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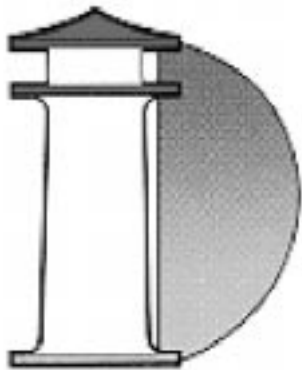
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9:00 am Lighthouse & Joyce Rd

9:05 am Cape Mudge Village

9:10 am Quadra Building Supply

9:15 am Quadra School.

Children will be returned between 3:30 - 4:00 pm.



Call 285-3483 to register!
Camp Homewood

Island Calendar

•1st Friday of every month

-Yak Shak Coffee House, 7:30-10pm

•Every Saturday

-Farmer's Market

10 a.m. - 2p.m.

Behind Credit Union

June 21-24, Thurs to Sunday

Venus Rising astrological celebration

Cortes Island

Full registration \$50 (includes food)

June 23, 24 (Sat & Sun)

-Quadra Island Garden Tour

Quadra Island

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. cost: \$12 ticket/map good for both days

June 23, Saturday

-NITRS Country Dance

CR Community Centre

7:30 pm

-North Island Woodlot Assoc. Free Workshop w/ Jerry Benner

9:30a.m.-2:30p.m. Woodlot 1897-Village Bay Road 285-2804

Looking for wild and dangerous trees

-Trails Maintenance

Heriot Bay Store

9:00 a.m.

-Astro-Jam 2001 musical celebration

Gorge Hall, Cortes Is.

\$8/person

-Salmon Farm Open House

Read Island

Water taxi from HB dock & Surge dock on the hour every hour

from 11am-3pm

-NITRS Benefit Dance

CR Community Centre

doors 7:30pm, dance 9pm-1am

June 30, Saturday

-DANCE! with 'The Swingin' Bachelors'

QCC

doors 8:30, dance 9-12

July 7, Saturday

-First Nations Story Telling Performance Tsa Kwa Luten Lodge

Dinner 5 - 7pm, performance 8p.m., cost included with dinner

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July 8, Sunday

-Explore Quadra Hike Mt Seymour

Heriot Bay Store

10:00am

August 25, Saturday

-CCAP Opening Celebration

QI Community Centre

1:00 p.m

O'Canada Day Dance at Quadra Rec Centre

Ddddaannncceee to "The Swingin' Bachelors" from Victoria on the long weekend! Move and groove 2001 style to one of the best together bands we get on the rock!

Sorry, but this will be a 19 OR OVER dance only with light food and beverages.

Find your slinky dress and that crazy tie and come out and enjoy! **Saturday night...June 30th...**

Tixs in advance at Explore \$10.00 and at the door \$12.00!!! It's going to be a great night - come out & enjoy! Doors open at 8:30 p.m., Dance 9 - 12

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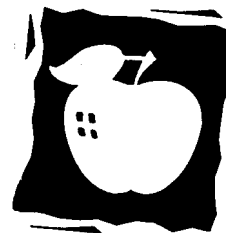
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Quadra's 36th Annual Trout Derby



5yr old Lucas Hewison Over-all winner

For the past 36 years, Quadra Families have enjoyed the annual Trout Derby held at Village Bay Lakes. This years Derby was held June 8-10th, with proceeds going to the Senior Housing Project. The downpour of rain didn't stop the true Fishermen and families from joining in, as we all know the rain seems to be part of the tradition!

The Quadra Recreation started the annual derby in 1965. It was then taken over by our OAP's. Families gathered during the weekend in tents and cabins, fishing was enjoyed by young and old! Nights were spent telling stories of previous derbies. The last day, being Sunday, was spent at the "bridge". A huge pancake breakfast was a part of the tradition, enjoyed by all those hungry fishermen. The Quadra May Queen in the past, was invited to hand out the many prizes and give a speech.

The last day is a great time for parents and kids to gather and share their weekend fishing stories, weigh in their fish and hope for a prize!

Thanks to the various people who have put their time and energy during the past years into continuing the annual derby, as we are now seeing the fourth generation of people enjoying this event. We would also like to thank the following businesses and people for their support in making this years derby a success.

Special thanks to: Redden Net, Quadra RCMP, Island Treasures, Mainroad North Island Contracting Ltd.

So here's to another successful Quadra Island Trout Derby! Congratulations to all you winners, and we'll see you out there next year!

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

Quadra Island Seniors O.A.P.O Branch 91

Our June 6th meeting was great fun. Rob McKerracher visited us and had us all tapping our feet and clapping our hands as he played many tunes on the bagpipes. Our party was in celebration of "Senior Week", and also in commemoration of 'D-Day' June 6th 1944. After our business meeting, we enjoyed a delicious pot luck buffet luncheon.

The Ken Duncan, Peter Gregg Duo entertained us with the piano and drums. We then had a great time dancing to many lively tunes. Also celebrated was Lloyd McIlwain's special birthday.

Boat trips are planned coming up: June - Toba Inlet & Refuge Cove. July - Homestead Tour in Walsh Cove and Teakerne Arm with a hike up to Cassel Lake. August - Savary Island and Lund for lunch.

OAPO Regional Picnic will be held at Halbe Hall, Black Creek on July 18th. A pot luck picnic will be held at Byers July 29th for our members. On September 5th will be our annual picnic with invited guests Cortes Seniors at Rebecca Spit. We hope to line up some great entertainment.

