

# DISCOVERY ISLANDER

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS ON QUADRA, CORTES & THE OUTER DISCOVERY ISLANDS



Will the May Queen float? Apparently not! - Jane Nighswander takes a dunk (or two) at the Fall Fair. See the full Fair Fall Out details start on page 13

## 2011 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS



School District No. 72 (Campbell River)

### NOTICE OF NOMINATION PERIOD

Trustee, Electoral Area 3 - Quadra

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of School District No. 72 (Campbell River) that nominations for the office of Trustee, Electoral Area 3 for an approximate three (3) year term commencing in December 2011 will be received by the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer as follows:

#### Strathcona Regional District

#301 – 990 Cedar Street  
Campbell River, BC V9W 7Z8

**From 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 until  
4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 14, 2011**

Nomination documents and related information is available from the School District No. 72 website ([www.sd72.bc.ca](http://www.sd72.bc.ca)) or in person at the following locations until the close of nominations:

- School District No. 72, 425 Pinecrest Road, Campbell River, BC (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday)
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**THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS IS  
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T. Yates - Chief Election Officer

425 Pinecrest Rd. Campbell River, BC V9W 3P2  
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## Notice to Hornby Island and Cortes Island Travellers

### DEADLINE EXTENDED

#### For discontinuation of Prepaid Paper Tickets

We have extended the deadline for customers to transfer the value of their existing Prepaid Paper Tickets onto a BC Ferries' Experience™ Card until **September 30, 2011**. The BC Ferries' Experience™ Card is an innovative product which has replaced the old Prepaid Paper Tickets. As of **October 1, 2011**, Prepaid Paper Tickets for Hornby Island and Cortes Island will no longer have a monetary value and can not be exchanged onto a BC Ferries' Experience™ Card.

#### KEY DATE TO NOTE:

**September 30, 2011** – final day to transfer existing value of Hornby Island and Cortes Island Prepaid Paper Tickets on to a BC Ferries' Experience™ Card

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# 30th Annual Quadra Open Golf Tournament Storey Creek - Saturday, September 24

Dinner to follow on Quadra at The Landing.



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# ISLAND CALENDAR

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## THE REGULARS

### MONDAY

Parent & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm  
Low Impact, 8:30 am, QCC  
Yoga with Josephine, Room 3, QCC, 10 am -12 noon  
Caregivers Support Group 9:30 am - 12 pm QCC  
Karate, 4 pm, QCC  
Sing for Pure Joy! Room 3, QCC, 3 - 4:30 pm, *All welcome.*  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Quadra Children's Centre 7 pm  
**1st Monday** - Quadra writers group, 7 - 9 pm 285-3656

### TUESDAY

Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 9-11 am & 5 -6:30 pm  
Spinners 10:00 am - 12:00 QCC  
Kids Climbing Wall (7 & under) 2:00- 3:00 (8+) 3:00 - 4:00 pm  
Quadra Children's Song Circle, Room 3, QCC3 - 4 pm  
Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
Adult Climbing Wall 6:00-7:00 pm  
Al-Anon Meeting, Quadra Children's Centre, 7:30 pm  
Folkdancing, QCC, 7:30 pm, Sept 21-Apr 26

### WEDNESDAY

Parent and Babes 11 am QCC  
Food Bank 1-2:00 p.m. (1st & 3rd Wed of every month) QCC  
"The Pack Ride" Moderate to Vigorous bike ride 6:15pm Yak Shack  
Climbing Wall Family 6:30 pm. QCC  
U Of Q, a one hour class in the HBI pub. 9:00 pm  
Hand-drum Circle, Upper Realm, 7:45 - 9:15 pm  
**1st & 3rd Wednesday** Food Bank, QCC 1 - 2 pm  
Lifedrawing sessions, Firesign Studio, 7 - 9:30 pm Nancy, 285-3390

### THURSDAY

Gentle Yoga Flow with Marnie, Vitalis 9 am - 11 am  
Parents & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm  
Karate 4:00 pm QCC  
Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7 pm  
Drop in games and wing night, Legion, 7:00 pm.  
Blakes encounters of the Karaoke kind. 9:00pm HBI pub

### FRIDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 pm Quadra Children's Centre  
Fridays - Live bands in the HBI Pub 9:00 pm

### SATURDAY

Quadra Farmers' Market 10 am to 2 pm behind Credit Union, Q Cove  
"Fun Ride" Easy to Moderate bike ride 10:30 am Aroma Cafe  
Gypsy Moma sessions by donation 1-4pm Studio 6, Upper Realm, Q Cove  
Legion Meat Draw 5pm, Steak Dinner 6:30 pm  
Open mic with Mo. 9:00pm HBI pub

### SUNDAY

Centre for Spiritual Living Celebration, Willow Point Hall, 10:30 am  
Family Service, Quadra Island Bible Church, 10:30 am  
Quadra Sunday Painters, 11 am - 2 pm, 285-3390  
United Church-11 am, first Sun. of month-12 noon, 285-3163.  
Buddhist meditation, Upper Realm, 10 am.  
Live Music at The Landing 4 to 7 pm Featuring The Blue Kats

## DAY TO DAY

### Friday, September 16

- Skampida - 6-piece Colombian Ska Band Returns! Quadra Legion 8 pm \$15  
- Big Mouth, Heriot Bay Inn Pub music starts 9 pm no cover  
- The Blue Katz, The Landing Pub 9 pm no cover

### Saturday, September 17

- Classic Rock with Electric Lemonade, Quadra Legion 9 pm \$5 at door

### Sunday, September 18

Geshe Yong Dong on Compassion & Wisdom 11 a.m. Upper Realm, Q. Cove

### Wednesday September 21

- Quadra Legion general meeting starts at 8:00 pm.

### Saturday, September 24

- Quadra Island Golf Tournament, Storeys Creek, register @ The Landing

### Sunday, September 25

- Philippines Giant Garage Sale at Quadra Community Centre 10 am -2pm

### Monday, September 26

- BC Ferry Commissioner Meeting at Mansons Hall, 2:30 - 4:30 pm  
- BC Ferry Commissioner Meeting at QICC, 7 - 9 pm  
- Deadline Day for the Discovery Islander - new material in by 7 pm  
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### Friday September 30

- The Harvest of Music Jazz Quartet, Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge 6 to 9:00 pm

### Friday, October 7

- Kayaking to Save The Albatross - A Beautiful Burden, QICC, 7:30 pm

### Sunday, October 16

- There is Wild and Then There is Wolverine! QICC, 7:30 pm

### Saturday October 22

- Nuyumbalees Society Annual Fund Raiser, Quinsam Hall in CR 6 pm  
- Reunion dance - Museum fundraiser, Sportsplex, Campbell River, 8 pm

NEXT DEADLINE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

Island Calendar is a list of on island events. Please submit separately for the **Island Calendar** and **News & Events** or indicate in your submission if you would like your event placed in both. **Following the text order exactly as above for email submissions is appreciated** (month, date, day, title, place and time), use the title as your email subject. Current advertisers welcome to submit events but not-for-profit items will be given priority. Thank you for understanding.



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**NEXT DEADLINE**  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

# ISLAND FORUM

## Letter to the Editor

Jim Abram, the local regional director, published an interesting presentation to the BC Ferry (BCF) Commissioner in the 19 August edition of the Discovery Islander. He justifiably drew attention to the unjust cost of BCF travel, highlighting it as the reason people are leaving the island, for the loss of jobs, reduction in school population, and increasing cost of products.

What is most intolerable for Quadra Island residents, ferry fares or ferry overloading? Private enterprise or even an efficient bureaucracy (don't hold your breath) would diminish both. Regrettably, it is difficult to successfully argue costs when existing ferries are incapable of meeting demand. Only a government or a bureaucrat could have realistic expectations people believe BCF has been privatised, when in reality there is one shareholder – the government. They have simply rearranged the deck chairs on the Titanic – disaster is still inevitable. Any entity operated by a government is inherently inefficient.

Mr. Abram recommends the BCF should be returned to the Ministry of Transport. That's like putting lipstick on the old pig and trotting it out again. The Ministry of Transport, however, does contract out highway construction and maintenance to the efficiency of private contractors and if part of Mr. Abram's recommendation is for all or part of ferry "highways" be contracted out to private operators, that may be a cost effective solution, conditional on well-defined parameters for scheduling and fares.

Sadly, the ferry fare issue does not stand alone as the single source of financial misery inflicted on many Quadra residents. It is unrealistic to single out ferry costs as the sole reason dozens of young families with children and business owners who employ numerous people, part and full-time, for leaving the island. Standing

alone, ferry fares would not be a brain drain on bureaucrats to resolve, however, it is not that simple. The last time I looked, we were in the grip of a worsening global financial crisis that is likely to extend well into 2013. In the meantime, waiting for recovery is not a joyful past-time for many residents.

Quadra Island needs to attract long-term resident families living and working on the island with kids at school by offering affordable housing. Most high-end property attracts seasonal residents not beneficial to the local community. There are already too many pockets of expensive waterfront real estate owned by seasonal visitors to the island.

The Strathcona Regional District (SRD) now seems hell-bent on inflaming the situation by opening up waterfront silviculture land at Gowlland Point for residential development. Why the local regional director would encourage the SRD to dream up a passage through the Official Community Plan (OCP) to allow for such a development remains a mystery.

Mr. Abram used one and a half pages of the Discovery Islander rightfully preaching the woes of ferry fares, but is visibly supporting a proposal that will inflict greater misery on Quadra residents by increasing the number of part-time residents. The community and SRD spent two years shaping an ideal development plan for Quadra Island, which was accepted by and in the best interest of Quadra full-time residents. The ink had barely dried on that plan when the SRD, for inexplicable reasons, set about changing it for this specific development proposal. We need to know what is motivating the SRD to hustle this deal through the OCP by-laws when existing requirements prohibit such a proposal. And furthermore, a surplus of residential property already exists on the island in more affordable areas.

A.J. (Tony) Elwood

## Thank You To All!

We would like to wish a heartfelt thank you to all the first responders, paramedics, our friends and family.

After falling 16.5 feet from a tree (we actually measured from the broken branch), Levi had serious symptoms which included difficulty breathing, abdominal and chest pain, bleeding, and head trauma!

