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### **Rebates on Energy Retrofits**

The following announcement was recently posted on the provincial government's website:

"EfficiencyBC is a new Provincial program offering financial incentives, information and support to help households and businesses save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by switching to high-efficiency heating equipment and making building-envelope improvements. The \$24M program is co-funded with the federal government under the Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund.

"The EfficiencyBC website is B.C.'s online hub for homeowners and businesses to access information, incentives and support to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions in new and existing homes and buildings."

The link to the program is: https://betterhomesbc.ca/.

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### COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

### **Farmers Market**

The Quadra Island Farmers Market and Bazaar is choosing to run in the safest way possible during COVID by offering an online market instead of operating the outdoor market. Connect with your favourite vendors by going to our Facebook page (you do not need to be a Facebook member to view this public site). And we are also on Instagram. Vendors have arranged contact-less orders and pickups directly so you can support your local community while staying safe!

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### **CRAG Adds Friday to Opening Days**

The Campbell River Art Gallery is now open Fridays and will be available to the public three days a week. Effective June 18th, our hours of operation are:

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Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - general public

(Hours subject to change in accordance with public health directives. Updates will be posted as they occur.)

New protocols have been put in place to ensure the safety of visitors and staff, including occupancy limits to support physical distancing. For more information on planning your next visit to the CRAG, visit our website.

#### See you at the CRAG!

#### Last Chance to See the Members' Show

There's still time to come see our Annual Members' Show in our main gallery before it closes on June 27. This always popular exhibition showcases a mix of local artists working in a wide variety of media. If you can't visit the show in person, don't miss the virtual Members' Show, all at the click of a mouse.

### **Quadra Island Food Guide**

Ever wonder where you can buy fresh, locally produced food? Check out the new Quadra Island Food Guide - a web site that helps consumers connect with producers on the island. Listings include fruit and vegetables, locally raised meat, eggs, even plant starts for your own food garden, and secondary producers using local ingredients to make products such as jams and confections.

The web site is still in its early stages but it is growing all the time. Check it out at: qifoodguide.ca

If you are a producer who would like to be included in the listings, please let us know at: qifoodguide@gmail.com

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We welcome items for publication on subjects of interest to the Discovery Islands community. Here are a few guidelines:

• **300 words** is an ideal length for community announcements.

• Articles do not need to be sent as attachments. Simply send the text in the body of your email.

• Canadian spelling is preferred.

• Please use the title of your item in the email subject line. We get a lot of items called 'DI Article'.

• Remember to include credits and captions for photos & artwork.

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### NEWS & EVENTS

### At Your HBI

Thank you to all who have been dining with the Inn through these times, it warms our hearts as we see more and more of our friends and neighbours coming out into the world.

As our world is unfolds Herons and the HBI Pub will soon be expanding to include lunch hours and service to the lawns for your dining and gathering (in pods of up to six) pleasure. Right now Herons; 4:00 to 9:00 seven days. Pub; Friday, Saturday 4:00 to close.

Thank you for understanding our tiny steps to open in a slow, easy, healthy way. We are participating in high standards of official physical and hygienic social standards.

Cheers to the old days and here's to working on a future with music, dancing and singing at the good old HBI! Our changing hours will be posted on our website and face book or phone for times 285-3322.







### Quadra Island Outdoor Club Latest Information & Upcoming Events

After a pause of more than three months, the Outdoor Club will resume hiking and kayaking trips. Following a planning meeting on Monday, a set of protocols on distancing, group size and participation will be used to help find a balance between staying safe and enjoying some outdoor exercise and socializing.

It will take some time to build the new summer schedule, so the web page is going to be a work-in-progress for a while. However, we do have trips scheduled for the next month, and lots of great ideas in the works.

Here are the scheduled, upcoming trips for July:

15 July, Wednesday - Morte Lake

22 July, Wednesday - Plumper Bay

#### 29 July, Wednesday - Beech's Mountain loop

At this time, participation on trips will be limited to Quadra residents and those who have stayed on the island for at least two weeks. In addition to establishing the new schedule, we will begin to process membership renewal.

