

# discovery

## I S L A N D E R

### Read Islanders Blockade Contractor from Damaging Salmon Habitat while Government(s) Sit on Sidelines



#### Who remembers the Surge Narrows Lot 309 Fish and Forest Reserve near the Surge Narrows Elementary School on Read Island?

Back in 1993 people from Read Island, northern Quadra, Maurelle, Sonora and the Rendezvous Islands raised \$78,000 for the Surge Narrows Community Association to purchase twenty acres of mature forest on Lot 309 to protect the Coho salmon spawning channels of Bird Cove Creek from the impacts of nearby logging. The Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Ministry of Forests wrote letters of support for this progressive approach to balancing forestry and fisheries' needs.

It was momentous to raise that kind of money in such a small community. Everybody dug deep and appealed to friends near and far,

raffled art, peddled door to door, held dances at the Surge Community Hall, sewed and sold hundreds of re-usable shopping bags at local stores... It was a tremendous effort that took three years, but we did it, and the Coho stream was saved for generations to come.

What a terrible surprise to find this beautiful example of coastal Coho salmon spawning habitat suddenly at risk again, despite its protection within the community's ecological reserve.

Currently, a private land owner selling logs to Island Timberlands plans to transport 100+ loaded logging trucks down a 300m section of road that runs alongside and within two feet of the Lot 309 Coho tributary. This gazetted road is currently narrower than a single lane road and is not engineered to hold the weight of a loaded logging truck. One side of this

road is a steep rocky incline, the other side is the soft streambank, and it ends with a 90 degree turn onto the main Read Island road. There is a very high risk of silt, mud, and rock sliding into the spawning channel gravel where it will smother 2018's incubating Coho eggs.

The community requested the logs be transported via an alternate route out the back of the property where the trees are felled. There, a properly engineered forest service road can be used, but the contractor refuses because he will have to bring them uphill. Neither will he consider the other compromise of waiting until the "Reduced Risk Work Window" for Coho, which is June-August after the eggs are hatched into mobile little fish, potentially more able to survive an accident to the creek.

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## Surge Narrows Community Defending Lot 309 Fish & Forest Reserve

In December, the Surge Narrows community blockaded because the logging contractor had no plan and no permit for the road construction he had started. The community has been denied access to the Environmental Report that was subsequently required. The Ministry of Transportation has recently issued a permit for "commercial access" regardless of the risk to salmon habitat or lack of social license, and they refuse to supply a copy of the recently approved permit or further information. Twenty-five years after the purchase of the Surge Narrows Fish and Forest Reserve, DFO offers no help—they will only act if we can prove serious harm has occurred. The Ministry of Environment and FLNRORD have also waived responsibility.

History proves the devastating impacts of industrial accidents and how quickly they happen, yet no mandate for the "precautionary principle" exists in Federal or Provincial legislation. Furthermore, adherence to any standards or procedures is left solely up to the permit holder with no system for ensuring compliance.

This Lot 309 stream is a small but healthy salmon habitat. It is like hundreds of others in the Discovery Islands. Many are already damaged or destroyed by logging activities.

This one we are watching. This time we really see how little the government (or industry) does to provide protection.

It is ironic that Federal and Provincial officials stand by, apparently helpless, while local citizens mobilize physically on the road to halt unplanned and unpermitted machine work. You'd think salmon stocks were doing just fine? Despite scientists worldwide predicting the wholesale collapse of climate and eco-systems, governments in Canada continue to favour professional reliance and industrial development over precautionary principles. The Surge Narrows community sees that salmon stocks are in free fall, and that salmon are a foundation species on the coast, supporting everything from grizzlies to orcas to fisherfolk.

This situation exemplifies the lack of government oversight or control over this resource industry. Not even within protected lands are our salmon streams safe from harmful activity. Wouldn't it be wonderful for small communities to receive the same kind of government support and consideration that is offered to the resource sector?