New Seniors are always welcome, young and experienced, to join our fun. During the summer the walks will continue on the Spit! To contact us phone Ruth at 285-3801 Hanne 285-2419 or Jean & Jilly 285-3740

Studio Tours

Quadra Island Arts Alliance & Resorts

Quadra Island Arts Alliance, with the generous support and real interest of several local resorts and tourism businesses, is pleased to present the opportunity for tours of your studio &/or art-based venture! Arts Alliance, along with April Point, Coastal Spirits and Island Dream Adventures, is organizing a tourist based tour of various artists' studios on Quadra Island. If you would like to participate, and be the recipient of this excellent exposure and sales opportunity, please pick up a handout from Hummingbird Art and Office Supply or call Leanne at 3152 or Barb at 3008. QIAA and the businesses mentioned are committed to making this work...we just need you, the artists!!

As well, in coordination with another arts-based event, Mt. Washington Resort is very interested in presenting and supporting a display of Quadra artists for the weekend of August 25th and 26th.

Last, but certainly not least, April Point Resort has expressed great interest in an "Artists at April Point" opportunity. This would be based on the idea of "on site" activity by Quadra artists where interaction with your potential market would be available.

All of these great ideas require one thing. You, the artist to contribute your ideas, information and requirements. Quadra Island Arts Alliance, the resorts and other businesses are ready and willing to contribute time and \$\$ to make this work, please join in!! Time is, however, of the essence, and we need your input as soon as possible or by June 27th. To those who attended the meeting at April Point, thank-you for your contribution so far, please pick up the handouts. To others who are interested, join in. Art is communication. QIAA is here to increase the opportunities you have to talk to the world.

Do You Have an Announcement or Advertisement for Publication?

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RCMP News

On June 5th, 2001 two unrelated hit and run accidents were reported to Quadra Island RCMP. One incident occurring at Quathiaski Cove Shopping Plaza and the other at the Heriot Bay Inn. Drivers are reminded that it is an offence under the Motor vehicle Act for failing to remain at the scene of an accident and this carries a fine of \$345.00. If anyone has information regarding either of these accidents please contact Quadra Island RCMP at (250) 285-3631 or Crimestoppers at (250) 287-TIPS.

A ladies style blue 10 speed bicycle was found near Quathiaski Cove Dock and turned into Quadra Island RCMP. If you believe you own this bicycle please contact Quadra RCMP Detachment at (250) 285-3631

Coastal Council Likes New Transportation Ministry

The Coastal Council to BC Ferries met in Parksville on June 7 and 8, and discussed a number of important topics relating to the functioning of BC Ferries and its future operations. The Coastal Council hopes that the recent cabinet appointments are of a good sign of things to come for BC Ferries. Coastal Council has repeatedly asked for the integration of BC ferry facilities with other modes of transportation.

The appointment of Judith Reid, MLA for Parksville-North Nanaimo, as Transportation Minister, with ferries, rail, buses, public transit and highways in one portfolio is welcome news. The Coastal Council expressed its appreciation to the new government for its insight in combining all transportation systems under one Ministry.

Coastal Council works with BC Ferries and the Provincial Government to recommend how the ferry system can operate more effectively for all the ferry dependent communities it serves. It addresses such issues as tariff changes, future capital planning, service levels and efficiencies and most importantly how the ferry system can meet the needs of all the communities along the entire coast.

Members from the Queen Charlottes to Saturna Island discuss how the entire ferry system can operate more effectively and propose specific changes based on their experience and the users on all their routes. The Coastal Council meets four times a year, and their meetings are open to the public.

Riding Society Benefit Dance

North Island Therapeutic Riding Society annual Charity Fundraiser Country Dance is at the Campbell River Community Centre on June 23, featuring Top Guns. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., the band plays from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets \$20.00 at Ridgrider, Page 11, Music Plant and Hummingbirds. For more info call 285-2240.

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New Book about Quadra Island

What do Lord Hughie Hortio Nelson Baron Bacon and a bald eagle have in common? Nothing much, except that both live on the pages of a newly released book on Quadra Island. Exploring Quadra Island, Heritage Sites and Hiking Trails, by Jeanette Taylor and Ian Douglas, will be launched at Explore Gallery on Friday evening, June 29, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Exploring Quadra Island is a guide to 22 special places on the island, from the intriguing remains of Lucky Jim Gold Mine to panoramic views from atop the Chinese Mountains. It also provides an overview of the island's fascinating human history and wildlife – complete with maps, photographs, lively tales and natural lore that will enhance your enjoyment of our island.

Jeanette and Ian are both deeply rooted Quadra Island residents. Numerous islanders have provided information and expertise for production of the book. Rob Simpson created the maps, giving directions to each site, and Tanya Storr did the copy editing.

Ian Douglas and Jeanette Taylor will be on hand at Explore Gallery on June 29 to share a few of their favourite stories from the book and provide personalized signings.

Exploring Quadra Island was initiated by Quadra Recreation Society's Centennial Committee, which arranged activities for the island's 100th anniversary May Day in 1998. It was sponsored by Quadra Credit Union and the Regional District of Comox-Strathcona, with additional support from Quadra Foods, Spirit of the West Kayaking, Taku Resort and Walcan Seafood. Proceeds from the sale of the book will benefit the Quadra Island Recreation Society.

Exploring Quadra Island will be available at most retail outlets on the island and in Campbell River for \$15.95.

Public Notice

The Quadra Island Harbour Authority Parking Lot, adjacent to the Quathiaski Cove Ferry Terminal, is now open for business.

There are 2 ticket machines in the lot.

Parking fees:

Weekends are free

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 a.m. - free

\$2 per day, weekdays (loonies only)

\$30.00 per month - limited monthly permits available at Harbour Office 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. and at People's Drug Mart 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Parking Lot will be patrolled by Harbour Manager.

Quadra Singers-- Taking a Break?