For more information about the Club visit https://qioutdoorclub.org/ or email to qioutdoorclub@gmail.com.



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### Caremongering QI

A FaceBook group has formed for sharing and organizing community resources in response to COVID-19 on Quadra Island. The goal of the group is to organize the local community on the grassroots level to ensure vulnerable community members have access to food, housing, healthcare, and other necessities. Search & join Caremongering -Quadra Island

### Reminder

The only open burning permitted on Quadra Island is a campfire.

Campfire is a max of .5 x .5 x .5 metre in size and is used for recreational use only (roasting of food, enjoying the warm summer like weather). Please be sure that you have cleared the area of debris and have ample water source nearby for extinguishment. The fire must be cold to the touch to be determined extinguished.

Campfires are *not* permitted on any beach on Quadra Island.



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### COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

# Singing Is Not Over...

I choose to agree with Maya Angelou, "Hope and fear cannot occupy the same room. Invite one to stay."

I am desperately missing singing in a circle with our tribe and I am inviting hope! We will be singing again in our lovely circles but just for the time being, our physical location is irrelevant.

I am inviting you into my music room to sing with me (and hopefully, on occasion, my beautiful daughter, Kate, and my precious new Grandson, Lion James...but only when that works with his schedule! He was born on May 6 and is just so teeny-tiny and absolutely adorable!

All voices are welcome. We will begin our Zoom Room gatherings with greetings, sharing time and warm-up exercises. Then we will raise the roof with heart-felt melodies, soulful gospel songs and rousing spirituals, meditative chants, luscious layered songs and robust rounds. We can do this!

No face masks, gloves or hand sanitizer required!

I have been hosting two hour Zoom rehearsals for my Pure Joy Threshold Singers twice a week since March 22nd. Twenty seven Zoom rehearsals to date! I have upgraded all my equipment so that I am no longer kicked out of the room! And participants are not occasionally frozen in uncomplimentary poses on my screen! 'It's a good thing" as Martha Stewart would say!

So here goes!

#### SING FOR PURE JOY! DISTANT-SING

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I have been leading my Sing for Pure Joy! circles for over 12 years now and have been song-gathering longer than that. There are so many songs that are calling out to be sung, heard and shared. I don't want to forget them!

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### True Colour

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They will paint a new world that is equal and sharing.

Blending the colour of all cultures and creeds

Their strong spirit of unity is the colour we need.

What matters in life is the whole human race.

Respect for each other is an amazing grace.

- Ann McLean

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

## More My Cup of Tea

he risk of speaking out publicly, whether with good or bad intentions, is that inevitably someone will speak back. I am of the mindset that if you don't say anything, then no one will hear you. However, it is easy to be misunderstood, and it is here that I must backtrack somewhat on my last article.

My previous article was about how compostable takeaway cups aren't the dreamy answer we think they are - my greater point being that ultimately we need to move away from our habits of flippant disposal. But, by accident, I singled out our lovely local business, Stonehouse Teas, and for that I need to provide some clarification.

In regular times, it's possible for us to work on good habits, such as bringing our own containers to cafes and restaurants, and ultimately quit the disposable habit. In these irregular times, small businesses are doing what they must to stay afloat, and I don't judge them for that. It may not be ideal, but it is what it is. In my whole point about the plastic cup, I focused only on its life after use. The owner of Stonehouse Teas, Christine, contacted me with some pertinent information about why she chose the Greenware cups, including some facts about their production:



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#### Elysia Toporowski

1. They are made from corn, which is a renewable and sustainable resource

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3. Production of PLA plastics create 68% less greenhouse gas emissions than conventional plastic production

4. It takes 65% less energy to produce PLA plastics

5. There is no risk of explosion during production (as there is with using petroleum) Christine also pointed out that even though they end up in the landfill, PLA plastics don't leach toxins, and they break down up to ten times faster (still looking at around a century, but better than the petroleum-based alternative).

