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Construction Begins on Quathiaski Cove Sewer Extension



Regional Director Jim Abram at the breaking ground of the Q Cove Sewer expansion project.

photo by Carla Duffey

Quadra Island, BC – April 2017 will mark the beginning of construction for the long-anticipated Quathiaski Cove sewer service extension project, set to provide new services to 43 properties.

In October 2016, the Strathcona Regional District (SRD) was announced as an inaugural recipient for the new federal Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, making the Quathiaski Cove Sewer Extension Project – which had been considered since a referendum approved it in July 2014 – feasible to move forward.

Director Jim Abram is thrilled that he managed to secure the grant funding for the project that allows it to now proceed in an affordable way.

Construction with intermittent traffic impacts is anticipated to begin the first week of April, and is expected to run through to the end of September 2017. The contractor, Berry & Vale Contracting Ltd., will work with residents to accommodate any access or construction related matters and will attempt to notify them in advance of impacts to individual properties. Traffic control personnel will be

on site to direct vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists within the work areas.

In the coming months, residents in the extension area will receive updates directly from the SRD who will also post notices to the project webpage: www.strathconard.ca/quathiaski-cove-sewer-extension-project

The SRD is a partnership of four electoral areas and five municipalities providing ~43,000 residents with 55 services including parks, liquid and solid waste systems, fire protection, emergency preparedness programs and a full-service sports facility.

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NEWS & EVENTS

At Your HBI

Thursday May 4; Union Duke...a Toronto folk quintet with an explosive live show. Bridging soulful indie rock with bluegrass and country, they belt out soaring harmonies with three, four and even five voices. A heartbreak of twang and a bootshake of rock and roll. Union Duke is two fifths city, two fifths country, and one fifth whiskey. \$10/door HBI Pub. 9:00pm

Mothers Day Brunch Buffet Sunday May 14. Celebrate Mom and enjoy a relaxing and delicious brunch. Available until 2:00pm. 28.95. Reservations highly recommended. 285-3322

Friday May 19. Hardog Brown is back!...with his award-winning harmonica & blues. Canada's premier 'old school' harp wizard, Harpdog swings on 'Travelin' With The Blues'. Surrounded by his highly talented band, his effortless vocal delivery is a rare and natural gift. 15.00/door. 9:00pm HBI Pub.

Sunday June 4; Valdy Dinner Show in Herons. Enjoy a beautiful two course meal while being entertained by this amazing folk Canadian Icon. 55.00. 5:00pm seating

U of Q. Wednesdays...April 26; **What's On Magazines** Myles Armstead & David Parkinson - Is the Internet Liberating us?...May 3; **Why \$10/day daycare helps vulnerable families** with Cally Overton...May 10th; **The Opioid Crisis** in our community and in general with Dr. Erica Kellerhalls 7:00pm. Pub Education, relaxed learning.

Karaoke; Scotty's back Tuesday May 2! Your host for the every second Tuesday Karaoke party! Be a star, rock it out at the HBI Pub. 9:00pm

HBI Friday Night Bands: April 21st; Kesu, Jethro Paul, Still Spirits. Spectacular three band night as part of the Quadra Shuffle weekend! April 28th; Blue Kats - Blues and R'n B... May 5th; Leigh Friesen... Country Rock Originals and Covers... May 12th Go Dog Go - Beach Blanket time Machine. 9PM. HBI Pub. N/C

HBI Pub Saturdays Open Mic; Dust off the winter blues and play them on stage with Mo at Open Mic!

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THE ISLAND CALENDAR

Day to Day

Friday, April 21

- Live Music: 3 Band Shuffle, HBI Pub 9pm N/C

Saturday, April 22

- Renée Stone, Real Estate Open Office
701 Cape Mudge Rd, 10 a to 1 pm
- Garden Club's Spring Plant Sale QCC 11:30 am

Sunday, April 23

- Sierra Quadra Annual Beach Clean-Up - page 7
- Geshe YongDong on Calm Breath & Mind"
11 am Q.C.C.

Monday, April 24

- Medical Assistance in Dying, 7 pm, Rm 3 Q.C.C.

Wednesday, April 26

- Renée Stone, Real Estate Open Office
701 Cape Mudge Rd, 10 a to 1 pm

Friday, April 28

- Live Music: Blue Kats, HBI Pub 9pm N/C

Saturday, April 29

- Bingo & Disco Night Quadra Legion 7pm

Monday, May 8

- Way to Go, 7 pm, RSVP 285-3298

Saturday, May 20

- Cortes SeaFest, Gorge Harbour Marina

The Regulars

MONDAY

AA, Big Book Study, 7pm Quadra United Church
Badminton, Cape Mudge Gym, 7:30 starts on Sept 26

TUESDAY

Pickleball, Cape Mudge Gym, 4:30, starts Oct 18
Al-Anon Meeting, Quadra Children's Centre, 7:30pm
Quadra Folk Dancers, QCC, 7:30

WEDNESDAY

1st & 3rd Wednesday Food Bank, QCC 1-2pm
Poker Night, Quadra Legion, Heriot Bay 7:30pm
Hand Drum Jam, 7:30 p.m. Upper Realm, Q. Cove

THURSDAY

Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7pm
Badminton, Cape Mudge Gym, 7:30 starts on Sept 26

FRIDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8pm Quadra United Church

SATURDAY

Meat Draw, Quadra Legion, Heriot Bay 5 pm
Open Mic with Mo, 9pm at the HBI pub

SUNDAY

Buddhist Meditation, 10 a.m., Upper Realm, Q. Cove
Family Service, Quadra Island Bible Church, 10:30am
Quadra Sunday Painters, 11am-2pm, 285.3390
United Church Service 11am except for 3rd Sunday
Evening Service, 7:30pm, 285.3163

What's Happening at Quadra Community Centre

THIS WEEK APRIL 21-28

FRIDAY: 8:30 Fitness w/Jeanne; 10:00 Spinners and Knitters; 10:30 Friday Painters

SATURDAY: 9:00 Plant Sale/SeedSwap

SUNDAY: 11:00 Calm Breath, Calm Mind

MONDAY: 8:30 Fitness w/Jeanne; 10:00 Parents & Tots; 10:00 Yoga w/Josephine; 1:00 Sing For Pure Joy; 4:00 Chess; 7:00 Photo Club

TUESDAY: 9:00 Yoga w/ Brenda; 1:30 Caregivers Support Group

WEDNESDAY: 8:30 Body Sculpt; 9:00 Digital Story Telling; 10:00 Yoga w/ Trinity; 11:00 Moms and Babes; 12:00 Community Lunch; 12:00 Nurse Practitioner

THURSDAY: 9:00 Yoga w/Brenda; 10:00 Parents and Tots; 6:45 Singers

FRIDAY: 8:30 Fitness with Jeanne; 10:00 Spinners and Knitters; 10:30 Friday Painters

NEXT WEEK APRIL 29 - MAY 5

SATURDAY: 7:00 Rockin' the 60's

MONDAY: 8:30 Fitness w/Jeanne; 10:00 Parents & Tots; 10:00 Yoga w/Josephine; 1:00 Sing For Pure Joy; 4:00 Chess

TUESDAY: 8:30 Quadra Quilters; 9:00 Yoga w/ Brenda; 7:00 May Queen Info Meeting; 7:30 Folk Dance

WEDNESDAY: 10:00 Yoga w/Trinity; 11:00 Moms and Babes; 12:00 Community Lunch

THURSDAY: 9:00 Yoga w/ Brenda 10:00 Parents and Tots

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 7:00 pm

#1 Fire Hall
844 Heriot Bay Road

Election of two (2) trustees
 Voting requirements, must be;

- a) Land owner in Fire Protection District
- b) 18 years of age or older
- c) Canadian Citizen

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7pm on Monday, May 1
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**Submit your letter
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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Cortes SeaFest

**Come To SeaFest At Gorge
Harbour Marina Resort, Cortes
Island, Saturday, May 20.**

Seafest is a festival bringing
together Cortes Islanders who
make their living from the sea
with the larger community, to
promote a mutual understanding
and appreciation of ocean
farming, and to celebrate the
bounty of the ocean. Seafest is
sponsored by the Cortes Island
Seafood Association, a non-profit
society whose mandate is to
monitor the water quality of the
area surrounding Cortes Island.

