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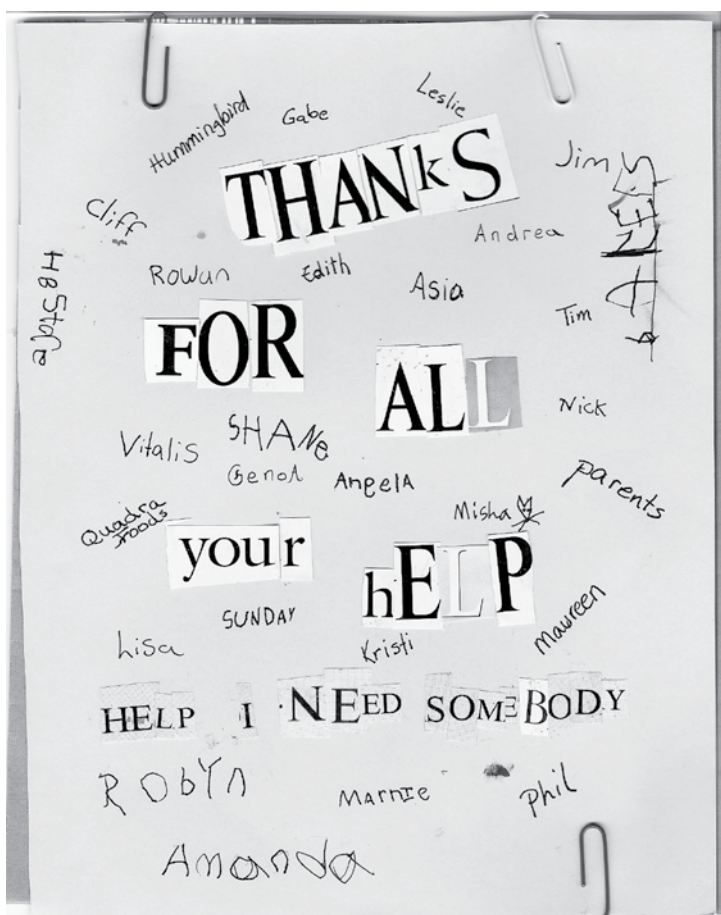


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# Island Calendar

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- **Quadra Legion** - Now open Thurs & Fri at 7 pm and Saturdays at 4:00pm
- **Every Monday** - Parent and Tots 9:30 am - noon Q.C.C.  
- Sing for Pure Joy! 3 - 4:30 pm Room 3 Q.C.C. All Voices Welcome.
- **Every Tuesday** - Quadra Children's Song Circle - 3 - 4:00 p.m. Room 3 Q.C.C.  
- Al-anon meeting, 7.30 pm at the Children's Centre  
- Folkdancing QCC-7:30 pm Sept-April
- **Every Wednesday** - Moms and Babes 11 am - noon Q.C.C.  
- Community Lunch noon Q.I.C.C.  
- Mindful Yoga with Michael, QCC 9:30am, 7:00 pm  
• **Every Thursday** - Parent and Tots 9:30 am - noon Q.C.C.  
- Yoga Classes 9-11 AM and 5-7 PM with Brenda Dempsey at the Upper Realm, QCove. 285-3054 or 203-1575 Drop ins welcome \$12.  
- Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm at Quadra Island Bible Church  
- Life Drawing Sessions with model at Firesign Studio 7-9:30 pm
- **Every Saturday** - Farmers' Market behind the Credit Union 10 am - 2 pm  
- Legion Meat Draw 5:00 pm, Steak Dinner at 6:30pm
- **Every Sunday** - QI United Church Service-11am, Set. - June  
Family Worship Service 10:30am Quadra Island Bible Church  
- Buddhist meditation 10 am Q.I.C.C., everyone welcome  
- Live Jazz at HBI 6:30 pm
- **1st Monday** - Quadra writers group - 7:00 to 9:00 pm 285-3656
- **1st and 3rd Wednesday** - Food Bank 1-2 Community Centre

**Next Deadline: Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

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## Day by day

July 3 – July 31st Perrin Sparks "Familiar Faces & Places" DRAW Gallery

### Friday, July 3

- Artist's Reception with Perrin Sparks DRAW Gallery 6 – 8pm
- Molly Hogans HBI Pub 9 pm

### Saturday, July 4

- Wellness Centre Open House Vitalis, Cove Centre 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Free work outs & refreshments!

### Sunday, July 5

- Quadra Island Sunday Painters Heriot Bay Gov. Dock parking lot 11 am - 2 pm

### Wednesday July 29

- Rex Weyler and David Hughes Manson's Hall, 6:00 pm Global trends and local implications in a reduced fossil fuel era

### Saturday - Sunday, August 1 - 2

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**Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**



## Dear Quadra Island Residents and Visitors,

On Oct. 26, 2007 the Junior Naturalist Club from Quadra Elementary School had the pleasure of interviewing award-winning wildlife photographer, author and conservationist Ian McAllister. Among his answers to the children's questions about wolves he said "We need to educate people; wild wolves are tolerant of humans, curious and accommodating." Wolves simply do not attack humans as our other two predators, bears and cougars do on occasion.

That said, there is not one documented case of any individual, including children, being harmed by a wolf on Quadra in over one hundred years. Humans are safe from wolves on our Quadra trails, although your dog may not be.

Which brings me to what prompted me to write this; caring for facts, truth and education about wolves. The June 24/09 Hungry Eye printed a 'name withheld' letter stating that their dog was attacked by wolves on May 12 and that "the vet at Coastland veterinary Hospital told us their facility had treated a dozen such cases from Quadra Island in the previous three months".

Not believing this I contacted Dr. Tutteli - Pukarinen at Coastland and was informed that they had treated 3 and possibly 4 Quadra dogs for "confirmed wolf attack" in the previous 6 to 8 months. What a huge discrepancy!

Also the word "confirmed" is relative in this case. Without photographic proof, vets can only accept the dog owner's claim of "wolf" at face value as there are many husky and German Shepherd crosses that look like a wolf to the unpractised and inexperienced eye. And dogs do attack other dogs. Most of us have witnessed dogfights, a very disturbing experience.

Our west coast wolves are smaller, leaner and have different colouring than the large gray timber wolves of northern and interior BC. One identifying feature is that a dog can bend its tail, but a wolf can not.

For further study I highly recommend the extensive collection of wolf photos in Ian McAllister's "Last of the Wild Wolves". Since we live with wolves and other wildlife, there are bound to be some wolf attacks on dogs. They're natural enemies, as wolves are very territorial and will even on occasion kill another wolf from a different pack who doesn't respect those boundaries.