While the issue of disposal still exists, these facts about PLA production somewhat negate that issue. I am thankful that we have considerate local business owners who are willing to research better options and adopt them, even at higher personal cost. I thank Stonehouse Teas, and all businesses, who make this sacrifice to their bottom line for the greater good.

I think it is important to indulge in the things we love in moderation, especially locally, and especially in these disturbing times. With the pandemic, our hands are tied for indulging responsibly, but keeping our local businesses afloat is worth it - hence why, for the first time in years, I broke my personal code and bought something in a disposable cup!

One of the privileges of being a human is being able to consider different perspectives - I thank Christine for offering me hers and giving me points to consider as I move forward with my intentions to help people reduce their eco-footprints. It's easy to want to curl up in a ball and never open my mouth again when something like this happens, but then nobody would ever hear me.

Times are strange; if we can't work directly on reducing our waste right now, at least we can be thinking about how we can emerge from this pandemic as more mindful consumers. I know I will be headed straight for Stonehouse Teas with my metal straw and a jar the moment I am able.

Thanks for listening. Elvsia

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### **REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORT**

ell, Happy Julyuary, everyone! It is summer, but the season we are experiencing doesn't seem to understand! Maybe next week.

So it has ben an incredibly long time since I have submitted a report due to my fall and broken back. Sitting at a keyboard is not my fave position right now, but I am getting better. I have been able to accomplish quite a bit lying on my back with a smartphone in hand using voice, text and email. Amazing little devices!

#### So, where to begin...

My last report was between hospital stays. I spent three weeks in CR General and then four weeks "recovering" at home. Turned out that was not what was needed. A second CT scan revealed a much more serious injury that then required emergency surgery at Victoria General Hospital on June 8 th. Wendy and I travelled to Victoria on the 6th and she stayed in a hotel for ten nights while I had my surgery. Then a long trip home and recovery at home ever since. No need for any details, just setting the scene. I will say that I would not have made it this far without the love, kindness and caring of my wife, Wendy. She is with me 24 hours a day making sure I don't do anything else stupid and tending to my every need.

So, on to the business of being your Director! I have been making notes to myself for weeks to try and keep up with all the issues. I will try and touch on most of them but am sure I will miss some also.

#### **Public Hearings**

I guess I will start off with the issue of public hearings, since I mentioned them first and foremost in my May 11th Report. There were three applications that were before us at the time that would have, during normal "non - COVID times", have been in the line up for a Public Hearing. Since we could not have the hearing in a town hall style meeting the SRD passed a motion to postpone the actual hearings until sometime after Sept. 7th, hoping that would give us plenty of time to get through this pandemic crisis. The applications were for a Cannabis operation, a Fire Hall and a Ferry berth. This did not mean that work would stop on those files but only that they would need to wait until Sept. for a Public Hearing so that ALL of the public would have access to the proceedings. It was felt that a "virtual meeting" on such important issues would not suffice.

I have always believed in "local control of local issues and maximum public involvement" with regard to land use decisions. A virtual meeting could not in anyway provide this level of involvement. Should this pandemic continue unabated, we may need to look at other options in the future, but not just yet. There were some nonsense rumours going around that the SRD postponed the Hearings so that Directors could go on summer holidays. I wish! There was a comment AT THE Board about holidays during the summer but it was related to the SRD office being short staffed due to scheduled holidays for staff and the occasional time off for a Director as being contributing factors. However the reason was all about COVID restrictions and the inability to hold an in-person hearing for optimum public participation. Period!

In the mean time I have been working with all three applicants and their agents to try and figure out a way to expedite their applications.

I had incredible success with the Fire Hall issue yesterday through negotiation with a

senior member of the Fire Trustees. Some of the issues that they were being held up by were all dealt with through a number of phone calls with many people in a number of departments. In the end, the status quo of waiting until after Sept. 7th for the Hearing was determined to work just fine for them. One down and two to go.!

I also had a few really productive conversations with the owner of the Industrial property that is proposed to be used for the cannabis operation, the agent for the application and our senior staff at the SRD. We are now going to have a conference call of all the parties at once and will hopefully come to a speedy resolution for this long delayed proposal. I am very pleased about this. I felt that since it was a brand new use for Quadra (well, sort of!), it needed a full public airing and it will now hopefully get that at the soonest possible time.