We phoned 911 and the first responders and paramedics were incredible. Neighbours also came to help. Thank you Joan for jumping in and taking Adin! We were transported by helicopter to BC Children's Hospital and stayed the night. Levi had a concussion but was otherwise ok.

Thanks for the hug before we left Sehleeah! Yvonne and Tara, thanks for taking Adin while Levi was coming home and laying low. We loved seeing the balloons and welcome home sign when we came back Brandy and Sehleeah.

There was such an outpouring of support and concern from so many people and we appreciate it so much. It's good to know that when you need it most, help is there. Thank you everyone!

Levi, Adin, Art, & Heather

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**Please be concise**

# Salmon... the debate continues

Dear Editor;

I would like this opportunity to comment on the two letters by Deb Banta, one in the Aug 19th issue and the other in the Sept 2nd Courier-Islander.

The statements she makes in both letters are mostly quotes from the fish farm media outlets. She seems to indicate that the ISAv that is in Chile is not of the Norwegian strain when in fact it is. We don't know whether the suspected ISAv infection that is in BC waters comes from Norway or from Canada's east coast. Regardless, we all know that a species in a new environment is often invasive and cannot be controlled. We also know that eggs were imported from the east coast without record of screening for disease although it is not being admitted. Records show that since 2007, 20,082,000 of such Atlantic salmon eggs were imported by the salmon farming industry into BC coastal waters.

In her letter of Sept 2nd, she states that Dr Kristi Miller identified no actual disease agent

in migrating wild Fraser River sockeye. I note, however, that Dr. Miller found that both fish leaving the river and returning (except the Harrison run) carry a virus that has been genetically matched to a parvovirus and that stress conditions can activate it. Harrison run sockeye do not pass through the web of fish farms in the east corridor of Vancouver Island. This may be the reason why they do not have the virus.

I have recently come back from five days at the Cohen Commission hearings in Vancouver. These hearings are trying to determine the cause of Fraser sockeye decline in recent years. The Commission has been gathering evidence including research documents and emails from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO), Fin Fish aquaculture, BC's Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, fish health, etc.

It is interesting to note that Deb Banta, like representatives of fin fish aquaculture, DFO

managers, heads of Agriculture and Lands, Fin Fish Health, and related senior researchers, all get very defensive when their positions are questioned by presented information and the line of questioning starts showing an obvious link to fish farms and wild salmon decline. Or that fish farms are even considered to be potentially dangerous to wild salmon stocks.

In some cases, in order to hold the line that fish farms present no threat or consequence to wild stocks, some witnesses under oath are refuting their own research.

During my attendance at the Cohen Commission on Oct. 25th, it came out under cross examination that no application for a fish farm license has ever been denied due to it's location being a threat or even a possible threat to wild salmon.

According to research by Dr. Gerber, exhibit #1364 shows that a fish with the IHN virus (not ISA) sheds 2X10 5th viral

units per fish per hour. In a fish farm of 500,000 fish with a 30% infection, the study indicates, the viral units in the water is in the billions and could have a potentially devastating impact in narrow waterways.

With this knowledge it would seem to me that common sense would dictate that fish farms should not be located in passages such as the east Vancouver Island corridor that is a migration route for wild stocks. So who is standing on guard for wild salmon?

Now that the foxes seem to be in charge of the hen house perhaps Deb Banta could get a more balanced view of fish farms by going to [http:// alexendramorton.typepad.com](http://alexendramorton.typepad.com) to see what is really going on. It might also be helpful to review the exhibits from submissions and the answers to cross examination on the Cohen Commission website.

Charlie Bland



## Announcement

The BC Ferry Commissioner will hold public consultation meetings on Cortes and Quadra Islands on Monday, September 26, 2011.

**Cortes Island 2:30 -4:30 pm, Mansons Landing Community Hall**

**Quadra Island 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Quadra Community Centre, 970 West Rd**

The Commission is appointed under the Coastal Ferry Act to regulate fares and service levels of the ferry operator, BC Ferry Services Inc. on 25 saltwater routes. The Commission is independent of both the provincial government and BC Ferries and is presently conducting a review of the Coastal Ferry Act. Public input is invited.

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# MLA REPORT

by *Claire Trevena*

**I**t has been a very interesting and busy summer for people engaged in the political world. The continuing campaign over the HST referendum and election speculation kept many people on their toes.

The defeat of the tax was dramatic; in the North Island alone, 57 percent of people voted to get rid of it. The majority of people in the majority of BC's constituencies said they wanted a return to fair taxation with BC control over tax policy and tax exemptions. So the Finance Minister has indicated that we will be returning to the situation as it was on 30th June 2010 - with the GST and the PST with the exemptions which helped so many people.

When the Legislature resumes sitting in October, we in the Opposition will be asking why, if it only took a year to introduce the HST, it will take 18 months to switch back. Many business people I have talked to say that once the details are clarified the change will be relatively easy as it will simply be a matter of updating their bookkeeping software. However, builders, painters and other trades people are very worried that the delay will severely impact their businesses as customers put off repairs or renovations for 18 months when they will not have to pay that extra 7 per cent through the HST. So a shorter timeline for the transition to GST and PST is essential.

The overwhelming victory in the referendum swiftly ended election speculation. While Premier Clark said it was because people did not want to go to the ballot box again, her decision not to try to win her own mandate - which she said she would do since becoming Liberal leader in the spring and when the BC Liberals were gearing up for an early election - was clearly driven by the polls. I completely understand people's concern about being election weary - it was only two years since our last

provincial election, we've recently had a federal election and we are due in the fall for municipal votes - but my concern is the impact another two years of Liberal government will have on BC.

My community office in Campbell River is constantly trying to assist people who have lost their WCB pensions; or people with disabilities who, already living well below the poverty level, find they are not able to get assistance for essential nutritional supplements that their doctors say they need; or families with special needs children who cannot get the help their children need. So often we look at the big picture; but it is real people - in Campbell River, Port Hardy, Tahsis, Quadra and in every other community in BC - who bear the brunt of Liberal policies.

There is also the undeniable damage that the government's policies have on our environment. It's not only that there's logging at break neck speed for the foreign markets - but there is now no one providing public interest oversight in the forests. It's not only that mining companies feel they have the right to explore in all corners of the North Island, it's that there is now no one inspecting the impact they will have on watersheds. Of course we need the jobs that our resources can provide but we have to be aware of, and cautious of, the costs.

These are some of the concerns I will take up when we return to the Legislature in a few weeks time. And they will be busy weeks divided between my work as the critic for the Minister of Children and Family Development and with visits to a number of communities and organisations around the constituency. These include attending the Mount Waddington Health Network's meeting on homelessness in Port McNeill as well as VIHA's board meeting, where hopefully we will hear positive news about the continued operation of the emergency room at Port Hardy hospital.

Unfortunately, I will be at the Union of BC Municipalities conference in Vancouver when the ferry commissioner, Gord Macatee, holds his public meetings on Cortes (2pm) and Quadra (7pm) on 26th September. I met with him earlier in the summer and told him that people on the islands would accept no less than an immediate fare freeze and a rollback of ferry fares.

I do hope to see some of you at the Women 4 Women walk and run (I walk!) in Campbell River this Saturday (10th), raising money for bursaries to help women attend North Island College. The following Saturday I'll be at BC Hydro's 50th Anniversary celebrating public power at John Hart Dam and the weekend after at the Haig Brown Festival.

I must congratulate the Campbell River Creative Industries Council, which works hard to bring new businesses to the city, for the significant digital art exhibition it has brought to the Campbell River Museum. This is a coup for the city, the only place in Canada to host these works. The show is on until 22nd September.

And a final note: I will be opening a new office in Port Hardy shortly - at the former Robert Scott elementary school. Watch for announcements about an Open House. In the meantime you can contact me in Campbell River on 250 287 5100; toll free at 1 877 387 5100; by email at [Claire.trevena.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Claire.trevena.mla@leg.bc.ca); via my website [www.clairetrevena.ca](http://www.clairetrevena.ca); friend me on Facebook ;or follow me on Twitter @clairetrevena.

Best regards,  
Claire

# REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Area C

by Jim Abram

**S**o how about that earthquake! Quite the surprise. But I guess that it is good that some of that pressure is being released in small doses rather than one giant quake. We on Quadra and the outer islands will probably be better prepared than most due to the excellent work of our Emergency Preparedness Volunteers. And how about these temperatures! We must be breaking records for this time of year. I am not complaining. I have managed to stain all of my decks and railings with the help of my son in the past three days due to the weathers' cooperation.

## Fall Fair!

Was that fantastic, or what??? For a first annual event, I was extremely impressed by the participation of this entire community in some manner or other. It was just wonderful! My congratulations to the main organizers and the more that 200 volunteers that made it happen. I am sure that the charter event will be a learning experience for all and we will come back with an even bigger and better event next year. I am looking forward to doing my part, as requested. I hope you all had a great time. It was amazing to see all of the various talents that exist on this island. We were so fortunate to have such good weather also. It made such

a difference. I bet we will have more food vendors next year!

## Another reminder

- BC Ferries Commissioner -  
Sept. 26th - 7pm - Community  
Centre - Don't miss it!

Please read previous reports for all the details, but just make sure that you are in attendance for this meeting. The Commissioner needs to hear your voice... and you need to be telling him the impacts that these ferry fares are having on our families and our jobs and our economy and the future of our island. He needs to hear loud and clear that we want the ferries back under the wing of the Ministry of transportation since they are our marine highway. Do not let him suggest that this is not feasible. It is! And the more he hears it, the more likely it is that it will make it into his report to the Minister. As I have said in previous reports, I will be at the UBCM convention in Vancouver, where we will be meeting with the Premier and the Minister on this very topic. So I will not be at this meeting on Quadra and I am depending on you to carry the ball. Be brave! Be strong. Convince him of the need to listen to the public. I will do my part in Vancouver and hope you will pack the hall on that night. Other communities are bussing in people from other areas that are effected to be able to express their concerns. Numbers count,

folks. Be there! Fill the hall to the gills.

## Quadra Legion

I had the pleasure of making a motion at the recent SRD meetings to exempt the Quadra Legion from a large portion of their property taxes (the recreational portion) since they provide a service to our community all year round. The amount is about \$750.00 and will help them with their finances.