The rumours are true: John Montgomery, musical director for Quadra Singers, is taking a one-year sabbatical, beginning September 2001. That leaves the Board of Directors with a dilemma: to sing or not to sing? We will conduct a telephone survey within the next two weeks of all current Quadra Singers members on where to go from here. Shall we try to find an interim director, or take a break? If you have been thinking about joining Quadra Singers, we want to hear from you too. Call Nancy at 285-2772, Sandy at -2508, or Nanci at -3105 to voice your opinions and ideas.

Quadra Singers Annual General Meeting and Family Potluck Picnic 6:00 pm on Tuesday evening, June 26, at Rebecca Spit—for past, current and future members of Quadra Singers. Board nominations and elections: is it your turn? Does Quadra Singers need to change to meet the needs of the community? Let's talk about it. Bring the family for a potluck picnic and then a short meeting.

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 or Dalyce 285-3180

Quadra Island Garden Tour

This Weekend - Rain or Shine

The Quadra Island Garden Tour will be held this weekend, June 23 and 24, rain or shine. Come and enjoy and be inspired by the eleven gardens on the Tour. This year there will be a colourful addition to the Tour, Quilts in the Garden. Members of the Quadra Island Quilters Guild will display their quilts in selected gardens.

Gardens will be open for viewing from 10 AM to 4 PM both days. The ticket/map, which includes a list of descriptions of the gardens, is \$12 for the weekend. The Tour can be done in one day or two. The Garden Tour is a fund raiser for the Community Centre Addition Project.

On tour days ticket/maps are available at the Information Booth next to the Credit Union in Quathiaski Cove.

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"Exploring Quadra" Hikes.

Quadra Islanders and visitors are invited to join the Sierra Club on their Exploring Quadra hikes. Join us on Sunday July 8th for a guided hike to Mt.Seymour & Nugedzi Lakes. Mt.Seymour at 2035ft. is the highest point on Quadra and has spectacular views overlooking Nugedzi lakes, Vancouver Island, the outer islands & beyond. Meet at the Heriot Bay Store parking lot at 10-00am. The hike could return via the Nugedzi Lake trail, making this a longer round trip of around 6 hours. Bring a lunch & water, wear good hiking/walking shoes. Dogs are discouraged. For more information contact Richard at 285-2663.

Future hikes are August 12th to Small Inlet/Waiatt Bay. September 9th to Beech's Mtn. October 14th to Mine lake/Mine Mtn.

Always Time To Celebrate

Once again an exceptional holiday is approaching, CANADA DAY. The one day each year, that we celebrate the fact that we are Canadians. Although we may sometimes be critical of our country, its leaders or its institutions one thing we all should agree on is that we enjoy freedoms many others do not.

Our country's beauty is undeniable and although we are a young country Canada is recognized and respected all over the world. However, to preserve what we hold dear we must 'stand on guard' to keep it that way. So how about joining with me in celebrating Canada Day on July 1st. Tell your friends and neighbours "We are Canadians and proud of it" by displaying our Canadian flag and Maple Leaf from our homes, cars, business windows and roof tops.

Proud to be Canadian (with a Dutch accent!) – Martin Amiabel

Summer Rec 2001

Greetings all, this is Janis Meier the new Summer Recreation Coordinator. Summer 2001 is creeping up on us and I hope to see you out participating in summer recreation this year. There are some great ideas being planned. However, it is always nice to have input from the public. If you have any suggestions or ideas for programs or if you are interested in running a program and would like to see it in the summer brochure, please give me a call at 285-3243 or drop by the Community Centre and introduce yourself. My hours are Monday to Friday, 8am - 2pm. I look forward to meeting you this summer.

Janis Meier - Summer Recreation Coordinator

Pippa Kaye at Explore

Explore Gallery's featured artist for July is Pippa Kaye. Pippas paintings are unique in their incorporation of mosaic patterns. The attention to detail required for mosaic paintings enables Pippa to slow down the sometimes frantic pace of life and to enter the quieter rhythms of the natural world. Nature and its relationship to humans are a central theme in Pippas paintings. Pippa was born in Vancouver, and moved with her family to the Okanagan Valley where she spent her childhood and adolescence.

She returned to the coast to study at the Emily Carr College of Art and Design, graduating with a major in painting. For the past fifteen years she has worked in film, television, and theatre. Pippa has exhibited in Canada, the U.S., England, and her paintings hang mainly in private collections. The paintings on exhibition at Explore Gallery are painted in oil on canvas or board, and are available for sale.

Pippa is a resident of Quadra Island, and is currently inspired in her subject matter by the pond on her property.

An opening reception for the artist and her work will be held on Friday, July 6th, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce

The Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce held its Annual General the evening of June 14th at TsaKwaLuten Lodge. A succinct agenda heard reviews of the year's activities to date which included: securing funding from HRDC for a student to assist with staffing the Quadra Visitor Info Centre in the summer of 2000, the development of a superb map by Hilary Stewart depicting highlights of the Islands for installation at a location yet to be finalized, installation of a brochure rack on the Quadra ferry, the convening of a sub-committee to discuss tourism related issues and various other initiatives.

Some minor amendments were made to the Chamber bylaws which being designed for Chambers of Commerce in much larger communities than our own required some adjustment especially in the area of quorum minimums (sound familiar?). The election/volunteering of council officers followed putting at the helm: Suzanne Clemens, John Wasyliw, Rod Burns, Susan Wilson (secretary), Carol Ann Terreberry (secretary treasurer), Steven Halliday (vice-president) and Philip Stone (president). The DICC is excited to have moved forward from a leaderless last year and anticipates an exciting year ahead with a new slate of council members to better serve the Discovery Islands business community.

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The upper parking lot at Whaletown on Cortes Island will be closed for paving on Wednesday June 27 and Thursday June 28.

Passengers are asked to ensure that all vehicles are removed from the parking lot prior to June 27. Regular parking will resume on Friday June 29.

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The library received a large number of applications from qualified youth. Thank you to all applicants for your interest.