Just like the Energizer Bunny
who keeps on going—this
is our 21st year of preparing
hundreds of gourmet lunches
on camp stoves and barbecues—
quite an organisational and
gastronomical feat that is worth
your attendance, even if just for
the show. Because of the possible
presence of Norovirus over the
winter in area waters, we will
not be serving raw oysters this
year. All our oysters will be twice
cooked: first poached in boiling
water and then sautéed or fried in
the pan.

A new recipe for cooked oysters
is being planned that features
bacon, feta cheese and Kansas
City Style barbecue sauce. Plus,
there will be more cooked oyster
offerings, oysters in sauce on
the barbecue, steamed clams, a
new salad of bok choy and dry
roasted peanuts, and artisan
bread. Recipes are being
multiplied by 650, the free shuttle
that meets every Cortes ferry
is being arranged, musicians
are practicing, vendors and
organizations are requesting
space.

If you want to volunteer, or
be a vendor or promote your
organization's passion, email
Kristen at usualmagic@gmail.com
or call 250-935-6464. We
always welcome volunteers
so thanks for joining in, and
especially for showing up.

3 Cheers for Quadra Volunteers!

**April 23-29, 2017 is Volunteer
Week in Canada.** Volunteering
today comes in many forms and
is as diverse as Canada itself.
“Someone who shovels their
neighbour's driveway or who
brings a lost pet to the animal
shelter is helping to build a
stronger community. Sometimes
we miss recognizing these people
as volunteers, because they do
not occupy a formal role within
an organization or group.”

- Volunteer Canada's report
Recognizing Volunteering in 2017

While one-third of Canadians
volunteer an average of 154 hours
per year through non-profit
organizations, charities, and
public institutions, Canadians
are doing great things outside
of these formal structures.

Volunteering now includes many
ways of advancing social good.
Individuals are mounting public
awareness and social advocacy
campaigns, raising funds through
digital channels, organizing
events, and mobilizing people
around issues that matter to
them.

Others are crowd sourcing funds
to pay for funerals, attend school,
start a new business, produce
something they have invented,
participate in a peace mission,
or retrofit a van to make it
accessible. Canadians are making
informed decisions about their
consumption habits based on a
company's corporate responsibility
practices and are making lifestyle
changes to reflect their social and
environmental concerns. However
we recognize volunteering in
2017, one thing remains timeless...
volunteer efforts create positive
impact in communities across
Canada and especially on
Quadra. Our lives are enriched
by the work of Quadra's many
volunteers and groups.

Volunteering Is Good For Your Health

Some interesting research in 2013
shows that people who often

volunteer tend to live longer
than those who don't. Another
study found that many people
have reduced their stress levels
through volunteer experience.
Volunteers have better personal
scores than non-volunteers
on nine well-established
measures of emotional
wellbeing including personal
independence, capacity for rich
interpersonal relationships and
overall satisfaction with life.
Volunteering positively affects
not only our mental health, but
also our physical health!

Quadra Circle's March, 2017
Survey of volunteers assisting
with our Seniors Stepping Up
Stepping Out program at Quadra
School echoes these findings.
As a result of volunteering, all
respondents agreed that their
work with SUSO has improved
their wellbeing. One volunteer,
for example, mentioned that
the opportunity to do training
has had “a positive effect on my
mental health and confidence.”
Another said that “Volunteering
allows me to be physically
active when I help others in the
classes—I don't have a physical
activity routine on my own.”

When asked how volunteering
with SUSO has made a difference
in their lives, the most common
responses included:

- Positive effect on mental health, self-confidence, personal growth
- Learning and sharing new skills
- Being part of / Giving back to the community
- Feeling energized / Laughing
- Meeting new people
- Friendly company / Group activities
- Feeling useful, fulfilled by doing something worthwhile

So thank you, Quadra
Volunteers! We hope you
keeping 'paying it forward' and
getting great 'payback' from
sharing your gifts.

Submitted by Quadra Circle
Maureen: 285-2221 Helen: 285-2788

Take One - Dinner Theatre

On Friday, April 21, Theatre Quadra and the Heriot Bay Inn are thrilled to host 'Take 10', an appetizing and amusing evening of dinner theatre on the island! From the bustling bazaar of Marrakesh, to a grocery store self-checkout in Campbell River, quirky comedy from Theatre Quadra will perfectly complement delicious three-course dining at Herons Dining Room. The show features three hilarious short plays:

- 'Après Opera', written by Michael Bigelow Dixon and Valerie Smith.
- 'Arabian Nights', written by David Ives.!
- 'Last Day at the Grocery Gulag', written by local playwright Chris Thompson.

TQ is pleased to introduce new directors to the floor and new actors to the stage. It'll be a hoot, no doot! So, for a delectable and dramatic evening, reserve your table now by calling 250.285.3322. \$50 includes a wonderful three course meal and 20% to TQ. Seating is limited to 60 guests, so act fast for a fun and food-filled Friday! Doors open 6pm.

At The Legion

BINGO! Sat. April 29th from 7:00-10:00, dinner with Trout & Trivet starting at 5:30. This will be the last bingo until September, so bring your bling because after bingo wraps up, it's Disco night at the Legion!

Telling Tales

Do you have a story to tell, a story of your family, grandchild or a travel adventure? Perhaps you know someone who has lived a life full of stories that could be shared. Quadra Literacy is offering Telling Tales - a digital photo story workshop where you will learn how to create your story using photographs, video and text. We use a program compatible with all PC and Apple computers. Or, you can borrow an iPad mini from Quadra Literacy for the duration of your project.

This free workshop is held over a three-week period with a two-hour session each week. Days and times will be determined by participants, beginning sometime in the week of April 24th 2017. Contact Robin Beaton for more information and to register. robin.quadraliteracy@gmail.com

Carihi Grad Fundraiser

On behalf of myself and the Nighswander family I would like to thank the residence of Quadra for supporting my Grad fundraiser. Thank you to the residents who bought the wood, Tru Value Foods at Q Cove for supplying the lunch and to all the islanders who participated. A special thank you to my mom and dad for helping me make it all happen... it was a great success!!