## Hazardous Waste Day

I hope that as many of you as possible were able to take advantage of the hazardous waste depot in Q. Cove this past Sunday. It is something I have asked for over many years and we finally got it so that we do not have to travel to various locations on the CR side to drop off waste products. A one-stop shop was provided and right here at home. My thanks to the SRD and the CVRD solid waste management function for putting this on.

## Stuart Island AGM

I attended, along with Beth Rees from the SRD staff, the Annual General Meeting of the Stuart Island Community Association on Labour Day (that's right, on a holiday!). It was a 12 hour day and was quite contentious. I have been asked to mediate and facilitate a solution

to their internal problems and I have agreed to do that in mid October. I think we will come out of this with a strong Association and better feelings in the community. I look forward to working with all of the community. More to follow.

## That's all folks! (almost)

I have to go and pack for a three day meeting in Prince Rupert (and two days of travel) of the PNCIMA advisory group to DFO. This is the marine planning of our coastline from Quadra to Alaska and involves all levels of government, first nations and all stakeholders.

When I return we have our Board meeting and then a week of the UBCM convention (mentioned earlier). But I will always be available. Feel free to call me between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday (please, not on weekends, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at [jimabram@xplornet.ca](mailto:jimabram@xplornet.ca), or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... Lots of choices.

Please note my new email address. The old "oberon" address is no longer active.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram

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# Quadra Island Fall Fair

This was the BEST event of the Season!  
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What a Great Atmosphere!!

What a Brilliant idea to give out awards and prizes for the best entries !!

And there was such a huge amount of happy visitors to enjoy this !!

I can go on, and on...

Lots of admiration to you all who put this together.

Looking forward to next year's fair.

A very thankful long time resident.

Rita Vitringa.

## For the Record

A letter to the editor by Deb Banta errs on many points and for the record I think that it is only fair that your paper points out these mistakes:

1. Disease data released to the Cohen Commission showed that many farmed fish are NOT healthy, contrary to what the author of the letter quotes Mary Ellen Walling of BCSFA as saying. (Quoting from salmonfarmers.org is obviously a biased source!) In fact, farmed Chinook salmon at the Conville farm site that the failed 2009 sockeye run swam by as fry in 2007 were so diseased that they finally stopped farming Chinook that year. The released records showed a disease present at that site every year as far back as the records that were released (2002).

2. There have been many studies, eg. Hedrick and Antonio 1995, that showed healthy salmon remained healthy in waters as high as 21degrees. Mortalities in diseased salmon increased with increasing temperatures, suggesting that warmer temperatures made the disease agent, or parasite, more active.

3. Just because a disease agent is not identified does not make the illness, or it's symptoms, any less real. Rather, it is all the more reason to study it.

4. Before the Cohen Commission, BC Salmon Farmers Association had openly declared that they would not release their disease data. Records were not released until the federal court demanded that they do so. They did not have a choice.

Thankyou for correcting this information. It is important that the problems that big international aquaculture corporations are creating in our marine environment be exposed.

Gael Duchene

## Electric Lemonade

Come on out and dance to the classic rock sounds of Electric lemonade on Saturday, September 17 at Quadra Legion. \$5 at the door.

## Fall Programs Underway at Quadra Rec.

Fall programming has kicked in to full swing here at the Community Centre.

We have many exciting programs, classes and workshops for kids and adults to participate in. If you are still in summer mode don't worry, there is even still room to register for classes that have already started.

Climbing wall for Kids (now at a convenient school bus drop off time of 2:30) has room in both Tuesdays and Thursdays Classes. Climbing Wall for teens and Adult Climbing Wall still have lots of spaces as well. Climbing for Teens is at 4:00 on Thursdays and Adult Climbing is on Tuesdays at 6:00.

Have fun with your voice on Mondays at 3:00 by signing up for Sing for Pure Joy, or on Tuesdays at 3:00 kids can sing their hearts out with Children's Song Circle.

Kids Creative Dance classes start at 2:00 on Wednesdays and Pre-ballet is Mondays at 4:30.

Of course don't forget our regulars, Parents and Tots at 9:30 on Mondays and Thursdays. Mondays a Children's Centre representative enriches the Parents and Tots program with fun games and activities.

Parents and Babies can gather every Wednesday at 11:00 in room 1. Swap advice, support each other as new parents and after partake in our nourishing Community Kitchen which happens at noon every Wednesday.

Check your recreation brochure for more details on everything going on at your Community Centre, or check out our website at: [www.QuadraRec.bc.ca](http://www.QuadraRec.bc.ca)



## What's On at The Landing

Dance-Dance-Dance At The Landing  
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Submit your news or event info, editorial runs free: email: [news@discoveryislands.ca](mailto:news@discoveryislands.ca) drop off 701 Cape Mudge Rd. or at Hummingbird

## Nuyumbalees Society Annual Fund Raiser

Will be held at Quinsam Hall in Campbell River on Saturday October 22, 2011 at 6 pm and will feature a Deluxe Seafood Buffet. If you would like to show your support, purchase a ticket to attend or to donate an auction item, please call Carol Ann or Heather at 250-285-2042.

## NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE DI

is Monday September 26<sup>th</sup>  
Send in your submissions  
by email: [news@discoveryislands.ca](mailto:news@discoveryislands.ca)  
fax: 250-285-2236 or drop it off at  
Hummingbird or our office at 701 Cape  
Mudge Rd, Quadra Island (just south of  
the Cemetery & Highways yard)

## Newcomers to Quadra Island Welcome

New to Quadra? The Discovery Islands  
Chamber of Commerce and local businesses  
welcome you with a gift bag. Please contact  
Judy at 285-2150.

## Quadra Legion General Meeting

Legion general meeting Wednesday  
September 21st at 8:00pm.

## Alcoholic Anonymous

~ Quadra Island Chapter has moved their  
8 pm friday meeting from Cape Mudge  
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How Many Sleeps 'til Christmas?

## Notice to Craftspeople

Table booking day for the QCC Christmas  
Craft Fair, (which is November 18 and 19th)  
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## Kayaking to Save the Albatross A Beautiful Burden



Hayley Shepard, a Vancouver Island based wilderness guide and expedition leader, was the first woman to solo sea kayak around Vancouver Island (1999) and the Queen Charlotte Islands (2005). In March 2010 Shepard began her most ambitious adventure, an attempted first ever solo sea kayak circumnavigation of South Georgia, an isolated, storm-thrashed Sub-Antarctic Island in the South Atlantic Ocean. South Georgia is also known for its remote rugged beauty and rich abundant wildlife.

Frequent Force 11 storms, a medical emergency, a severely damaged kayak and an earthquake caused numerous delays and the trip fell short of the entire circumnavigation. It was, however, a success as the trip was intended to create public awareness for the Albatross, an area resident and one of the world's most majestic seabirds. The Albatross is seeing a steep decline in numbers and faces the possibility of extinction, mainly the result of commercial fishing practices.

A Beautiful Burden combines entertaining storytelling, stunning images and captivating video, which stylishly merge the imperative tale of the Albatross and one woman's dream to kayak alone around a treacherously spectacular island to help save a magnificent bird.

Join Sierra Quadra on Friday, October 7th for this amazing presentation. Community Centre doors open at 7:00 pm, presentation starts at 7:30 pm. Refreshments available.

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## Seniors Social Lunch and Exercises.

Seniors are invited to come out and get active and socialise through the winter months at Quadra Circle's weekly Friday lunches starting 16 September. Everyone is welcome and transport can be arranged. Payment for the food is by donation. Lunch is at 12 noon. Exercise is at 11am. We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of Coastal Community Credit Union and Truvalue Foods (via their Spirit board program) for their support of this program and of the Bible Church on West Road for allowing the use of their facility.

Marion Eberlein will be teaching her "Fit For Life" Exercise class at 11am for an 8 week session starting in October. Ann Lawrence will lead "Armchair Aerobics" on the other Fridays.

Mary Dennison will introduce her singing program "Sing for Pure Joy" after lunch on Friday 23 September.

For information or to volunteer to help, contact Karen at 285 3064 or Mary at 285 3084.

Advertising is to trade  
what steam is to  
machinery  
- Thomas Cook

## Carrington Bay Drowning

On the morning of August 27, 2011 the Quadra Island RCMP Detachment received a report that a forty six year old male had gone missing, overnight, from a sailboat anchored in Carrington Bay, Cortes Island. At the time, a large outdoor weekend rave had been occurring at Carrington Bay.

Members of the Quadra Island Detachment, RCMP West Coast Marine Services, the Coast Guard and military Search and Rescue immediately conducted a joint search of the area.

The RCMP Dive Team was called in to assist with an underwater area search and unfortunately located the missing male deceased in the water.

The male's disappearance and death is not suspicious and the circumstances surrounding his death are being jointly investigated by the Quadra Island RCMP Detachment and the British Columbia Coroner's Service.

It is believed that alcohol played a significant role in the male's death and people are reminded that alcohol and water can lead to very dangerous, and in this case, tragic consequences.

The name of the deceased male is not being released.

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## Free Kid's Books

Free used kid's books are available at Spirit Books. One book is available per child under the age of 13 for each visit. The limit is one book per week. The book store is usually open Wednesday, Friday and Saturday afternoons in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove.

## Farmers Market Wraps Up for '11

Quadra Island Farmers Market & Bazaar is over for the year. We had a great time. The weather cooperated every Saturday! What a great way to spend Saturdays amongst great artisans, locals, visitors and friends. We would especially like to thank the people who help make the market successful. Many thanks to the Credit Union for our location, the Info Booth, Ross Doak, Barry our great grounds keeper, Greg Ross, Paul Bishop, Steve Moore for our terrific schedule of entertainers, and of course the musicians that made browsing the market a special treat.

Suzanne Chickite has done a stellar job over the years in many roles with the market. Her enthusiasm is second to none! Enjoy your new adventures Suzanne. There are so many people that help in other ways too. Thank you!

Thanks also to the directors of the market. Great job Stella, Naomi and Michele

## Discovery Islands Business Expo

The Discovery Islands Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce our **first annual Business Expo**. The Expo will take place at **Quadra Community Centre on October 22**. The Expo is an excellent opportunity for the community to learn more about the Discovery Island Chamber members and their businesses. Public admission is absolutely free. The Expo is exclusive to Discovery Islands Chamber members and is an excellent opportunity for our business members to promote and connect with the community and other businesses.