Do we want the world to think that Quadra Island is overrun with wolves and not a desirable or safe place to live or visit? No. And fear-mongering printed information

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that is not true is not at all helpful for supporting our local businesses, especially the seasonal and outdoor ones. If First Nations people have lived in a respectful, knowledgeable and balanced way with wolves for thousands of years, we can learn from them. We can do it too.

Maureen McArdell

## Wolves Belong Here, Do You?

In response to the Hungry Eye's ongoing fear-mongering.

I am sorry for the loss of your pets; but I have spoken at length with our conservation officer and someone must tell all of you that his office's only mandate is to protect our pets and livestock; they are not in the business of 'conserving' wildlife.

People are not at risk of being attacked by wolves. As a matter of fact a pack will abandon a den full of pups as they see a human approaching to avoid conflict (aren't they clever?). They will attack and kill anything else to protect their home and family (sort of like us), that includes bears, wolverines and yes they despise dogs and will go out of their way to attack them.

But we have defaced them far more than they will ever effect us, remember \$5 an ear?

There are perhaps 10 or 12 wolves on this island, none of us really know, it is not them that are populous. They belong here and it is up to us to protect our own animals with knowledge and assertiveness.

So yes, keep Quadra wolves wild; avoid them when you can and stand up to them as top predator when you must; they will not defy you if you don't feed them, corner them or habituate them to your presence.

DO NOT phone conservation as they will simply come and shoot the next wolf they see in the area. These men are hunters not biologists and don't necessarily distinguish one 'trouble' wolf from another.

So if you consider a wolf's right to live to be lesser than your pets'; you should move to a place where there are no wolves; there are plenty of those left! - Hélene Lepage

## Dear Editor,

I read with interest the letter about the Bute Inlet Tour. It brought back some old memories. Also some thoughts.

The first time I went up Bute was in the spring of 1962, I was an 18 year old kid in my first floatplane ride to be a logger at Southgate Camp. We passed numerous 'Gypo Camps' on the way, plus all the larger side valleys had camps. This inlet has been extensively logged over the last 100 years and has come back very nicely.

As for the Homathco Camp, I have worked there also. It is a very nice camp with very nice people. They are also very smart people.

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Good going!

Too bad all the camps don't do this. Think how much it would save. Too bad we can't all have this, oh well.

Bill Hall Sr.



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All these images have been completed within the past 14 months and incorporate many of Quadra residents or scenes painted 'en-plein-aire' (outside, in the sun, rain, wind, bugs-in-your-teeth reality!) around the Island. Since Perrin works hard at completing the subject on site, instead of finishing up with a photograph, there is a 'sketchy' quality to many of them. It's hard to get the shadows or a model to hold still for hours at a time, but it's that very quality of chasing the light that provides the challenge to catch what captured Perrin's interest from the start.

DRAW Gallery invites the public to enjoy and savor the creative spirit of the artists who live amongst us. The gallery stands by its commitment to bring contemporary westcoast art in an intimate setting. Open Thurs-Sat 12-6pm and is located on Quadra Island at Village Square, in the rear – just follow the signs. Drop by and see the show next time you are at the Square. Openings First Fridays.

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## Come to the Farmers/ Community Market!

Every Saturday from May.16th till Sept.12th from 10am to 2pm. Gates open at 8am for vendors.

We welcome local vendors from Quadra Island and outer islands to set up at only \$5.00 a table. Charitable organizations are free and children's tables are \$1.00. Farmers, gardeners, art, crafts, musicians, food and surprises are sure to please locals and visitors. We have a unique island and talents so lets show it off and make it the best year ever. This is where it is happening on Saturday. A great gathering place for all.

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## Quadra Art Show

The Quadra Island Artists are following the success of the 2009 Studio Tour with their yearly exhibition of works at the Tidemark Theatre Lobby, July 3rd- August 30th. All are invited to meet the artists at a reception on Sunday, July the 5th from 2 until 4 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. When you are in town during July and August, drop in to see this display. The theatre hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 12a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Vitalis Wellness Centre Open House

Saturday, July 4th 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Free work outs & refreshments! Enter to win a draw for free services! Check out all that the Wellness Centre has to offer while meeting our Quadra Island health & wellness practitioners!

## Grow Food for the Community Kitchen

Anyone wanting to help provide local food for our wonderful Community Kitchen (the Wednesday Lunch) is invited to come to a work party on Saturday morning, June 20, 9.30 am - noon. at the Old Farm Community Garden on West Rd. The kitchen would value potatoes, onions, carrots and beets in particular as these are easily stored. Donations for fertiliser and seed potatoes would be appreciated if you cannot come and work. Contact; Mary (3084)

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers and donors, the Community Garden is flourishing and now has 32 plots including ones for the school, the After School Care Centre, and the Food Bank. One for the Community Kitchen remains to be tackled.



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# Regional Director's Report, Area C

July 3, 2009

by Jim Abram

## The making of a silk purse out of a sow's ear

As many of you are aware, we as directors have been going through extensive deliberations regarding the application by Grieg Seafoods for two fish farm sites near Sayward, in Area C. This has been a very trying time for each of us and probably one of the harder decisions I have had to make as your director. I had an incredible volume of information to thoroughly read, two public hearings to attend, countless emails and phone calls to answer and many, many discussions with my fellow directors on this topic. It has been difficult to concentrate on anything else.

As your director, I am in the unenviable position of having to make decisions. I am your representative but I am also expected to be a leader. Sometimes the two positions can cause conflict for me. In this situation, everything was conflicting! I have a community that has people on both sides of the issue that require "representation" and I have people on both sides of the issue that require "leadership". And I have to try to be all things to all people! We all know that this is impossible and that is where the leadership role needs to come into play.

I was put into the position of trying to find a "middle ground" from the "representation" perspective since there are people who oppose fish farms and people that earn their livelihoods from fish farms living in Area C. That position was completely impossible to deal with. Adequately addressing both sides' needs was impossible.

Hence, the "leadership" role, and the bolded title above. How can I take a difficult situation and try to come out with a decision that will do the best job of making things better for Area C and for the coast in general? My thought was to fall back on my long time, tried and true philosophy of "Balance". I needed to find a way to balance the needs of the workers in our area and also the concerns of those who are concerned about wild salmon. And I will note here, that I am one of those people who is concerned about our wild fish and our entire ecology. It is all part of my being.