- Jane Nighswander

Market Music

Live, local Musicians will be performing at the weekly open market next to the Quadra Credit Union from 10 a.m. to lunch time every Saturday, starting May 6th. On May 6th Ray Bennett and Richard Christie are playing acoustic blues. Hal Douglas and Friends play rock and blues on May 20th. Kris Wellstein plays folk music on May 20th. Finally on May 27th, Willowishes, a four piece women's band, performs. Come support the market and please consider making generous donations to our local musicians. For more info, call Steve at 285-3323

Spring Yoga Classes with Trinity Gogolin

Tuesday & Thursday evenings 5 - 6:30 Hatha Flow classes.

Wednesday mornings before Community Lunch / Gentle Yoga, designed for those with injuries or health conditions, Seniors, or anybody wanting a slower more mindful approach. All classes explore meditation, deep relaxation, some yoga philosophy and the beautiful sounds of the harmonium.

Classes are held at QCC upstairs in Room 3.

Please call Trinity with any questions at 250 203 4529

Broom Pull At Rebecca Spit

Dear Islanders,

This is an early heads-up to you about this year's broom bash.

It will take place Monday, May 22nd (Victoria Day and also International Day of Biodiversity) from 10am - noon.

Please mark it on your calendars and plan to give the Spit an hour of your valuable time if at all possible.

Info: Riki 2640, Carol 3157

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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Quadra Island Quilt Guild News -March and April 2017

A lot has been happening at the meetings of the Quadra Island Quilt Guild! We start out our monthly meetings with "Show and Share". This is where the members can show the quilts they have finished or are working on, some starting a ways back, and either given to Community Quilts, Marathon Quilt stash, or to family and friends. There is always a very beautiful and inspiring showing.

We have been fortunate in the past two months to have had a few members bring in fabrics from their stashes for sale. This is great fun and a chance to add to our own stash. Next, we hold our business meeting and it usually informative and a lot of good news. We are given a financial report and the minutes are read from the past meeting. We hear about quilt shows and other fibre "fests" in and around our area. We are invited to partake in the "Block of the Month" where we are presented with a block to make and bring back to the next meeting. Full instructions and some fabrics for the block are shared. At the following meeting, a draw is taken from the participants names and a winner is chosen. In March we were introduced to the Canadian Quilters Association challenge to donate quilts to Ronald McDonald House for Canada's birthday. We were each given a piece of fabric with Canadian flags on it to incorporate into our blocks. By April we had enough blocks to make a quilt and some extra blocks to send in. We also heard that we have 4 boxes of quilts ready to go to the Children's Hospital in Vancouver. We were also invited to donate to a women's sewing co-op in Melaque, Mexico and news that a member had donated a sewing machine to an aspiring teen sewer on Cortes Island.

Then we move on to demonstrations of how to make various quilt patterns. This is a great time to learn new techniques taught by our many experienced quilters. Also, names are drawn from the attendance sheet for door prizes. We also vote on whether we want to hold an additional sewing day during the month for our "sewing bee".

We take time to share lunch together and just chat. The rest of the afternoon is spent cutting, pinning, sewing, or reading books and magazines from our extensive library. A really lovely way to spend an afternoon!



There is still time to join us as we have two meetings, May 16th and June 13th before we close for the summer. You can contact Terry Phillips at 250-285-3040 about joining.

All Candidates Meet & Greet!

Council of Canadians All Candidates Meet And Greet In Campbell River On Earth Day On Earth Day, Saturday April 22nd 1-3pm, Council of Canadians Campbell River chapter is sponsoring an All Candidates Meet And Greet event at the Campbell River Library 1240 Shoppers Row in Campbell River. Confirmed to attend are the following four candidates in the May 9th Provincial General Election vying to represent the North Island riding: Sue Moen (Green Party); Dallas Smith (Liberal Party); Claire Trevena (New Democratic Party), and John Twigg (B.C. First Party).

Council of Canadians spokesperson Joanne Banks states "The Meet And Greet will be an open format with no formal speeches or debates by the candidates. Come on out and chat with your candidates and ask them for their views on topics that concern you".

Coffee will be available courtesy of Tim Horton's. For more information, contact 250-286-3019 or email rjb3@telus.net

Quadra's 20th Annual Beach Clean-Up

Sunday, April 23rd

Quadra's annual Earth Day Beach Clean-up is on Sunday, April 23rd. The headquarters for this tradition is at Rebecca Spit from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Garbage bags, if needed, can be picked up at this site during these hours. Lunch and refreshments will be served for participants from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. Collected beach garbage can be delivered to our headquarters until 3:00 pm or dropped off no later than 2:00 pm at any of the numerous pick-up collection sites on the island:

- End of Petroglyph Road
- North end of Sutil Road at Kay Dubois Trail
- We Wai Kai Road at Kay Dubois Trail
- Smith Road beach access
- Edgeware Road beach access
- Milford Road beach access
- Open Bay area at Valdez and Marina Roads
- Tsa-Kwa-Luten near the beach cottages

"Foamhenge" – to commemorate 20 years of Beach Clean-up and to publicize our efforts to ban styrofoam, some of the styrofoam we collect will be amassed into a "Foamhedge", and for those wishing to be included, a group photograph will be taken at our Rebecca Spit headquarters at 1:00 pm.

Please join us and the many Islanders now participating in this traditional event. Thanks to our collective efforts, huge amounts of discarded material that wash up on our beaches are moved away to safe storage. Not only do our efforts beautify Quadra Island, but we are removing plastics — the majority of this detritus — that break down into harmful chemicals that compromise the health of both ourselves and our marine ecosystem. Help beautify our home and make it healthier for us all.

Thanks from Carihi Grads

The Carihi Grad Class of 2017 would like to send truckloads of gratitude to everyone who made their April 1st Quadra Fundraising Woodcut such a success. We especially want to thank the Kellerhals Family and their Woodlot 1610 and grad parents, the Nighswanders and their Woodlot 1899 for giving so generously to the Carihi community. Our Grad Woodcut would not have been as effective without the support of Tru-Value Foods in Quathiaski Cove, the local woodsmen who volunteered and the Carihi parents and students who brought trucks and spent the day "really putting their backs into it." And a special thank-you to C & L Supply Rentals who generously donated a wood splitter to help our woodcutters. Thanks to the Carihi Parent Grad Executive (especially Gailene and Rhonda) and Karen, Mark, and Jane Nighswander for coordinating such a productive event. Thanks for buying the wood from us, Quadra! The Carihi Grad Class of 2017

Island Voices Choir

Island Voices Chamber Choir presents their spring concert, "Hope, Faith, Life, Love" at 7:30 pm on Friday, April 21 at Campbell River United Church and Saturday, April 22 at Comox United Church. For info, tickets at \$20, or a ride off the 7 pm ferry, call Joyce at 285-3298. Admission is free to students with an adult.

Are you Waiting for Something to Happen?

When Gail's trombone alarm clock goes off at 6 in the morning Gail thinks two things: first, 'It can't be morning yet, I just got to sleep'; second, 'I don't have a trombone alarm clock'. Gail is still trying to come to terms with the disillusionment of her relationship with Doug the previous night and now she finds a stranger in her living room. Could things get any worse for Gail? Oh, you have no idea.

Waiting For Something to Happen, appearing at the Legion on Saturday and Sunday evening May 6, 7, is a fast paced romp through an ordinary woman's day of discovery. In classic Hollywood fairy tale style she is aided by a trombone massacring entity which Gail figures is possibly an angel, an imp of the perverse or just an hallucination. Roberta, Gail's next door neighbour, is more than willing to help, but Roberta can't see whatever it is that Gail sees, so many of Gail's comments go awry.