Toy Soldiers On Guard

At 2:00 p.m. on Friday, June 29th, kids ages 8 to 12 years can see the new "Toy Soldiers" exhibit at the Museum at Campbell River and be inspired to make their own toy soldier. The workshop starts at 2:00 p.m. and costs \$6.00. Please pre-register at the Museum. For more information, call 287-3103.

Tour U'Mista Centre

Visit beautiful and historic Alert Bay with a group organized by the Museum at Campbell River on Sat., July 21st. The trip begins at Port McNeill, and includes your walk-on ferry fare, special dancing performances, and a guided tour of the U'Mista Cultural Centre for a cost of \$30.00. For more information, call 287-3103.

Sayward Gardens

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Kayak North Quadra

Spend a wonderful day kayaking the area around northern Quadra Island, visiting scenic Granite Bay and then Waiatt Bay, beside the Octopus Islands. The Museum at Campbell River and *Spirit of the West* visit there on Saturday, June 30th. Cost is \$110.00 adults. For more information, call 287-3103. Pre-register please.

Eagles Saskatchewan Day

The Fraternal Order of Eagles 3097 invite one and all to Saskatchewan Day celebrations, Saturday July 7th from 4 pm to 12 am at the Eagles Grounds 1999 14th Ave Campbell River. Big Steak Bar-B-Que \$10 at 5pm Dance to '10 Feet Wide' \$5 8 pm to 12 am Tickets at Eagles Lounge 287-4990 or Milwaukee Twin 287-8946 1360A Homewood Rd.

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The Art Card Swap

Come on out and join the growing crowds at the Campbell River and District Public Art Gallery. Join us at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27th at the Gallery and discover the fun and excitement of creating and trading your very own personal art cards. In order to participate in the trading aspect of the event you will need to bring along a series of hand made art cards the are approx. 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches. There are absolutely no rules involved in how you make your cards. You can create a picture of your best friend, or create an arrangement of pressed flowers, or a mini abstract, or a photo collage, really the image and design are completely up to your imagination.

At the end of the evening you get to leave the Gallery with an entire collection of miniature works of art created by your newly met friends. This is a great event for the entire family and a wonderful opportunity to meet other creative minds. Please feel free to contact the Gallery at 287-2261 for further details about this, or any other event happening at the Gallery.



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ICP Air Emissions Appeal

The Appeal by Sierra Club of B.C., Quadra Group against issuance of an Air Emissions Permit applied for by Island Cogeneration Ltd. Partnership (I.C.P.) was heard from June 4th to 8th.

We were pleased with the proceedings. The panel (which included a lawyer and an engineer) listened very carefully and their expertise was very evident by the relevant questions they asked and the legal decisions they made.

Bill Andrews, our lawyer, represented us very well and worked hard to keep up with the new information that ICP produced every day.

Dr. Douw Steyn, a University of B.C. professor who is regarded as an international expert on air pollution and meteorology testified on our behalf. Dr. Steyn explained that I.C.P.'s air dispersion modeling failed to adequately show the wind dispersion of pollutants or address the related chemical reactions between these pollutants which will produce secondary pollutants in our air-shed. Dr. Steyn also pointed out that the modelling did not allow for the effects of thermal inversions, which are common to the Campbell River area, particularly in warmer weather. These inversions can serve to re-circulate pollutants. Essentially, they would remain trapped for a period of time in our air-shed. Dr. Steyn identified the erroneous data used by I.C.P. for modeling wind dispersion and indicated that the one year of modeling relied upon for data was both unreliable and insufficient to draw conclusions from for determining pollution control requirements. He added that "If you're serious about the environment, such risks are not worth taking" with regard to air quality management. Steyn also noted that I.C.P.'s modeling failed to measure the impact of pollutants on the Georgia Basin. The Georgia Basin has been identified as one of three areas in Canada that are of specific concern to Environment Canada

owing to elevated pollution levels.

ICP produced evidence of the high cost of pollution controls and the difficulty with installation in an existing power plant. They also referred to their Operations Report, which shows emissions of Nitrogen Oxides way below the permit levels. In order to address this, we modified our appeal from requesting the implementation of pollution controls to requiring a reduction in the permit allowable levels. The permit governs the amount of pollution a company is allowed to discharge. In this case, the permit allows for 48 mg/m³ (or 25 ppm) of Nitrogen Oxides, which, according to ICP's figures, works out to 613 tonnes per year. Therefore, reducing the permit level is most important.

The Sierra Club of BC- Quadra Island Group joined Reach for Unbleached (a co-appellant to the permit) in asking for the removal of the clause in the permit that authorizes the Regional Waste Manager to allow the use of oil for more than 10 days in a year. The permit authorizes a discharge of 80 mg/m³ Nitrogen Oxides when using oil, which represents a huge increase from natural gas. Nitrogen Oxides have been linked to impaired lung tissue and reduction in lung function in humans as well as damaged vegetation and reduced crop yields in plants.

Our final request to the Environmental Appeal Board was for the Ministry of Environment to lower the permit levels for Nitrous Oxides; to take out the clause that allows the Regional Waste Manager to authorize the use of oil for more than 10 days in a year; to order a requirement that ICP report to the Regional Waste Manager each quarter on the types and quantities of chemicals added to the cooling water; and to monitor PM_{2.5}. The monitoring of PM_{2.5} is important, as medical studies have linked PM (particulate matter) to aggravated asthma and decreased lung function in humans as well as acidification of lakes and rivers, damage to sensitive

forests and farm crops, and depletion of nutrients in soils.

The Appeal Board is expected to render a decision sometime in the fall.

We would like to thank the many people from Campbell River, Quadra and Cortes who supported us in this appeal.

Joan Sell Phone/fax 285-3289

Sierra Club of B.C. Quadra Group.