We are offering 4 booth sizes to 41 of our business members and the community kitchen is available for our food members. Included with the booth rental are complimentary workshops "Focusing on Businesses" and a business card ad in the Expo's promotion flyer.

The River 99.7 FM will be promoting the Expo and will be on location to broadcast our event to the Comox Valley to North Island.

To ensure your booth, visit **the chamber's website for application form and additional Expo info**. Application closing date is **September 22, 2011**. [www.discoveryislands.ca/chamber/ca](http://www.discoveryislands.ca/chamber/ca)

## Desperately Seeking Men! and Women To Sing



**DESPERATELY SEEKING MEN!** and women to sing melodies, chants, ring shouts, rounds and 3 & 4 part harmonies from around this glorious world. No experience needed. All voices are welcome! "If you can walk, you can dance ... if you can talk, you can sing". (Proverb from Zimbabwe)

Our Song Circle is a safe, non-judgmental place where everyone can **SING FOR PURE JOY!**

The majority of music in the world comes from the oral tradition and we will learn songs by call & response. No written music is used.

Quadra Community Centre - Room 3. Mondays from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. beginning on September 12th. For more information, please call Mary Dennison at 285-3764 or e-mail [singforpurejoy@gmail.com](mailto:singforpurejoy@gmail.com)

"Sing! Because this is a food our starving world needs" Hafiz

## 'Reunion' to play at Museum Fundraiser Dance

A good dancing time with mainstream rock & roll tunes from the 60's, 70's to the present coming up on Saturday, October 22 at the Campbell River Sportsplex. "The last time we had a rock & roll dance, 400 tickets were sold out within 2 weeks" says Lesia Davis, the Executive Director at the Museum at Campbell River. "This is our major fundraiser for the year, so all are encouraged to come out, have fun dancing and help us keep our doors open."

Call 250-287-3103 to buy your tickets(\$25) or for further information.



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## Buddhist Meditation

There is a Buddhist Meditation and discussion group every Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove. You don't have to be a Buddhist (and some of us are not) to come and enjoy the silent and peaceful meditation. We also discuss a book on 8 steps to happiness in this life. It's free or by donation. Call Danielle or Steve for more information at 285-3323.

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# Fair Fall Out

## A Thought Becomes a Fair

**After** several years of discussing the thought that Quadra Island needed a Fall Fair, last spring two friends decided to stop talking and take action. A third friend was recruited and 'the apple core' was established. These three people who had never organized anything larger than a small dinner party quickly attracted several more people with no experience!

And so a core group was formed and within weeks an elaborate structure of positions was formulated and half filled. From there it was an eight month process of brainstorming ideas and possibilities. Each time something new opened up, a volunteer appeared to fill the slot. (some with experience!!) It seemed unanimous that Quadra was ready for a Fall Fair and even better, Quadra Island was prepared to make one!

The core group of organizers would like to express a resounding THANK YOU to the many, many volunteers for making the First Annual Fall Fair happen. Without the volunteers, we would just have been an apple core, but all together we were an apple, or maybe even better... an apple pie. There were in fact so many volunteers who helped orchestrate and man this event (well over 200) that we would be hard pressed to list every single one - even with our pages and pages of names and shifts. Because you see, there were the volunteers who were team leaders and organized entire areas of the fair, there were groups who took on sub areas and individuals who worked within those groups. There were people who donated their equipment and people who set it up; people who volunteered their trucks and other people who drove them. Some stuffed bags of

candy, baked a cake for the cakewalk or made a special trip to drop off gumboots.

There were vendors who insisted on donating a door prize even when they knew it was too late to have a recognition tag. Several volunteers good naturedly braved the parking lot to drive off and print more programs or get more burgers. An entire team of seamstresses were found on a remote driveway one night (long after the sun had set) still sewing - by hand - because our banner was too big for a machine, and they were committed to finishing it. Some volunteers spent days and days on their computer working layout and design while others took computer lessons so they could keep up.

There was building and painting of theatre and photo op sets. Animal cages were built too, then transported and assembled; a pet-sitter kept the performing pets calm and safe in cages that had been volunteered - in an area that was identified by a blackboard that had been volunteered. A golf cart was donated for the day for those who needed assistance and an excavator showed up to man-handle bleachers. Judging teams, registration teams, admissions teams and display teams brought their own equipment to assist in their jobs. Demo people set up and performed cheerfully all day in the heat.

A few volunteers sewed hundreds of flags and pennants, someone else strung them and someone else hung them. One volunteer made our entrance archway, others decorated it. Several different woodworkers took on cutting the signs, the zucchini track, the indoor exhibit display blocks. Several others took on painting and lettering them. A few volunteers manned community service booths, ran demos and kept the dunk tank toddler safe until it opened. Some volunteers put together



our Fall Fair pantoume; some ran back and forth to their farm with week old pigs in need of suckling, some led ponies or misted goats; one unclogged a toilet, some emptied garbage, one directed traffic and several had the where-with-all to refill the paper towel dispensers. There were people who signed on for a one hour shift and stayed at their posts for 4 hours. There were the people who got called up at the very last moment to fill an unanticipated void and there were the people who worked diligently for months .... And there are still so many more ....

So we tip our hats to you, Quadra. Our community united and pulled off a major event that left our neighbours, families and friends grinning. For this we thank you - every single volunteer, sponsor and donor.

**Leslie Smith, Sioux Hartle,  
Robyn Mawhinney**



## And the raffle winners are:

Tsa Kwa Luten, dining gift certificate - Tim Pare

Evoc, gift certificate - Mary Dennison

Isle Tech. Auto Service - Julie Armstrong

Whiskey Point, 1 night accommodation - Patty Bouzan

Life coaching with Tucker Dinnes - Cassandra Wilson

HBI, 2 nights accommodation - Meg Stewart

Lori Hewitt, Rejuvenation Bodywork - Norma Price

April Point Developments, 2 nights Guesthouse - Joan Eccles

Quadra Quilters quilt - Julia Clarke

## Fall Fair Pantoum,

This day, Today, was a brimming glass  
from long, cool shadows, the hidden treasures  
This day, Today, was an immense  
summer's colour captured on pantry shelves

From long cool shadows, the hidden treasures  
their whispered secrets, calling my name  
Summer's colour captured on pantry shelves  
This day, Today, tasted of peaches and plums

Their whispered secrets, calling my name  
in the sibilant syntax of salt air  
This day, Today, tasted of peaches and plums  
but tomorrow may taste like pumpkin

In the sibilant syntax of salt air  
Apples crisp, bursting with stolen sun  
and tomorrow we'll bring in the pumpkins  
while apples lie, oozing for buzzing bees

Apples crisp, bursting with stolen sun  
tiptoe bee, lightly landing, gently flit  
where apples lie, oozing for buzzing bees  
away to sleep the winters' coldly chill

Tiptoe bee, lightly landing, gently flit  
the butterfly bush is tweaking my nose  
away to sleep the winters' coldly chill  
as the scent pours through my window

The butterfly bush is tweaking my nose  
the gate left open and the deer came in  
as the scent pours through my window  
and they celebrate their own fall fair

The gate left open and the deer came in  
Harvest time sees apples from Quadra's trees  
where deer celebrate their own fall fair  
sweet juicy work for the mouth, teeth and jaws

Harvest time sees apples from Quadra's trees  
Broccoli blooms a powder yellow glow

Sweet juicy work for the mouth, teeth and jaws  
Purple bean arms reaching for a leg up





# 2011

Broccoli blooms a powder yellow glow  
Hollyhock, tiger lilies and white phlox  
Purple bean arms reaching for a leg up  
Every bloom has its own dazzling day  
Hollyhock, tiger lilies and white phlox  
Bittersweet are these days of waning light  
Every bloom has its own dazzling day  
All things burnished gold in the afternoon

Bittersweet are these days of waning light  
Cucumbers, zucchini, and tomatoes  
Everything burnished gold in the afternoon  
The smell of hot brine as sharp as the knife

Cucumbers, zucchini, and tomatoes  
Potatoes nested in the cool soil wait  
The smell of hot brine as sharp as the knife  
The delving shovel and probing hand seeks

Potatoes nested in the cool soil wait  
Hamlet said fall is fair and fair is fall  
The delving shovel and probing hand seeks  
both a plenty and everyone happy

Hamlet said fall is fair and fair is fall  
Crickets in the woodpile and on the porch  
both a plenty and everyone happy  
now rise and shine, time is off the essence

Crickets in the woodpile and on the porch  
Soon shovel, hoe and wheelbarrow will rest  
Now, rise and shine, time is of the essence  
for the season soon will turn again

Soon shovel, hoe and wheelbarrow will rest  
but this day, Today, was an immense wave  
and the season will turn again and again  
but this day, Today, was a brimming glass.

(thanks to all who penned lines, including Pablo  
Neruda and William Shakespeare)

## People's Choice Winners

**Needlearts** - Terry Phillips

**Decorated Cake** - Ocean Mawhinney

**Favourite Bouquet** - Mike Dennison

**Up-cycled** - Wayne Nowazek

**Horn of Plenty** - Terry Phillips

**Scarecrow** - Annette Yourk

**Fall Fair video on You Tube -**

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=zwhF4DNWq-Y](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zwhF4DNWq-Y)  
(find it easily at [www.quadraisland.ca](http://www.quadraisland.ca))

## Sonnet to the Alpine Strawberry

Whorls up from ruin earnest every spring,  
fresh triplet leaves, light sway of scalloped edge,  
ivory blooms small task for cool air wings  
of frenzied bees amongst the tangled sedge.

So slight their fruit hidden beneath the leaves,  
when June is bursting bowls of crimson sweet.  
To pick them now, you must be quite naïve -  
ten times their size the richer berries entreat.

But once the giants have dried up all their juice,  
the parch sets in, ah, now our gaze is drawn  
to hints of red below the gangly spruce  
and edge of garden beds beside the lawn.

