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Next Deadline

7 pm. Monday, October 8th

Public Hearing Notice

BYLAW NO. 3050

"Quadra Island Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2007"

Wednesday, October 10, 2007 Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Quadra Community Centre, 970 West Road

Quadra Island, BC

Bylaw No. 3050

This bylaw, if adopted, would update the Quadra Island Official Community Plan Bylaw.

A copy of the proposed bylaw and related information may be viewed at the regional district offices, 600 Comox Road, Courtenay, BC between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays from Tuesday, September 25, 2007 until Wednesday, October 10, 2007 or at www.comoxstrathcona.ca.

Anyone who deems their interests to be affected by the proposed bylaw will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing.

Legally, the CSRD cannot consider any representations made after the close of the public hearing. If you cannot attend the public hearing, all written submissions, mailed or electronic, must be received by this office no later than 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 10, 2007

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The Regulars

- **Quadra Legion** - Now Open Fridays & Saturdays at 3:30 pm until 1:00 am
- **Every Monday** - Badminton, 7:30 Cape Mudge Hall
- **Every Tuesday** - Kalina Folkdancers -QCC, 7:30 to 9:30 pm, Sept.to Apr.
 - Sketching group at Firesign Studio 10 am-12:00 pm
 - Al-anon meeting, 7.30 pm at the Childrens Centre
- **Every Wednesday** - Badminton, 7:30 pm Cape Mudge Hall
- **Every Thursday** - Isle Sing 3-4:30 pm Q.C.C. upstairs, use South entrance
 - Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm at Quadra Island Bible Church
 - 7-9:30 PM: Life drawing sessions at Firesign Studio 285-3390
- **Every Friday** - Free Pool, Darts and Shuffleboard at the Legion 4 pm to 1am
- **Every Saturday** - Legion Meat Draw 5:00pm to 6:30pm
- **Every Sunday** - Sunday Service QI United Church 10:30
 - Family Worship Service 10:30am Quadra Island Bible Church
 - Buddhist Meditation 10:00 am Upper Realm
- Sunday Celebration, Centre for Positive Living - 900 Alder St. C.R. 10:20 - 11:20 am
- **1st and 3rd Wednesday** - Food Bank 1-2 Community Centre
- **3rd Sunday of Month** - Raw Food Pot Luck 5 - 7pm 285-3827
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On the cover



Kevin Decock trolling the water of Sutil Channel for the plane engine he and the crew of the the Gung Ho then recovered.

Photo: Lilianne Langevin

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*Next deadline for the
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October 8th

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Day by day

Saturday, September 29

- Marc Atkinson Trio Q.C.C.
8:00 pm

Wednesday, October 3

- Free Money Q.C.C.
11 a.m. to Noon

- Open House with CSRD on Quadra OCP Q.C.C.
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Saturday, October 6

- Local Youth Talent Concert Q.I. United Church

Tuesday, October 9

- Quadra Quilters Q.C.C.
9 am to 2 pm

Wednesday October 10

- John Kaplan's "Stage Fright: The Thrillusion Show" Quadra Elementary
7 pm

- Niigaanibatowaad: FrontRunners Movie Cape Mudge Hall
7 pm

Saturday, October 13

- How Can Quadra Island Respond to Global Climate Change?
Guy Dauncey . Doors open at 7:00 pm Q.C.C.

Sunday, October 14

- Climate Action Planning for Quadra Q.C.C.
with Guy Dauncey 10 am to 3 pm

Monday, October 15

- Healing & The Mind Q.C.C.
7 pm to 8:45 pm

Friday, October 26

- Last Wild Wolves slide & new book presentation Q.C.C.

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Ferry Schedules

Campbell River - Quadra Island

Crossing Time: 10 minutes

Leave Quadra Island

6:15 am	3:05 pm
†7:05 am	**4:00 pm
8:00 am	5:00 pm
9:00 am	5:50 pm
10:00 am	7:00 pm
11:00 am	8:00 pm
12:00 pm	9:00 pm
1:00 pm	10:00 pm
2:00 pm	*11:00 pm

Leave Campbell River

6:40 am	3:30 pm
†7:30 am	4:30 pm
8:30 am	5:25 pm
9:30 am	6:15 pm
**10:30 am	7:30 pm
11:30 am	8:30 pm
12:30 pm	9:30 pm
1:30 pm	10:30 pm
2:30 pm	*11:30 pm

Quadra Island - Cortes Island

Crossing Time: 45 minutes

Leave Quadra Island	Leave Cortes Island
† 9:05 am	† 7:50 am
**11:05 am	9:50 am
1:05 pm	11:50 am
3:05 pm	**1:50 pm
5:05 pm	3:50 pm
6:45 pm	5:50 pm

* - Fridays and Saturdays only. † - Daily except Sundays.

** - Tuesday sailings are for Dangerous Cargo - No passengers.

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Area J Regional Director's Report

September 28, 2007

by Jim Abram

UBCM convention and Regional District dismemberment

I will be at the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM) annual general meeting and convention from September 24 through September 28 in Vancouver, so I will not be available for calls or emails. This convention is a very important one. The announcement by the Provincial government that our Regional District (RD) will be split into two has generated a considerable amount of discussion. This is a major topic for the UBCM to consider and rural area directors are planning to be very involved in the "discussion".

I am not going to go into whether this is a good thing or a bad thing at this time. The fact of the matter is that it was done without any consultation with anyone at the Regional District. This was a back room deal orchestrated by one or two people and the Provincial government. I can tell you one thing for sure: this situation is going to cost us dearly.

The decision was made prior to any cost benefit analysis or study being done on service delivery. The more meetings that the rural directors have on the topic with provincial staff and facilitators, the more obvious it becomes that the decision was premature and poorly thought out. So, we will wait and see what happens at the UBCM. More on my return.

Quadra Legion tax exemption

I was very pleased to continue the annual tradition of giving the Legion a permissive tax exemption for a portion of its tax bill. The legion contributes to many individuals and organizations on this island every year. They cannot afford the amount of tax assigned to them and the legislation allows for exemptions for community organizations that contribute to the good of the community. Hopefully this exemption will help to keep the organization viable.

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Official Community Plan

After a year of deliberation, the OCP has come to the Board for first and second reading. This was passed on Thursday, September 20. The plan is posted on the RD web site at <http://www.comoxstrathcona.ca> <http://www.comoxstrathcona.ca> The RD has sent out a flyer announcing this in all mail boxes, and announcing that there will be an open house to look at the maps and the plan on October 3, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Community Centre.

There will be another open house on the following Wednesday, October 10, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm with the Public Hearing to follow immediately at 6:30 until 8:30 pm that same night. So mark it on your calendars: Public Hearing, Wednesday, October 10, 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Community Centre. There will be a follow up flyer to remind you.

Kanish Bay Road

I will be meeting with the Ministry of Transportation and Highways senior managers in Courtenay in the beginning of October to try and get the Kanish Bay Estates Road issue into the implementation stage. We have already had the meeting where it was agreed to by them and the Ministry of Forests that we could re-align the road on the old Granite Bay Road bed and avoid any crossings of the creek. I am now in negotiations with local contractors to make this happen at little or no cost. Highways has pledged \$10,000.00 which will pay for the survey and some of the work.

I will be making a site visit as soon as it can be arranged to finalize the plans with the Highways inspector.

This is all very exciting, as this issue has been on my plate for SOOO very long. It will be wonderful for the residents of the area to have highways maintenance and it will be good for the Granite Bay Park to have a better road access.

If all goes well we could see this in place before winter.

Feel free to call me between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday (not on weekends, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at

abramfam@oberon.ark.com abramfam@oberon.ark.com , or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, VOP 1N0... Lots of choices!