Waiting for Something to Happen is the first public work by The Collective, a group of multimedia performers based on Quadra. Directing is Neil Maffin; with Hélène Lepage, Barb Lee and Chris Thompson in the cast and Maureen Dunne and Natalie Pielou working their magic backstage.

Most of us have gone to bed wishing they could have some supernatural help with their life. Gail has a warning for you. Be careful what you wish for.

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Island Voices Choir

Island Voices Chamber Choir presents their spring concert, "Hope, Faith, Life, Love", this Friday, April 21 at Campbell River United Church. For info, tickets at \$20, or a ride off the 7 pm ferry, call Joyce at 285-3298. Admission is free to students with an adult. The concert will also be held on Saturday, April 22 at Comox United Church.

Market Season Starts

The Quadra Island Farmers' Market season is just around the corner, starting Saturday May 6th rain or shine from 10-2. We are looking forward to a season of great local talent and offerings including; fresh baked goods, handmade soap, artisan chocolates, curiosities, creations, images, plants, flowers, produce, good reads, and lots of other delights! Drop in vendors are welcome as always and the weekly fee is still only \$5.00 for everyone except just \$1 for children (if they are selling their own products). Due to popular requests vendors will also be able to reserve spots if they choose to become a market member, pay an annual fee of \$50 and meet the requirements for attendance. If you would like an application to reserve a place for this June through to September, please email quadramarket@gmail.com. Date to submit applications Saturday May 13th".

Children's Centre Raffle

Quadra Children's Centre is holding a fundraising raffle this spring. There are six great prizes to be won:

1. Get-A-Way Holiday at Beach Acres Resort in Parksville – Value \$350
2. 1 Night at Taku Resort on Quadra Island – Value \$150
3. Quadra Island Golf Course – 18 Holes for 2 – Value \$120
4. Gowlland Harbour Resort – Dinner for 2 – Value \$120
5. Thrifty Foods \$100 Gift Certificate
6. Quality Foods \$100 Gift Certificate

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Tickets can be purchased from Quadra Children's Centre parents and at the Market. Draw date is May 31st. We would like to thank all of the generous donors for supporting early care and learning in our community.

Free Firewood

Free Firewood is now available behind the Community Centre between 1 and 2 pm after community lunch on Wednesdays. Volunteers are needed to cut wood on Wednesday from Noon until 3 p.m. Bring chainsaws and axes if you can (we have some axes too).

Phone Mornay if you can help cut wood or have any questions. He can be reached at home 250.285-3212 or his cell 250-202-3422. Please consider donating money to the Free Wood account at the Quadra Credit Union.

Quadra Seniors-- B.C.O.A.P.O.--BR. 91

It would be wonderful if we could have more sunny days and less rainy days. With the garden that needs planting and soon the lawns need mowing and weeding.

It will be wonderful to listen to Jeanette Taylor on Tuesday April 18 at our General meeting.

Soon we will be attending the O.A.P. Convention in Agassiz and staying at the Harrison Hot Springs. Our President Robert Hartley will attend as our delegate, so far Laurie Hartley will attend as a visitor. Ruth Amiabel will attend as Director of the North Island. Many of the North Island Branches will also attend.

In May our Tourist Information Booth will be open and it will be very interesting to meet the many tourists that love to visit our beautiful island and many buy property and plan to locate on Quadra or Cortez Islands.

Our meetings which are always held on Tuesdays start off with Ann Lawrence putting us all through Arm chair aerobics which keeps us in shape.

Our Resolutions that we have sent in to be passed at the convention Are (1) Ferry issues (2) Seniors taking their driving test in the area where they live. (3) The Shingles vaccine being free of cost. (4) And a Silver alert given to the police, & media for Seniors who become lost.

All our Resolutions that are passed by the convention are sent to the Provincial or Federal Governments.

To become a member of our very active organization call Elke Kelly @250-895-6258 for transportation call Ruth Amiabel @ 3801 or cell ph. 250 895-9188.

Giant Plant Sale

The Garden Club's annual plant sale takes place Saturday April 22nd at the Community Centre. The sale begins at 11:30 (no early birds please) - enter by the main doors. If you have plants to donate please bring them to the main hall side door between 9:30 and 11 am on April 22nd. Plants may be left earlier, outside the main door (out of the way). Pot up, or wrap in newsprint, and label the plants with a Latin or a common name. Prices at the sale are \$1 to \$3 per plant – a real bargain, with some exceptional plants at slightly higher cost. Local gardeners, will be available to give you advice. Coffee, tea and goodies will be for sale in the kitchen. Enjoy Spring's offerings, it has been a long time arriving this year – so let's celebrate by sharing some beauty.

Rockin' the 60's with Quadra Singers

Come join the fun while Quadra singers will be Rockin' the 60's to celebrate Bob Dylan winning the Nobel Prize for literature and honour the late Leonard Cohen at the Quadra Community Centre on April 29th.

"We will share with our community the music, activism and celebration of youth that we all remember so fondly. Our April concert will feature the choir and many talented guest performers," says choir director Linda Cannon. "We look forward to welcoming our family, friends and neighbours to an evening of music that is both nostalgic and fun. During these times of controversies and adversities, we can celebrate with our community, the strength and principles expressed through these wonderful familiar songs."

The concert will showcase the talent of Quadra singers and musicians performing songs of the 60's era accompanied by special guests Mo Davenport, Jim Thievin and Richard Christie.

Mark your calendar for Rockin' the 60's, 7 p.m., Saturday, April 29th at the Quadra Community Centre. Pay at the door: adults \$12, youth (to 12 years) \$5. Free for children under five. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and there will be treats at the intermission!

Learn more about Quadra Singers on the choir's Facebook page. Or contact the choir by email (susandavebain@gicable) or telephone (250-285-2393).

Friendship Reflections and Connections for Lesley's K/1 Class

Salutations Everyone! Quadra's K/1 class is reading Charlotte's Web together! We love the characters so much!!! Charlotte and Wilbur are friends! It's official. We are not sure if they will stay friends though! Wilbur is nervous about having a friend who is "fierce, brutal, scheming and bloodthirsty!" What an excellent description of the skills needed to survive as a spider out there in the world!

We talked about friendship this afternoon! What qualities do you like in a friend? Perhaps you need to think about it! Below are the children's responses to that question totally unedited!!

Student A: I would like my friend to play really fun games like AVENGERS! I would invite them to a carnival! The coolest thing about me is that I can almost do a flip but my favourite ice cream is birthday cake and vanilla chocolate.

Student B: I would like my friend to be a hockey player! The coolest thing about me is that I like hockey.

Student C: I would like my friend to be like Brodie, kind and caring. He likes a few things I like and he doesn't like a few things I like. I would like a friend to be really on the same page as me. The coolest thing about me is, well it's one of the coolest things, I pretty good at picking out good apps!

Student D: I would like my friend to be really smart! So you know, when I need help I can just say "can you help" and they would help me. Except if it's a test of course! I don't care if my friend is an animal or something. Well, unless it's a spider. I'm kind of afraid of spiders. The coolest thing about me is that I know half of how to hoola and my favourite chocolate is Ferrero Roche.

Student E: I would like my friend to be funny and kind. The coolest thing about me is that I can do back somersaults!