Dear Editor

I know the government wants the spit to be wild, but when I saw, twice, the bloody face of a child, and many adults twist their ankles and legs, changing joy and laughter into screams and tears, this special part of the spit should be kept clean, as it was for many years.

This part was a beautiful lawn, where children or people run, sit down, look after family and friends playing on the sea with diverse boats.

This is a very small place to keep clean, as it was, and let the children use it without being hurt.

It is just before the boat launch - this place was, the next two years, left to become wild!

Between the only tree close to the boat ramp, and the trees at the other end, put back the lawn, cut the thorns, brambles and the grass.

Return this place to humans, so we can sit down again on it and look and scream at friends and family playing on the sea with their boats! or helping them to bring back their boat, etc... It is also a place where you can supervise friends, family, children etc.. on the sea.

This is a small place to keep for us, human beings... we are not wild animals; and, this small part of the spit, should be kept for humans to enjoy without being hurt, especially our children. It was done before, for many years, why stop it now?

Sincerely R. Michel

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Next deadline 7pm Monday, July 2nd 2001

Road Rage, Computer Rage, TAX RAGE !!!!

Of all the rages currently afflicting Canadians, Tax Rage, albeit modest to date, is by far of all the rages the most justifiable. Insidious taxation inflicts the most harm on our financial health, and standard of living, and reflects the lack of value in our currency. Thankfully, after close to four decades of ruinous financial practices, the federal government has begun, belatedly, to correct itself. Provincial voters, after the last ten years and two NDP governments have finally tossed out the left wing lunatic big spenders, and now we have a B.C. income tax cut as our first and immediate benefit for throwing out unworthy legislators.

Notwithstanding, Quadra Island taxpayers are being hit by substantially increased and insidious taxation. While the federal and overdue provincial trends towards fiscal responsibility, local governments have been creeping in almost unnoticed to capture the meagre tax savings granted to taxpayers by the senior governments. Our Comox Strathcona Regional District, the Vancouver Island Regional Library, and the Community Hall - Quadra Island are such local government tax grabbers. I wonder if readers of this paper might share my feelings too.

Analyzing my current property tax bill, with payment due by July 3rd, I have the reaction that my taxes have become too high for the little or no service that I receive. Notwithstanding my initial reaction, I set out to do some cursory investigation and analysis, and while neither complete nor comprehensive due to the lack of time between the billing and the payment being due, I present the following trends of taxes from 1996 (that year because that was the beginning of readily available information) to the current year, 2001.

Regional District of Comox-Strathcona Area J (Quadra Island) from \$175,638 to \$242,638 = 38.18% increase

Vancouver Island Regional Library from \$75,710 to \$106,130 = 40.18% increase

Quadra Island Community Hall from \$43,992 to \$63,825 = 45.08% increase

By way of comparison, showing admirable restraint with respect to tax grabbing increases,

South Quadra Fire Protection District from \$165,750 to \$ 175,320 = 5.77% increase

Within the Regional District's tax requisition's figures, some interesting changes, the following changes: Protective Services (mainly 911) a drop by 38.93%, Environmental Health Services a drop by 63.46%, General Government Services increase by 63.43%, and Recreational & Cultural Services increase by 563.25 % (yes five hundred sixty three %).

The South Quadra Fire Protection District's budget in prior years has been fattened for the cost of a new fire hall, and this capital cost reserve (taxation in advance of capital spending) is now supposedly sufficient to cover the costs of construction, and therefore is slated to cease in the very near future. I for one look forward to this tax decrease.

So far, while I have only reviewed, as above, taxation trends, I would suspect that zero based budgeting methodologies are conspicuously absent from the policy maker's frame of references when they commit taxpayers to tax requisition requests.

With the required time and information not currently available, there is no way of knowing how much of our taxes over the years are acceptable, and how much is excessive. While the tax increases are certainly excessive, they certainly are suspect of supporting excessive and perhaps unwarranted expenditures.

Taxpayers, at the very least, should be entitled to review budgets based on a zero based model, and perhaps, even participate in the process through budget referendum.

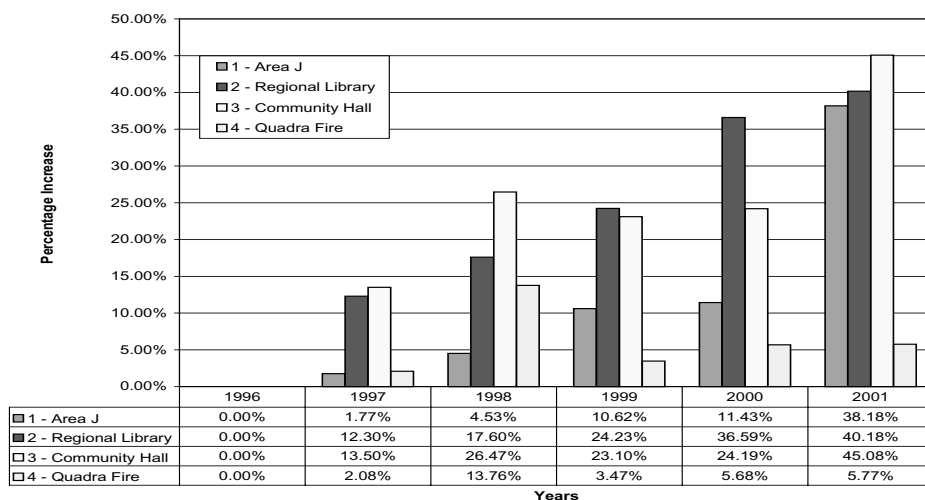
Taxpayer apathy has fostered these tax increases to date, and responsible accountability for property taxes has been sorely missing. Perhaps as a public service to the community at large, a group such as the Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce might be persuaded to sponsor a public meeting for all ratepayers after the summer, say mid-October, and invite the policy makers of the foregoing mentioned groups to attend and explain to taxpayers why they tax so relentlessly.