The third issue was new Ferry berth for our second ferry being applied for in Q. Cove. I worked with senior management at BC Ferries to insure that the Sept. date would not hold them up in any way. They still have an incredible amount of work to do to satisfy the application process and they felt the timing was just fine. So, once again, a success story for hearing number three.

I think that the work that was just done collaboratively by all parties should eliminate some of the angst that was being generated by some of the rumours in the community. People need proper information to be able to discuss and deal with issues in the community. There have been other times when I have needed to be away for long meetings or other reasons that similar rumour-driven misinformation has caused dissension in the community. It is common in most communities. I am just glad I got back in time to clear things up!

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#### Hoskyn Channel Landing (Surge Narrows)

Our dock at Hoskyn has been the victim of some siltation caused by the heavy rains of the past two years. We did some work last year to keep the silt from the creek from building up under the dock and this year took the float right out and had it cleaned out by excavator (on July 4th). This will keep the float from grounding and doing damage to itself and to anything tied to it. Our Parks department contracted the work locally and community of Surge Narrows lent a helping hand as always.

#### Granite Bay Park boat ramp

We also did a resurface of the boat ramp at Granite Bay to allow for access at pretty much the lowest tides of the year. Once again we contracted the work out locally providing work to locals with your tax dollars. I would remind users that the ramp requires an honour system payment of \$5.00 for launch of ANY craft. Trailers are limited in size to single axle due to weight restrictions on the ramp. Four wheel drive is advised and angle parking is just above the ramp.

#### **COVID** Crisis

I included part of this info in my last report but it is still valid today and is worth repeating.

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I would like to commend the SRD for publishing a summary of Covid crisis events on a weekly basis on the SRD website. It is full of useful information for anyone who is interested in knowing where we are at in this pandemic. I would like you to read a quote from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau from May 9th Toronto Sun:

"Prime Minister Justin Trudeau warned Saturday that if provinces move too quickly to reopen their economies, a second wave of the coronavirus pandemic could end Canada 'back into confinement this summer'. Although health officials have pointed to a flattening rate of daily cases in many provinces, Trudeau said Canada was 'not in the recovery phase yet'. 'We are still in the emergency phase ... The vast majority of Canadians continue to need to be very careful'".

This quotation encapsulates how I feel, in my opinion, Canadians should be viewing the Covid crisis. It is not over. We must be on guard. We must obey directives that are aimed at the safety of the world's population. This statement is not about all of the lesser issues that are being discussed in the media. It is about the continuation of the good work that has been done and must continue if we are to reach a solution to this problem.

Over the past week there has been quite the discussion over visitors from the States coming to Canada and possibly infecting people in BC. As you are all aware, the States have had alarming numbers of new cases of COVID on a daily basis. So when people started noticing license plates from the States they became increasingly concerned that the hard work they had put into stopping the virus might have been for naught. FaceBook lit up and the media jumped in. I was approached by three media outlets at the same time that the Premier was being questioned repeatedly



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on the issue. I will paste in the interview that I have for your information only. It is a really tough topic to deal with with multiple sides to it.:

This was an interview I did in the Times Colonist last night on the topic:

https://tinyurl.com/y83rbxpm

I am sure there will be much more discussion on this topic in the coming days and weeks. Please be kind!

This is just a taste of what is going on in Area C, but I am running out of energy so am going to cut it off here. Hopefully by next issue I be able to give a more comprehensive Report. For the time being, while I am recovering from my injury, please email me rather than the other choices. After that, feel free to contact me between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00 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 anvtime at iimabram@xplornet.ca or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... You can read occasional updates on issues that I will post on Facebook at https://www. facebook.com/JimAbram, but please do not use this medium as a way to communicate regarding SRD business. 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!

