, or Joyce at 285-3298. The concert will also be held at the Sid Williams Theatre, Courtenay at 8 pm on Fri. May 4th. If you wish to advertise in our program, call Peter at 286-1613.

## Mothers' Day

Kids, create old-fashioned silhouette pictures to give to mom on her day.

On Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, use paper-cutting to create a profile portrait of yourself. Years from now, you will be amazed at how much you have changed, and people will have a nostalgic reminder of how you looked when you were younger. Your family will cherish it for years to come

Hand-cutting paper profiles is an old traditional art, at one time relegated to skilled artists who sometimes added white or gold detailing on the surface of the paper. Some people think that silhouettes reveal more about a person than a photograph, and some artists did full-length profiles of people standing or moving, but these would have taken an incredible amount of time and patience.

The workshop is geared to suit boys and girls eight to twelve years old. Please pre-register at the Museum at Campbell River. For more information, call 287-3103. The workshop starts at 2:00 p.m., costs \$5.00 per child, and includes all materials.

## Candidates on Arts

The Discovery Coast Arts and Culture Network (a consortium of regional theatre, galleries, museums and arts organizations) invites everyone to attend an all candidates forum on the arts at the Museum at Campbell River at 7:15 p.m. on May 2. This evening presentation will give everyone – from writers and artists to theatre-goers – an opportunity to hear the candidate's views on support for the arts.

## Opportunity for Board Membership

The North Island Survivors' Healing Society which operates the WOMEN'S SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTRE in Campbell River is recruiting board members for a 1-year term, commencing May 28, 2001. The board meets once per month for 10 months of the year. There is an attempt made to balance the seriousness of this important work with fun. For more information call 287-3325

## Art for Healing

The Women's Sexual assault centre is offering a 6-session group called "using art in the healing process" for survivors of recent or childhood sexual assault. The group will be held on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 beginning May 2nd. For more information or to register call 287-3325. Space limited.

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# Island Forum

## Capitalism, Democracy and the Demiurge.

Millions upon millions of our forefathers who battled for freedom and an egalitarian democracy, have died in vain resulting from the blatant trite and commercialization of everything known to man! Soon, you wouldn't be surprised to see corporate logos on our military uniforms. An outrageous statement to say least; but if we packaged it properly, we could then turn the image into an action figure and sell it to let's say, a burger joint or a theme park and make a huge profit. To those brave souls who have remained, I serve you only respect, alike your brothers in arms, but I for one will not condone the spilling of blood for the wine and oil of the demiurge. As the global social engineers gather at their alter ego and self-grandiosment in Quebec City, take comfort in the fact that they once again in their infinite wisdom will tell us what is good for us. All we have to do is complacently consume, follow orders and allow our children to grow up believing in the status quo of materialism. Winston Churchill once claimed that democracy was not perfect but it was the only workable system that we had. That's all fine and dandy old boy, but as all things evolve as does the intellect and awareness of humankind, so must political systems. Representative democracy has failed! The main reason for this is human error, secondly the advantagism of the human character and lastly, the immorality of our elected leaders to propagate, that taking capitalistic advantage of each other is socially acceptable and psychologically normal. Let me appeal to your religious understandings and sense of compassion; taking advantage of each other is none of these things, it is a sign of lesser constitution of human character and weakness. It takes a great more wisdom and fortitude to love your fellow man than to hate him. I for one, ahead of the game as I am, does not need of material thing to define my worth as sentient being, Life is too short to pursue such illusions, However, I will not offer up an empty chalice and promote more derision or apathy with mere satire. Here

is a workable solution for direct, people controlled democracy. Firstly, we have compulsory secondary and post secondary education in fiscal allocation of taxable income and teach people that money, not elected representatives runs the world. Whence, the educated masses at election time vote, they vote in a group of money managers who's responsibility is the responsible allocation of tax revenues. The ballot will also contain a list of departments and ministries, (i.e.. defence, transportation & highways etc... 0 in which you as the voter will direct your taxes into by percentile. In other words a fiscal ballot. If you don't want to put you taxes into highways cause you do not drive a car, then you direct your money elsewhere. People no longer run this world, that is a myth of psychological self-conscience, technology and money is the force of momentum in all human affairs. If capitalism and globalization will reign supreme, the only democratic tool the people may acquire to be a force of effective reason and balance is a fiscal ballot. Otherwise pack up your bags and join a revolution, or quiet down, disempowered and complacent, and become what you are; a human resource to be exploited, a product of an advertised image of self worth, or merely a fool with a product code in its forehead. Come on people lets grab the horns and ride that beast into oblivion, actively promote an idea that has collected too much dust on the back burner ... direct democracy.