I invite readers participate in a call for local government accountability and explanation.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Conover.

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Have or Have Not

by Steven Halliday

In several columns I have made mention of the growing disparity between the haves and have-nots of the world, usually from a position of condemnation of the obscene salaries and bonuses now being conferred on corporate executives. In the 1960's, the average CEO of a large corporation could expect to make from 20 to 30 times the average wage paid to the company's employees. In 2000 that figure had grown to **400 times**.

This phenomenon is really a development of the 1980's, the period where the word "greed" lost its negative connotation, at least as far as Wall Street, or Bay Street for that matter, are concerned. The boom years of the 1990's saw the continuation, indeed acceleration, of executive salaries growing into multiple millions of dollars, plus fat bonuses and stock options. Now, financial newspapers are starting to report rebellion in the ranks of shareholders and employees alike. This is particularly evident in the "dot-com" sector, where top execs have bamboozled their boards into granting them remuneration packages that would make Bill Gates envious. This, even as the companies they led were hemorrhaging money, share prices were heading underwater, and new sources of capital were nowhere to be found.

Meanwhile, down on the shop floor, the people who really made the company tick were being told to be happy with their lot, and wage increases that barely kept pace with inflation were the best they could expect. Now, we hear that our federal politicians have awarded themselves what must be called a "generous" wage increase. In the meantime, thousands upon thousands of workers are either taking

job action or are about to, while negotiating with governments prepared to offer increases that rarely exceed the rate of inflation. We often hear of the public's horror at the emergence of two-tiered medicine, but it appears we have two-tier remuneration in effect – too bad if you are not a member of the executive elite.

On a global scale, the disparity is even worse. The rich are getting richer at a pace never before achieved, while the poor continue to struggle, in ever growing numbers. *World*, the official publication of the World Council of Credit Unions, recently featured an article called "Closing the Widening Gap", in reference to the gap between rich and poor. Philip M. Harter, of Stanford University, contributed a very interesting observation, which reads as follows:

"If we could shrink the earth's population to a village of precisely 100 people, with all human ratios remaining the same, it would look something like the following. There would be: 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 North/South Americans and 8 Africans. 52 would be female, 48 male. 70 would be nonwhite, 30 would be white. 6 people would possess 59% of the world's wealth, and all 6 would be from the United States. 80 would live in substandard housing, 70 would be unable to read, 50 would suffer from malnutrition. 1 would be near death, 1 would be near birth, 1 would have a college education, and 1 would have a computer. When one considers the world from such a compressed perspective, the need for both acceptance, understanding and education becomes glaringly apparent."

Is this phenomenon new? Not at all. History is full of examples where a minority held control of the majority of the wealth, and have had no compunctions about taking whatever steps necessary to maintain the status quo. Invariably, these periods have ended in some form of revolution, and in at least four cases have resulted in a redress of the imbalance, for a short period of time anyway. Think of ancient Rome, 17th century France, Czarist Russia and Imperial China and you'll see my point. Today, people seem to be afflicted with a sense of apathy towards the plight of the poor, and indeed there are magazines, television programs and books aplenty that celebrate the lifestyles of the rich. Attitudes towards great wealth seem to have changed from resentment to envy – are we seeing a change back to resentment?

The population of the globe continues to grow at a rate unprecedented in history, creating more mouths to feed from a shrinking pool of resources. At the same time, the have-nots are becoming much more aware of what they are missing, courtesy of the rapid spread of information. Will we as a society change to the point where excessive wealth concentration is regarded as an aberration, and the pursuit of extreme wealth is considered anti-social? Or will we have another anti-wealth revolution, as today's anti-globalization protests represent at a grassroots level? Or will the disparity that now exists continue and worsen? Only time will tell, but I am optimistic that a balance can and will be found – there is too much compassion in the world for this not to happen.

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Island Report

Fools Gallery Closes Doors

by Tanya Storr

After five years of providing a community exhibition space for island artists, the Fools Gallery in Heriot Bay has closed its doors. Marna Disbrow, one of the founding Fools, said the gallery had to shut due to a lack of volunteers.

"The Fools decided to disband at the end of December because we all had other things we wanted to do other than running the gallery. After we disbanded I thought I'd try to keep it going for another year, but it was very difficult to find volunteers to staff the shows," she explained.

The gallery closed on May 21 after its final show, a collection of eight watercolours by Hilary Stewart entitled 'Lonesome Lake: a Look Back at Ralph Edwards' Homestead' plus works by some of the Fools. Hilary visited Lonesome Lake (Nimpo Lake area) with her brother in the 1960s and was intrigued by Ralph Edwards' homestead.

"He was a real pioneer, so ingenious in everything he did," said Hilary, who is donating the Lonesome Lake paintings to the Bella Coola Museum.

Marna said it was really neat to have a last show of works by Hilary, who is something of an island icon.

"Her watercolours of Lonesome Lake are very, very good. They are really evocative of the time and place," Marna observed.

Over the past five years the Fools Gallery has hosted many memorable shows. Marna commented that everyone

loves shows featuring children's art and the Bugs Show was the most spectacular.

Some other shows that stood out were the Garden Show complete with mulch and a pond, the Spit Show composed of art about or from Rebecca Spit, and the Boat Show of the Century, featuring an eclectic fleet of boats built by islanders.

There were so many boats exhibited in the Boat Show that they flowed out of the gallery and into Heriot Bay Store, and shoppers enjoyed gazing up at various watercraft suspended above the aisles.

Marna noted that the Quilt, Photography, and Portrait Shows were also very popular.