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Abram
Director, Discovery Islands - Mainland Inlets (Area J), CSRD

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they are a-changin...



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Ferry Report -

Higher Fares Coming, Ticket Books Going

by John Sprungman, Chair, Ferry Advisory Committee

Ferry fares will continue to go up at a rate much greater than B.C.'s inflation over the next four years because the provincial government is pressing its policy that increasing costs should be recovered from ferry users.

Ferry Commissioner Martin Crilly last week released his final price caps for 2008-2012. The 22 minor routes, including Quadra and Cortes, now face hikes of 4.4% on November 1 followed by 4.0% on April 1, 2008 and successive increases of 7.1% on April 1, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

These increases perpetuate a pattern that began in April 2003 when the government legislated B.C. Ferries into a quasi-privatized company with the expressed intention of minimizing taxpayer funding and increasing user pay.

At that time, at ticket book prices, it cost \$10.65 for a vehicle, driver and passenger to make a roundtrip from Quadra to Campbell River. Today's price is \$17.30. In April 2011, based on the new price caps, it will cost at least \$23.07.

A roundtrip for a car and two people from Quadra to Cortes was \$15.52 in April 2003. It is \$22.90 today. In 2011, it will be at least \$30.55. That means a roundtrip for two people and a car from Cortes to Campbell River will go from \$26.17 in 2003 and \$40.20 today to at least \$53.63 in 2011.

I keep saying "at least" because the Commissioner's price caps are based on a Vancouver Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 2%, the average rate over the last six years. If CPI goes up, so will the caps. In addition, there is a formula in the latest ruling allowing automatic fuel surcharges if the price of diesel keeps rising.

The cash fares could be exorbitant: Currently it costs \$28.85 in the off season and \$31.05 in summer for a Quadra roundtrip for a vehicle, driver and passenger. In April 2011, those numbers could be \$38.48 and \$41.42.

Campbell River-Cortes is \$62.35 now and was \$67.50 in July & August. In April 2011, those figures could be \$83.17 off-peak and \$90.04 in summer.

I say "could be" because the price cap formula allows B.C. Ferries to raise ticket book prices more than the cash fare as long as the resulting

average increase doesn't exceed the percentage limit.

Good-bye Ticket Books

And, by April 1, our paper ticket books will be replaced by "stored value" cards, the Ferry Advisory Committee Chairs were told two weeks ago while meeting with BC Ferries' executives during the company's annual general meeting in Powell River.

Rob Clarke, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, told us we will have to purchase the cash cards to get the "discounted" fares the ticket books now provide.

When the cards come in, existing tickets can be credited to a card or can be used after next April 1st with payment of fare increases after that date. Exactly how much cash will have to put up to buy a card may be route specific, comparable to buying ticket books now.

Clarke said eventually it may be possible to use the card on any BC Ferries route, giving the card holder the discounted fare when traveling any route that has one. The cash card may also be used to buy food and goods on board and to pay for reservations. Receipts for travel or purchases will show the item cost and balance remaining.

He said the cards will not be restricted to residents of ferry communities, and a number of cards can share one account, so a couple or a family could each have their own cards drawing on the same funds. Likewise, a business could have one account and have cards for individual employees. B.C. Ferries is determined to get rid of paper handling and have better internal control of prepaid fares, Clarke said. Individual cards won't have to be registered, like a phone card, but lost or damaged cards which are tied to an account will be replaced without loss of value.

Customers will be able to get a monthly use statement for tax purposes. Apparently, the Canada Revenue Agency has adopted a more flexible approach to qualifying vehicle and driver fares for the commuting-to-work tax credit.

More details will be presented at the next FAC meeting on Quadra in November.

It's "Public Policy"--Hahn

At the meetings in Powell River, B.C. Ferries' President David Hahn repeatedly told the FAC Chairs and Powell River residents at the AGM that the increasing cost of service to ferry users is a "public policy" decision of the provincial government.

In 2003, the government entered into a contract

with B.C. Ferries which required maintaining the existing schedules for all routes and provided a \$92 million annual service fee to make up the shortfall between costs and fare revenue on 22 routes, including Quadra and Cortes.

The legislation also created the B.C. Ferry Commission to oversee the contract and calculate what fare increases the company could charge. In the first "performance term" of the contract (2003-2007), the Commissioner approved annual increases of 4.4% plus a number of extraordinary fuel surcharges as the price of oil shot up. The Commission's own figures show those hikes will amount to 49.1% after Nov. 1 across the minor route group.

The government refused to pay any part of the fuel surcharges during the first term and, in June, decided it would not add to the annual service fee for the minor routes for next four years either. During that time, the government will pay for new ships for the northern routes that link Port Hardy, the Mid-Coast and the Queen Charlotte Islands to Prince Rupert. It also kicked in \$7 million to help pay down BC Ferries' fuel deferral account with the North to get most of the money.

When the FAC Chairs asked Transportation Ministry officials why the North was getting support while the minor routes were not, we were told "those costs clearly cannot be recovered from fares on those routes."

Transportation Minister Kevin Falcon seems to be taking the approach that our fares can be raised as long as fare revenue keeps increasing regardless of what that does to the cost of living in ferry-dependent communities.

The price caps are also based on an assumption that traffic will increase by 1% annually. Most FAC Chairs, studying their own routes' stats, find a decline is already happening.

Comparing January 1 to August 31 traffic, Quadra's vehicle numbers dropped 3.7% from 293,702 in 2005 to 282,951 this year. Passenger travel declined 1.3% from 634,664 in 2005 to 626,639 this year. The Cortes ferry carried 39,372 vehicles in the first eight months of 2005 and 38,666 this year. Cortes passenger totals were down from 76,305 to 75,367.

If traffic drops to a point where net revenue also declines, then government will have to decide whether to add funding or reduce service, and lower volumes could be used to justify cutting roundtrips on some routes.



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At Explore in October

Explore feature artist Frank Boas presents original works in watercolour October 2 - Nov 3rd New store hours Tues - Sat 11-5pm 285-3293

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Quadra Island Runners

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Free Wood

Due to unexpected delays, the free wood program will probably not happen this coming winter. My apologies to the Community. Getting wood was not the problem; there were four generous donors. But we needed a small building to keep the wood nice & dry and so far we have not been able to do that. As usual, time, space & money have been a problem. The basic idea is still a good one.

Time will tell if we can actually do it. Call Steve Moore at 285-3323 for more information or to make suggestions.

At the Legion

Quadra Legion Lounge open Tuesday, Friday, Saturday at 4:00pm. Check out Taste & Sea Catering! Meat draws support Quadra Island based non-profit organizations on Saturday's 5:00pm to 6:30pm. New and established members with guests welcome. See you at the Legion!

Folk Dancing

This season's folk dancing has started at the Quadra Community Centre on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm.

We welcome anyone interested in joining us for light-hearted, mildly energetic dancing. Come on out and try it and find out if you'd like to join us for the rest of the season.

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Free money is back in time for Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is for "Thanking" as well as for "Giving."

As a result, distribution of books and money will take place from 11:30 a.m. to Noon just before the community lunch on Wednesday, October 3.

Those who wish to contribute to the free money program

can place their donations in the Free Money Association account in the Quadra Credit Union. Every cent goes to Quadra residents currently short of cash.

The coming of the rains, the departing of the tourists, the resulting loss of employment and the holiday season all combine to make this a good time to dust off the free money program for another year of community service. Call Steve at 285-3323 for more information

Healing & The Mind

Quadra Circle presents a 6 week course on "Healing & The Mind." This course will cover all the important interactions of the body and the mind which can contribute to physical well-being and mental peace of mind (Yoga, walking, meditation, breathing exercises, visualizations, etc). Central to the course are Bill Moyer's video interviews with world famous healers. Liam Grimm, who has facilitated this very same successful course for the Campbell River Elder College will be organizing the course. Steve Moore will assist.