*Milton Grace*

### Dear Editor:

I would like to clarify what the Quadra Island Conservancy and Stewardship Society (QICSS) did or did not do with regard to Lot 208, a property which has a visually very important shoreline at the south end of Gowlland Harbour.

A few years ago TimberWest put Lot 208 on the market. QICCS has been concerned about its future since that time, and has

searched for ways of preserving it for the benefit of the local community. We had many talks with TimberWest, tried to raise the purchase price from off-island donors, and had discussions with a potential buyer on development alternatives tht might have protected much of the land and the waterfront. All these efforts failed.

However, the Conservancy was not asked, and did not participate, in any discussion that led to the recent swap of Lot 208 for an ecologically valuable property on Denman Island. The BC Government arranged the swap in all its details in secret negotiations.

*Stan Paterson, Secretary QICCS*

Dear Sir,

### Re: Land ownership and responsibility for our heritage (Raven Land)

The definition of "Endangered Plant Communities" includes areas which "were previously widespread or common but now occur over a much smaller area due to extensive disturbance or complete destruction by such practices as intensive harvesting..etc." . The specialists at the B.C. Conservation Data Centre, in cooperation with scientists and specialists throughout the Province have identified those animals, plants and plant communities which are vulnerable. The most vulnerable were placed on a list called the "Red List".

The "Red List" lists the native species or Plant Communities that are believed to be Extirpated, Endangered, or Threatened. "Extirpated" means that it no longer exist in the wild in B.C., (but do occur elsewhere). "Endangered" species or Plant Communities are those that face imminent extirpation or extinction. "Threatened" are likely to become endangered if limiting factors are not reversed. Regardless of whether an Endangered Plant Community is to be found on public or private land, Red List status means that the World, our Nation,

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Province, and we the people have identified it as a rare treasure. A rare treasure that can, but ought not be extinguished. Lot 123 and the bordering lot, both owned by the same landowner for almost three decades, was home to a Red Listed wetland Plant Community. These endangered wetlands were previously common, but not now, due to extensive disturbance or complete destruction by such practices as intensive harvesting.

Did the owners know about the Red Listed wetland? Did they try to find out about it? Or did they try to not find out about it?

It really did not matter after all, since before logging reached the wetland the owners knew that it was important for our heritage. Indeed I believe they said that they wish it were all preserved. The threadbare laws that are supposed to safeguard that part of our natural heritage that is on private land will allow much destruction. If an owner of land does not accept the moral duty for restraint but will do all that his lawyers tell him that he can get away with ("Raven .....to realize profit from their property would choose to do what the zoning bylaw legally allowed them to do" to quote from Keith Liseth's letter of March 30th 2001 "Enough of Raven Bashing", then we will, indeed, all be the poorer for it.

Little wonder that, to again quote Keith Liseth: "lacking were any examples of people capable of speaking the same language as the Raven principles." (Whatever that means, but I am sure you understand.) Yours truly,

G.M. Barabas

## Transit Blues?

How many times have you been on your way to work, the hospital, clinics, dentist, Campbellton and Willow Point and watched the tail lights of the bus fading out of sight as the ferry pulls into the landing?

On March 19th I attended my first meeting of the Campbell River Transit Advisory Committee. My first question was regarding coordinating ferry and bus schedules to make the service more user friendly and at the same time increase revenues.

It seems some discussions have taken place with Ferries and Regional Board but more work needs to be done.

The next meeting will be held 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., April 23rd, 2001, in the Municipal Services Room, second floor of City Hall, 301 St. Anne's Rd., Campbell River.

These meetings are open to the public. For further information call Harry Allen at 286-6186

Harry Allen

## Dear Editor

It would seem that Jim Abrams felt personally attacked by my letter (Enough Raven Bashing). It was my intention to be challenging. It wasn't my intention to be slanderous and if that is how it was received, I regret that. The planning committee members are there to give community service and need to be respected for it.

I must say that it is an old political trick however, to throw criticism at someone as a means of deflecting the issue.

I cannot know all of the intricacies of these issues as well as someone in Jim's position. He is after all the current President of the Union of B.C. Municipalities and I would think a very busy person politically. I, however, have been a logger for some time, which I believe, has taught me to be a good judge of land and timber.

My opinion is that the community failed where the Raven Properties are concerned because they were so busy being resistant that all the positive options that were presented were skipped by without being thoroughly explored. MY OPINION!

The community corporation concept would have been far more viable if brought forward while the timber was still standing. The commodity to produce revenue to develop the land and service debt was still there. The trees had great value; the land without them in current markets considerably less.

If communities cannot work through development issues with current landowners THEY are responsible for finding alternate people they can work with or purchase these properties outright.