"The Portrait Show was an amazing experience. Almost nothing in the gallery was for sale, and people brought in pieces that had been in their family for generations," Marna recalled.

The Fools Gallery opened its doors to the public on May 1st, 1996. Founding Fools Jessica Whittingham, Brian Simmons, Steve Harkies, Candace Holmes and Marna Disbrow were later joined by Maru Jolar and Debbie Ruel.

The Gallery was run co-operatively by its founding members and volunteers. "Our business mandate was not for profit, but rather to support and encourage island artists by providing them with exposure," said Marna.

The Fools took the responsibility of renting and preparing the space, and

staffing was on a volunteer basis. Until January of 2001, a small rent charge was asked of anyone participating in a group show, or, if an artist wished, she or he could rent the space for a one-person show, and the Fools would assist in mounting and staffing. A 20% commission was taken on any work sold.

The Fools asked that artists try to be available to mind the gallery during the showing of their work. Starting January 1st, the gallery tried asking only for help in staffing, and

dropped any request for help with rent or commissions.

Many islanders have expressed sorrow that the Fools gallery has closed. Regular patron Geraldine Kenny said the gallery provided a magnificent exhibition space for islanders of all artistic stripes.

"I compliment all those who volunteered putting in long hours to make the gallery work. It's a great pity that it closed, not only for residents of the community but also for visitors," she said.

Marna said operating the gallery was a positive experience all round for the Fools and she feels happy looking back on five years of great camaraderie.

"The very best thing for me about being a Fool has been the laughter! We had a lot of fun, put on a lot of really good shows, and genuinely enjoyed having a place to show and share our work and get other islanders out there showing theirs," she said.

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Business Profile

Quadra Credit Union

by Tanya Storr

Quadra Credit Union has come a long way from its beginnings 60 years ago, when the financial cooperative was run out of people's homes and outer islanders entrusted their cash to volunteer 'deposit agents' who would bring it to Quadra and deposit it for them.

Despite its growth in size and services over the decades, the credit union's mission statement reflects the founding members' dream to form a cooperative in providing financial services for islanders.

In a recent interview, general manager Steve Halliday talked about how the credit union has expanded over the years.

"In Quadra Credit Union's first year, 1941, the cooperative had 33 members and \$141 in assets. Now we have 3,300 members and \$25 million in assets, so it has grown a fair bit," he said.

To mark the credit union's 60th anniversary, Steve has been going through boxes of old records and photographs in order to put together displays for the window. If you missed the first historical display keep your eyes open for the next one coming soon.

"I believe we are the second oldest existing business on the island after the Heriot Bay Inn. It's fairly exciting. It was called Quadra Credit Union from the beginning and there was always a focus on serving the outer islands as well. What really struck me when going over the old handwritten records was the self-sufficiency on the island at that time. A group of local people literally got together over a kitchen table and formed their own financial institution," he noted.

For the first seven years of its existence Quadra Credit Union operated out of people's homes. In 1948 Sam Hooley was contracted to construct a building for the credit union for \$525. That building is now the home of the library in Heriot Bay.

One of the main ways the credit union publicized its services and attracted members in its early days was by holding socials. The financial cooperative had a social committee that organized dances and other events.



Quadra Credit Union Manager Steven Halliday

Photo: Tanya Storr

Educating islanders about the benefits of saving money was one of the goals of the credit union's founding members.

"The term they used was thrift, and the credit union's original logo was a man with an umbrella representing the concept of 'saving for a rainy day'," Steve remarked.

One of the services the credit union provided in the early days was life insurance, which was not easily available to islanders otherwise.

The credit union was run on a very loose volunteer basis until Seth Bayer was hired as the first manager. He ran the credit union from 1941-1951. Curly Eastland was manager from 1951-1978, followed by Marnie Kirk from 1979-1996. Steve became manager in 1997.

Muriel Krook started working for the credit union in 1960 and was an employee for 25 years. Muriel said she began in the position of teller and moved up to assistant manager along with Alma McIlwain.

"When I started we had to do a little bit of everything—whatever needed doing at the time. I've seen things really change over

the years, from the outhouse days to indoor plumbing! It was so different then. We ran the credit union by ourselves and didn't have to worry about security like you do these days."

Muriel said the most enjoyable parts of the job for her were bookkeeping and being able to socialize with all the people. "You knew everyone," she said.

Cheryl Cartwright has been working for Quadra Credit Union for just over 25 years, and is now the Financial Services Officer. When she started at the Heriot Bay location the entire credit union was approximately the size of Steve Halliday's office. Manager Curly Eastland had a little office where the employees ate lunch, and everyone but the manager shared one desk.

At that time Robert Eastland was assistant manager and Cheryl, Muriel, Rose Finsant, and Charlene Clandening worked as tellers.

"Everything was hand written and we had a very noisy manual posting machine. In those days you knew everybody, whereas now you try to know everybody but it's

bigger and busier," Cheryl said.

Cheryl was the first member to make a transaction with a Quadra Credit Union Mastercard. She used it to buy plane tickets at a travel agency in Campbell River.

In 1980 the credit union moved to rented premises in Quathiaski Cove after much deliberation and many meetings. The credit union moved to its current location on 3½ acres in 1991, the financial cooperative's 50th anniversary year.

At the opening ceremony founding members Doris Krooks, Ture Krooks, Gilbert Krook, and Frank Mowat who were in attendance were presented with gifts to acknowledge their foresight and dedicated loyalty.

Past presidents Sam Hooley, Stan Beech, and Paul Hovey were honoured for their contributions to the credit union, and past president Ellen Russell and then manager Marnie Kirk were also acknowledged for their dedication and long hours leading to the opening of the new building.

The Cortes office opened in 1989, operating out of a small rental space at first. That office has since moved into a modular building located beside Manson's Landing Hall.