The course runs from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in Room 1 of the Quadra Community centre on Monday nights from October 15 to November 19. By donation only. Drop-ins are o.k. All ages welcome. Phone Liam at 287-9739 or Steve at 285-3323 to register or obtain more information.

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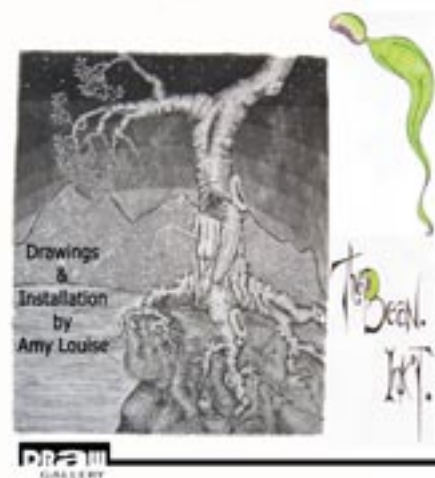
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Amy Louise at DRAW Gallery

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Concert with Judy O'Dell and Friends

Come and relax and listen to the beat of jazzy music played by our own local talent. Judy O'Dell and friends are getting together at Quadra Island United Church and offering their gift of music to the community. Musicians will include, Gordon James on saxophone, Judy O'Dell on piano, Michael Foort on guitar, Gina Nickoloff on piano and Steve Moore on drums. Vocalists are, Chloe Girard Henry, Amira Foort, Liah and Maia Windrum.

Come out and join us in supporting this burgeoning talent. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$2 for teens and kids 12 and under are free. Call 285-3163 for more information

Quadra's Climate Change Action-Challenge

The doubters are quashed, the truth is out, and by now everyone should be aware that we are in the midst of a human-induced period of global warming and associated climatic shifts. The disruptions to the Earth's climate are already noticeable in many parts of the world, and they are forecast to become more dramatic in the years to come.

Now is the time to take action: if we do not, then there is no hope of slowing the damage to our planet. Every one of us needs to respond to this challenge... and we need to do it both as individuals, and as a community.

To participate in the action-challenge we need to learn about the range of different options that are available to us. What are people doing elsewhere? What other ideas and strategies should we be aware of? What innovative contributions can we make? Let's then take this information and move it forward into direct action, as well as planning and policy-making.

Fortunately, a respected and inspiring action-focused speaker will soon be visiting Quadra to help us with this process. Guy Dauncey will help us develop a vision of a more sustainable future for our island and our planet, and then to translate that vision into action. Check out the event details below, and mark your calendars for October 13th and 14th. These events are sponsored by Sierra Quadra, and admittance is by donation towards expenses.

Presentation:

Saturday, October 13th, 7.30pm (Doors open at 7.00pm) *"How Can Quadra Island Respond to Global Climate Change?"*

In this powerful and inspiring presentation, Guy Dauncey will give us an overview of some of the actions that are needed to address the climate change problem globally. He will then focus in on what island communities such as ours here on Quadra can do to contribute to the solution.

Workshop:

Sunday, October 14th 10am to 3pm *"Let's Make It Happen! Climate Action Planning for Quadra."*

Communities like ours can and should work to lay the foundation for a healthy, resilient and sustainable future. By brainstorming together during Guy dauncey's participatory workshop we can begin the process of developing a local action plan, and thus addressing global climate change.

The greater the community representation at this workshop, the better the foundation of our plan. To help safeguard our future, we need to be thinking about such things such as land-use management, transportation planning, 'green' power options and energy efficiency, water quality and water-use, waste reduction and management, and 'greener' buildings.

So, please come along and share your ideas, your enthusiasm, and your knowledge with us at the Community Centre. Refreshments will be provided, and you are encouraged to bring a bagged lunch.

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Winter's coming. What better way to shake off the winter blues and raise those endorphin levels than singing in harmony your neighbors and friends? Open to all singers, regardless of experience. We gather to raise our voices in songs that uplift and inspire.

Isle Sing!! is modeled after the 'natural voice movement' which has been spreading across Europe and North America in recent years. Through this movement, neighborhood singing circles and choirs have sprung up based on inclusiveness and the belief that singing is basic to human nature. All societies throughout history have sung together to mark births and deaths, to unify and heal, and to strengthen and celebrate. It is in this spirit that we sing. We come together as participants and co-creators of music. This flies in the face music consumerism which encourages us to enjoy music through our CD purchase and leave the business of singing to the professionals.

Many of us have shut down our voices, having been told as children that we could not sing or having been asked to "mouth the words" in concerts. Some have been discouraged by trying to sing in a choir section which did not match their vocal range.

The voice can be reopened and confidence restored with listening exercises, group toning and entrainment within a supportive group of singers. It's never too late!!

Isle Sing!! is led by Dayna Davis, who has been inspired and mentored by Shivon Robinson of "The Gettin' Higher Choir", Victoria and Tina Erickson of "Letz Sing", Vancouver Island. She recently studied with Ysay Barnwell of "Sweet Honey in The Rock". Dayna brings a love of world music to the group and a belief in the power of song and voice to unify and cross cultural boundaries. Songs, chants and rounds from all religious traditions weave together. Gospel, freedom songs, lullabies, sea shanties, love songs, and peace chants bring us closer to the struggles and joys of people round the world.

Isle Sing!! is happening on Quadra at the Community Center on Thursday afternoons from 3-4:30 and on Cortes at Linnaea School on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30. The cost is \$63 for 10 weeks and \$7 for drop-in. Sessions run from Sept 18-Nov. 20 on Cortes and from Sept 20 to Nov. 22 on Quadra. The first session is free for newcomers. Older children are welcome. Call Dayna 935-6674 for more information. Check out www.ubuntuchoirs.net for info on other similar choirs in our area.

Friday Flicks Presents RADIANT CITY

October 5th – Quadra

Community Centre

Doors 7:30 – Showtime 7:45

Adm: \$5.00 – Stu/snr \$4.00

RADIANT CITY is a fascinating "thoughtumentary" that should strike terror in the hearts of "bigger is better," two-car capitalists. It convincingly lays out the inanity of suburban sprawl in an ageing society that is entering an era of energy scarcity. But regardless of the fact that suburbia is about as far away from the core value of sustainable living as a family can get, North America's unstoppable cycle of running away from the Joneses in SUVs isn't showing any sign of quitting yet.

And so Gary Burns and broadcaster Jim Brown (/Kitchen Party, The Suburbanators/) turn their attention to "the horror" that is urban sprawl. Adopting a documentary pose, the film gathers a variety of experts to expound upon the phenomenon of the suburbs and their apparent unnaturalness. Juxtaposed against their remarks is an apparently average suburban family, our test sample.

The Mosses are cast in the role of model suburbanites. But is there such a thing? The very ideas at the core of the post-war boom in extra-urban living are untenable. The model family itself proves to be running on fumes. Evan, the father, spends two hours a day in traffic. His wife, Anne, is so tired of defending her chosen lifestyle she refuses to attend /Suburb: The Musical /on its opening night, even though her husband plays the lead. The kids, meanwhile, would seem to be living embodiments of the claim that the suburbs are a pretty terrible place to grow up in.

"RADIANT CITY is a user-friendly introduction to the forces that shape suburbia and the equal and opposite reaction of suburbia's impact. Burns and Brown prove bright and sharp guides through the SUV jungle, never boring us with minutiae or leaving us in the dark." (Alliance Atlantis)

This film will be preceded by ARUBA, an 11 minute short.

A young boy struggles to overcome his harsh circumstances through non-violent means in a dramatic and thoughtful reflection on the power of imagination.