I came up with a compromise proposal that would allow some economic activity, and, at the same time, try to move a very unpopular industry toward a more sustainable and responsible position with regard to wild fish. That was the goal: improve the industry that is here to stay for the time being so that no damage to the wild systems would occur as a result. Quite the task, but it came to me that if we don't try, then who will? The status quo didn't seem to be an option and we are in for another four years of government that has no intention of shutting down an industry that is such a huge economic engine for this province. So, my direction was to try to make it work, for both "sides".

The by law has been given third reading and my proposal limits it to one site with a whole list of conditions. For those of you who were not there at the SRD board meeting last Thursday, I am including, verbatim, what I had to say at

the board table. This is a proposal. The board agreed to it. I have no idea if the industry will agree to it. They must still come back to the board for final adoption, after they have met all of the conditions that I have proposed.

## The following is what I had to say:

\*As background, I was elected to my position in 1988. I was requested by my community to run for office due to the unprecedented proliferation of fish farms in what was then, Area J. My community was not happy and they wanted to see an immediate halt.

\*I spent my first year in office dealing with the provincial and federal governments trying to stop the issuance of any further tenures. I worked with the Ombudsman's office for many months and toured him to sites in the area to demonstrate the inappropriate siting and bad practices of those early farms.

\*It was to no avail.

\*I then worked with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to put in place local government zoning in my area, over the areas covered by water, so as to give my constituents some say in the siting of farms.

\*After two years of intensive meetings with the public and all sectors that were possibly affected, we came up with unique foreshore zoning. Over the following 5 years we managed to extend that zoning to all areas within Area J.

\*Let me be very clear... At that time I did not like what I saw with fish farms: I didn't like the siting; I didn't like the operational practices; and I didn't like how they were impacting my constituents and other users of the finite areas of water within Area J.

\*What I did at that time was to work with my community and with the industry to mitigate the impacts.

\*I had meeting after meeting with focus groups and with the industry and with the total community.

\*My mantra was "Balance". If we were going to live together, work together, and thrive as a community, we would need to achieve balance.

\*All parties' interests must be looked after, and I believe that they were, through the zoning.

\*For clarity once again... I have never been a proponent of major industrial activity in the areas that I represent.

\*I fought with the forest industry for years, opposing short-sighted practices that impact my constituents.

\*Once again... Balance!

\*Forest activity was not going to go away, so it seemed that a forum for discussion with the industry was the best way to achieve that balance.

\*I established, with help from other members of

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the community, a "Forest Resources Committee" that I got sanctioned by our Regional District board, that included representatives from all affected user groups and from our major TFL holder and forest workers.

\*We managed, over a period of a few years, to completely change the way that industrial forestry was carried out on our islands. The huge clear-cuts we had seen were limited to 5 hectares; local loggers were employed; local planters and spacers were employed; pesticide use was all but eliminated. Wood lots were promoted and now support many families on the islands.

\*We did this by working with industry and government, not by fighting them. Confrontation did not work!

\*20 years or so ago, many of us protested the events that were causing the decline of our salmon stocks.

\*Things such as habitat destruction from industrial forestry...

.. such as overfishing of all species, from salmon right on down the food chain to the species that the salmon needed to survive.

...I supported a federally proposed, drastic reduction in fish harvesting... to give all species a time to recover.

\*Stocks were plentiful then and humans, being human, took advantage of that... all sectors. Profits were high.

\*Now, due to habitat destruction, changing ocean conditions, overfishing and political mismanagement of the fishery for too many years, stocks have declined.

\*Fishers and conservationists are now keenly aware of the situation and have added the introduction of fish farms to the list of reasons for that decline.

\*And maybe fish farms are part of the problem...

\*I don't know the answer.

\*But I do know that we have an opportunity in this present rezoning to find out more information on the topic; to do much needed testing; and to leverage this industry into more sustainable practices such as **closed containment systems.**

\*Two sites have been applied for in my area.

\*What I am proposing, is the following:

\*That only one site be approved at Gunner Point.

\*That Greig Seafood voluntarily include in its DFO "Authorization Agreement", the following:

1. That the timing of introduction of fish and harvesting of fish from their pens will be done as outlined to us in detail. (see Public Hearing #2, letter from Greig).. include all points in the resolution

2. That the juvenile fish will be "lice free". (same comment as above)

3. That extensive and ongoing monitoring of sea lice on wild salmon will be carried out among the wild migration routes in the proximity of this site (same comment as above)

4. That all data gathered will be publicly available.

5. That the program for lighting, as outlined to us, will be adopted. (same comment as above)

6. In addition to the above, a separate "Letter of Undertaking" be provided by Greig: That the site will be converted to closed containment technology as soon as it is commercially available. (the word "viable" was never used by me. intentionally.)

7. And that this condition will be met prior to final adoption of the by-law.

8. Should the producers of the containment technology require a test site/pilot project we would encourage that this site be selected for that purpose.

\*The sooner the better.

\*I have talked a lot about balance...

\*Well, this is one more example.

\*I represent members of a community, some of whom are strongly opposed to open-net cage fin-fish farming and a community that is very dependent on the fish farming industry.

\*Walcan seafoods is one of the largest employers and they depend on both commercial and farm fish. And their workers and their families are also my constituents.

\*Greig Seafood has asked for what they want.

\*I have proposed something that will give them some of what they want and that will support the workers and families at Walcan.

\*My proposal will also give us a push towards innovation. A push that I heard the public say that they want and that wild salmon need.

\*I propose a balance.

\*This industry is not going to go away. This provincial government will not allow that.

\*It is up to us to find a way to work with industry and government to make this work for wild salmon and for my constituents.

This is our chance!

\*I have put every ounce of my energy into trying to do the best job that I possibly can for my area for 20 years. I have tried to protect the beauty of this place and tried to protect all that is here. I have also tried to keep us diversified and economically viable.

\*I continue in my efforts to balance these issues.

\*Only those of you around this table know how difficult the position I am in really is. I wish the public could walk in our shoes from time

to time and feel what it is like to be put in the position of making difficult decisions that take all points of view into consideration.

\*This is one of the more difficult decisions I have had to make. It is not an easy one, nor is it easy for my fellow directors.

\*New science comes in every day that must be considered. I view this site as a test as well as economic opportunity for Quadra residents and the surrounding area. **It is a test that could advance fish farming into a new era of closed containment OR it could prove that wild and farm fish cannot co-exist.**

\*Quadra Island and the area I represent is used to being on the leading edge of that breaking wave of innovation.

Once again, this is our chance to achieve balance.

So, that is what I had to say to the board of directors and I am now passing it along to you.

Your support of my efforts to continue to try and do the best that I can to represent all interests would be greatly appreciated. This is a difficult position, to say the least. I do my best and that is all that I can do. I hope that this report at least helps you to better understand the situation.