Emails and phone messages received over the weekend or on holidays will (hopefully!) be returned promptly on the next regular work day. Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram Director Discovery Islands-Mainland inlets,

Area C, SRD



### **SRD Community Broadband Plans Now Online**

The Strathcona Regional District (SRD) hosted Community Broadband Planning forums in June of 2019 where seven communities within the regional district were visited throughout a two-week block. The Community Broadband Plans (CBP) project methodology was founded on design principles set-out by Connected Communities BC, weaving together a combination of diverse skill-sets; technical network engineers with community facilitators. Presentations from guest speakers and videos showcasing possibilities for a digital future while gathering ideas from the community about their current state of use as well as plans for housing, economic, environmental and social developments took place at the Let's Connect

An open discussion followed the presentations and participants provided a great deal of information about the current state of connectivity in their community as well as how improved broadband might be utilized to address community challenges and opportunities.

CBP forums last June.

The information gathered from last years Community Broadband Planning forums has created a unique snapshot of the community's digital readiness and aspirations. This snapshot will now be provided to lastmile broadband infrastructure solution designers to develop a plan based on the community snapshot along with analysis of the community's topography, climate, housing density, location of key institutions. In this way, the infrastructure is informed by the community aspirations amongst other important technical considerations.

"Improved broadband connectivity for rural and remote communities has been a strategic priority of the SRD for several years," says SRD Board Chair Michele Babchuk. "There is a significant gap between broadband service levels and affordability in urban areas versus rural areas in British Columbia. In fact, many communities within the SRD do not meet basic service levels, if they have any service at all."

To view the following Community Broadband Plans visit www.srd.ca/communitybroadband-plans

Cortes Island, Gold River, Kyuquot, Quadra Island, Sayward, Tahsis, Zeballos

To remain up to date on the Connected Coast Project which will bring new or improved high-speed internet accessibility to 154 rural and remote coastal communities, including 56 Indigenous communities – representing 44 First Nations – along the BC coast from north of Prince Rupert, to Haida Gwaii, south to Vancouver, and around Vancouver Island visit www.connectedcoast.ca.

### PASSAGES

### **Gary Brettnacher**

Island resident Gary Brettnacher passed away Wednesday, June 24, 2020 after a long and hard fought battle with Glioblastoma.

Thank you to all the wonderful people of Quadra for all the support during my husband Gary's illness. This was a long journey made easier by all the big and little kindnesses. For the meals, bread, dog care, wood splitting and stacking, firewood, sitting with Gary so I could go for a walk or to the store, walking with me, turning over my garden soil, getting my groceries, flowers, and many, many offers from everyone I am forever grateful. I am so fortunate to live in a community with such a big heart. The Covid crisis made a difficult time even more so and yet people still stepped up and offered their love and support when they were in crisis as well. In no special order Thank You - Karen, Lynda, Eileen and Dave, Kathryn and Mark, Helen and Michael, Kris and John, Allison and Vinay, Breanne and Rick, Marian, Eileen M., Doni, Mary, Quadra Legion, Pat Peterson N.P., Dr Hughes, Dr. Boegel and everyone who ever called just to offer a kind word or deed. To the very hard working nurses, aides and staff of Campbell River Hospital 3-D my deepest gratitude for your kindness and care during Gary's time in hospital.

I feel blessed to live in a place where there is so much love and kindness.

Jan Brettnacher



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### WANDERING WITH WORDS

# **The Watering Hole**

Che never wanted to get sucked  $\mathbf{J}$  in to the vortex of the watering hole. In many ways she didn't, in many ways she did.

The same underground hangerson and labour workers filled the space daily. The bar, always darkly-lit; only offering the light of day to those drunks and loners renting their stools early enough.

Night after night the patrons came and went. she visited often enough and yet seldom compared to the regulars. She went for drinking, for fun and for conversations that skimmed the surface at best, often telling others, and herself, she was there for "social intercourse." Sometimes that desire went unrequited other times it was anticlimactic.

She still went.

The bar was electric with a vast cornucopia of drunks, prostitutes, labourers, artistic types, half-assed businessmen and women who believed that they could find love among the carpeted cave they patronized. She had once believed that herself.