Unfortunately this involves large sums of money and risk. Just like any business. It also would need to involve Forest industry and road building people who clearly understand how to get the job done past just an intellectual discussion.

Some further comments I would like to make while I am at it.

Maybe we should get out the old cross cut saw, file it up, oil the hand logging jacks and get to work. While we're at it maybe some of the local fishermen could get us some dogfish oil for the skid logs - we'll be needing

it. Technology - love it or hate it and believe me I don't care for a lot of it, is still what is happening. Logging equipment has evolved technically. Our logging company has experimented with a lot of different styles of logging as well as equipment. Some of it has been successful, some hasn't. It is a constant challenge to stay current and viable in a difficult business.

We are a union company (I.W.A.) with all the cost and benefits that implies. We owe it to our employees to try and give them the best tools we can so they can do their work safely and productively. Yes, we subcontracted a machine to Nikki Creek Logging - the primary contractor for Raven Forest Products. This was for 4 weeks and is the only involvement we have ever had on any Raven job.

Glad to hear that Jim's help is being given to Quadra Woodlot owners. They're a fine bunch of people and force economically at a grass roots level. They need at least the current access to the log dump in Gowlland maintained. Some optional sites such as surge Narrows would be beneficial.

I am in support of good planning to help any of the south Quadra (Q. Cove) issues. It is my home. Let's try to make this as attractive an area as possible for people to come and leave their money as we can. The entrance to our island from the ferry to the plaza should be a priority. I feel sorry for Red Williams to lose his drilling to vandalism. Having dealt with equipment vandalism myself I understand the frustration. We don't however need it as a permanent statue. It is time for it to go.

Lot 208 the Timberwest property is now gone in a Government land trade. Evelyn Gillespie and the Denman Conservancy group are rejoicing. I'm sure Timberwest is too. They never had any desire to log on that property for fear of COMMUNITY opinion against it. After a number of years they have unloaded it. I wonder what we paid for it.

Many thanks to Rodney Sumpter - we don't always agree but I appreciate the respect I felt was given me.

Keith Liseth



## A Green Party Evening

### Dear Editor:

About seventy people of ages 1 to 81 met at the Quadra Community Centre on Sunday evening for a delicious pot-luck supper and a chance to meet the North Island Green Party candidate, Ralph Keller.

Ralph and Lannie, his wife of 25 years, were welcomed to Quadra in the '70s by the Van Ordens and the Rousseaus. After working as tree planters and loggers, they began their small business on Read Island. Coast Mountain Expeditions has now become a successful eco-tourism operation, bringing employment and tourism dollars to the region.

He considers the Discovery Islands a model of economic diversification, where tourism, woodlot logging and aquaculture co-exist in reasonable harmony.

Ralph spoke about the Green Party's broad platform that now addresses health care, education, economics and the environment. A strong and healthy environment, he pointed out, is what sustains most other economic activity. The collapse of the cod stocks in Newfoundland is a vivid example of mismanagement. It cost 30,000 people their jobs and threw hundreds of communities into chaos.

BC is now experiencing some of the same stresses from resource depletion, he said. Employment in the West Coast fisheries has fallen by half and the viability of such communities as Gold River and Tahsis are now threatened by unsustainable rates of timber harvest. In the last 20 years, he pointed out, with the removal of only 5 percent of the working forest for Protected Areas, forest sector jobs on Vancouver Island fell from 32,000 to 12,000.

British Columbians, he said, need to manage their resources sustainably. Local interests need to supercede the agendas of large corporations. Smaller companies more connected with communities would employ more people, and create the economic basis for the province to support improvements in health care, social services and education.

The forest tenure system should be reformed. Half the resources now held by large Tree Farm Licences should eventually be returned to local woodlot operators, to community woodlots and to small businesses for sustainable management. The Green Party, Ralph emphasized, is the best hope for North Island forest workers.

The evening was informative and inspiring.

Sincerely,

Joyce Baker

### Dear Editor

I am writing in response to the notice of application by Heritage Aquaculture of Campbell River, otherwise known as Conner bros. Ltd., for a disposition of Crown Land adjacent to the Paradise River in Bute Inlet, British Columbia for the purpose of aquaculture. I am also concerned about the plan of Heritage Aquaculture to re-locate two of its existing fish farms from the Port Alberni area to Clipper Point and the so-called Downie Range (next to Fawn Bluffs) near the Paradise River site.

My husband and I, both born and bred on the west coast are tax payers, residents, voters and parents who make our home and our living not far from the mouth of Bute Inlet. Over the years we have both been involved in the fishing industry up and down the coast; from commercial fishing to packing, to processing industry in and around the area in question. As our house is directly across the channel from a fish farm, we have first-hand experience of "fish farm as neighbour".