That is all that I want to bring to your attention for this issue... 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](mailto:abramfam@oberon.ark.com), or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... Lots of choices!

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram

Director, Discovery Islands - Mainland Inlets (Area C), SRD



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## Painting Out or In with Firesign this July

Quadra Island Sunday Painters will meet July 5 at the Heriot Bay Government Dock parking lot 11 AM- 2 PM. Marilyn Timms is coming to Firesign Studio to teach "The Zen of Quadra Island" July 20-24. Timms' evident joy in painting will inspire and encourage you. All water media are welcome, outside or in, depending on weather. Contact Nanci if you are interested in drop-in figure drawing sessions with a model. 285-3390 [www.firesignartanddesign.com](http://www.firesignartanddesign.com).

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BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and Emcon Services Announce

## 11km of road rehabilitation and re-surfacing Cortes Island

Emcon Services and the Ministry of Transportation are pleased to announce over \$540,000 in road rehabilitation and re-surfacing on Cortes Island is moving forward over the summer months.

Over the next several weeks, residents and visitors to Cortes Island will see significant work and improvements being undertaken on the network of roads on Cortes Island. Working closely with the Ministry, Emcon Services has identified and prioritized nearly 11 kilometers of road infrastructure for rehabilitation and re-surfacing this season.

Using a combination of several road rehabilitation techniques and working with a variety of contractors, improvements to the road surface will consist of asphalt paving, asphalt pulverization and base strengthening, followed by a double application of graded aggregate seal.

Greg Ehman, Operations Manager for Emcon Services remarks, "One of the greatest challenges on Cortes Island is the weak road base associated with the nature of the existing soils on the island. This weak base leads to ongoing and recurring road failures. Over the last five years, Emcon has worked closely with the Ministry to improve these roads largely with asphalt and graded seal applications. This innovative approach using a pulverization technique should provide increased strength, durability and improve the life expectancy of these roads."

Over the next several weeks, residents and tourists will see increased contracting activity, arrival of a wide variety of maintenance equipment, coupled with the arrival of several barges of graded aggregate seal material. Emcon has worked closely with local residents to minimize disruption. However, during the next few weeks, travelers to the Island can expect some minor delays during daylight hours.

During this construction, Emcon asks that drivers respect the signage, slow down in construction zones and obey all flag persons. Notices will be posted locally advising of current road conditions and any expected delays.

### Inquires can be directed to:

Greg Ehman, Operations Manager – North Island

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## Quadra Island Seniors-BR. 91 – B.C.O.A.P.O.

We are busy working at the Tourist Information Centre, and meeting many interesting people from all over the world. Drop by and visit if you in the area.

### EXCURSIONS AND PICNICS—

Our trip to Nootka Island was on a rainy, windy day, but with the help of Historian Joy Inglis, we had a very interesting day. The Uchuk 111 unloads material and provisions on the way to Friendly Cove. The most exciting unloading for the people,

was the two kyackers being brought overboard on the davit, one at a time. And off they went on their journey somewhere, while everyone waved, Goodbye. There was many people on the boat coming and going, Seniors, Tourists, Students who had been on the Nootka Trail hike, and were playing with cards, that glowed in the dark.

One Grad student from U.B.C. said while sleeping under a tarp, one night, she swore a wolf licked her nose, we wondered if it was Master Carver Sanford Williams dog. "What do you think?" Other passengers were a class of children, who were lucky to have Cedar hats, given to them made on board by Princess Maquinna.

The Princess later gave us a talk about the Totems in the old church on Nootka Island. She pointed out the beautiful leaded glass art windows, in the Narthex of the church, which were donated by the Spanish. Some Seniors walked up to see John Jewett Lake, which was named after a metal worker, who was taken prisoner for two years, Jewett was good at making Knives, harpoons and many other metal objects, which the natives found very useful, and trade. There are many books written about Maquinna and Jewett, one is written by our local author Hilary Stewart, The Life and Times of John Jewett. Other trips planned for the Seniors is on Wed. July 8th/09, a Pot-Luck Picnic, at Black Creeks Halbe Hall. On Wed. July 15th/09 an Excursion to N.I Wildlife in Errington, lunch at Coombs and a visit to Butterfly World. On Thurs July 23rd/09 a fun-time at Miracle Beach Mini Golf and Internet Café. In August, a Boat trip with JackMar, and Diver. In Sept, a tour to Campbell River Museum and lunch at Canton Restaurant. Call Ruth 285-3801.

Our next meeting, will be held on Rebecca Spit along with our annual picnic Wed. Sept. 02/09, a lot of fun and games, prizes, and a Pot-luck Lunch.

Walk with Lloyd and Peter on the Spit at 11:00 a.m on Sundays, meet at Launch Ramp or catch up at the Park with the active walkers.

For membership call Muriel @3216, Bob @2907 or Ruth @3801

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# Area B Regional Director's Report

July 3, 2009

by Noba Anderson

## Official Community Plan (OCP) Review Has Begun

I am delighted that over 90 people came out to Cortes' OCP Blue-Sky kick-off event on a sunny Saturday afternoon in mid-June. Way to go Cortes! A special thanks to the younger generation for jumping in. This has set a very positive, proactive and solutions-oriented tone which I truly hope will be maintained. We mapped our community assets and challenges while kid's poetry and art covered the walls. I look forward to the next phase of data gathering and community education. In this vein, until July 9th we are accepting applications for the position of OCP Education Coordinator. This will be a part-time job until December helping Cortesians become educated and inspired about the opportunities we have to shape our island's future. For details, please visit [www.cortesland.com](http://www.cortesland.com) Regional Director's Page or call me.

## \$10,000 Funding for Age-Friendly Community Planning

Cortes has been awarded funds through the Union of BC Municipalities 'age-friendly' grant program to augment our Official Community Plan (OCP) review to ensure that both our planning process and our final plan are inclusive and reflective of senior's needs and ambitions. Thanks to Sandra Wood, with the Cortes Island Seniors, for your grant-winning.

## Climate Action Funds

As part of the Federal gas tax funds distributed to the SRD, Cortes will have an anticipated \$350,000 over the next four years to spend on the three priority areas: reduced greenhouse gas emissions, cleaner air & cleaner water. I would like to strike a small and dedicated Cortes working group to advise myself, staff and the SRD board as to local project recommendations and spending priorities. If you are interested, please contact me.

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## Core Funding for Manson's and the Gorge Halls?