Quadra Quilters' Marathon

The blades have been sharpened, the sewing machines serviced and once again the quilters are preparing for their Quilt Marathon on Saturday, October 27 and 28. Reams of new fabrics have been donated by fabric manufacturers from all over North America. They have been washed and are ready for ironing and cutting. Each year the quilters sew quilts to be given to children with cancer. The quilts are distributed through B. C. Children's Hospital and Ronald MacDonald House. They go to children from all over B.C. who need to come to Children's Hospital for treatment. From the letters we receive from recipients, we know they are appreciated.

If you quilt but are not a member of the guild but would like to participate for one or two days, please contact Heather Van Der Est (3509). If you would like to offer your services to iron for an hour or two, contact Heather. If you just want to come and see what a bunch of talented women can sew in a few hours, please drop by between 1 pm on Saturday 27 and noon on Sunday 28. You might be inspired to begin to quilt.

Quadra Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament

15 September 2007

With players ranging in age from 15 years young to 65 years old, this was the most exciting tournament we had for YEARS!!!

First; the most improvement player of this season was Michelle Bridle !!! And then after a tough day of tennis (with perfect weather) the A winners were Louella Baker and Bobby Elias (runners-up Carol Woolsey and Collin Falck).

The B trophy went to Connie Oldroyd and Big guy Joel Bridle (Runners up Karen Nighswander and Ken Roxburgh)

The C trophy was presented to Doris Nymann and Seth Leam (runners up Pat Lowes and Gary Colter). The BBQ and trophy presentation party,, was a REAL Quadra fun evening.!!! See you all again at Blenkin Park Courts soon. !!!

Ken and Rita.

B.C.O.A.P.O. Branch #91 Quadra Island

Our first meeting after the summer break was held at Rebbeca Spit, September 12th, as planned. The weather did co-operate, it was a beautiful, hot, sunny day the fun and games continued, sprinkled with a little serious chat.

We were pleased to welcome as our surprise guests ,North Island M.L.A., Claire Trevena and Mike McIvor, who, sat in at our meeting and afterwards, while our members were enjoying playing games of "Bocce, Hammer the nail in, Toss the chicken" and other fun games, had informal chats with members, giving them a chance to voice their concerns, if any, on the current situation of the health and welfare of seniors in BC, and any other subjects that might be concerning them.

The winners of the games we played were as follows

Bocce -- Dennis Young, Bob Early, Ann Lawrence and Jeannine Newton

Throw the Chicken-- Christine Dyson and Linda Bell

Clothes Pegs -- Jeannine Newton and Dennis Young

Kim's Game -- Bob Brown

Hammer the nail -- Annette Kulcheski and Marshall Toelle

Water Balloon-- Annette Kulcheski , Christine Dyson, Lillian Melton and Jeannine Newton

The truth is. All, who were there, were winners.

It was a great day emphasized by a wonderful pot luck lunch.

On Wednesday September 19th we had our first activities day of the season. Starting at 10:00 am with Armchair Aerobics, at 11:00 am, Carpet Bowling then at 1:30pm we had our first "Sing-

a-long" group meeting. In the future we intend to expand the available activities to include, knitting / crochet, cards and board games. Starting at 11:00 am, after the Armchair Aerobics,

I stated in my last article, that the boat trips had finished for the summer season, Not so. A lucky few have been on the "Whale Watching" tours this past week.

There is also a possibility of a road trip to a Cranberry farm in the near future

At our next General Meeting, October 3rd, we will be celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving with a "Bake, Art & Craft, Produce and Flower Arrangement" show, with two of our most famous, Quadra Island Volunteer Fire Department members, doing the judging. I do not envy them that task, for if the competition is as fierce as in past years, they are going to have a difficult time of it. The members have very high standards.

After the meeting, we will be having our usual excellent lunch, provided by members. This will be accompanied with music. (Singing and Dancing optional).

On a more serious note, Ruth Amiabel, BCOAP North Vancouver Island Regional Director, Christine Dyson and I will be attending the Provincial General Meeting of the BCOAP being held at Cultus Lake, September 26th. The main topic of discussion will be 'Ageing Well'.

To become a member of the club contact either Cliff Hand @ 923 5814, Annette Kulcheski @ 285 2207 or Bob Brown @ 285 2907, or, come along and join us at one of our meetings

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The Golf Course News and updates

At the present time, all front nine holes are cleared and ready for shaping and seeding next spring/fall. The driving range is cleared from rock and debris and will be seeded this fall ready for use next spring. (so sharpen up your clubs!)

We would like to thank the following for their hard work getting us this far:

The Paint Lady, Judith Tait for making our entrance artwork and Rod Clark for constructing and installing the structure.

Don Dolittle (Quadra Landscaping) for clearing the driving range and landscaping.

Bill O'Connor for volunteering his time and equipment clearing and scraping the driving range.

John Holmes and Gorden Olafsen for supplying the excavator clearing the front 9 holes.

If you or anybody you know, has an interest in supporting our project please contact the following: Keith Remfert at 285-2485 or Kelly Bodin at 285 3428. Or, you may email us at Quadra_links_limited@hotmail.com.

Our membership committee is presently working on a plan for people to purchase yearly or lifetime membership.

Next spring we will be starting a "Junior Club" where our kids will be able to learn the game and the etiquette at an affordable price.

The Board of Directors: Bill Pirie, Keith Remfert, Rod Clark, Sharon Fisher, John Holmes, Jim Graham, Kelly Bodin.



Music Lessons

Island music at the Upper Realm is still accepting students for music lessons. With over 20 years experience, Dave and Michele offer lessons in several music disciplines. Learn how to play the trumpet, saxophone, flute, drum set, cello, violin, guitar or piano in a friendly positive environment. For those who like to sing, voice lessons are also available. Need an instrument? Island Music also has new guitars available for sale and can order the instrument of your choice. Call Dave at 285-2168.

Time for Lunch

Quadra Island's Community Lunch is starting up again soon. Mark Wednesday, Sept. 19 on your calendar and come to the Community Centre at noon to meet your neighbours and eat a delicious meal.

The lunch will happen weekly on Wednesdays from the 19th on through to next spring. If you already know how special this occasion is, bring a friend who doesn't know about it yet. The more the merrier. The lunch is supported by a donation box, and is made possible by many generous volunteers.

Fall Painting Workshops at Firesign Studio

Perrin Sparks is teaching "Steps to a Likeness" a 5-day portrait painting workshop on October 1-5, Monday-Friday from 9 AM-3 PM at Firesign Studio. Working with a live model, this is a great opportunity to learn techniques Perri has developed as professional portrait artist and medical illustrator. Students may use pastels, oils or acrylics. On November 3-4, Dianne Bersea will teach "Still Life with Watercolour", a weekend watercolour workshop for intermediate painters. Class size seven students maximum. Firesign studio also hosts ongoing life drawing sessions on Thursdays 7-9:30 PM, and drop-in sketch group on Tuesdays 10 AM-noon. Check the website at www.firesignartanddesign.com or call Nanci at 285-3390 for details.

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Salted
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285-2436

Marc Atkinson Trio

Quadra's Cultural Committee begins its 2007-08 season with the highly-acclaimed Marc Atkinson Trio on Saturday, September 29th at 8:00 pm, at the Quadra Community Centre. Marc Atkinson, the lead guitarist and composer for the Trio, is a home-grown Quadra Island lad. Now, his talented Trio plays to audiences across North America as well as in England and Europe, and has received standing ovations from the Montreal Jazz Festival to DjangoFest Northwest. For music-lovers of folk to jazz to classical to world-beat, there is something for everyone in their performances.