The Cortes branch is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and offers a full range of services except for safety deposit boxes. Larger loans are handled out of the Quadra office. Both branches have ATM machines.

With 16 employees (4 on Cortes and 12 on Quadra), Quadra Credit Union is one of the larger employers on the islands.

The credit union has been a financial cooperative since its beginning, meaning the business is owned by its customers who are known as members.

"We adhere to the one member, one vote rule. Whether you've got \$1 or \$1 million you get one vote. The members elect the board of directors who are responsible for setting policies. They in turn hire me, and I am responsible for all operations," Steve explained.

Community involvement is a high priority for Quadra Credit Union.

"On all our printed materials you see the logo 'Imagine: A Caring Company'. That requires a commitment to donate at least 1% of our pre-tax profits to community or charitable purposes. In our case it's typically more in the order of 10-20% throughout the year," Steve told me.

The credit union's main contribution to the community is through scholarships. In a typical year the credit union gives out nine scholarships for a total of \$6,000-7,000. Quadra Credit Union also sponsors kids to

attend Camp Rainbow, a youth leadership camp operating under the auspices of the Canadian Cooperative Association. The credit union also donates to a variety of community causes.

"We entertain donation requests from virtually every segment of the islands. For me priority #1 is to operate the credit union in a safe and profitable manner, and priority #2 is service to the community," Steve stated.

Other ways the credit union serves the community is by offering the display window to non-profits and community groups for publicity purposes, showing local artwork (predominantly quilts), and hosting the farmers' market and tourist info booth.

Volunteers go to Quadra Elementary every Friday to collect money from the students to deposit in their credit union accounts. The children receive certificates at the end of the year for being diligent savers.

Quadra Credit Union is a full service financial institution with a full slate of products and more under development. The newest product is MemberDirect Internet banking.

Future products include a no-fee chequing product and a high interest savings account in order to compete with the new virtual banks such as ING and Citizens.

Although the credit union has no immediate plans to develop its 3½-acre property, Steve said "we feel a real sense of responsibility to the community as we occupy the entrance to town." He expects there will be some further development of the property in future.

Many credit unions in BC have had to merge in order to improve economies of scale. In 1983 there were 138 credit unions in BC; now there are only 70.

"We literally compete head-to-head with the big banks. Quadra Credit Union has \$25 million in assets while the big banks have around \$125 billion. There are many of us credit unions fighting to remain independent for as long as we can because once we lose community control it's gone forever," Steve observed.

He added that Quadra Credit Union's interest rates are competitive. "We monitor them on a daily basis and adjust them to make sure we are in line with the markets."

Quadra Credit Union is by far the largest mortgage lender on the islands, Steve noted.

"To a large extent the banks will not lend on the islands, especially for some of our more unique homes. We fill that need because we live here, know the islands and properties, and understand the lifestyles."

Steve said he is a firm believer in the term 'clicks and bricks' when it comes to the type of service the credit union aims to provide.

"Our focus is to provide a blend of all electronic services while retaining our personal customer service."

Steve said confidentiality is a huge priority at the credit union. "One of my biggest concerns is there may be some people reluctant to deal with the credit union because of a perception of a lack of confidentiality as it's a small community. Confidentiality is a cardinal rule among our staff and we take it very seriously. I've never had a complaint since I've been here."

One of the Quadra Credit Union staff's biggest achievements to date was winning a 12-week mutual funds trades challenge this past fall. A five-member team competed against 103 teams from credit unions in Western Canada to invest a hypothetical \$100,000 in a series of trades.

"We followed a contrarian strategy and ended up being the only team with a profit. We won \$1,000 and donated \$800 to CCAP and \$100 each to the elementary schools on Quadra and Cortes," Steve said.

When asked what he likes most about his job, Steve said he appreciates the trust the board of directors places in him and the freedom that comes with that trust, the high level of interaction with people, and the fact that he gets to live on Quadra Island.

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	1255	1.6	0.5
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TU	0735	11.5	3.5
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	1805	13.1	4.0
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Richies Video Reviews

Shanghai Noon – Rating 4 of 5

Really the first Jackie Chan flick that I can give 4 clams to, and I've wanted to do this for some time, but couldn't justify the extra clams. (oh, the trials of video reviewdom). But this one is his best. For Jackie Chan fans it's the usual amazing physical acts (which by now everyone knows he does himself, never using stuntmen), as well as his martial arts prowess, but this time it's dated in the wild west in 1881 and Jackie is the Imperial Chinese guard sent off to rescue the kidnapped princess who was spirited away to Nevada. Why Nevada? That's where the cowboys are, so Jackie gets to play cowboy. It's just such great fun, especially this time with a co-star who is a hoot! There are some pretty Kool Bad guys, too. Jackie really is a great comic and he shines in this one, especially with his side kick – a new age cowboy. All viewers loved it. Great for the whole family or just those hard core Jackie Chan Buffs. Howdy pardner & yeeha!

Under Suspicion - - Rating 5 of 5 superb

The Golden Scallop, probably. As the title implies, Gene Hackman is under suspicion for the death of 2 young girls. Morgan Freeman is the police captain doing the questioning. OK, usual fare, usual cops and perverts, nope. First it's set in Puerto Rico, Second Hackman if of the very rich and is about to make a fundraising speech – kind of a pillar o the community type. Third he's married to a beautiful young woman. Fourth the evidence starts to pile up and Fifth, he confesses. But OOPS! Excellent staging. Excellent music. Superb acting by Freeman and Hackman as well as all others. Oh, did mention excellent plot which gives nothing away. Excellent ending. Excellent, excellent, excellent! Also, no gratuitous pandering to sex and violence. We were thankfully spared that (thank you). Rather the story focused on the gradual unpeeling of the onion that is Hackman. A thinking person's cop story. Get it.

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