For years, Manson's Hall has been calling for core funding support through Regional District taxation and the Gorge Hall is also interested. Most other community halls in the region are supported this way and I will soon be asking you to consider whether you are willing to do the same for your community centers. Over the summer, the SRD will be conducting a feasibility study to evaluate the financial need and funding possibilities for our halls. An update will follow in the fall.

## Grant-In-Aid Funds

In keeping with previous years, the 2009 \$14,470 'grant in aid' funds from the SRD were awarded to a number of community groups. The two major recipients of this year's funds were the Southern Cortes Community Association & the Whaletown Community Club, with additional grants being awarded to the Cortes Community Radio, Cortes Island Museum, Cortes Island Seniors, Cortes Community

Health Association, Friends of Cortes Island, Cortes Island Seafood Association, Museum at Campbell River, Mountainair Avian Rescue Society, Cortes Island Potters Guild, Campbell River Beacon Club, & the Campbell River Art Gallery. Thank-you all for your excellent work!

## Fish Farms

I will not often report on issues specific to other areas within the regional district, however, the recent application by Grieg Seafood for two new open-net fish farms off Sayward has raised much attention, and I think it only fair to share with you the reasoning for my supportive vote. The health of our coast and indeed of our wild salmon that bind this ecosystem together are of the utmost importance. After 5 months of reading, meeting, listening and touring, after two public hearings in Sayward with packed houses, and after reading hundreds of letters of submission, Brenda Leigh, Jim Abram and I voted, with majority, to approve rezoning for one of the two proposed

sites with many conditions. The most compelling condition is that this fish farm site will move to closed containment as soon as it is commercially available, which according to Middle Bay Sustainable Aquaculture who is developing this technology, is about two years away. Early adoption of closed containment by one of the three largest players in the fish farm industry I trust will be the thin edge of the wedge of change, and it is rare that we have this kind of leverage to demand the use of closed containment. I believe that this is the best deal we could make for the wellbeing of the coast.

Visit the Regional Director page at [www.cortesland.com](http://www.cortesland.com) for updates and details.

In gratitude, Noba Anderson

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## Historic Kayak Tour of Cortes Island



### July 17th

The southwest coast of Cortes Island is one of the most scenic spots on the mid-coast. It is also loaded with historic interest. On July 17th Misty Isles Adventures teams up with the Cortes Island Museum to offer a day tour by kayak through the protected waterways from Mansons Lagoon to the Gorge Harbour and towards Smelt Bay.

Misty Isles provides all the equipment and training for this easy day trip that guide Brian Fryer describes as the perfect place to try out kayaking or learn new techniques. The deep bays and shallow waterways make for ideal paddling.

Historical sites along the way include First Nations pictographs (paintings on stone) on the sheer rock face at the narrow entrance to the Gorge Harbour. A bit further south, there is a petroglyph (a carving in stone), which is said to have been created by a young man who gained tremendous skill as a hunter on a spiritual quest. Brian will also describe some of the commercial activities on this part of Cortes, from whaling in the early days to modern oyster aquaculture.

The trip will depart from Mansons Landing Marine Park at 1030 a.m. Participants will cross from Campbell River to Quadra Island on the 8:30 a.m. ferry and leave their cars in Heriot Bay for the 9:05 a.m. crossing to Cortes.

They will return on the 5:50p.m. ferry to Quadra Island. The cost for this day tour is \$105 (GST included) or \$117 with lunch provided.

Other upcoming Cortes Museum trips include a tour of Desolation Sound on August 29th. For more information or to register for any of these trips, call the Cortes Museum at (250) 935-6340 or email [cimas@twincomm.ca](mailto:cimas@twincomm.ca)

## Gardens And Art - A Gorgeous Combination

### July 4th & 5th.

Do you need new inspiration for your gardening endeavours? Are you someone who simply loves to admire the horticultural pursuits of others? Either way, a cruise to Campbell River this weekend (July 4 & 5) may be in order.

Campbell River Art Gallery's 14th annual Garden & Art Tour (10am- 4pm daily) promises a feast for the senses. Gardens stretch from north to south and range from jewel-like city plots to generous acreages. Participants can watch artists working at five of the gardens in this self-guided tour.

"Buy your tickets," says Gallery director Jeanette Taylor, "gather a few friends & family and set off at your own pace." Tickets include garden descriptions, a location map, and a list of restaurants offering special rates.

There are 13 gardens open over two days, each one a unique expression of the gardeners' creative vision. The Jensen/Brown's tranquil oasis is one of eight new gardens this year. It will be a highlight for many with its elaborate rockwork, water features, layers of mixed plantings and woodsy perimeter. Its design is guided by the eastern principles of Feng Shui.

For Faye Dahoy and Margaret Reedyk, good gardeners make good neighbours. Because their properties divide to a narrow point, they don't fence. Instead, they combine forces by sharing garden beds, plants and more to create optimum garden enjoyment for all.

Campbell River's "Jurassic Park" is another must see. Kevin and Dianna Thompson's yard features imaginative collections of large, unusual plants and trees, impressive rockwork, sculptures and murals.

Tickets cost \$15 per person. Ticket outlets are: the Art Gallery and Visitor Info Centre in Tyee Plaza; Serendipity in the Garden, Shopper's Row; Willows Farm Market & Garden Centre; and Comox Valley Art Gallery in Courtenay. Thanks to Royal LePage Advance Realty for sponsoring this event. Phone 250-287-2261 for more information.

## Experience The Awesome Majesty Of Bute Inlet

The head of Bute Inlet is the climax of BC's wild, remote coastline and high rugged mountains. The scale and grandeur of the landscape with its 9000 ft finely chiseled granite peaks poised high above the turquoise, glacier fed ocean waters with 13,200 ft Mt Waddington towering in the background rivals any fiord in the world. It has been described as Canada's Grand Canyon but bigger and better.

Join Steep Island Lodge and the friends of Bute Inlet in this special tour to help protect this threatened wilderness gem. Ride with MV Steep Island on a 2 day water taxi based expedition to Bute Inlet and the Homathko Valley with overnight accommodations at picturesque Homathko Logging Camp and enjoy spirited interpretations of local knowledge by wilderness guide, Rob Wood.

PRICE: \$350 per person all inclusive and gst. 10% discount for full group booking 10% deposit confirms booking

DATES: July 14th -15th: July 20th -21st: Aug 3rd - 4th: Aug 13th-14th: Sept 7th -8th : Sept 10th -11th: Sept 28th-29th

ITINERARY: The package includes water taxi service from either Campbell River or Heriot Bay on Quadra Island to Homathko Camp and back; meals, accommodations and land transportation at Homathko Camp and guiding service with in depth geographical and historical interpretation.