Red rubies pure, steeped long in Sol's best heat,  
the wait, the scorn, surrender all complete.

by Carol Gall



## Too Late to Classify

by Darcy Mitchell

When we brag to friends in the city about the peace and quiet of Island life, we somehow fail to mention the problem of recurrent aerial bombardment. Most days in late summer and early fall, missiles suddenly rain down on the roof of the woodshed beside the house, and the corrugated steel rings under the onslaught. Then, just as suddenly, the attack stops. When he's satisfied that the coast is clear, the squirrel scrambles down the big spruce tree and begins to collect his cones.

The squirrel lived in our woodshed for almost three years. He would nip off unripe cones from the top of the spruce, and drop them, clanging, on the metal roof. He - or perhaps she - stored them in the spaces between chunks of alder and fir, until every crevice was packed with his winter supplies. In the early spring of the first year, after we had burned about half of his shelving units, we uncovered a tidy nest, constructed of moss and lined with bits of insulation. The squirrel, undeterred by the demolition, re-appeared in the fall. We stocked the shed with wood, and he stocked it with cones. As we were away for most of that second winter, he didn't have to worry about somebody stealing his bedroom while his tail was turned.

The dogs knew perfectly well who lived in the woodshed. Max, the Border terrier, reconnoitered on every possible occasion, attempting to climb the stacks of wood, tail rigid, poised to demolish his prey. The squirrel sneered. They enjoyed the relationship quite a lot.

With the heavy snow of this past January and February, we began leaving birdseed at the entrance to the woodshed, where it would stay dry. Juncos, fox sparrows, towhees and a few variegated thrushes dropped by to investigate, and were promptly repulsed by the master (or mistress?) of the woodshed. Only after he had carried off all the sunflower seeds were the birds allowed in. Even when there was

nothing left except corn and millet, at which he turned up his nose, he still made occasional lunges at the birds so they would know who was in charge.

Then, one cold day in March, Bruce called me out to the yard and handed me a cardboard box. Our small tenant was wrapped in my old blue and white flannel nightgown. He wasn't quite dead. Some predator must have grabbed him, then left him lying, still breathing, on the concrete floor of the shed. He had two dark patches on his sides; his forepaws were drawn up to his chest. There was a small smear of blood on his nostrils, and his breath came in barely audible gasps.

We brought him into the house, in the almost certainly forlorn hope that he might recover in the warmth. Every ten minutes, we folded back the flannelette and had a look. Still breathing, eyes still closed, his small paws pulled up to his chin. We gave ourselves deadlines. If he doesn't die by X o'clock, one of us will have to deal with him. But when one deadline passed, we set a new one. We thought he might be dehydrated, so we filled an eyedropper with warm water and dribbled it into the side of his mouth. The tenor of his breathing seemed to change, so we tried another drop, and a moment later, he kicked one hind leg. It was the first time he had moved. It was also the last. I suppose the whole sad episode lasted about four hours.

The ground was too hard for grave-digging, so I wrapped the squirrel in blue tissue paper, put him in a shoebox, and kept him in the freezer for a week or so. Now he's buried under a young oak tree, about fifty feet from the big spruce.

Max still charges into the woodshed, tail in combat position. If the scent is there, he's sure the squirrel must be somewhere. It's hard to know where to advertise, but we'd like to put up a notice: "Tenant wanted for cozy rural accommodation. Rent negotiable. Suitable for single squirrel, or small family."

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**BYLAW NO. 115 “Quadra Island Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2007, Amendment No. 5”**

**BYLAW NO. 116 “Quadra Island Zoning Bylaw, 1990, Amendment No. 100”**

**Date of Public Hearing: Wednesday, September 21, 2011**

**Location of Public Hearing: Quadra Island Community Centre**

**Room # 3 - 970 West Road**

**Quathiaski Cove, BC**

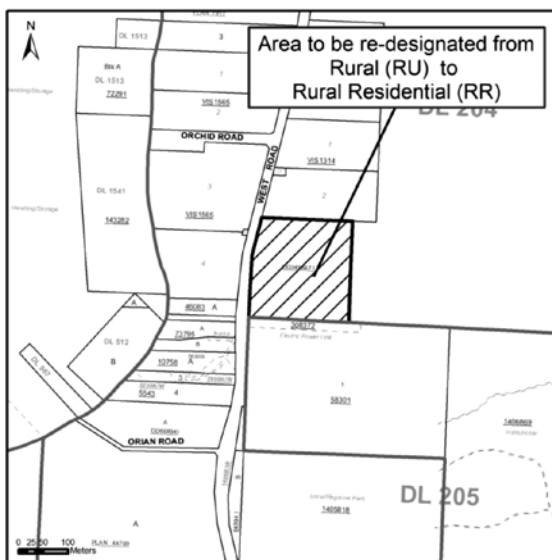
**Public Hearing to Commence at: 7:00 p.m.**

**Area to which the Proposed Bylaws Apply:** The subject property is legally described as That part of District Lot 204, Sayward District described as commencing at the north west corner of District Lot 205, Sayward District, thence easterly along the north boundary of said District Lot 205 for 660 feet, thence north for 660 feet, thence west 660 feet more or less to the easterly boundary of the road to Heriot Bay 66 feet wide, thence southerly along the easterly boundary of said road to the point of commencement as shown on the maps below.

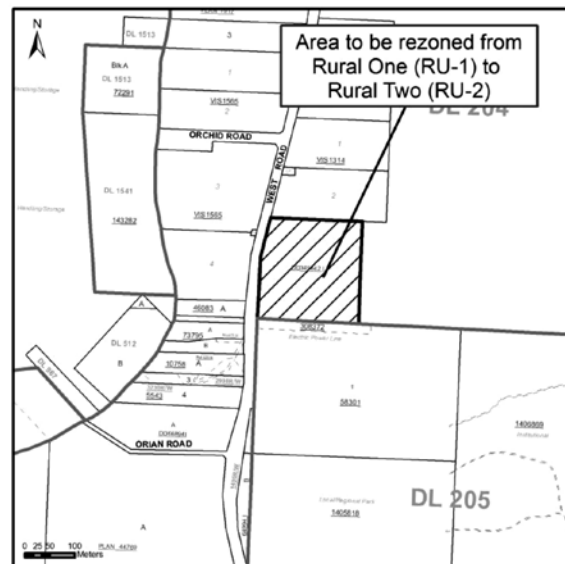
**Purpose of Proposed Bylaw 115:** The bylaw, if adopted, would re-designate the subject property from Rural (RU) to Rural Residential (RR), to facilitate a subdivision of the property into two parcels of approximately 2.0-hectares in area.

**Purpose of Proposed Bylaw 116:** The bylaw, if adopted, would rezone the subject property from Rural One (RU-1) to Rural Two (RU-2), to reduce the minimum lot size requirement to facilitate a subdivision of the property into two parcels of approximately 2.0-hectares in area.

**BYLAW 115**



**BYLAW 116**



Copies of the proposed bylaws and related information are available for inspection at the Strathcona Regional District Customer Service Centre, located at #103 – 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, from September 6 to September 21, 2011.

The bylaws may also be viewed on the Strathcona Regional District website at [www.strathconard.ca](http://www.strathconard.ca).

The public hearing will be held by a delegation of the Strathcona Regional District Board comprising the directors representing Electoral Areas A, B, C and D. Anyone who believes their interests are affected by the proposed bylaws will be given an opportunity to be heard or to file a written submission at the public hearing.

Written submissions from persons who are unable to attend the public hearing may be delivered by hand or electronically to the Regional District office no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 to be considered as part of the public hearing record. The Strathcona Regional District cannot consider any representations made after the close of the public hearing.

B. Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer

## **Inquiries should be directed to:**

John Neill, Planner

Strathcona Regional District

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## Book featuring Quadra Island has a Launch Event at the HBI

Whodunnit, and was there marijuana involved? Quadra Island is featured as the rainforest setting of a new mystery novel in the Island Investigations International mystery series. Together, Sandy Frances Duncan and George Szanto co-author the series, which also includes titles featuring Gabriola and Whidbey Islands.

The story's detectives are sleuthing around Quadra Island in the employ of Noel's old high school buddy, Jason Cooper. Jason and family are worried for the oldest son in the family, Derek, who was discovered badly beaten in the woods in nearby Campbell River and has remained in a deep coma for three weeks.

As the two get to know the sleepy island community, they're surprised to discover that Derek may have been in on a drug deal, but why? Others in the community describe him as a decent young man with a good head on his shoulders—what could have possibly pushed him to deal in drugs? Detectives Kyra and Noel aren't even certain the drug deal is connected to attack, but are determined to find out what circumstances could have drawn this happy family into such dark territory.

Tuesday September 27, meet the authors, hear them read and have your book signed at the Quadra Island book launch, 7 pm at the Heriot Bay Inn; \$20 includes appies and light desserts.

Sandy Frances Duncan is the author of ten award-winning books for children and adults, including *Gold Rush Orphan*, which was nominated for a 2005 BC Book Prize. A National Magazine Award recipient and winner of the Hugh MacLennan Prize for fiction, George Szanto is the author of half a dozen novels, his most recent being *The Tartarus House on Crab*. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

# Friday Flicks is Back!

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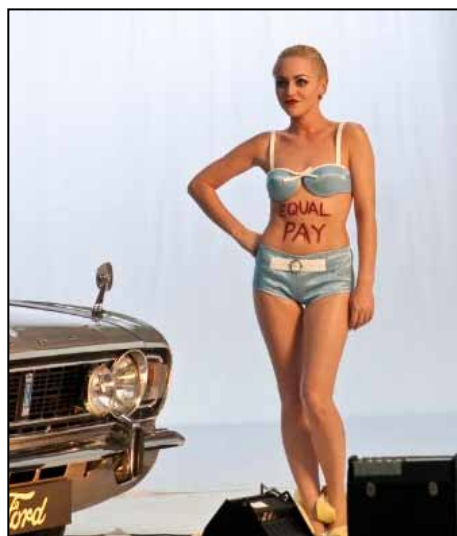
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It's 1968. London is swinging, Paris is rioting, Prague is steaming, another Kennedy is shot. Revolution is in the air. But away from the cameras and Carnaby Street, at a sweatshop in the English suburb of Dagenham, unanticipated unrest is simmering.