The Marc Atkinson Trio is led by acoustic guitarist Marc Atkinson, described as "one of Canada's most talented musicians", whose guitar playing has been portrayed as "... ferocious but



elegant gypsy guitar". Marc composes for this Trio and also plays guitar, mandolin and many other instruments in the Canadian roots music group "The Bills." Trio member Chris Frye on acoustic rhythm guitar is also the lead singer/guitarist for the Bills. Chris has just released his debut solo album titled "Raised on Rhythm and Rhyme." Rounding out the Trio is Joey Smith on stand-up bass. Joey toured for more than two years with the Glenn Miller Orchestra before moving to Victoria where

he writes arrangements for the Victoria Symphony and plays bass for jazz artists such as Cleo Laine, John Dankworth and the Karel Roessingh Trio.

The Marc Atkinson Trio has recorded three self-titled CDs. Their second disc (Marc Atkinson Trio II) was nominated for Best Jazz Album in 2003 by Western Canadian Music Awards. Acoustic Guitar Magazine voted this album as one of the top five CDs released in North America in 2002. Their latest album (Marc Atkinson Trio III) released in 2005 is now garnering international attention for its stunning compositions and extraordinary guitar dexterity. Reviewing this CD, the Toronto Star wrote: "They're outstanding for their vitality, exuberance, elegance & melodic strength, and for the joy these three fine musicians share. Atkinson is a daring and inventive acoustic guitarist and a powerful force in the new roots/jazz movement."

Join the toe-tapping, happy-making Marc Atkinson Trio and help the Quadra Cultural Committee kick off its new season. You definitely don't want to miss this concert! Advance tickets are \$17.00, or \$20.00 at the door and are available at Quadra Crafts (Heriot Bay), Hummingbird Office and Art Supply (Quathiaski Cove) and at the Music Plant in Campbell River. For information, call 285-3560 or view www.marcatkinson.com.

Local Youth Talent Concert

On Saturday, October 6 local young musicians will offer a sample of their talent to the community. Judy O'Dell and friends are getting together at Quadra Island United Church and offering their gift of music to the community. Musicians will include, Gordon James on saxophone, Judy O'Dell on piano, Michael Foort on guitar, Gina Nickoloff on piano and Steve Moore on drums. Vocalists including Aleya Howard, Chloe and Fiona Girard Henry, Amira Foort, Liah and Mia Windrum.

Come out and join us in supporting this burgeoning talent. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$2 for teens and kids 12 and under are free. Call 285-3163 for more information

Quadra Singers Update

As you are reading this, Quadra Singers will have had our first practice. If you missed it, do not despair.....it is not too late! Come out and see if this is for you. Please call 285-3800 to let us know you will be coming. We meet at the Q.C.C. on Thursday evenings. Please come at 6:40 to register.

If you aren't interested in singing, but you like listening, mark December 15 on your calendar, when we will be performing our Christmas Concert. Cheers!

Going ONCE!!! Going... CALLING SENIORS NOW!

- Are you a Quadra senior (55+ yrs) who would be interested in applying for residence in the affordable housing we hope to build soon?

- If so, please let us know who you are. We are not asking for a commitment at this stage, just interest.

- The Society now needs to establish a list of interested seniors in order to procure more financing, to encourage donations and to fine-tune existing plans with actual future renters.

- Our one acre of land is in Q-Cove, near the stores.

- We have a permit to build 8 units designed for independent living (with modifications).

- Affordability is not strictly defined yet. To qualify, annual household income would be below \$30,000 p.a. (approx.)

- Rents would hopefully be well below 30% of monthly income, depending on the mortgage we need to carry. We will pray - and work! - to be mortgage free, as this would give us freedom to set rents as we see fit.

- Please contact Riki Vogt at 285-2640

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There are many situations that cause suffering to individuals in our society. Those who have been traumatized may be: former Indian residential school students, those returning from combat zones, victims of violence and disasters. Do you remember a time when you experienced intense fear, terror, and helplessness? Trauma is a response in our body/mind system when we feel threatened. Instinctively, our response is to run away or to fight the threat. If people can do neither for instance, if a person is physically smaller, as in a child, or is trapped, then a "freezing" response occurs. Trauma becomes stored in some member of the body muscles, organs, nerves. Where might suffering be lodged in your body? A residential school survivor asked, "If the church is the body of Christ, then where has the energy been frozen and locked in it?" Could it be primarily in the heart? A lack of compassion is sometimes referred to as a hardening of the heart. In keeping our hearts open to others sometimes means that we will inevitably experience hurt. But by embracing the suffering of others, by showing compassion, we will also discover our strength and the possibility of healing, and even grace. We celebrate healing in Christ's love and light. Come join us on Sunday mornings at Quadra Island United Church. 10:30 program for children, 11:00 for families. Call 285-3163 for more information.

Stage Fright

The PAC at Quadra Elementary are pleased to present John Kaplan's "Stage Fright: The Thrillusion Show" on Wednesday October 10 at 7 PM. It's a haunted stage show...macabre magic and mayhem for the whole family!

Best described as "David Copperfield possessed by Beetlejuice", Stage Fright is a halloween-themed show mixing magic and music, dance, and theatre that is both hilarious and hair-raising!

Stage Fright is a skin-crawling, bone-chilling, spine-tingling Sound & Light SPOOK-tacular! Kids love this stuff. The show will be crammed with 90-minutes of creepy, crawly, icky, spooky magic. Some of *them* will even get into the act... in a way that they, their friends, and their parents will never forget. And someone quite well-known just might get sawed in half (you're not going to want to miss this!).

The show stars master illusionist John Kaplan who has been touring Canada for nearly 20 years. During that time, John's shows have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for community groups across the country. In this case, Quadra Elementary is fundraising to replace the school's upper playground, which is scheduled to be completely removed next summer. The kids need a place to play!

Bring the whole family to Stage Fright and experience a magic show like nothing you've ever seen before. It's creepy, it's crawly and it's coming to Quadra October 10th. Tickets are available at Humming Bird and Quadra Elementary School. Call 285-3385 for information. Don't you dare miss it!!

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Art Show

New works by Laurie Bartlett and Lyn Farquharson September 23 - October 21 at the Grasshopper Gallery 748 West Road, next to the RCMP Station. Opening September 23 from 1 - 4 pm. Everyone welcome 295-3136

Rainbow Medicine Dance

The Rainbow includes all peoples, all colours, all nations, all things...

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Angela Thurston is offering Rainbow Medicine Dance at the QCC this fall. The fall session will focus on connecting with your Animal Chakra Totem through a series of World Dance™ stretches and isolation movements, journeying, and expressive dance.

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Rainbow Medicine Dance...Thursday mornings beginning September 27th, 10:00-Noon. QCC, Room 3. 8 sessions/\$72. Call Angela@285-2963 to register.

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O.C.P. Open House

We are coming to Quadra Island for an open house on the Quadra Island Official Community Plan (OCP) Review

For the past year, CSRD's community planning services has worked with Quadra Island residents to conduct a review of the Quadra Island OCP. Your input has been compiled into a proposed new OCP. The CSRD would like to invite you to an open house to review the proposed revisions and answer any questions you may have on the new OCP.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS OPEN HOUSE

DATE: Wednesday, October 3, 2007

TIME: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

LOCATION: Quadra Community Centre

A copy of the proposed OCP can be viewed at the Heriot Bay Vancouver Island Library Branch or online at www.comoxstrathcona.ca under community planning/Quadra Island OCP.

MEETING OUTLINE:

Drop in to review the maps and learn about the proposed OCP.