At the meeting held recently at Sonora Island regarding these applications for tenure, there were no representatives from the federal government of Fisheries and Oceans, the Homalco First Nations (who have been brought on board with the promise of a partnership in the enterprise) or B.C. Tourism, who surely have a big interest in this pristine wilderness area where sports fishing, recreational boating and growing eco- and wilderness adventure tourism take place. There was also no representative from the Regional District specifically Area J, who should be interested due to the fact that the area in question will have to be re-zoned for the purpose of aquaculture.

There are many problems that we know of in connection with these particular sites as well as with fish farming in general. One of the biggest negative factors with Bute Inlet is the notorious outflow winds which occur anytime between October and April; when howling Arctic winds of 100 knots or more rip down the inlet from the interior of the province. Travel by boat or seaplane becomes extremely hazardous if not impossible due to this wind and the freezing spray which accompanies it.

The second huge problem with the Bute Inlet site selection as well as any other fish farm site selection is the potential for major environmental damage. With traditional farming methods there is pollution of the sea bed with farmed fish waste. There is the problem of alien species escaping as well as a threat of disease and parasites. These problems are a threat to stocks of native salmon and nearby salmon bearing streams such as the Orford River.

I wonder how this form of seabed

contamination and/or disease and parasite infestation affects local and spawning populations of herring, ling and rock cod, dogfish, prawns and other shellfish. Not to mention the affect on seals, sea lions and whales and dolphins, all of whom make their homes in these waters. On a global scale there is potential disaster with the uncontrolled harvest of wild fish food at alarming rates for the use of farmed fish and to the detriment of wild species of marine life in the oceans of the world.

There are other pollution problems associated with fish farms. These include solid waste materials in the form of flotsam and jetsam that occur throughout the waters of our coast. Plastic feed bags, feed tubs and lids, pieces of disintegrating styrofoam floats, bits of polypropylene line, scraps of net, plastic trays have all washed up on the beaches near our home. These objects pose environmental as well as navigational hazards; plastic bags sucked up by outboard engines can spell trouble for boaters.

We were told by representatives of Heritage Aquaculture and B.C.A.L.C. that the so-called pilot projects at Paradise River will employ a "waste catchment" system which will collect waste from the pens of Atlantic smolts. This waste will be stored in holding tanks and will then be pumped up the mountainside to be sprayed on the land as fertilizer for young trees planted there. Either that or the waste material will be barged out to be sold as fertilizer to farmers, presumably on Vancouver Island or the lower mainland.

The mind boggles at the idea of spraying fish waste across the land either in the wilderness of Bute Inlet or on the farmland of the Fraser Valley! What about the problem of run off, of contamination of the watershed and the effect of this waste on local populations of marine and land mammals, birds, insects and plants? As well as humans. The Bute Inlet area is rich with wildlife including large numbers of bald eagle, blue heron, kingfisher, numerous species of duck, geese, swans and gulls, both resident and migratory; not to mention browsing black tail deer and other forest and mountain mammals. I feed my family with venison from the area in question. I wonder how this fish waste will affect the flavour of our daily meat?

Apart from the threat to local flora and fauna, fish farms at these proposed sites will pose a threat to the existing industry and livelihoods of working people in the area. Sports fishing will be influenced as will participants in the growing eco-tourism industry including kayakers, river fly fishers, recreational boaters, hikers, climbers and other wilderness adventurers. As one local guide and resident says of Bute Inlet, "It is the one place I can take my guests from the Stuart Island area resorts that is truly wilderness country". Will

it still be truly wilderness country when it becomes dotted with fish farm walkways, pens and buildings; when it becomes sullied with the constant noise of generators, the clanging of harvesting and net-washing equipment, the incessant explosion of sea lion bombs (or rifles?) or when one smells the stench that accompanies the washing of these net pens?

I also question Heritage Aquaculture's escapement management plan which would involve the employment of Homalco seine boats to recapture any escaped Atlantics. The captured fish would apparently be put to use as a food fishery by the Homalco First Nations. This might be a plan with Atlantic escapements on a good day, but whoever heard of a food fishery of smolts? What would be the plan if an escapement were to take place during a howling Bute wind when damage to pens and escapement would be most likely to occur and when travel up the inlet to the farm site would be impossible. Apparently no large boat is to be kept on site.

The involvement of the Homalco band seems to allow for a by-passing of proper procedure in these applications. I have heard that in the case of similar applications for tenure of Crown Land for the purpose of oyster farming, the officials have been instructed by their superiors to turn a blind eye when considering these aboriginal applications, despite the fact they may refer to land that may be totally unsuitable and would not normally be considered for this purpose. Does all this mean that these meetings and all of the so-called process is simply payment of lip service to the public and that what we have is a "done deal" before the process even begins?