In a vast modern plant, Ford employs 55,000 men on a gleaming assembly-line. Next door, under a leaky roof in an outlying building that dates back to Dickens, 187 women are plying their trade at sewing machines, stitching the cars' leather seats. Old and young are



stripped to their bras in the steaming heat heads bent to their work. These are the women who helped give birth to a most profound revolution.

Rita (Sally Hawkins) is a cash-strapped seamstress, adrift in a late-60s era of rayon, crimplene and rampant male chauvinism. Outraged when she and her fellow workers

are dismissed as unskilled labour, she sparks a mass walk-out that electrifies the media and exposes the cosy relations between an intractable management and the blustering union officials.

The film is robust, amiable and warm-hearted. Hawkins gives a winning performance as the working-class sparrow who grows slowly in stature. Rosamund Pike is superb as the tragic trophy wife who finds her Cambridge history degree is the perfect qualification for her new career passing the cheese-board around at dinner parties.

The 1968 Ford motor strike lasted three weeks and laid the ground for the Equal Pay Act of 1970. That's because revolutionaries come in all shapes and sizes. Some are gilded poster-boys, some are Marxist militants, and some are seamstresses, hunched over their Singer sewing machines, expecting an honest day's wage for an honest day's work.

(sources: Globe and Mail, The Guardian)

## Quadra Literacy

Quadra Literacy is offering free refurbished computers and individual tutoring to interested adults who have never had a computer and would love to learn.

Other course offerings this fall include:

**Computer Basics** - This course includes learning to manage documents, learning the keyboard and various functions, how to use a USB drive to store information and photos and learning how to create different types of documents. Three evening sessions for two hours.

**The Internet and the World Wide Web** - This course shows you how to connect to the Internet, browse Web pages, navigate Web sites, use search engines, and exchange e-mail with others. Two evening sessions for two hours.

**Literacy Skills** - individual tutoring to meet your needs.

**Volunteer tutor** - Would you be interested in being a volunteer tutor, working with adults on literacy skills and/or basic computer skills? There will be a tutor-training workshop this fall.

Dates for these late September - October courses and workshops will be determined with registrants.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities call Robin @ 250 285 3185 or email: robin.quadraliteracy@gmail.com

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Come join the hand-drumming jam at Spirit Books in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove every Wednesday night from 7:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome. If you don't have a drum, we can provide one. Some instruction is offered, but mainly we just have fun and jam. Drop-in donation is \$5 per session. First-timers are free. Call Steve Moore at 285-3323 for more information.

## Quadra Island Safety Committee

The Quadra Island Safety Committee meets at Fire Hall #1, usually every second month on third Thursday of the month. The next meeting is September 15th/11 at 7 PM.

Regular attendees are Reg. Director Jim Abram, and representatives from Quadra BCAS, Quadra Fire, Quadra RCMP, Quadra Emergency Program, EMCON, QI Harbour Authority, Quadra Ferry Advisory Committee, and Quadra Seniors.

We welcome attendance of other groups, or individuals with concerns about a QI issue or incident that affects safety of Quadra Island residents. Advance notice helps us to get further info, and sometimes reps from other agencies who are involved, such as Highways or Hydro, can attend the meeting to better address the issues. If you have a concern, and wish to bring it to this committee, please contact Betty Doak 285 3590 or md3590@telus.net or Jim Abram 285 3355 or jimabram@xplornet.ca

## Free VHS Video Exchange

There is a free VHS video exchange in the hallway just outside Spirit books in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove. Feel free to take two or three home. Also feel free to donate your already watched videos to the free VHS shelf. Some DVD's are available as well. Friday or Saturday is a good day to come in.

## Free Wood

The Free Wood Association distributes free firewood to elders on fixed incomes, unemployed islanders, folks on social assistance, single parents, and new island tenants who arrive in mid-Winter facing an empty wood shed. Generally speaking, we urge Quadra residents to obtain dry wood from their local wood suppliers now. Free Firewood does not usually become available until November so we have enough to last if Spring never comes, like this last year. Right now, we want to insure everyone has a safe and secure wood stove by providing free chimney sweeps (see separate article in his issue of DI). Needless to say, the free firewood and chimney sweeps are only possible because of the generous donations of Quadra Islanders. Right now we only have \$639 to cover around 8 chimney sweeps, general upkeep and delivery costs. And next year, we may have to buy wood. Please consider placing a donation in the Free Wood Association account at the Quadra Coastal Credit Union. You can insure that everyone on Quadra is warm and everyone has a safe and secure fireplace. Call Steve Moore at 285-3323 for more info.

## 2011 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTIONS



### NOTICE OF NOMINATION PERIOD

**Director, Electoral Area C  
(Discovery Islands-Mainland Inlets)**

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the Strathcona Regional District that nominations for the office of Director, Electoral Area C for an approximate three (3) year term commencing in December 2011 will be received by the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer as follows:

Strathcona Regional District  
#301 – 990 Cedar Street  
Campbell River, BC V9W 7Z8

**From 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2011  
until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 14, 2011**

Nomination documents and related information is available from the Strathcona Regional District website ([www.strathconard.ca](http://www.strathconard.ca)) or in person at the following locations Monday to Friday until the close of nominations:

- Strathcona Regional District, #301 – 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, BC (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday)
- Heriot Bay Post Office, 1536 Heriot Bay Road, Heriot Bay, BC (9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, open to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays)
- Quadra Community Centre, 970 West Road, Quadra Island, BC (8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday to Friday)

**THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS IS  
4:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2011.**

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE

A person is qualified to be nominated, elected, and to hold office as an electoral area director if they meet the following criteria:

- Canadian citizen;
- 18 years of age or older on November 19, 2011
- resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months at the time nomination papers are filed; and
- not disqualified by the Local Government Act or any other law or enactment from voting in an election in British Columbia or from being nominated for, elected to or holding office.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** on the foregoing may be obtained by contacting Thomas Yates, Chief Election Officer or Monique Hebert, Deputy Chief Election Officer at [elections@strathconard.ca](mailto:elections@strathconard.ca)

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## Quadra Island Photography Club

Room 3, Quadra Community Centre  
Tuesday September 27, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Got a camera? Looking for an enjoyable and creative hobby that you can share with others? Look no further! The third season of Quadra Island's own photography club is commencing on September 27.

The club is open to all experience levels from novices to long-time photographers. The objectives of the club are to create a non-competitive forum for viewing and discussing our photographs, for sharing knowledge and techniques, and above all, having fun.

Meetings are held once a month from September to June, with the exception of December. Every month there is a different photographic theme, for example, "textures", "fall settings", "the colour red", etc. In preparation for each meeting, members explore their photographic creativity and skills by taking five photos on the theme. At the meeting everyone's photos are projected on a large screen and discussed in a relaxed and supportive environment. The monthly meetings often also include short educational presentations on various topics in photography. In addition to the monthly meetings, members occasionally get together for group shoots.



Please visit the club website at <http://www.pbase.com/qipc>. It has information about the club's objectives, the meeting schedule, club fees, as well as a selection of photos taken by members. Call Don at 285-2142 if you have any questions.

To find out more about the club you can attend one of our meetings at no cost or obligation. We'd love to see you on September 27.

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

Well, summer has finally been here, and was it great for the Tourists, who were very anxious to visit every inch of our wonderful Discovery Islands and for our Members & guests who attended our Annual Picnic which was held at Rebecca Spit on Sept. 7th/11.

We had a short business meeting, and a delicious Pot-Luck lunch, including ice-cream. Many Games were played. The Door Prize was won by Julie Campbell. Nailing contest, which was organized by Len Lamb, was won by Women-Heather Adams, & Men- Martin Amiabel-- Throwing the boot--Women- Helen Swanson, Betty Thompson & Ruth Amiabel- Men- Russell Swanson.- Picking the most Pegs off the line with one hand- Women--Marilyn Lamb -Men--Steven Bruce (guest). Bocce Game-- Winning team--Chris Dyson, Len Lamb, Ann Lawrence & Ruth Amiabel. We all had a great time.'

A Special Thanks went to Kathy McLeod, who has been our Secretary, but due to illness had to resign. Heather Adams has graciously stepped in as Secretary until the end of the year, Thanks.' Heather.

We are hoping to go on many Excursions call Ruth @3801.

Our next meeting will be our Annual Fall Fair which will be held on Wed. Oct. 5th/11, Outrageous Veggies & Fruit, Preserves, Baking, Crafts, & a Trophy contest for winner of the show.

Starting Wed. Sept 14/11 ArmChair Aerobics with Ann Lawrence at 10:00 a.m, Carpet Bpwling @ 11:15 a.m, bring snacks to have with Coffee. Our North Island Regional Meeting will be held on Wed. Oct. 12th/11, by Dogwood Br.52 in Campbell River, at the Eagles Hall, a business meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m, a Halloween theme will set the tone of the meeting, lunch will be \$5.00, please give the fee to Chris Dyson @2207 in advance.

## Free Chimney Sweeps

Because of the generous donations from fellow Quadra islanders, the Free Wood Association is able to offer a limited number of free chimney sweeps. If your wood stove has not been cleaned in the last two years and you are unable to afford to pay for a chimney sweep at the present time, just call Steve Moore at 285-3323 before October 15, 2011 Steve will take down your name and phone number and forward it to Gabe Aston, a local chimney sweeper. Gabe will then call you and set a date and time to do the work. Donations to support free chimney sweeps can be made to the Free Wood Association account in the Quadra Coastal Credit Union. Many thanks to Gabe for agreeing to work at a reduced rate to support those going through difficult economic times. Thanking, you the reader, in advance for your donation that keeps everyone warm and safe from chimney fires.

## At the Good 'Ol HBI

Artist Reception for Perrin Sparks, Tuesday Sept 20 in the Fireside Lounge of the Heriot Bay Inn. Perrin's portraits and etching are hanging in Herons and the lounge this month; all are invited to check them out all month, or during the artist reception 3:30-5:30 pm.

Saturdays in September feature Appee Hour in Herons and the HBI pub: \$1 off all appeys from 4-6 pm.

Our island makes beautiful music... Open Mic with Mo is a great way to hear some rockin' and/or beautiful tunes. Join in on stage...or be a supportive audience member! Saturday evenings 9-12 pm in the HBI Pub.