Student F: I would like a friend to be like my friends, Black Widow and Daddy Long Legs. They just sit quietly and do nothing. I would want my friend to be sweet and cool. The coolest thing about me is that I have a black widow and a daddy long legs friend.

Student G: I would want my friend to be anything they wanted to be! ANYTHING..... just there self. That's all. The coolest thing about me is, well, I would say my back flips on the trampoline!

Student H: I would like my friend to be kind and fly. The coolest thing about me is that I really like playing fairies!

Student I: I would like my friend to be just what he is. The coolest thing about me is playing with my Hotwheels!

Student J: I would like my friend to be good at drawing and nice and thoughtful. The coolest thing about me is that I like to sing and also like to dance.

Student K: I would like my friend to be sort of like me. (Lesley asked what are you like?) I am thinking about that. Well, what my mom says that I am... my mom says that I am serious, funny too. The coolest thing about me is that I can do a tuck and roll!

Student L: I would like my friend to be just like me! I love to draw and I am also very good at drawing. I love centers. The coolest thing about me is that my drawing is really good.

Student M: I would like my friend to be a skateboarder cause that's what I'm going to be! The coolest thing about me is that I can almost do a flip but I could just bend my head and neck and then do BBBBBOOOIING. The coolest thing about me is my bike riding! I'm the best at Bike riding!

Student N: My friend is gonna be a ballerina because he could teach me how to dance more. The coolest thing about me is that I can do lots of dance moves.

Student O: I would like my friend to be a flower and a cooker. The coolest thing about me is I can ride a bike!

Student P: I would like my friend to be a nice person and a really good friend. The coolest thing about me is

Student Q: I would want my friend to be themselves! The coolest thing about me is that I can do one back wheel on the ground, one back wheel off the ground and one front back wheel!

Thanks for reading all about Friendships and our gifts! If you have not registered you K students for the Fall, please do so ASAP. The enrollment helps us make staff and configuration decisions now which have implications for September. Sincerely, Quadra K/1 2017

Medical Assistance in Dying

Monday, April 24, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Rm #3 Quadra Community Centre. Nurse Practitioner Pat Peterson will explain MAiD, share her experiences, and a discussion will follow. \$3 donation. More info? Margaret 204-3709

Drop In to My Open Office

Come and sign up for my newsletter and say hello.

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Quadra Circle News

Emotional Wellness: Do you or someone you love need help with their emotional health?

Assistance is available twice a month here on Quadra Is. For appointments with an Island Health Counsellor, at Quadra Island Medical &/or attend free Relaxation classes with Rebecca. Call 250-850-2620 or email Rebecca. Miller@viha.ca Rebecca's Schedule is April 18 plus May 2, 16th & 30th. Take Care of Yourself First!

Quadra Home Meals: If you're unable to cook, or are recovering from illness or surgery we can assist you. Meals are prepared at food-cost by Gowlland Harbour Resort. The meals are ordered weekly, by noon, on Saturday & picked up at Quadra Circle Office 11:30 – noon on Wednesday or delivered upon request. Call Karen: 285-3064. You will be very pleased you did.

Friday Lunch at the Legion: Don's menus vary and there always seem to be delicious surprise waiting for us each week. Come & join us for the food, fun and our Book club discussions that happens over lunch. Look for the designated table to participate. Arm Chair exercises start at 11am & Lunch begins at 12noon with Pool (8 ball) starting at 12:45. Donations of \$5 suggested.



Transportation: Need A Ride to Social Events or Medical Appts? Call our Coordinators Diana & John, 250-285-3630. At least 24hrs notice is required to set up a driver, so please book ahead. This service is FREE

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Seniors Activity Centre: Join our Team on Mondays & Wednesdays at Quadra School for Ping Pong at 9:15, Walking Group at 9:30, Social time at 10am, exercise programs starting at 11am our delicious lunch at noon, Pastels and Percussion with Laura McLaren or Drop in Bridge in the afternoon. Come for your Mental & Physical Well Being.

FOOT CARE: If you are on GIS or MSP subsidy & have difficulty cutting your toenails, drop in to our office to sign up for a qualified LPN to come and care for your feet. Quadra Circle will assist in paying for this very important service. Stay well with happy feet. Call Qcircle office 285-2255

Friendly Phone Calls/Friendly Visits: to assist those who are home alone due to illness or injury, short or long term. Receive daily check-in calls from our volunteers or a visit for support & to connect with needed services, including social visits, provided by our Seniors Peer Councillors. Free service. Call our office 285-2255.

Got questions about Power of Attorney, Health Representation Agreements, Advance Care Planning? See the detailed notice in this issue, about Stewart Carstairs, lawyer, coming to Quadra Is. April 25th.

From the office of the Seniors Advocate March 2017 Newsletter:

On March 9th 2017 the Provincial Gov't announced an investment of \$500 million dollars over the next 4 years to improve care for seniors across the health care system. Check out these web sites: Monitoring Seniors' Services www.seniorsadvocate.ca/osa-reports/reportmonitoring-seniors-services-2016/

Come in to Quadra Circle Office and receive a copy of the latest BC Seniors' Guide & Healthy Eating Guide.

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Children's Centre Garage Sale

Have you been doing some spring cleaning? Looking to declutter and simplify your space? Hoping to find a new home for all that stuff you no longer need? Well you are in luck. The Quadra Children's Centre Garage Sale is coming up and we are looking for donations of quality used items. Bring your previously loved items and drop them off on the back deck at the centre any time before Friday, May 5th. Please no skis, clothes, televisions, or computer equipment.

If you are looking for some great deals come join us for the Garage Sale on Saturday, May 6th from 10-2. Sales are by donation. All proceeds go to support early care and learning in our community. This is a major fundraiser for the Children's Centre and we appreciate all the great community support we receive each year. See you then!

Way To Go

Monday, May 8, 7:00-8:30, in the home of Baker & Grigg, 1087 Topcliffe Road. Our last meeting of the season. We will continue our discussions about Natural Burials and other topics of interest to the group. Please RSVP Joyce by email jbaker@gicable.com or 285-3298.

Geshe YongDong Speaks

Geshe YongDong, a Tibetan Buddhist monk, is coming to Quadra Island to give an introduction to his recently published book called "Calm Breath, Calm Mind".

GesheLa will speak on centuries-old meditation techniques that help alleviate stress, lower blood pressure, increase energy and enhance a sense of well-being. Books will be for sale and GesheLa is happy to sign copies after the teaching.

The meeting will be held upstairs at the Quadra Community Centre from 11 am to 1 pm on Sunday, April 23.

Come early at 10:45 am for quiet meditation. Suggested donation is \$10. Major donations are also accepted to help pay for GesheLa's travels to India, US and elsewhere. It's free if your lacking funds. Call Steve or Danielle at 250-285-3323 for more info.

Seniors Housing News



QISHS & architects revise plans

Quadra Islands Seniors Housing Society now has a green light and interim funding from BC Housing to proceed to the pre-construction design phase. Last week our enthusiastic Board met with architect Phillippa Atwood, project designer, Jim Matthew and Project Manager, John Jessup for a strategy session. We discussed how to address BC Housing's design recommendations while keeping the Society's key requirements for the supported-living Seniors Residence proposed for 688 Harper Rd. For example, BC Housing has stringent energy-efficiency requirements for new projects like ours, so we have

to balance that with our health-oriented need for ample natural lighting in suites, corridors and common areas. We are pleased that BC Housing wants our project to succeed as much as we do.