She'd sit on her perch and watch other women in their various stages of acquaintance with the tattooed, asshole drummer or the dirty, overenthusiastic construction worker with grimy hands and filthier intentions. She wanted these women to be realistic. Sometimes she would tell them that love among the bar stools was a dead-end street.....that it was an

aborted feat; a colossal waste of energy. Her well-meant wisdom fell on deaf ears...time and again it fell on hers as well.

She wanted to tell the women and men that searched for more that this was it - There was no morebut she knew they all had to come to that realization on their own somehow. Meanwhile there were shots to be had, acquaintances to be made and needs to be met.

After all it was our bar, she though. It belonged to the solo masses; Appealing to people who liked to drink and relax .... no strings attached ....

Yet despite the eclectic collection of people who packed in to the space like cattle each day and night, she was still lonely. She was a part of an unspoken pact- a drunken 'Lonely Hearts Club Band'; finding friends were they could, comrades over free pool games, drinking companions and eventual sex partners when the night offered.

When night did bring about amorous suitors, the light of day was like an uninvited and inevitable guest, casting shadows that hit them,

Everyone played the part. The only difference being is that she thought she knew how the game was dealt - even when left with a bad hand.

She had many lovers- carpenters, railroaders, artists, and waiters and some were stuck "in between jobs" as they'd like to call it.

They share stories and have conversations, often distracted by waitresses bringing about trays of elixir and drunks arguing and waiting with baited breath who would by the next round.

She was there. She understood. She was waiting as well for anything to quench her thirst. She loved the Jimmy Hendrix technicolour that was her life, but she wanted more than a whiskey flavoured kiss from a man who's beard was sharper than gravel on a snake bite ....She enjoyed the blues guitar and the way the sunlight tripped fantastic on the regular hooker's crimson vinyl body-suits and perpetually smeared lip lacquer, but she was still empty. She wanted more but still she went time and again to the same watering hole, hoping to drink in something more than just libations.



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### COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

### Quadra Island ICAN Water Team "Think Like Water"

An invitation to sharing stories, learning and appreciation of all things wet & wild



Every part of Quadra Island is a land that has been shaped by water. Every lush forest, wetland, seasonal brook and moss covered rock bluff emerges from and relies on the natural water cycle. When there is a year of excessive moisture or extreme drought every living thing on this island is affected (including all of us, dear readers). Some effects are direct and obvious (dying trees, contaminated wells ...) Some effects are less direct but gutwrenchingly real (wildfire risks, the loss of species and ecosystems...).

While our island may be spared the full brunt of the looming climax apocalypse, we cannot expect to be magically spared from such global predicaments. What are the repercussions of extreme wet or dry years becoming more extreme and more extended? How can human uses increase or diminish the resilience of the natural water cycles in the face of widespread climate change?

Over the coming months, we will be offering a series of articles on water, climate, nature

and the human cultures of this island. This is an invitation to share your water stories and knowledge with us. Bear in mind also that nature cannot share stories directly in a language that humans can easily understand. So consider acting as the voice of some aspect of Quadra Island environment that is precious to you.

One goal of the ICAN Water Team is to encourage rainwater harvesting. If you want to learn more about rainwater harvesting, the Book Bonanza is carrying the book, Essential Rainwater Harvesting, by Rob & Michelle Avis. We are in the process of securing some 250 gallon, food grade water tanks. They are in a metal frame and will include basic plumbing. We are selling units at our cost. If you don't need a tank, but want to help someone who does, donations are welcome. Payment or donation by e-transfer or make arrangements with Jude McCormick (dunnjudy@hotmail.com). We all need water - let's use it wisely.

### **Jo-Anne Cameron**



In loving memory of Jo-Anne Cameron, who left us for her next adventure on June 20th 2020. An avid traveler, Jo-Anne grew up in West Vancouver and spent time living in Switzerland and England before settling on Quadra Island in 1975. Jo-Anne's love of life, generosity of spirit and abundant laughter will be forever remembered and missed by her loved ones and dear friends near and far .







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### **Heriot Bay Tides**

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