According to the Heritage representative the company is in the process of being sold. How will this effect the application for tenure? Who is the company being sold to? Where will the profits from the use of this Crown land be going? Will they be kept in the province? In the country? Or will they go into the pockets of foreign and perhaps domestic shareholders of the world's stock exchanges? Do our government representatives even consider these questions? Do our government agents, so-called protectors of the land even care?

As the government agents at the Sonora Island discussion mentioned there is not enough scientific data regarding local weather conditions and other considerations to make a negative decision regarding the future of these applications. If this is the case then how can there be enough data to give the go-ahead on any of these projects? If enough data is not available, then more data needs to be gathered by departments involved and at the expense of the aquaculture companies

who, according to the Heritage rep are "making a lot of money; have made a lot of money over the last five years". More corporate responsibility needs to be taken. If the company is doing so well why are we discussing methods of farming any salmon in local waters other than with closed containment systems?

We were told by the B.C. Fisheries officer that "there is a lot of misinformation out there". In this case something must be done to get the correct information "out there". Better knowledge of the land in question is needed by government officials who are in decision making positions. Has anyone involved in the review of these applications visited the proposed site? Better PR is needed by the agencies involved as well as by the aquaculture companies. More environmentally friendly practices such as closed containment systems need to be employed. Larger distances are needed between sensitive areas.

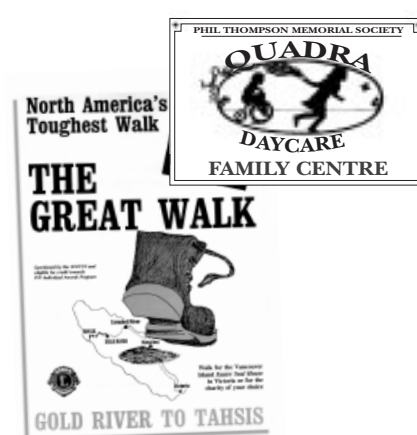
Before rezoning of the Bute INlet area takes place longer time frames are needed to study the area in question, to gather data, to inform the public and to receive feedback from the public. Better inspections by all, not just some, of the agencies concerned are needed as are tough penalties for mistakes such as escapement and pollution. There is no room for mistakes and none should be tolerated. Transparency within the process is needed in order to avoid conflicting snippets of information, Laws must be in place before "pilot project" licenses are issued, before re-locations take place and most certainly before the moratorium on new fish farm licenses is lifted. The present situation where, effectively, new licenses have been issued despite the moratorium, simply because the company has agreed on paper to try out a new, experimental system for a minimum of five years, is simply unacceptable.

If atlantic and/or Pacific species of salmon are to be raised the only acceptable method should be closed containment systems, preferably on land, not in the sea at all where the possibility of escapement is ever present. All fish farm companies must be made to make use of systems that do not pose a threat to the land, the ocean, the native salmon stocks or other marine and forest wildlife or to the growing community of people who, believe it or not, still do live, raise their families and earn their livings on the land and the waters of the Bute Inlet and other coastal areas that are being considered for the purpose of fish farming.

I thank you for your time and look forward to hearing your response in the near future. Sincerely yours,

Claudia Lake

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## Whose Genes Are They?

by Steven Halliday

**A**t a Credit Union Central of BC meeting in the fall of 1998, a research scientist from the University of BC addressed the attendees. The doctor, whose name now escapes me, spoke with a fairly heavy accent that was compounded with a lisp, making it very difficult to follow his speech. But I made an extra effort to understand what he was saying, and was thrilled by his report. The subject? He was the team leader of UBC's Human Genome Research project, and was seeking funding from the Credit Union system to assist with a massive increase in the pace of the research. I was not alone in my enthralment, and the system collectively donated almost a million dollars to the cause. Some of you are probably asking, "what the heck is a genome why should I care?" I'll do my best to explain, as well as why the research excites me.

A genome is one of the building blocks that make up DNA, which of course is the element of our chemistry that literally determines what we are, what we look like and what diseases we will get. Scientists are busily mapping genomes in every modernized society, racing to be the first to produce a complete blueprint of our genomes. In 1999, when our help was being sought for UBC's project, it was estimated it would take another 5 years to complete the mapping, and UBC was on the leading edge. Well, unfortunately UBC lost the race, as the complete map has already been achieved. Interestingly enough, private and public interests shared the triumph, and that leads an interesting conundrum. But before I get into that, one has to understand what exactly the discovery means. Essentially, the idea is to be able to identify every