To prepare for rezoning and development permit applications to the Regional District in late May, we are also creating building and site sketches which conform with the Quathiaski Cove Village Plan Bylaw 120. See: tinyurl.com/kdwnmyw

We'll share our ideas and get your feedback at a Community Information Meeting tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 6 from 2-3:30pm at the Community Centre.

Thanks to donations from community members, countless volunteer hours, design ideas from Rob Wood and the ongoing support of Jim Abram and Claire Trevena, we have almost reached our goal. Eligible low-to-moderate-income Quadra seniors needing affordable rental housing (less than 30% of their monthly income spent on rent, heat and hydro) can hopefully move to the Seniors Residence units by this time next year.

For Seniors Housing applications: visit Quadra Circle's office beside Quadra Medical Clinic, Wednesday - Friday 11am-3pm or phone Maureen 285-2221 or Betty 285-3590.

Donations are welcome: We aim to raise \$100,000 to help us pay down our mortgage and the cost of the new lot by 2018. Income-Tax Receipts are issued for cash donations. Please make cheques out to QISHS and mail to: PO Box 535, Quathiaski Cove, BC, V0P1N0.

To donate online, please visit www.qishs.com or email qishs535@gmail.com.

Dear Editor,

I would like to draw your attention to misuse of powers by the BC Utilities Commission. I believe that the authority to abrogate existing contract was constituted for the BC Utilities Commission to be able to annul fraudulent and corrupt deals and not to terminate at will any and all established contracts.

The Provincial Government sponsored BC Hydro E-Plus programme is not/and has never been fraudulent or corrupt. The contracts offered by BC Hydro and accepted by contractees was/is clear, legal and valid.

It is contrary to the Rule of Law and should not be allowed to pass.

Yours truly,

Dr George Barabás

New to Quadra?

The Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce and local businesses welcome you with a gift bag.

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Coming Events...

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30 Years of Woodlots on Quadra

Considering recent community conversations about Land Use on Quadra Island, it seems a good time to again tell the story of the Quadra Island Woodlot Licence program. This year heralds some significant milestones for our local Quadra woodlot licensees so it is a good time to re-introduce them and recognize a lifetime of tireless effort on our public lands.

First a few facts about land status on Quadra Island. The following information applies to South Quadra identified as all land south of the narrows between Waiatt Bay and Small Inlet.

The area of Quadra Island south of the narrows includes 24,100ha of which 18,725ha or 78% is crown land. Of that crown land, 7,575ha or 40% is included in TFL47 while 5,872ha or 31% is allocated to the Woodlot Licence program. 5,088ha or 27% of crown land on Quadra Island is classified as Provincial Park or Protected Area. It is also good to remember that approximately 10% of all Woodlot Licences are also classified as 'Forest Reserve' which amounts to approximately 600 additional ha of forest reserve on Quadra.

The first Woodlot Licence (W0025) was awarded to the Hartford family in 1987 and this year is Alex and Ellen's 30-year anniversary of Woodlot Operations. This Woodlot Licence includes both Haskin Farm block and the Camp Homewood block across the road from Camp Homewood. There are few islanders who have not walked or rode bicycles along the Haskin Farm trail and rumour has it that some youthful social gatherings at the old Haskin Farm homestead were legendary. Trees in the Haskin Farm area now exceed 55m in height and it can be difficult to imagine that when operation commenced in 1987 the trees would have been approximately 30m. Extensive commercial thinning of the forest occurred in the early days and small patches were harvested throughout the area. Woodlot Licence W0025 also includes land at Open Bay and along Valdez Road.

The following year (1988) Woodlot Licence W0042 was awarded to the Whittington family. This Woodlot is on the SE side of Quadra and includes the Kay Dubois Trail. Woodlot W0042 is also the only Woodlot Licence run in conjunction with a small sawmill. Approximately 500m³ or 15% of Dick's harvest is processed locally each year.

Amid societal concerns about local industry and log exports, it is a good reminder that local Quadra grown wood is available here on Quadra Island and local construction can be completed with local wood. Maybe a greater % of Woodlot harvest could be milled here on Quadra Island?

At both Woodlot W0025 and Woodlot W0042, a significant area is reserved from harvest along the foreshore. This reserve provides for beautiful forests along the Haskin Farm and Kay Dubois Trails, as well as minimizing the visual impact along the marine corridor (tourism impacts), and avoiding harvest along a steep and potentially unstable bank. A sincere thanks goes out to the Hartford and Whittington families for the diligence of 30 years of operations in such a popular and spectacular area of our island.

In 1998, the Woodlot Licence Program was expanded on Quadra Island to include 2 new Woodlots. Our family was awarded Woodlot Licence W1611 in the vicinity of Heriot Ridge and on Valdez Road, and Rolf Kellerhahls and Grant Heydon were awarded Woodlot Licence W1610 in the vicinity of Blind Man's Bluff and Shellalligan Pass. Woodlot W1610 is now licenced to Erica and Markus Kellerhahls and is currently managed with a little help from the Nighswander family. Both of these Woodlots celebrate 20 years of forestry on Quadra Island this year. Personally it is somewhat surreal to realize we have been harvesting and planting trees on Quadra for 20 years, yet we have young forests in excess of 10m height and the vision of one-day harvesting trees I planted seems more of a reality each year.

In 1999 the Woodlot Licence Program expanded once again with 3 new licences awarded. Woodlot W1898 was awarded to Jerry Benner (Stramberg Lakes); Woodlot Licence W1899 was awarded to the Nighswander family (Bold Point / Surge Narrows); and Woodlot Licence 1897 was awarded to the Ross family (Vic's Meadow and Village Bay Lakes).

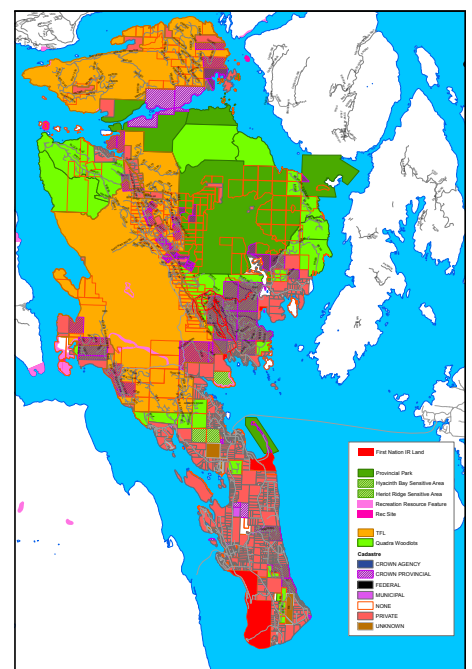
Following that, legislative change occurred and the maximum size of Woodlots was increased to 800ha (the original Woodlots are all 400ha) - 4 new Woodlots have been issued since. The Cape Mudge First Nation operates 2 Woodlot Licences, 1 at Surge Narrows, and 1 at North Mountain. Dave Younger operates Woodlot W2032 at Darkwater Lake, and Ken

Dodd and Chantel Blumel operate a Woodlot Licence at Clear Lake.