A new season of UofQ is underway! Learn something new Wednesdays at 7 pm in the HBI Pub. UofQ is islanders sharing their knowledge, expanding brains with awesomeness and raising the islands IQ. Sept 21: Harvest Season preserving with mother-daughter team Annette Yourk and Rowan Kehn; Sept 28: 630 years of Rebel Music - the times, they are still a-changin' with Smokey Dymney.

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# Free Money

Free Money is available from November to April to help low-income Quadra Islanders make it through the Winter. Mainly, we are supporting single parents, elders on fixed income, folks on social assistance and the unemployed.

The Free Money program is simple. Before the Community Lunch, on the first Wednesday of every Winter month, adult and children's Books containing a \$10 bill are made available. One book (\$10) is for a single individual and several books are for a family with children are given away. Free dog and cat food are also available for family pets. Right now, the Free Money Association account at the Quadra Coastal Credit Union has only \$870.45 and the program needs roughly \$3,000 to continue until April.

So please consider making a donation to the Free Money Association Account at the Quadra Coastal Credit Union. Quadra islanders helping Quadra islanders helps create the wonderful community spirit that surrounds Quadra Island.

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## Art show and Reception

'Intaglio Etching' describes the process of lines etched into the face of a metal plate using acids. Thick ink is rubbed into these lines so when the plate is run through a printing press with a damp piece of paper, an impression is left on the paper.

The Heriot Bay Inn is hosting Perrin Sparks' work Sept 3-26, twenty-one of which represent the wide range of effects one can achieve by the above process. Add 'rainbow rolls', multi plate images, a la poupee (two or more colors selectively wiped), watercolor tints, and using masks - you have everything represented from a tiny, delicate classic line drawing of javelina pigs, to large, bold puzzle blocks of a colorful Raggedy Ann.

Meet the artist on Tuesday, Sept 20, 3:30-5:30 in the Fireside Lounge and she will have a few of the zinc plates and intermediate steps on display. Some of these images have as many as 30 preliminary prints run before the image is finally developed. If you missed seeing the process at the Quadra Island Studio Tour, now's your chance to see the results, first hand. There are also portraits (a few familiar faces?) and landscapes of local scenes for a total of 32 works displayed.



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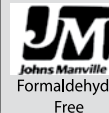
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## Introduction to Meditation

Meditation calms and relaxes the mind. A feeling of peace and contentment are available after just 30 minutes of concentration on a single object. The object could be something as simple as awareness of your in and out breath.

Dave Ashton has been teaching meditation for 30 years. Dave's course is not restricted to any one spiritual tradition and is available to anyone who wants to learn a simple practice to help overcome some of the stress of daily living.

The course is on Thursday nights, starting on October 13 through until December 1. The suggested donation is \$5 a session but pay whatever you can afford. The course takes place at 7:30 p.m. in the meditation room at Spirit Books in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove. Call Dave Ashton at 285-3871 to register or just come to class.

## Geshe YongDong speaks on Compassion & Wisdom

Geshe YongDong, a Tibetan Buddhist Monk, is coming to Quadra Island. He will be speaking on: "The Union of Compassion and Wisdom." Compassion as well as wisdom is very important. However, in this world, many people have great difficulty to balance and develop both compassion and wisdom together.

Geshe YongDong will share his knowledge and experience on all aspects of the topic of compassion and wisdom and how best to balance both together in our daily lives. The date of the talk is Sunday September 18th. The place is Spirit Books upstairs in the Upper Realm.

The time is 11 a.m. The suggested donation is \$10 for travel expenses and to support the meditation center in Courtenay. But pay whatever you can afford because everyone is welcome. Please come on time because we start with a short meditation.

## Heriot Bay Inn Welcomes Mushroom Enthusiasts For A Real Fun(gi) Weekend!

Along with gardeners and firefighters, another group of people are hoping for rain – maybe not right away, but in good time to bring out the mushrooms by the end of the month. On September 30, more than



"Dr. Shannon Berch will speak about Quadra's fascinating wild fungi on Friday, September 30 at the HBI. photo by Jean Johnson

twenty members of the South Vancouver Island Mycological Society (SVIMS) will arrive on Quadra to explore the wide array of wild mushrooms found in our Island forests. Both novice and experienced mushroom hunters are invited to join HBI and their guests for the 2011 Quadra Mushroom Foray.

Beginning on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Shannon Berch will present an informative and entertaining talk on "Edible, Poisonous and Other Intriguing Mushrooms of Quadra Island". Next morning, participants will car pool to one of several spots on the Island to collect the widest possible variety of fungi to bring back to the hotel for identification by Dr. Berch, and Jim Jones, founder of the Bamfield Mushroom Festival. On Sunday morning, everyone gathers in the Bayview Room to review the catch, and chances are there will be a couple of hundred species in the mix.

Cost for the weekend is only \$20 and includes the Friday evening presentation (with light refreshments), the Saturday field trip, and the Sunday morning identification session. The Friday session, which will provide an orientation to mushroom-hunting safety and ethics, is required for participation in the Saturday field trip. The cost without the field trip is \$15.00. To register, and for more information, contact the HBI at (250) 285 3322. For background and useful links, check out the SVIMS website at [www.svims.ca](http://www.svims.ca).



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## Can't Wait for your DI?

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# Fear and Faith

Being stuck or immobilized by fear at one time or another in our lives has happened to us all. It is definitely not an easy place to be especially when we lack a good support system that can guide us through a decision or help us to release the fear.

Fear is a protective response, a fight or flight action based emotion that has allowed us to survive. Fear floods the body with chemicals that encourage action. When we are faced with physically dangerous situations fear kicks in and helps us to protect ourselves.

So what kinds of circumstances produce this feeling of fear in our society today? Perhaps the fear of losing your job, not having enough money, not being "good enough", etc; Fear can take many forms including panic, dread, and worry and can cause internal conflicts like procrastination, overwhelm, and powerlessness.

There is an acronym for F.E.A.R. = False Expectation Appearing Real.

When you are in a place of immobilization it is often helpful to Stop....Breathe.... Reflect. By taking the time and space to examine what your fear is, where it is coming from and then developing options/ actions to deal with it, you create the energy to release and move forward. Byron Katie developed a process that is simple yet effective. It is called The Work and involves answering 4 basic questions:

1. Is it true?
2. Can you absolutely know that it is true?
3. How do you react, what happens, when you believe that thought (fear)?
4. Who would you be without the thought?

After you have thoughtfully answered these questions and perhaps written them down in a journal, develop a turnaround statement, a statement that will bring release, action and peace. For an example and free worksheets on The Work go to [www.thework.com](http://www.thework.com)

So how does faith influence our fears? The type of faith I am referring to is the trust and confidence in Life and in your self. Gratitude and acknowledgement of all that is good in your life, all that has worked out well, and will work out well creates the energy and positive movement needed to move out of fear and into action. Being responsive instead of reactive in our daily lives allows us to live from a place of groundedness and peace rather than anxiety and fear.

There is much in the world to make us afraid. There is much more in our faith to make us unafraid. ~Frederick W. Cropp



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# It's That Time Again 17th Annual Giant Garage Sale!

As we ease into another beautiful season of Fall, the Quadra/Philippines Connection offers its 17th Giant Fund-Raising Garage Sale on Sunday, September 25th at Quadra Community Centre from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. A concession selling home-baked goodies, pizza and fresh roasted Aroma coffee will be available to sustain you while you shop! All garage sale items are by donation and as always, it is advised to come early to take advantage of first choice selections. We offer everything from furniture, appliances, toys, tools, books, sporting and household goods to clothing and many other recycled treasures for the taking. If you're on the look out for good quality mattresses and boxsprings, including king-sized and singles, or couches and loveseats, they have already arrived at the drop-offs!

You can drop off your **clean, saleable donations in good working order** directly to the community centre on Saturday, September 24th between 10 and 2 pm. Labelling your appliances as **works** is helpful as well as labelling clothing bags as "Adult", "Teens" or "Children's". Feel free, also, to deliver your contributions in advance to the drop-off locations listed in the last Discovery Islander, the Hungry Eye or on the Gumboot and posters around the island.

**No computers, skis, microwaves, encyclopedias, or golf clubs will be accepted.**

We still need volunteers to sort through goods on Saturday, the 24th. Also, needed are TRUCKS for pick-up from drop-off locations on that day, BAKING for our Sunday concession, and volunteers to PACK UP at the END of the sale. Left-over items will be donated to various charities in the C. River area and if you are willing to help with delivery, please show up with your vehicle following the sale or get in touch with Carol at 285-3035. Any other suggestions for recycling remainders would be greatly appreciated. One way or another, DO plan to participate in this very rewarding fund-raising event!

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*The following is recent news from the Basao-Dilag and Lubo Hilltop daycare programs in the northern Philippines, with the preschool year beginning at the beginning of June.*

### Dear Quadra Island Community,

Hello everyone! I wish you all the best yesterday, today, tomorrow and forever. I feel so blessed that you are continuing your support to our daycare centre. I am so eager to continue my mission in teaching and am excited to tell you that I passed my Licensee Examination for Teachers last April and am now a fully registered teacher. I will do my best to be dedicated in my profession through my work with the children.

At this time, I am working with 4 ½ and 5 year olds and as of June, have an enrolment of 25 children – 12 boys and 13 girls. June 6th was a very exciting day for everyone as we had the opening for our new year. All of the children were very excited to come to the daycare and to meet and greet one another. One of the problems that we have right now is the small size of our building. It is very cramped for the number of children that are coming. We are hoping to revive the larger BD-CHRF meeting building which was bigger and better suited but was blown down by the typhoon last year. The parents will be having a meeting to try and create a solution and I will let you know what happens.

In the meantime, I am most grateful for your support including school supplies for the children, my materials and my honorarium. More power to all of you!  
Josie Killa

Dear Quadra Community,

Greetings from the Philippines! As of this past June, I have 24 children at the daycare in Greenhills, Bulanao. Last week I was very thankful since one of the parents donated a long wooden chair that is good for 3 children. I hope that this month we will have a meeting to discuss further improvements for the daycare centre.

Until recently everything here has been very brown and dry. It is still hot but at least the rains have come as of the end of June. Greenhills is looking green again and the weeds and leaves on the trees are growing fast!