genome (using a 5 letter sequence) and its place in the DNA structure. This gives us a complete parts list of the 30,000 or so sequences, and theoretically the key to understanding the purpose and co-relationships involved in our genetic structure. Eventually we will be able to replace faulty DNA (such as the genetic triggers for various diseases such Cystic Fibrosis, Multiple Sclerosis and even Alzheimer's Disease) with healthy DNA, prior to birth, or in many cases even after birth. The medical applications are mind boggling, which leads to the flip side of the issue. The ability to understand gene sequences means that the genes can be rearranged to create something entirely different. In other words, a person genetically predisposed to being short and fat can be "reprogrammed" to be tall and thin. This leads to all sorts of ethical dilemmas, not only in scientific circles but also in the theological world. But it is a moot point at present, because we can't do anything yet. I heard the present status of the genome map described as analogous to possessing a parts list for a Boeing 747 – it doesn't do one much good if one doesn't know how the parts fit together.

The moral dilemma aside, one of the more fascinating discoveries resulting from this research is that *homo sapiens* possess a DNA structure that is 99.99% identical. That's right, my DNA is virtually identical to that of an African Bushman or an Inuit. What was even more interesting (and just a little disconcerting) is that we share DNA with virtually every living thing on earth. For example, about 2/3 of the DNA of a fruit fly is the same as ours. Or even more strange – of our 30,000 genome sequences, about 15,000 or so can be found in a banana! But to get back to

the human element, it is surely a huge setback for all racists of the world to learn that they are only .01% different from the targets of their ignorance, and hopefully a huge step forward in human tolerance of each other will result. So by now some of you must be asking "so what does this have to do with economics?", and the answer is plenty.

I referred to the conundrum posed by the private versus public nature of the discovery, which is essentially the problem of ownership. Can a private company own the structure of DNA? A year or so ago there was an announcement out of some international gathering of world leaders that such information belonged to the public for the good of the public. But what about the companies who have invested millions in research? The long and the short of it is that in the end the two interests will likely co-exist, and private companies will be able to market their specialized knowledge for profit, or develop new gene based therapies that will make the sales of Viagra look like peanuts. Some of these companies are going to get very, very wealthy in the future. It's simply a matter of which companies are first out of the gate. So I'm very excited about the future of genome research, because it may well extend my life, improve the lives of millions of as yet unborn people, and offers a very interesting investment possibility. But as I've always said, do your research. This is a highly specialized field with a limited number of players – only a handful of those will reap the benefits. And it may take many more years for that to occur, but I'm betting it will happen sooner rather than later based upon the present rate of progress. And you might want to think twice before swatting another fruit fly.

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# Island Report

## Community Centre Addition Project Near Completion

by Tanya Storr

**I**t's a dream fulfilled for dozens of people," said Quadra Recreation Society Coordinator Sandy Spearing, as she reflected on the almost completed Community Centre Addition Project (CCAP).

Volunteers began planning and fund raising for the addition project in 1994. Now the addition is nearly finished, thanks to an enormous volunteer effort aided by generous community and corporate donations, as well as grants from Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC), the provincial government, regional district, and Vancouver Foundation.

"I think it's miraculous the way it has all come together because there have been so many rules and regulations to meet as it's a public building, an incredible amount of paperwork to fill out, and so many people had expectations for the addition. The result is a real credit to all the volunteers involved," Sandy noted.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the addition project took place last April, and in late June J. Toelle Construction Ltd. was awarded the contract to complete construction to lock-up. Site preparation began in mid-July and the addition was completed to lock-up by mid-October.

A construction crew hired through a grant from HRDC has been working hard on completing the addition since the lock-up stage was reached. I visited the community centre on April 17, three days before the HRDC crew finished their contract. HRDC crew members had to have been on Employment Insurance during the last three years in order to be eligible to apply for the job.

Job supervisor Randy Goertz and crew members Dave Hodge, Ken Dinnes, Matt Danylczuk, and Dan Balatti were busy taking care of finishing details. Crew member Denise Hanson, who has been commuting from Cortes daily, was away that day.



*The CCAP Additions Crew: L-R Back: Dan Balatti, Randy Goertz, Dave Hodge  
L-R Front: Matt Danylczuk, Denise Hanson, Ken Dinnes. photo: Sandy Spearing*

Randy worked as part of John Toelle's crew framing the addition, so has been part of the project since construction started.

"I feel really good about how things have gone in general. I'm really happy with the crew and the work they've done. It's been great to be involved from start to finish, as you often don't get to do that in construction," Randy told me.

The intention was to have the crew finish off the south wing and leave the new stage area as a shell to be completed at a later date. However, within a month of starting the project, Randy realised the crew was going to surpass the original goal.

"I talked to the Building Steering Committee and they agreed to let us finish off the stage and remove the old stage," he recounted.