You will find a diversity of management styles and philosophies amongst the Quadra Woodlot licensees, yet 2 basic tenets apply to all Woodlots. First, 'old growth' trees, defined as trees >250 years in age are reserved from harvest. It is recognized that these old trees are rare on Quadra Island and great efforts are made to design harvest patterns and road locations to ensure these trees are protected. In addition, chemical brush control is not utilized at any Woodlot. Competing vegetation (usually bracken fern and salmonberry), often make the establishment of new forests a challenge. In all cases, the elimination of this vegetation is done manually (often with hockey sticks in the case of bracken fern).

The intent of the Woodlot Licence program is that local forests are managed by your friends and neighbours in your community. Quadra Woodlot Licensees have a very strong environmental ethic and are very proud of our Woodlot program... and can usually be found somewhere out in the woods. Feel free to reach out to your local Woodlot Licensee if you have any questions or concerns about local forestry. Please look for a future article about operational specifics, timber supply calculations, and silviculture ideas.

by John Marlow RPF



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Happy Belated Easter to everyone!**Had a great time with family.****Hope you did too!**

I am not really sure where to begin this report. I guess I'll start by saying it was great to have a bit of a holiday with Wendy in the dry hot desert, but coming back to the tons of work that piled up during that time makes one wonder if it is worth it! I have to thank my Alternate Director Dan Mackenzie for filling in for me on the meeting scene. He did a great job and we kept in touch. I did have my phone with me on the trip so I was able to deal with urgent matters as they arose. I did try to keep it to a minimum amount of time each day and some days I was lucky enough to not have any service so had no choice but to just enjoy the trip. Also, on this D. I. deadline day of April 17th, my family celebrate our arrival on Quadra Island on April 17, 1984, to take over the staffing of Cape Mudge Light Station. We arrived after a horrendous trip on the CCGS Wolfe in storm force winds from Boat Bluff Light Station on the Central Coast. We had our possessions ferried ashore at Q. Cove by the old Marine Link landing barge run by Tim Campbell and then we trucked them to the station. Our kids were one year and seven years old at the time. Quite the start to an ever more adventurous life than we could ever have imagined! What a long strange journey it has been! And here's to many more! Now onward with my report!

A few things happened while I was away and they were positive developments that I was expecting. I just hated not being here for them at the time.

Our Q. Cove sewer finally got underway and I will talk more about that in the next report. This was the result of the \$1.4 million grant that I got from the Provincial government and a lot of work and effort on everyone's part to move it along to fruition. We will do the official ground breaking on Tuesday the 18th and then it is full steam ahead! I could have some very good additional news in the next few weeks, but I don't want to jump the gun. So stay tuned!

The \$500,000 grant that I worked with the province on for our seismic upgrading of the QICC and Emergency Reception Centre was announced in my absence and was awarded due to the need to get it out there prior to the fiscal year end of March 31st. Further details will be announced this week by the SRD. I was very pleased to have been able to

negotiate this grant on my own with some very cooperative provincial officials and the Minister himself.

I was here to attend the meeting where we gave first and second reading to the by law to permit the first rezoning in the new Local Area Plan for the Village Plan in Q. Cove. The Public Hearing was held on April 12th at the QICC and was very well attended. I am not allowed to talk about the issue now until it has gone back to the Board for disposition. At that time a decision will be made to move forward or not. I'll let you know.

You are probably all aware by now that our years of lobbying the provincial government to not institute pay parking at the new Hospitals

was unsuccessful. However, through a groundswell of community protest, some leadership by a couple of us at the Hospital Board and the two by laws that we encouraged Campbell River and Courtenay to pass to prohibit pay parking, pay parking is now prohibited at both hospitals! This is a major victory for the "little people" (us!), and I am proud to have been a part of it.

There was a public meeting with the community and Timber West (T-W) on March 1st and a packed Community Centre shared their views with T-W staff. The tone was polite but firm and has already been written about in past issues of our local media. We are having another meeting in the woods on the 28th and will hopefully convince T-W that some of their plans are not in the best interest of the community nor the ecosystem. I will fill you in after that meeting takes place at Granite Bay.

I am also very pleased to announce that through some creative thinking, I and our CAO, Dave Leitch, we have finally figured out a solution to the Evans Bay dock issue that has been plaguing us for about three years now. Solved! I have come up with Gas Tax Money for the completion of the project and am so happy for the community that depends on this facility and for the islands in general.

I noticed an article about the camping at our lakes in the Village Bay Parks area when I got home. I am absolutely opposed to the govt. using our park that so many people worked on to achieve as a political promise being kept. The Premier did say that she was going to add 50% more "campsites" on Crown Land in the near future. Operative word, "campsites". While many of us hoped that this meant new Provincial campgrounds for

more people to get out and enjoy and learn about our beautiful province, it turns out it meant stealing our traditional campsites from under our noses. A registration scheme is in place that is not a reservation scheme but will still cost people \$5.00 per person per night to possibly be able to camp on the lakes. They have also announced hiring two wardens to patrol the lakes and insure fees are paid. To add insult to injury, they are hiring a second person at Rebecca Spit to help out and to "fill potholes" !!!! Give me a break. We had two gradings of the road in the contract before and now we have a person filling potholes. I sure hope all of you will be writing and calling the parks branch in Miracle Beach and in Victoria to tell them that we will not accept this nonsense. More to come!

So, I have many upcoming meetings both within the community and in other cities. I will be meeting re: the sewer this Tuesday, then going to UBCM in Vancouver for 3 days, meeting with the owner of the proposed development out by April Point and our staff on Wed. before flying to Vanc., meeting with a group that is working on the continuation of the Village Plan development, another Board meeting, a new School District Liaison Committee that I have been appointed to so as to deal with their 10 year plan from a rural perspective, the meeting I mentioned with T-W on the 28th, the new Waste to Energy Committee that is part of the Comox Valley Regional District Board, and then two days at the Marine Area Planning Partnership meetings in Campbell River. It never ends!. I'll try to keep you filled in as we go.

I was hoping to fill you in on the connectivity issue but the Board is still dealing with it in the In-camera sessions. I can tell you that we are applying for the Federal grants that are out there. Details hopefully to follow within two weeks OK.. That's it.. Feel free to contact me between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday (please, not on weekends or holidays, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at jimabram@xplornet.ca or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/JimAbram....> If it is important, my cell is 250-830-8005... Lots of choices.

Please do not use my residential phone number for SRD calls. All business calls should be on 285-3355. Many thanks!

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram

The Other Forest Industry

By Ralph Keller

A drive through Campbell River today would never reveal its resource based history. Access the city from the old island highway and you'll see a prosperous "Riviera west" with paved public walkways and parks along its entire waterfront.

Opposite, the road is lined with hotels, condos and apartment buildings. Attractive new office and retirement high-rises grace the downtown skyline. This doesn't look like most resource towns in BC. That's because it isn't.

In the 1980's this once prosperous fishing and forestry town had the economic rug pulled out from beneath it. Salmon stocks collapsed, all but destroying the sport and commercial fishing industries. Its reputation as the salmon fishing capital of the world vanished overnight—probably forever. About the same time, a major forest industry recession hit Vancouver Island. Global pulp and lumber markets crashed and the long predicted "fall down effect" arrived with unforgiving severity. Over the following decades, two sawmills and a pulp mill would close resulting in the loss of more than 800 jobs. Campbell River streets were a litany of closed up storefronts and plunging housing prices...another depressed BC resource town.