There are 12 seats available on the water taxi. Departs Campbell River 8.00am on Day 1. Returns 7.00pm Day 2

Homathko Camp accommodations are basic hotel standard with single and or double rooms and shared bathrooms. The food is excellent with charming and unique old fashioned back country hospitality. Bring your own lunch on day 1 and wine with dinner if you wish.

For Bookings or more information contact Steep island Lodge at [info@steepisland.com](mailto:info@steepisland.com) or call at 250-830-8179

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implications and potential solutions for rural living? What could local resiliency look like?

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## 6 Months Until "Messiah".

If you love to sing you may want to reserve Thursday evenings to come to Quadra Singers starting September 17th. If you love to listen then you may want to mark December 19 th on your calendar. More info to follow!!!!

## Free Store Anyone?

Is there anyone interested in getting a Free Store going on Quadra? The basic necessities are: a building that is heated, lighted and secure; a location which would be suitable to the community; and some people to run it. At the present time, a possible location has been offered. If this idea interests you or if you know of an available building which could be used where it is or moved to the offered site, please call: Mary at 250-285-3133 or email: quadraican@gmail.com

## Fire Spinning Moon Jams

Fire spinners, come strut your stuff and practice with fire! Anyone that likes to spin with fire (or glow!) is welcome to come and jam and have fun. Bring your poi, hoop, staff, fans, whips (!) or any other safe fire toys you may have! Come half an hour or so before it gets dark to practice and share moves (without fire) - especially good for beginners or those interested in learning. Also, drummers, didgers, etc. more than welcome to ad your musical expression.

Jams to be held on every full moon and new moon, coming dates are July 7, July 21, Aug. 5, Aug. 20. Starts at dusk. Location: Rebecca Spit at the gate (will be open, but closes later). If you're driving, park on side of road (right before the gate) - go immediately to your left - it's at the little park right there.

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## Museum at Campbell River Historic Shopper's Row



*Shoppers Row after a southeaster, circa 1955*

On Saturday, July 4, from 1 pm – 2:30 pm, the Museum at Campbell River will present an illustrated talk on the History of Shopper's Row. Based on the historic signage placed along Shopper's Row last year, the talk will focus on archival photographs of the area. Local community historian Danny Brown has amassed an amazing array of tales and anecdotes to accompany the photos, and presents an insightful look at the early development and evolution of downtown Campbell River.

Join the Museum for a stroll down 'memory lane'! For newcomers to the area, this is an excellent opportunity to learn about the historic development of our city. The cost for the talk is \$6.00. To reserve a seat, please call the Museum at 250-287-3103.

## The Cortes Island Museum Sponsors A Trip Around Maurelle Island With Misty Isles Adventures

On July 10th, the tides will allow Misty Isles to circumnavigate historic Maurelle Island. Beazley Pass in Surge narrows and the Hole In The Wall are famous for their tidal rapids but we will be able to work our way through them on this day at near slack water. Later in the afternoon the incoming tide will thunder through at almost 9 knots! Eagles, seals and sea-lions are often seen fishing in these fast waters.

Along the way we may visit the "gallery" in the Octopus Islands, pass the historic settlement at Church House and look for the Raven's Chamber Pot! This is an area of incredible beauty. Mike and Samantha Moore will talk about the history and point out the diversity of life, which takes its rhythm from the tides.

Because of the ideal tides on July 10th, this is a unique opportunity not to be missed!

Misty Isles departs the Whaletown dock at 9:45am and returns at around 5:30pm. This will allow visitors from off island to make ferry connections. The ferry leaves Campbell River for Quadra Island at 8:30am. In order to avoid the possibility of the last ferry off Cortes being overloaded, please leave your vehicle in Heriot bay and walk on to the Cortes ferry in the morning. The cost for



the trip is \$105 (includes GST) per person.

Participants should bring extra clothes appropriate for the weather including a jacket, rain gear, sunscreen and a hat. Participants should also bring their lunch. Snacks and tea are provided.

Participants will travel on the 8:30am ferry to Quadra Island to link with the 9:05 a.m. ferry to Cortes Island for a 10:30am departure from Cortes Bay. The fee for this day trip of \$105 helps fund the operation of the Cortes Museum. For information on this and other museum tours call (250) 935-6340 or email [timas@twincomm.net](mailto:timas@twincomm.net).

Other Misty Isles trips coming up include a kayaking day trip along the west side of Cortes July 17th and a Misty Isles trip into Desolation Sound on August 29th. Check out [www.cortesmuseum.ca](http://www.cortesmuseum.ca) for all of the Cortes Island Museum's events.

## A Quick But Heartfelt Thank You

To all who have helped with Canada Day 2009. At the DI's deadline we are still compiling the full list of all who have very generously donated their time, cash, and assorted goods and services. Please know that your contributions are all very much appreciated, and we could not make this wonderful community event happen without you! We will publish a full list of acknowledgments in the next issue, and on the Gumboot in due course. In appreciation of your community spirit, the Canada Day Committee.

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## Gold Award Kayakers Visit Quadra



Prince Edward is greeted by Shirley Turner, Van Tech Principal David Derpak and School Board Superintendant Chris Kelly.

This week twelve Grade 12 inner city students from Vancouver Technical's Duke of Edinburgh Award Program arrive on Quadra Island to earn their Gold Award by completing a kayaking expedition in the Okisollo and Hoskyn Channels. Quadra resident Shirley Turner, who is also Van Tech's Mini School Director and Science teacher, leads this expedition for the second year in a row. "Quadra's marine environment provides us with a wonderful opportunity to teach inner city youth outdoor survival skills, leadership skills and a sense of responsibility for their community," says Turner. "Those of us who live here can take the beauty of this place for granted sometimes. It is a real privilege to be able to share it with inner city kids who otherwise don't get the opportunity to move out of their comfort zone and experience the challenge of travelling in the wilderness as a close knit group."

"This is where the tides collide," adds John Martin, who teaches the navigation component of the trip. Students are provided with a compass, tide tables, charts and given the opportunity to learn how to use them. It's not easy to earn the gold. They have to show a great degree of effort and commitment."

This year, Shirley's students garnered 50 % of the Gold Awards given to public schools in BC. In recognition of this exceptional achievement, Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, paid a Royal Visit to Van Tech (June 4) to present this year's awards in a unique ceremony.

"Shirley is a very dedicated teacher and an excellent role model for her students," offers Martin, who is himself a teacher.