Local Director brings A little known Canadian story to the small screen

At a special ceremony during the opening ceremonies of the 1999 Pan-Am Games in Winnipeg, Manitoba, seven First Nations men in their 50's entered the stadium in war canoes. One of them held the Games torch. In 1967 when Winnipeg first hosted the Games, ten outstanding athletic teen-age boys were chosen by the Games committee to run 800 kilometres over an ancient message route with the Games torch. When the runners arrived at the stadium, they were not allowed to enter with the torch. Instead, a non-Aboriginal runner was given the honour. Thirty-two years later the province of Manitoba issued an official apology. Niigaanibatoowaad: FrontRunners is the story of those runners.

Award winning sports journalist and author (*Crossing the Line: Violence and Sexual Assault in Canada's National Sport*) Laura Robinson was present at the 1999 Pan Am games. She was perplexed as to who these men were and why after all those years were they finally be honoured? Why as a Canadian Citizen, athlete and sports journalist, had she never heard their story? Why was their story unknown to all of Canada? As a reporter, she interviewed the torch runners and was truly moved and inspired by their stories. These runners attended various residential schools. They were also gifted athletes and provincial champions who should have been groomed, or at least considered for the Olympics. They were not. They ran 800 miles with the torch and their great accomplishment was never shared with the Canadian public. Laura's newspaper story was followed by a documentary for CBC. The stage play FrontRunners followed and was first produced at the University of Calgary. The stage play has since been presented at the UBC Longhouse and has toured in Ontario, Denmark and Norway.

As of January 2006, production began on turning the stage play into a tele-play (a stage play filmed like a movie) for APTN (Aboriginal Television). The teleplay Niigaanibatoowaad: FrontRunners will air on APTN November 2007.

The APTN production has a connection to Quadra Island, as local school teacher and Cape Mudge Village resident Lori Lewis has directed and co-produced the film. "I've been with this project for three years and it has been a true labour of love. I hope that people will be interested in coming to this special community screening of the film before it airs on TV." The audience will also have a chance to meet writer Laura Robinson and two of the original runners featured in the film, Patrick Bruyer and Charlie Nelson.

The film contains mature subject matter and is not suitable for viewers under the age of 16.

The screening will be held: October 10, 2007, 7pm at the Cape Mudge Hall. Cape Mudge Village, Quadra Island. Refreshments to follow 48 minute screening.

A donation at the door made to the Quadra Island United Church would be greatly appreciated.



News from QCC

The Fall session at the Quadra Community Centre is well under way with lots of new activities. If you have lost your brochure, come in to get another or access the program descriptions at <http://www.quadrarec.bc.ca>

The donation of \$2100, from the summer's Quilt and Garden Tour to the playground project, is very happily received with gratitude to organizer, Eileen Mackay and all gardeners and quilters who contributed to the Tour this year. We keep fundraising to build a playground at Blenkin Park and appreciate the donations trickling in. Please mark November 17 on your calendar for a family evening with Shane Philip performing for the playground. Look for more details as time proceeds.

Next on the calendar, is planning for Halloween Fun Night at the Community Centre and, of course, we are looking for volunteers who want to make a memorable night for the kids. The planning meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. Can't make it but want to help? Phone 285 3243. We need donations for fireworks; please send a cheque to Box 10 Q.Cove to contribute to a "bang up show." This, if memory has it right is the 20th anniversary of the fireworks display by Doug Edwards, Ron Miller and gang.

The Community Kitchen has started up again and delicious soups and desserts are offered to everyone, Wednesdays at noon. As a promotion to our Cultural Events series, 5 tickets will be drawn on Wednesdays before an event. Winners for the Marc Atkinson show, September 29 are Sophie and Peter Gregg, Peter Gibson, Monique Weeks and Thomas Fluckiger.

Parent and Tots is now on Mondays from 9:30 to noon, as well as Thursdays at that time. As of October 15, there will be a special addition at the Monday's session presented by the Quadra Children's Centre. Bring your tots and enjoy something new.

If you are new to the island and want to get involved, come to the Quadra Community Centre (QCC), and check out our facilities. We are open Monday-Fridays from 8-2 and would love to meet you.

Sandy Spearing
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Canada's 'Master of Mirth'

LORNE ELLIOTT, Canada's "Master of Mirth", will spread laughter and fun with his brand new show, "The Collected Mistakes" at the Quadra Island Community Centre on Saturday, October 20, at 8:00 pm. If you've never been to one of this funnyman's one-man shows, you'll need to get your tickets early: they always sell out! Lorne Elliott's stage performance is a very special blend of highly original comedy and music delivered in a unique performance style that is described as: "... delightfully quirky and unrelentingly hilarious!"

CBC Radio listeners will recognize "Madly Off In All Directions" as Lorne Elliott's own weekly CBC Radio Comedy Series. Taped in concerts across Canada, it started airing in January 1996 and continued for 11 seasons until the fall of 2006. His latest project for CBC is entitled "Chasing the Big Silly." Lorne has 5 recordings of his stories and songs entitled "Selections from all Directions I and II," "More Lorne Elliott," and "Collected Mistakes I and II."

Lorne Elliott was born in Montreal and educated in Newfoundland. First performing in 1974 as a folk musician on Canada's East Coast, he was, at the same time writing fiction, songs, monologues and one-liners. In 1976 he began performing his special brand of humour and songs on stage and started a career touring theatres across Canada, USA, Australia and as far east as Singapore. Elliott has also had an extensive career writing comedy for theatre and TV, including "The Lorne Elliott's Really Rather Quite Half-Decent TV Special" for CBC-TV.

The timelessness of Elliott's material, joined with keen observations of today's trends, makes

Lorne Elliott's work very special. Even though he includes occasional references to Canadian politics, Elliott prefers to focus on the wickedly amusing miseries of every-day life. "An exceedingly astute student of his environment, with a quick wit and matching delivery, Mr. Elliott gives a new meaning to the word stage presence" says Doug Gallant of The Charlottetown *Guardian*.



To hear Canada's most "talented nut-case" Lorne Elliott perform "The Collected Mistakes," get your tickets at the usual outlets: Quadra Crafts (Heriot Bay), Hummingbird Office and Art Supply (Quathiaski Cove) and The Music Plant (Campbell River). Advance tickets are \$17. Door, if available, will be \$20. For information, call 285-3560. Lorne's website: www.lorne-elliott.com/

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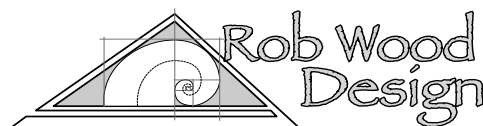
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The Museum at Campbell River is offering a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience in detail the historic islands and waters of the Discovery Islands. For three days, from October 7 to 9, the historic vessel the Columbia III, will visit a myriad of islands and inlets infused with dramatic scenery and a storied past. Led by noted historian Jeanette Taylor, this three-day heritage site tour is being offered through collaboration between the Museum and Mothership Adventures.

"Much of this part of the coast is not accessible by road," says tour guide Jeanette Taylor, "so it's cut off from the mainstream." But that wasn't always the case, according to Taylor. From the 1890s to the 1950s there were logging camps, fishing villages and First Nations sites scattered throughout the region.

Jeanette Taylor has written several books on coastal history, including River City, a History of Campbell River and the Discovery Islands. She's currently at work on a detailed history of the Discovery Islands for Harbour Publishing.

The Museum's Discovery Islands cruise starts in Campbell River, to wend its way through a circular route that starts off in beautiful Desolation Sound Marine Park and continues to the Redondas, then north through Hole in the Wall and Okisollo channels.

"There's something to see at every turn," says Taylor, "as we explore the maze of islands." There will be daily shore excursions to visit ancient First Nations village sites and old-time stores and post offices. For Taylor, personal highlights are the many pictographs on this route. "We'll see dozens of these paintings on stone, created by First Nations people hundreds of years ago." Another highlight, says Taylor, is the touching gravestone of two children buried in 1892 in what is now a deserted stretch of coast.