A short ferry ride across the channel to the Discovery Islands revealed a different story. The Discovery Islands economy re-invented itself as a global eco-tourism destination. In 1987, Canada's first sea kayak expedition company started up there. By 2007, there were nine kayak companies, employing over 60 people. Owned and operated by young, computer savvy entrepreneurs, they reached international markets with internet technology, attracting a new kind of "eco-tourist". More resorts were built and old ones re-capitalized and renovated. By 2016, the Discovery Islands supported 28 lodges, resorts and marinas: In all over 150 tourism dependent businesses existed, generating an impressive 50 million dollars in annual revenue, employing 1200 people full time, or seasonally full time. The region is considered the second most economically valuable marine wilderness destination in BC (after Tofino/Pacific Rim), with infrastructure capitalized to about ½ billion dollars.

This burst of economic activity breathed new life into Campbell River. The city began to prosper even though the local forest product manufacturing industry completely

disappeared. Millions of dollars spent on marketing by tourism companies did more than just attract tourists—it attracted people who liked what they saw and returned to live or retire. The famous and wealthy built multi-million dollar waterfront homes supporting a burgeoning construction industry. Real estate values recovered, and Campbell River subdivisions filled with former Alberta and lower mainland residents. Tourism wasn't the only thing driving the economy—it included what some people called the "quality of life industry", but any way you look at it, both thrived on the same foundation: Scenery with intact forests and oceans full of wildlife. There was still logging—and always will be, but a healthy diversity of economic activity was created, evening out the boom and bust cycles of the forest industry.

Tourism exit surveys clearly indicate beautiful scenery as the number one reason for visitation. In a world full of managed and industrialized views, unspoiled wilderness has increasing value.

To underscore the point, National Geographic recently named the Discovery Islands one of Canada's most spectacular places to visit. The islands are a place of intense geography and form the confluence of three major bioclimatic zones, guarded by the world's most powerful tidal rapids, and inlets blowing legendary winds. Overlooking this dynamic spectacle is the glacier burdened coast range, including Mt Waddington, which at 4030 meters, is higher than anything in the Canadian Rockies. And there's wildlife. The islands and fjords host about 70% of all mammal species in BC, including North America's southern most viable population of coastal grizzlies. Orcas, humpbacks, seals, sea lions, dolphin and porpoise can be seen here daily. The area's rivers are home to all five species of salmon. This is the most geologically, climatically, and biologically diverse archipelago in North America—possibly the world.

Capitalizing on a unique moment in history, wilderness tourism here began when turn of the century logging had finished, but the second growth was still immature. While there was little old growth left to boast about, to the untrained eye the forested shorelines looked pretty good. The "intact" scenery and the region's wealth of wildlife fueled a commercial wilderness experience un-

equaled elsewhere in the province. Locally dubbed "Kayaking Nirvana", a typical summer day sees 200 or more kayaks plying island waters generating \$35,000 per day for operators. There are a dozen marine tour and water taxi companies based in Campbell River. Combined they take upwards of 20,000 visitors out on tours—searching for Orcas or taking in the magnificent scenery, injecting an estimated 8-10 million dollars into the economy each year. By 2008, more commercial grizzly bear watching tours departed Campbell River than any other jurisdiction in Canada. Truly remarkable considering it barely existed 25 years ago. This new updated economy is the proverbial golden goose that will keep laying... if we let it.

In 2004, the government enacted FRPA (Forest Practices & Range Act). It was designed to streamline forest management regulations and reduce forest service personal. It accomplished both objectives by removing government oversight and giving the logging sector the freedom to manage forests without consulting anyone. With a recovering American housing market and China's growing appetite for raw logs, the coastal logging boom is on again. This is good for loggers and forest company shareholders but it doesn't take many loggers to cut a lot of trees. With no local mills left, the benefit to communities is dubious. In the Discovery Islands logging has accelerated in high tourism value marine corridors. New clear cuts are everywhere and the marine tourism industry is approaching a critical tipping point. Despite the recovering economy and the high American dollar, local business organizations are increasingly fearful that tourism traffic will decline and there is a widely held view that the Discovery Islands are being trashed by excessive logging.

Every government in BC history has had a subconscious obligation to support the forest industry—no matter what. With the tourism sector overtaking the forest industry in provincial GDP, that unconditional support is no longer justified and may be doing the economy more harm than good. The battle for Clayquot Sound epitomized this. The social upheaval and international attention on Clayquot Sound forced the (NDP) government to back away from BAU logging there, and today few would argue that was a bad thing. Far from faltering, the Tofino/

Ucluelet economy is more robust than ever and a poster child for what can happen if non-forest industry stakeholders are allowed to help direct the economy. Unlike Clayoquot, the Discovery Islands battle is led by business. It is a conservative group that's shy about media attention: The Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce; The Cortes Island Business & Tourism Association; and more than 100 tourism dependent businesses. FRPA is a social failure which holds communities hostage to forest industry economics by excluding anyone else from meaningful participation. Under FRPA, Forest Licensees are supposed to hold high the social licence and responsibility to manage forests for everyone's benefit--but they're not and the reason they're not is because they don't have to.

In the Discovery Islands, the tourism sector generates more revenue, employs more people, and pays more taxes than the forest industry yet is given bystander status when it comes to managing the forests upon which it depends. On site discussions with licensees sound like this:

"We don't need to be here. This meeting is a professional courtesy. This cut block is already approved."

That's a direct quote – and one hell of a starting point for negotiations. The tourism sector is not trying to shut out the forest industry or turn the Discovery Islands into a big park; our goal is meaningful multi-stakeholder planning. It's about logging more carefully to protect the economy. It's about finding the social balance that FRPA is incapable of delivering.

It's time government acknowledges the forest industry is not going to design a land use plan that works for everyone. Government needs to govern. Like Clayoquot in 1993, there is an opportunity to diversify and strengthen the economy and create more stable communities. There are plenty of failed forest industry towns which chose to harvest everything in sight for a few extra jobs, for a little while longer. But how many people want to live there now?

OUTDOOR CLUB

Quadra Island Outdoor Club Upcoming Events

We had a great planning meeting at the beginning of April. We had good attendance, great discussions, and terrific trip suggestions. So we are starting the year with over 30 prospective summer trips. Many already have coordinators and dates. This evolving schedule is available at:

<https://qioutdoorclub.org/trips/trip-schedule/schedule-summer-2017/>

We're hoping to have a good balance of hiking and kayaking day trips, along with a variety of multi-day trips. Some trips will be classic Quadra destinations and others will venture further afield. The details for these trips will be posted as soon as they are available.

At this point there is one trip remaining in April in the "winter" schedule, with the May trips in the "summer" schedule. Here are the confirmed upcoming trips:

26 April, Wednesday - hike along the Campbell River and enjoy the fawn lilies

3 May, Wednesday - kayaking in Gowlland Harbour

10 May, Wednesday - hike to Ripple Rock

15-18 May, Monday to Thursday - hiking on Cortes, staying at Linnaea Farm (this trip is full)

24 May, Wednesday - hike a Hopespring Loop

Unfortunately, the weather is still not stable, but don't be discouraged. It's better to get out than to stay home. However, stay in touch with the trip coordinators and let the coordinator know several days in advance if you are interested. The trip schedule and detailed descriptions are available at:

<https://qioutdoorclub.org/trips/trip-schedule/schedule-fallwinter-2016-17/> and

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