Crew members described making the large hole in the building's original east wall to open it up to the new stage as one of their favourite parts of the project.

"It was a neat moment. We used a big sledgehammer, chainsaws, and reciprocating saws. Dan earned himself the nickname 'Demo Dan'," Matt recalled.

The old wall and new wall are bolted together and supported by a large new beam at the top. Turnaround time between use of the old and new stages was only a week and a half, and Jonathan Whittingham and George Murdoch were instrumental in assisting in the wiring and other details.

Other highlights of the job the crew members mentioned were doing the exterior stonework with the help of stonemason Richard Benedito and honing their skills in various stages of construction.

"I liked the fact that we were always doing different things. No two days were the same," said Dave.

A walk through the new stage area and south wing reveals the results of all their efforts. The overall impression is spacious and bright, and the attention to detail in the planning is readily apparent.



*Dave Hodges installing an access hatch  
photo: Tanya Storr*

The stage has large wings and is multi-purpose as the curtains can draw back to reveal large windows at the back. Exercise classes can be held on the wooden floor of the stage. Florescent lights over the stage and light from the windows make it an ideal place to hold workshops needing a lot of light. A roll-up door at the stage's south end is handy for unloading and loading large items such as musical equipment.

From the large stage area steps lead down to a door to the new south wing. The south wing contains three rooms that can be used for a variety of purposes, two on the main floor and one upstairs.

Room #1 has south facing windows and is accessible to the stage, and will have mirrors and a counter with a sink. It also has an attached bathroom with a shower.

From Room #1 you cross a wide hallway to get to Room #2. This hallway will be the main fire exit for the building. Room #2 is smaller than Room #1 and has west and south facing windows. Close by are wheelchair accessible bathrooms, and a janitor's room.

Stairs in the south wing lead up to Room #3, another janitor's room, two bathrooms, and a vestibule with view of the main hall and stage. As Randy gave me a tour of the new wing, he pointed out the handsome wood trim around all the windows.

"All the wood around the windows came from a tree that was struck by lightning near the riding ring. It was milled by Discovery Forestry, kiln dried by Quadrate

Ventures, and we shaped it into the desired trim and moldings," Randy told me.

Room #3 was in use by Quadra Quilters the day I dropped by. The south wall is filled with windows and the room is large, with two storage rooms and a nook for a coffee station. An outside stairway provides an alternate exit from Room #3.

Like the original part of the community centre, the new wing is heated by in-slab heating. The outside is covered in siding with an attractive rock wall along the west side.

Engineering for the project was done by Murray Johnson of M.M. Johnson Ltd. who has put many hours of volunteer time into CCAP.

"The project had to obtain a building permit from the regional district because of their involvement in Blenkin Memorial Park. Because it's a public assembly building, there are extensive requirements for professional design by architects and engineers. I undertook most of that and CCAP hired Raymond de Beeld, an architect from Nanaimo, who has worked very well with us to ensure all aspects of the building code were met while still satisfying the needs of user groups," Murray said.

The building code requirements stipulate that the expanded community centre has to have on-site dedicated water storage for fire protection purposes. As the volume of the community centre has essentially doubled (volume rather than area is what is measured for fire

protection), the fire department would be unable to deliver water fast enough with its tankers to put out a fire in a building that size.

The HRDC crew built an 18,000-gallon underground water tank located west of the new south wing entrance to the building. M.M. Johnson Ltd. engineered the tank and the fire department donated the plumbing as its contribution to this permanent fixed water supply.

The water storage tank contains approximately two miles of rebar, and is designed to control cracking, prevent leaking, and resist earthquakes. Its water level will be topped up by a feed pipe from the community centre's roof downspouts, and the tank has an overflow valve.

"This water supply will be available to the fire department for fighting fires in the area, and the fire department will maintain the tank's water level," said Murray, who wears another hat as Quadra's fire chief.

M.M. Johnson Ltd. has been involved in CCAP since 1996. Looking back over the history of the project, Murray said it feels very good to see it almost complete.

"We've had our ups and downs along the way but mostly ups. It's turned out really well. The contractors and HRDC crew did top-notch work and it's all approved," he said, adding that the huge community volunteer commitment has been vital to the project's success.

Building Steering Committee member David Smith dropped by the site while I



*Crew Supervisor Randy Goertz finishing cement work at the new wing entrance  
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was there to arrange details for back filling the water tank the next day. He said CCAP would never have happened without the extreme efforts of a hardcore group of volunteers and the crew.

"The phenomenal work that has been done on the addition is another example of the energy and commitment of this community," David stated.

Val Barr, a member of the Building Steering Committee and Fund Raising Committee, said the fund raising efforts that have gone into CCAP have been a large part of the project's success.