Shirley has been nominated for the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence, 2009. "My students tell me this experience changes their perspective on the world forever," she says. "That's my biggest reward." Shirley thanks her community on Quadra as well as Spirit of the West and Island Link for their invaluable assistance in making this expedition possible. - Francesca Gesualdi.

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## School PAC Kayak Raffle

Summer Vacation is here but you can still purchase your raffle tickets for a Boreal Narwhal Kayak package at Hummingbird Office Supplies.

Thank you to Christi and staff for helping us in our efforts to provide the Quadra Elementary students with a new playground structure. More thanks to Quadra Village Market as the donation boxes are out again, they are pledging to help the PAC cover installation costs too.

So consider dropping your change in... every contribution is gratefully welcomed.

## Cancer Study Ongoing

Amped on Nutrition is still involved in a cancer study for Quadra Island. Please, if you or any member of your family has now or previously had cancer while living on Quadra you can qualify for the study.

This is a long term project which will probably take 5 years to complete. Amped is taking information and will map the occurrence of cancer on Quadra. We are working together with the Cape Mudge Band which is now in the process of testing for cancer causing agents in the air. In trying to identify the source they are working with an environmental consultant Michael Gordon from Vancouver. Dr. David Martin of Health Canada is in the process of matching postal codes with cancer on the south end of Quadra.

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# Halliday's Viewpoint

by Steven Halliday

## Duo of Evil?

**N**otwithstanding the dominance of Michael Jackson's death in the news, Iran and North Korea continue to remain worthy of society's future concentrated attention and present comment – events in their respective quarters have only gotten far more dangerous in the past few weeks. North Korea and Iran are poles apart in pretty much every comparison one could muster, from religion to economic strength to infant mortality, but they are both easily the most unpredictable and menacing countries in southeast and southwest Asia respectively, and certainly the most notable members of George Bush's Axis of Evil, however inept the label.

North Korea (DPRK) has been a political hotspot, at least for South Korea, China, Japan and the USA, for over 50 years. For much of this time, under the leadership of the Kim Il-Sung (who, though dead since 1994, is still the "official" leader of the country, after receiving the posthumously-awarded title of "Eternal President") the country was heavily veiled by the Iron Curtain after their partition in 1953, and only received sporadic and generally unfavourable comment by western media. Since his son Kim Jong-Il took power he has actively sought the media spotlight, provided it casts him and his nation in a favourable light. That could not possibly happen, given the collective damage done by Jong-Il and his father to North Korea's economy, its peoples well being and the national psyche.

Kim Jong-Il has attempted to gain the world's attention by developing a big stick with which to threaten those whom he distrusts or dislikes...sort of like a petulant child, albeit a very dangerous one. Ironically, the big stick (or nuclear missile) his country threatens to use was colloquially known as "no dong"; after a couple of flawed launches and hasty consultations with his advisors his big stick is now called "long dong". This would be almost funny were he not stuffing his "dongs" with nuclear material and threatening South Korea, Japan and now Hawaii with his radioactive retribution for making fun of his hair, or platform shoes, or whatever. Meanwhile, millions of North Koreans waste away physically from starvation and mentally from deprivation, all due to the actions of a dictatorial dynasty that has just seen its 3rd generation be installed in a position of high power. Kim Jong-Un, youngest son of Jong-Il, has at age 26 been anointed probable successor and elevated to head of the North Korean security apparatus. Little is known about the younger Kim, as he has been raised

under a cloak of secrecy and whose only exposure to the world outside the DPRK has been clandestine, under an assumed name and origin. There is little reason to think he has escaped the megalomania that has infected his father and grandfather.

Recently my wife commented on North Korea, after reading the latest threats being flung about out of Pyongyang, the nation's capital. She said she was "starting to worry" about the situation, which I felt was an unhealthy waste of worry given everything else there is to worry about. My argument against worrying about North Korea was mainly buttressed by the fact that the country has absolutely no allies...no, not even China would use the term ally as regards the DPRK. The country has existed (barely) under various UN sanctions for decades, and lost its only putative allies with the collapse of Communism as a credible power block. Should Kim Jong-Il or his successor decide on the nuclear option, for whatever reason, the response will be rapid, devastating and final. In a somewhat selfish observation I noted to Norma that the only likely candidate for damage from the DPRK is South Korea (ROK), which is both militarily and mentally prepared for such an eventuality – and reactive support from the US and Japan will be immediate, and the DPRK well knows this...it's the main reason they have "behaved" in the past. The world as a whole has nothing to fear from North Korea, but its immediate neighbours have plenty to worry about, likely for several years to come, since in the "Kim" family it is pre-ordained that apple will not fall far from the tree.

Iran, on the other hand, has the capacity to do widespread damage within the region it inhabits; further, they have real economic clout and command wide-spread authority by virtue of their constitutionally enshrined Shia religious theocracy, authority which extends to several countries bordering Iran, most importantly, Iraq. Iran has had a long and interesting history that goes back some 7,000 years. They were a regional power as Persia, and the country has undergone a turbulent century that culminated with the 1979 Revolution and the people's rejection of the Reza-Pahlavi's dynastic rule in favour of theocracy. Since then Iran has fought a costly military war with Iraq, supported contemptible terrorist activities throughout the Middle East and Europe, and successfully repressed democratic reform forces within the country. The country, in recent years anyway, appeared to be loosening up in terms of human rights and political dissent, but that movement

has likely suffered a significant setback of late.

The recent civil disruptions that erupted as a result of the contested presidential election results are going nowhere. With the blessing of Grand Mullah Ali Khomeini, Supreme Leader of Iran, questions regarding the election have been deemed irrelevant, protests will be suppressed at whatever cost and "dissidents" should be severely punished. For a few days after the disputed election Khomeini kept the world in suspense by remaining silent, and the protests against the government increased steadfastly. With his condemnation unrest ceased almost overnight, which is no surprise in a country where unsanctioned protest can cost you your liberty or your life, as thousands of Iranian citizens can attest – those that remain alive, anyway.

The seemingly bizarre behaviour and mutterings of Iran's president Ahmadinejad have been tolerated by the ruling Mullahs over the past few years, and their increasingly clear support of him, in spite of significant public opposition, is a strong indication that Iran will remain intransigent as regards internal and external policy for the time being. This presumably means they will continue to develop nuclear technology, ostensibly for peaceful purposes, which in and of itself is not an issue, but many nations (most notably the US and Britain) fear that they are developing nuclear weapons in pursuance of jihad, with Israel as Target Number One amongst many.