As for me, my oldest child has graduated to grade 1 and now my two younger daughters are coming to daycare with me every morning. I hope that this will be another wonderful year full of fun and learning experiences for all of the children. Thank-you for another year of support!

Yours truly,  
JennyBeth Esican

# Haig-Brown Fesitval 2011

The Haig-Brown Festival has reached a milestone, and this year is celebrating its 10th anniversary!

The festival takes place on Sunday, September 25th, from noon to 4pm and was created in honour of Roderick Haig-Brown and the values of the Haig-Brown family.

Haig-Brown was a fly fisherman, lay judge, and author, who became famous through his writings, some of which are considered to be classics today. Haig-Brown was an avid conservationist, and spoke of preserving the natural environment long before environmentalism became a popular issue. He is credited with creating a positive impact on the future of Campbell River through his foresight.

The original festival held in April, 2002 was an ambitious five day event that coincided with the opening of a special exhibit at the Museum entitled "Return to the River, the Legacy of Roderick Haig-Brown." It took place at various venues throughout the city, including the Museum, the Community Centre and the Haig-Brown property, and was affiliated with Campbell River's first writer's festival, 'Words on the Water'.

Since festival organizer Terry Hale became involved with the festival in 2005, it has been a single day event taking place in the fall on World Rivers Day at the beautiful Haig-Brown Heritage Site property. As Hale says, "It's a small festival, really more like a community gathering". It continues to explore the themes of fishing, literature and conservation, with the addition of outdoor recreation and safety.

Located on the banks of the Campbell River, adjacent to the Kingfisher Creek conservation area and surrounded by woods, the site's location by the river is a focal point for the celebration.

A variety of music is on offer by talented First Nations performers, and includes the 'Brenda Hanson Band' who play country and rock music, Todd Lumz Smith and Duane J. Hanson who play with the Laichkwiltach rock group 'Bentwood Boyz' and performances by singer/songwriter Chris Thagard.

Admission is free, with fly tying demos, fly fishing lessons, children's games and crafts, good food, readings from Haig-Brown writings, great displays, property tours and more that appeal to all ages.

The Haig-Brown Heritage Site is located at 2250 Campbell River Road (on the Gold River Highway). For a complete list of this year's participants, visit [www.haig-brown.bc.ca](http://www.haig-brown.bc.ca). For further information call the Museum at 250 287-3103.

## Quadra Island Young Naturalists' Club Starting Up This Fall

Are you looking for a way to get your kids outside this fall and winter? Are you looking for a way to meet other families who want to do the same? Are you looking to connect with local experts willing to share their knowledge with young people? Well, look no further as this fall the Quadra Island Young Naturalists' Club will be providing opportunities to do just that.

The Young Naturalists' Club of BC, launched in 2000, is an exciting nature discovery and environmental action program that invites young people ages 5-14 years to discover nature in their own neighbourhoods, explore local ecosystems, learn about native wildlife and plants and take part in environmental actions to protect their habitat.

When you join the Young Naturalists' Club you become a member of your local club and can meet others who share your interest in nature. You'll also receive a Welcome Pack, be able to attend monthly Explorer Days where you can join local experts and learn more about Quadra's natural environment, receive NatureWILD Magazine, and be enrolled in the YNC Action Awards program. A one-year individual or family membership is \$25. You can join the YNC online at [www.ync.ca](http://www.ync.ca) or contact your local leader Dionne Lapointe-Bakota at 285-2003 or [YNQquadra@gmail.com](mailto:YNQquadra@gmail.com) for more information.

Our first Explorer Day is happening on Sunday, September 25th. We will be participating in the Great Canadian Shoreline Clean Up and learning more about the creatures that make the shoreline their home. Those interested in participating can meet at the Kay Dubois trailhead at the end of Wa Wa Kie Road at 10am. Bring gloves if you have them, bags and a snack will be provided. We hope to see you there.

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## Winter Market at the Community Centre

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## Transition Weekend

At the arrival of spring and a summer hiatus for the nascent Transition Initiative there was talk of a weekend of workshops and activities.

Well we've scheduled the Quadra Community Centre for Saturday & Sunday November 12-13 and have invited some helpful and knowledgeable people to come and take part. So chalk it down and look for more info coming soon.

## A Harvest of Music

The Harvest of Music Jazz Quartet performs at Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge on Friday September 30, 2011 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm in the Dining Room. A scintillating combination of players from all over North America will convene on Vancouver Island for Qualicum Beach's 7th Harvest of Music Festival and will bring their engaging repertoire of standards and originals to Quadra Island. Barry Wedgle-guitar, Ron Hadley-piano, Rick Kilburn-bass and Dan Brubeck-drums. For reservations call 250-285-2042.

## Golf Membership Extension

By the time you read this, we will have reached our goal of 100 Founding Members for Quadra Island Golf Club. Thank you, everyone, for your astonishing show of support and enthusiasm! Although Founding Memberships are no longer available, due to high demand, we have decided to extend our original price structure to the end of September. On October 1st, the price of all categories of membership will rise by \$250. Contact Kelly at 285-3428 or Mary at 285-3691.

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# FROM YOUR SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE

by Helen Moats

The new school year has brought many new faces to both Quadra and Cortes schools. Not only do new students arrive and old ones leave, but staff can also change remarkably in a short period of time. The staffing of our island schools is taken very seriously by our superintendent, Tom Longridge, with involvement of principals in selecting teachers, and involvement of parents in new principal selection, as on Cortes. We wish those who have retired or left for other reasons the best, and welcome new students, parents, and staff to our wonderful school communities.

In the larger picture, School District 72 has undergone many changes in the last 5 years. I've attached a copy of a letter I wrote this summer to the Minister of Education, George Abbott, and in it I have given examples of the transformation of district-wide goals and staff. The Board of Education awaits the Minister's response with interest.

On a personal note, I have made the difficult decision to resign as the Island school trustee at the end of November. I have had a satisfying six years on the Board, three as the chair, and although I have very mixed feelings about leaving, I have other responsibilities which can be onerous at times, and leave me little discretionary time. There are always things left to do in life, and in my last column, I will write about some contributions I was able to make, and some "wants" that are still on the minds of island residents.

Meanwhile, there will be an election soon, and I would be happy to talk to anyone who might take an interest in running for the Island school trustee position.

Until next time,

Helen Moats

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## Dear Minister Abbott:

At our most recent meeting, the School District 72 Board of Education requested that I convey to you some of our pressing thoughts and concerns, and invite you to meet with us prior to the school trustee elections this fall. We appreciate the acknowledgement and respect you paid to both our staff and our Board in the May 17th Legislative Assembly with your response to MLA Claire Trevena's funding question. Your statement: "We in our experience have found SD72 to be very well managed school district.... We're very confident of the ability of the School Board to make appropriate decisions to deal with their challenges. And they do have some challenges", certainly had the ring of truth for us.

Minister, we are glad that you appreciate that we have challenges, and as a responsible and mindful Board, we have discussed at length how to rise to these challenges. Within the District, we have created and nurtured a culture of cooperation and collegiality among our partners which has sustained a high level of commitment to our children and their education. We have had a complete turnover of our senior management staff within the last five years: superintendent, secretary treasurer, assistant superintendent, Directors of Human Resources, Student Services, and Instruction, and Manager of Operations. The foundation which guided us through the change successfully was a strong, well articulated district culture, excellent staff, and a Board which is determined to govern in the best interests of public education.

We have put into place a three year strategic plan which is guiding the vision and goals of our entire educational community. We have enacted policies to improve our financial and operations side: an audit committee policy and a fraud prevention policy to name two. We have developed policies to improve the safety of children: examples are a revised Emergency Preparedness Handbook and an "Equality, Equity, and Diversity" policy.

We have recently signed our third Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement. Although lower than we would wish, our aboriginal graduation rates are the highest on Vancouver Island, and by any measure in British Columbia, the achievements of our students are more than respectable.

Minister, these are remarkable, highly committed achievements among many more achievements, and yet, something is wrong. And yes, it's funding, but it's more than funding. We are elected officials who have accepted the responsibility of maintaining a high quality public education system, but we exist in an environment of unpredictability and unsustainability. Each year, we are confronted with a structural deficit, and we all know that a structural deficit isn't about net dollars: it's about sustaining a system.

The conversation we would like to have with you is not about net dollars; it is about our need for predictable and stable funding, with no surprises. Our strategic plan is a three year document. Our Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement extends five years. We maintain a 10 year plan for maintenance. In every way possible, we attempt to be planful and yet at times, that planfulness is misrepresented and held against us.

Here is the conversation we would like to have with you: a conversation that includes the cost of NOT educating all children well; a conversation that honours the work that is being done; a conversation that recognizes the need for a predictable funding environment; a conversation that is in the interest of children and a civil society, not politics. We very much hope you will make time to accommodate our request.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Moats

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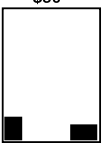
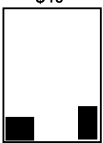
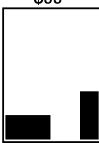
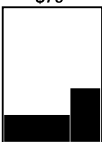
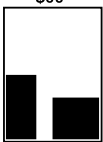

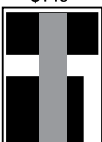


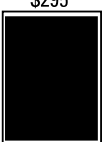

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## SERVICES

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250-285-2054 Leslie MacGregor

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## ACCOMMODATION

### FIRESIGN STUDIO AND B&B

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## FOR RENT

### RV SITE FOR RENT

Serviced RV site available for long term rental. \$300.00 per month  
Call John 250-285-3065

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Please contact Jordan: 604-616-0599 or [jordan\\_benner@hotmail.com](mailto:jordan_benner@hotmail.com). \$1350/month

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Small, one bedroom furnished cabin on 7 acres for rent. Includes Sat. TV, shower (no bathtub) \$500 per month plus Hydro. Long term okay.  
604-576-0181

## YARD SALES

### YARD/STUDIO SALE

at Firesign B&B! Saturday, September 17.

Clothes, books, frames, records, lots of "stuff", also amber/sterling jewelry and original paintings 20% off! 730 Smith Road 250-285-3390 for more info, 10 AM-4 PM (not earlier we're making breakfast!)

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