"We've raised approximately half the funds in the community," she noted.

Val said there are some details in the addition yet to be finished, such as determining what different rooms will be used for and what finishing details they will need, but for the most part the addition is complete.

"It's a relief that it's almost done. We've had a great group of volunteers working on it since 1994 and we've all cooperated and gotten along well. I think everybody is very proud of the results. It's very satisfying to see the addition already being used," she said.

The Building Steering Committee has done an enormous amount of work over the past year. In addition to David and Val, the committee members are Ross McPhee, Rob Simpson, George Murdoch, Hilda Van Orden, and Nancy Allwarden.

The next step is to pay off the loan from Quadra Credit Union used to finance part of the project. Nancy Allwarden, CCAP Treasurer, said fund raising efforts are ongoing and donations are gratefully accepted. Donations can be mailed to CCAP, c/o Box 649, Quathiaski Cove, BC, VOP 1N0, or dropped off at the offices of Discovery Islands Realty, attention Nancy Allwarden.

Another way you can help is by purchasing a CCAP t-shirt available at the community centre or Discovery Islands Realty (t-shirts were \$20 but are now on sale for \$18). Colouring books and visitors' maps by Hilary Stewart are also CCAP fund raisers and are available at various island outlets. The Quadra Garden Tour is a major CCAP fund raising event and is coming up on June 23-24. Mark it on your calendar and invite friends and family.

Nancy, who is also on the Fund Raising Committee, said it's nice to see all the volunteer efforts turn into a tangible result.

"Everybody has worked really hard and cooperated to get the project done. It has turned out really well."

# Beach Clean Up A Success

by Tanya Storr

Quadra's fourth annual Earth Day Beach Clean Up, organized by the Sierra Club, was a big success. More than 70 people combed 18 island beaches from Granite Bay in the north to the southern tip of the island on warm and sunny April 21, collecting two dump truck loads of garbage and 200 pounds of hard plastic for recycling.

"The Beach Clean Up has become a very important example of island pride," said Rod Burns as he helped set up the event headquarters at Rebecca Spit.

Close by Angela Burns and son Jesse were busy picking up garbage amongst the logs.

"We wanted to help out. We spend tons of time at the Spit so we felt it would be a great place to pick up garbage, especially with May Day and the tourist season coming up. We had a great time talking about where all the interesting pieces of garbage might have come from," Angela said.

Jim Thomson, one of the event organizers, said people had signed up for individual beaches and there were nine pick-up points designated for garbage drop-off. A load of garbage collected along Shellaligin Pass Trail beaches was delivered to the Spit by boat.

Even some visitors to the island decided to help out with the Beach Clean Up. Carolyn and Mark Andres, who were up from Vancouver staying at Taku Resort for the weekend, said they saw the signs advertising the clean up and decided to lend a hand.

"We were coming to the Spit to beachcomb, so we offered to help. It's a very pretty spot," Carolyn said.

Akiko Nakano, a visitor from Japan staying with Rod Burns and Geraldine Kenny, said she was having fun participating in the clean up because Rebecca Spit is such a beautiful place.

Ken Roxburgh, another of the event's organizers, said some new beaches were part of the clean up effort this year, including Granite Bay and the lighthouse. He added that this year's turnout was the best yet, and with education and clean up he believes we'll eventually keep our beaches clean.

Plastic items, rope, shoes and sandals, and styrofoam accounted for most of the garbage collected. However, some other more "out of the ordinary" items were



*Young and old help clean up Quadra's beaches. here Aquilina Mitchell pitches in. Photo: Tanya Storr*

found and prizes were awarded for the most unusual objects.

Audrey Neri won the adult prize for the plastic toy soldiers she discovered on the lighthouse beach, and Reese Wilson won the children's prize for finding a "balloon sculpture", a traffic cone with a bunch of slightly deflated balloons attached. The prizes were t-shirts with the Earth Day 2001 'Animals at Risk' logo on the front.

A picnic held at the clean up headquarters ensured hungry beach walkers were well fed. Hot dogs and beverages for the picnic were donated by Quadra Foods and Heriot Bay Store, and coffee was donated by Aroma.

Dump truck services were donated by Seamar Industries and Upland Excavating Ltd., free passage was provided by BC Ferries, and the Regional District waived tipping fees.

The two hundred pounds of hard plastic that was separated from the rest of the garbage will be cleaned and shipped to Victoria where it will be recycled into building materials.

Hilary Stewart observed that there were lots of kids present at the Beach Clean Up this year.

"The kids are having fun and learning too. They're learning to take care of the earth," she said.

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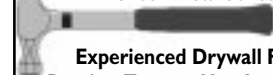
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