Iran, unlike North Korea, has plenty of friends in the region, those that aren't simply fearful neighbours anyway (such as Jordan, Saudi Arabia and most of the "emirates" of the region). Lebanon, Iraq, Syria and likely Egypt could be considered "friendly", while at the other end of the scale we have Israel, its putative guardian the USA, and Russia, which is not-at-all crazy about Iran's coziness with the former USSR's many ex-captive neighbours whose names end in "stan". Iran, unlike North Korea, has the potential to cause serious regional disruption that could significantly impact the rest of the globe, and unfortunately is not sending out clear and substantive assurances they intend no such thing. If Norma needs to worry (and she, like all of us, has enough on her plate as it is) then Iran is definitely the place to watch, not North Korea. But until both of these countries are willing to open a dialogue leading to "normal" relations with the rest of the world, keeping an eye on both is certainly prudent, if you don't already have enough to worry about.

# Trout Derby Wrap Up

Thanks to everyone who came out to support the 44th annual trout derby this past Father's Day weekend.

With close to 100 entries, Mike Sumner once again for the third consecutive year took top prize with a 1lb 14oz trout winning this years trout derby and the Garnet Patten Memorial trophy for men's largest fish. The Howard Richards Memorial trophy for women's largest fish went to Sharon Craddock, with a 1lb 1oz trout.

## Congratulations to all the winners!

### Youth 15 & under

- 1st Derek Clandening
- 2nd Doug Liseth & Chelsea Craddock
- 3rd Damon Sumner

### Women's

- 1st Sharon Craddock
- 2nd Julie Frank
- 3rd Kathy Binnersley

### Men's

- 1st Mike Sumner
- 2nd Terry Binnersley
- 3rd Jason Quocksister

This year's entry prizewinners were Val McGuffie, Frank Inrig and Braedon Calibaba. Hugh Inrig won this years hidden weight, the skunk prize went to Cal Clandening. In celebration of Father's Day, Mike Sumner won the draw and John Nutting won the 50/50 draw.

This year's proceeds of \$250.00 will be donated to the Legion.

Special thank you to Steve Mitchell for the corn on the cob and watermelon. To Terry and Mike for preparing our campsite. To Tyler Vananrooy for his generous donation of three fishing rods and tackle boxes and to Dawn Ross Harbour Authority for donating the boat ramp pass. Thank you to Wyatt Huffman for the card and flower, we loved and appreciated your thoughtfulness. Once again to the department of highways for permission to camp and allowing the community to continue the trout derby tradition. Thank you to Owen Bird the co-ordinator of B.C.'s Family Fun Fishing weekend for all his help and support.

Looking forward to next years 45th trout derby!!

Darlene, Laurel and Sally

# Cortes Artists Open Their Studios

Treat yourself and delight your sense of sight and touch! Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2, 2009, Cortes Island Museum and Archives Society is hosting an art studio tour on Cortes Island. Featuring the wonderful and diverse work of local artists, this inspiring tour presents a perfect opportunity for people to come and visit beautiful Cortes Island.

Replacing our annual Cortes Garden Tour, this new event will give Cortes artists a chance to share their creative and vibrant work with you. Visit over 40 unique and talented artists in their studios, some in collective groups and many not generally open to the public. A great variety to delight your eye on the tour include: woodwork, stoneware, porcelain, functional and decorative pottery, weaving, jewelry, solar etching, photography, watercolour, printmaking, stone and wood sculptures, collage, fiber and folk art, carved masks, shell rattles, mixed media, and sculptures in bone, antler and gemstone.

Some artists have colourful and fragrant gardens to walk through.

One artist has her weaving studio in her home in the new Senior's Village. Stop by to see how effectively a studio can be set up in a small space.

At some point in your tour take time to stop, relax and enjoy some refreshments at the Cortes Museum, where more art will be on display and a First Nations artist will be working on his traditional carving.

Tickets are \$12, including a map with studio descriptions, and are available at Cortes Island stores, the Museum and Friday Markets at Manson's Hall.

Visitors from off island can arrive on the first ferry to Cortes and pick up their tickets until 10:00 am on tour days near the top of the hill up from the ferry landing – watch for signs at the corner of Seavista Road.

From Campbell River, patrons should catch the 8:30 am ferry to Quadra that connects to the Cortes ferry and Quadra Island patrons should board the 9:05 am Cortes ferry from Heriot Bay. This will leave you plenty of time to spend the day visiting an array of talented artists and their studios before catching the last ferry home at 5:50 pm. Car pooling is a great way to save money and avoid ferry line up delays. Overnight stays may be pre-booked at Cortes Motel, George Harbour Marina Lodge or at one of many B&B's on Cortes – all advertise on: [cortesisland.com](http://cortesisland.com).

Join us for this exciting new event and help support the Cortes Island Museum and Archives Society! For more information call the Museum at 250-935-6340 or email: [cimas@twincomm.ca](mailto:cimas@twincomm.ca).

# Literacy In Action

Thanks to community members who responded to surveys and interviews that enabled the literacy task group to develop a literacy plan for Quadra. What we have learned has become the platform of our action plan to support this strong, vibrant and healthy community by promoting accessibility to literacy and lifelong learning. In brief, here are the goals.

## Goal One

Strengthening the foundations of the Quadra Literacy Action Plan to ensure that the necessary resources, connections and communications are in place for the Plan's sustainability and vitality.

This will be achieved by

1. Providing an accessible, central data base for current literacy information
2. Maintaining a strong literacy presence and literacy resource on Quadra
3. Continuing to meet and collaborate with community literacy groups

## Goal Two

Literacy skills and services for adults

This will be achieved by

1. Ensuring that literacy help is available to adults in the community
2. Providing training for volunteers to help individuals in one-on-one learning
3. Providing informal settings for people with adequate literacy levels to enhance their skills

## Goal Three

Support for early learning and literacy for children and families

This will be achieved by

1. Promoting early learning and literacy outreach
2. Supporting access to literacy for children and families

Thanks to the dedicated task group who have been meeting on a monthly basis over the past year to develop this plan. 2010 LEGACIES NOW through Literacy BC will provide the funding that will enable us to begin programs in the fall.

Robin Beaton - Community Literacy Coordinator

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Friday	09:58	1.1	3.6
	17:58	4.4	14.4
	22:38	3.9	12.8
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Saturday	10:38	0.9	3.0
	18:39	4.7	15.4
	23:41	3.9	12.8
05	03:23	4.3	14.1
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Statutory Declarations and Affidavits for residents of Quadra Island will be taken, at no charge, by appointment only. Appointments can be arranged by calling 250 203 1645 or by email to [mysticbz@telus.net](mailto:mysticbz@telus.net).



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