"We'll give participants a taste of the present too," says Taylor, "with a visit to a contemporary homestead on Sonora Island."

Taylor will spice up participants' interest in the many sites with tales of the distinctive characters who once lived among the islands. "With people



like Moses Cross Ireland, who was a legend in his own time, you never run short of colourful stories." And then there's M. Wylie Blanchet, says Taylor, who brought her large family to the coast by boat in summer through the 1940s. The tour will make several stops at places made famous by Blanchet in her book, The Curve of Time.

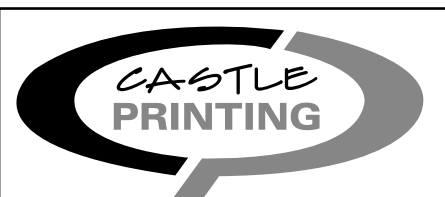
The crew of the Columbia III, also have a wealth of experience to share about the natural history and contemporary life on the islands, where they've made their home for several decades.

The 50-year-old Columbia III, was a key part of the story of these islands. The 68-foot vessel was one of the last to serve in the Columbia Coast Mission's fleet, bringing medical services and the gospel to islanders. She was impeccably restored by Mothership Adventures to serve as floating accommodation for eco and cultural tours. She has berth space on board for 10 people, along with a luxurious lounge as a central gathering place.

The Discovery Islands three day cruise costs \$730.00 per person, which includes accommodation and gourmet meals. If you have a passion for history and adventure, this trip is not to be missed. For more information check the Mothership Adventures website <<http://www.mothershipadventures.com>> Call the Museum at Campbell River at 250-287-3103 to register for this unique and fascinating voyage of discovery!

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Phenomenal Sale!

For the 13th consecutive year, the Quadra Philippines Giant Garage sale was gifted with dry, sunny weather allowing for easeful transportation of donations to the community centre as well as enabling participants to again share in the enormous wealth of this island. I must admit that I was somewhat dubious about week-end weather as the rain pounded down on the community center roof at the first Friday "Flick" of the season preceding this annual fund-raising marathon. However both Saturday and Sunday managed to be bright and sunny with vigorous rain resuming only again as I write this article on the Monday afternoon following another very successful event.



Thankfully, the rain waited until after my morning annual trek around the island to take down posters from telephone poles and until Michael and Mark made their second-last trip to Campbell River with garage sale remains that were left in limbo outside of the community center! My suggestion to anyone planning a future wedding is to strongly consider the 3rd week-end in September, since to date, mother nature has consistently offered gorgeous, summery weather. Quadra Islanders again pooled their energy and resources to make this a positive function with a financial outcome of \$5300, on par with last year's sale. Congratulations to Maritza Jacobs and Linda Gray, winners of the Quadra/Philippines Connection Art raffle!

Appreciation is extended to the many sorters, cashiers, bakers, food servers, packers and drivers who all contributed to making this another

successful and worthwhile endeavor. Thank-you to the following businesses for their continuing support: Waste Disposal Viken, Hummingbird, Cape Mudge Hall and Heriot Bay TruValue for delicious pizzas as well as Aroma Coffee Roaster for delicious local coffee. Special thanks goes to those families who consistently volunteer their homes as drop-off depots each year. **Due to the surplus of donations arriving at Milton Green House this year, we are looking for one more drop-off centre for future in the area of Smith Road or Quadra Loop. If you happen to be in this area and have any extra storage space on your property available for three weeks at the end of the summer, please let me know.**

occurrence on Quadra that has become an island tradition. Not only does it offer financial support for education to children and families in remote villages of the northern Philippines, but it brings together a diverse group of people within our own community who become bonded through this labor of love. I often liken this two day intensive event to the process of giving birth. The immediate labor pains are immense and I always immerge quite drained and weary by the end of the week-end, insisting that I am not up to doing this again. But the bond of love and commitment remain intact and as the year progresses, the memory of the labor pains fade, leaving only the realization of what a special privilege this experience has been.

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Halliday's Viewpoint

by Steven Halliday

Getting Ready for the Big One

On a recent flight to Vancouver I took along a copy of the August 2007 issue of *Popular Mechanics*, which for those of you unfamiliar with the periodical, is a great magazine with which to kill time; a wide variety of content, short and snappy articles, and always, always there will be something in it to make your jaw drop. My jaw-dropping moment occurred not as a result of the mag's contents, but rather the fact that I could not read it...at all. During this period while my new glasses were being manufactured I was wearing my old, old prescription glasses, and consequently I was now helpless when it came to reading medium print, let alone fine. Consequently the magazine sat unread until earlier this week, when it, and more particularly its cover story, caught my attention. "SURVIVE ANYTHING" it blared out, reminding me as to why I bought it in the first place. Surely that must be valuable knowledge, particularly in these "interesting" times of economic, political and environmental uncertainties.

I've always regarded my own survival rather pragmatically – while no "Survivorman" I can certainly hold my own when it comes to basic bush lore thanks to a childhood filled with outdoor adventures, years of hunting and fishing and a thirst for knowledge that has led me to study several relevant skills. To further hedge my bets, I moved to an island that offers my wife and I a much better chance at self-sufficiency, should it become necessary. When building our home I installed as many features that are propane-fuelled as my wife would tolerate, meaning I didn't get the propane lighting, fridge, dryer or hot water. We do intend, however, to replace our electric water heater with a propane "on demand" heater when inevitably necessary to do so, as economic logic won over Norma (why pay to heat 60 gallons of hot water 7/24/365?). At the moment, we probably could heat our home (minimally, anyway) and cook through several winter months on our existing propane capacity, but some day I'd like to increase that quantity exponentially – after all, the stuff doesn't go bad, and who knows how long we will be without fresh supply in the event of a local disaster? How about a non-local disaster? My emergency planning is mostly centered around the most likely scenario for our region – a major earthquake, an event that is somewhat overdue according to most experts on the subject.

Should a big one hit the west coast we can expect tremendous disruptions in our supply chains. The major distribution points are all located in areas of

massive urban sprawl, and if we assume disruption of roads and rail lines (and pipelines?) we can also assume local supplies will dry up very quickly. Our distance from said major distribution points, coupled with our geographic location in the middle of a strait ensures we are at the far end of the chain. Major disaster relief will be focused on the areas of densest population, hence highest need, and it is not a stretch to imagine several weeks of isolation on the islands, whether or not our local infrastructure remains relatively intact. Local supply of fuel and food probably has duration of only 2 to 3 days at most; less in the event of panic buying.

If it's really bad, we could be looking at months before replenishment reaches our little corner of paradise. By the way, fuel supply disruptions will extend throughout the province, but the mainland will at least have some passable roads, allowing faster resupply. I'm sure priority lists for emergency response do not list our outlying islands anywhere near the top ten, but with luck Campbell River will be an appropriately prioritized location, presuming it remains viable as a distribution point. Personally, though, I never count on luck.

As to food...well, we're not so prepared on that front. Being empty nesters, my wife and I have found that the freezer atop our refrigerator is perfectly adequate to our needs. Between dry and canned goods we're OK for a couple of weeks or so, which is not adequate and is something I plan to address soon. One thing I will not count on is the availability of wild game for food, as it is reasonable to expect that the present population of the island(s), once the impact of a serious disaster starts to really set in, will decimate the limited amount of game we have in no time flat. I figure on spending a fair amount of time fishing for sustenance, if it comes to that. Having five acres of good growing ground wasn't a side benefit of our home purchase, it was a conscious and deliberate step, and the three existing wells was a particular bonus. With a wife that has two green thumbs and good ground I think we can get by garden-wise, and I know for a fact that building a root cellar is not a big deal, so getting my little backhoe up and running is the first step to a lot of digging, and is much better than a shovel. In time (or in a hurry if necessary, I guess) some basic livestock could be accommodated quite nicely on our 5 acres, but that would require me to brush up on my animal husbandry skills, which at present are almost nil.

And speaking of brushing up on skills, our present lack of what were once considered "basic" skills represents one of the greatest threats to our society's survival. Even in our rural environment I know many people who would be at a total loss when it comes to rudimentary skills such as making a fire or catching a fish. In the cities it would be complete anarchy if the populace were to be unable to get food from the store – they have neither the skills nor the supply source to obtain food. Fortunately, for those of us who choose preparedness, there has been a resurgence in interest in "non-mechanized" methods of manufacture and production as a byproduct of the green revolution, and *Lee Valley Tools* (www.leevalleytools.com) offers an abundance of tools, equipment and most importantly books that originate in the late 19th or early 20th century. I found a reprint of a book published in the United States in the 1860's that was a bible for city dwellers who were moving west as settlers. Well over a thousand pages long, the book is a 'how-to' manual for prospective farmers and ranchers, covering everything from blacksmithing to construction to animal husbandry to first aid, parenting skills and food preservation. I think it will be a fine addition to my reference shelf, which also includes an original set of *Rose and Carlyle's Manual of Surgery (Volumes I & II – 1937 Coronation Edition)*. Just to be prepared, were I called upon to perform internal medicine in troubled times – the instructions are very easy to follow. Equipment, however, might be a problem; though I'm sure eBay could remedy that for me in a hurry.

Go ahead and check out the magazine if you like – it's full of handy tips on how to disconnect yourself from the gas and water lines, or drain your hot water tank for emergency water, but not much else. Better yet, take the time to sit down and think out your particular situation and reactions to a major disruption in fuel, food and electricity supply. Get a hold of our local Provincial Emergency Preparedness folks for invaluable tips and information, and you might find it enjoyable to brush up on a handy or forgotten skill that would be useful to yourself or others when and if times become difficult. One of the many things I learned in scouting was "Be Prepared" – so I guess I'd best put it into practice. Just in case. Now all I need is a patient to practice on...

MJM Air Beaver C-GAQW Engine Recovered!

What many regarded as an impossible task has been accomplished! The missing engine from the MJM Air Ltd float plane that had crashed off the East Coast of Quadra Island has finally reached the surface. Although the plane's fuselage had been located and retrieved from the ocean's floor back in July 2005, the engine still remained in over 250 meters of water after becoming detached during the recovery efforts.

For more than two years, the families and friends relentlessly continued their efforts in recovering the missing piece of the puzzle in hopes of providing the true answers to what had caused the plane to crash that early February 28th, 2005.

Despite the Transportation Safety Board's report, written before the aircraft was even located, the families never accepted the official version of **bad weather** and **pilot error** as cause of the crash and set out to look for their own answers. After locating the aircraft and funding the entire recovery efforts, they set out to bring up the crucial piece of evidence.

On September 10th, Kevin Decock, who's two brothers Doug and Trevor were among the missing passengers, snagged the engine with the help of a hook he and his cousin Ray had fabricated. A small underwater camera was mounted on the hook and recorded video footage while trolling every inch of the grid. Kevin spent days drawing graphs based on calculations of GPS waypoints, cable lengths, tides and currents within a four-point anchor system that would reduce his drifting pattern. Finally after three weeks of intensive fishing, he hooked onto the exhaust pipe of the engine. It was difficult to see exactly how the hook was lodged from the angle of the camera and it was a miracle that it held.

While the rest of the group scrambled to find a suitable boat that could lift the 750 lbs engine, he held tension on the cable for nearly four hours. The crew aboard the "Gung Ho", a vessel from Heriot Bay, cancelled their afternoon plans and responded

to the site. The engine was carefully lifted and finally reached the surface, propeller intact, in the early hours of September 11th. The day pilot Arnie Feast would have turned 55.

The engine was transported to Campbell River and examined by Jim Hayton, a professional investigator hired by the families, before Kevin personally turned it over to the Transportation Safety Board in Vancouver. Signs of a major fire and other indicators pointing to an engine failure were evident. Something the families believed in from the very beginning but were unable to convince TSB unless they could provide proofs.

A designated observer has been appointed to oversee the investigation done by the Transportation Safety Board and will report to the families when it is complete. The families hope the new evidence will lead to a coroner's inquiry and finally provide them with a proper investigation. Fabian Bedard, Doug and Trevor Decock, pilot Arnie Feast and Dave Stevens lost their lives that morning in an accident that could have been prevented. We believe that all workplace accidents should be investigated to ensure all safety measures are being maintained including the air taxi industry.

To learn more on this incident, please visit the website: www.questforjustice.ca You can also link to the petition online or view the recent documentary that aired on CTV News W-Five.

In closing, we would like to Thank all Quadra Islanders who stood by and supported the efforts of the group for the last two years... Thank you also to the crew of the "Gungho", BC Ferries, Taku Resort, Ray Aebig, Glen Dennis, Rick Linden, Todd Scharf, Bruce Prentice, Ed Jordan, Jim Hayton, Larry Langford, Dean, Kirsten, Darla and Sally.

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Pacific Daylight Time For Quathiaski Cove Sept. 28 - Oct. 12

28	00:16	1.5	4.9
Friday	06:37	3.9	12.8
	11:46	2.4	7.9
	18:13	4.3	14.1
29	01:13	1.1	3.6
Saturday	07:45	3.9	12.8
	12:24	2.8	9.2
	18:43	4.3	14.1
30	02:05	0.9	3.0
Sunday	08:59	3.9	12.8
	13:11	3.2	10.5
	19:17	4.2	13.8
01	02:57	0.8	2.6
Monday	10:13	3.9	12.8
	14:37	3.5	11.5
	19:55	4.1	13.5
02	03:55	0.9	3.0
Tuesday	11:31	4.0	13.1
	17:10	3.6	11.8
	20:40	3.8	12.5
03	05:06	1.0	3.3
Wednesday	12:51	4.0	13.1
	19:28	3.5	11.5
	21:45	3.6	11.8
04	06:25	1.2	3.9
Thursday	13:58	4.0	13.1
	20:59	3.3	10.8
	23:33	3.4	11.2
05	07:35	1.3	4.3
Friday	14:43	4.1	13.5
	21:55	3.0	9.8
06	01:17	3.3	10.8
Saturday	08:35	1.5	4.9
	15:17	4.1	13.5
	22:40	2.7	8.9
07	02:33	3.4	11.2
Sunday	09:30	1.7	5.6
	15:45	4.0	13.1
	23:19	2.5	8.2
08	03:33	3.5	11.5
Monday	10:19	1.9	6.2
	16:11	4.0	13.1
	23:53	2.2	7.2
09	04:25	3.6	11.8
Tuesday	11:01	2.2	7.2
	16:36	4.0	13.1
10	00:23	2.0	6.6
Wednesday	05:14	3.7	12.1
	11:22	2.5	8.2
	17:01	4.0	13.1
11	00:46	1.8	5.9
Thursday	06:02	3.8	12.5
	11:09	2.7	8.9
	17:23	3.9	12.8
12	00:51	1.6	5.2
Friday	06:51	3.8	12.5
	11:38	2.9	9.5
	17:41	3.9	12.8

UPCOMING BRANCH CLOSINGS!



Please mark your calendars or update your PDA's that QCU branches will be closed as follows:

Saturday, October 6th and Monday October 8th, 2007
Both Branches Closed for Thanksgiving Weekend

Saturday, October 13th, 2007
Both Branches Closed for Staff/Board Strategy Planning Sessions

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Services are available 7/24 through our and other ATM's, MemberDirect internet banking, and MemberLink telephone banking.

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