- submitted by Lannie Keller

## Garden Club - Linnea

The Quadra Island Garden Club presents an educational and entertaining slide show and talk entitled "The Linnaea Farm & Garden Story" with special guest speakers Tamara McPhail and Adam Schick on **Monday, March 11 at 7 pm at Quadra Community Centre**. Learn all about Linnaea and get valuable springtime permaculture gardening tips from these two dedicated eco-educators. Garden club members are free; \$3 for visitors.



### About Adam & Tamara

As partners in life and co-teachers at Linnaea Garden School, Adam & Tamara are also resident land stewards at Linnaea on Cortes Island. They will share stories about the historical and present importance of Linnaea as a learning centre for all levels of farmers and gardeners.

Tamara and Adam have been living on Cortes Island and farming at Linnaea Farm with their two daughters since 2000. As passionate farmers and educators, they divide their time between administration, rotational grazing cattle, marketing, organizing workshops, sheep herding and growing food. Their expertise in production gardening is evident in the delectable array of fresh vegetables they grow and sell.

### About Linnaea Farm: An Ecological Oasis on Cortes Island

Linnaea farm is a 314 acre organic land trust stewarded by five families dedicated to sustainable agriculture and education. It is the largest piece of agricultural land on Cortes. With ample experience in the selection of seeds best suited to our islands, Adam and Tamara will share their knowledge on how to grow a productive and varied spring garden. As stated on their website: "The world is starved for people with the ability to enrich the planet while improving soil and the human ecology."



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## THE ISLAND CALENDAR

### Day to Day

#### Friday, March 1

- Live music w/ Go Dog Go HBI Pub 9pm N/C
- Friday Flicks: Anthropocene Q.C.C. 7:45pm

#### Saturday, March 2

- Quadra Elementary Garden Fundraiser both Tru-Value stores 10 am to 3 pm
- Smoked Campfire Grill, Quadra Legion 5-7pm
- Fundraiser Quadra Seniors Housing Q.C.C. 6pm

#### Tuesday, March 5

- Quadra Island Cemetery AGM Legion 7pm

#### Friday, March 8

- Live music w/ Sons of Guns HBI Pub 9pm N/C

#### Saturday, March 9

- Quadra Elementary Garden Fundraiser both Tru-Value stores 10 am to 3 pm

#### Monday, March 11

- Garden Club - Linnaea Farm Story 7pm Q.C.C.

#### Friday, March 15

- Friday Flicks: Sharkwater-Extinction Q.C.C. 7:45pm

#### Friday, March 22

- Live music w/ Carolyn Mark & Cortes Rocks HBI Pub 9pm N/C

#### Saturday, March 23

- Sierra Quadra presents - Briony Penn Q.C.C. 7pm

### The Regulars

#### Mondays

AA, Big Book Study, 7pm Quadra United Church  
Sing for Pure Joy, 1-2:30 QCC Rm 3  
Badminton, Cape Mudge gym at 7:30 pm, \$2

#### Tuesdays

Pickleball at Cape Mudge Hall, 4:30, \$2  
Folk Dancing, 7:15 QCC, 285.3849

#### Wednesdays

1st & 3rd Wednesday Food Bank, QCC 1-2pm  
Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7pm  
Poker Night, Quadra Legion, Heriot Bay 7:30pm  
Hand Drum Jam, 7:30 pm Upper Realm, Q Cove

#### Thursdays

SMART Recovery group 12:30-2pm, QCC boardroom  
Badminton, Cape Mudge gym at 7:30 pm, \$2

#### Fridays

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8pm Quadra United Church

#### Saturdays

Farmers Market in Quathiaski Cove 10 am-2pm  
Meat Draw, Quadra Legion, Heriot Bay 5 pm  
Open Mic with Mo, 9pm at the HBI pub

#### Sundays

Buddhist Meditation, 10 am, Children's Centre  
Family Service, Quadra Island Bible Church, 10:30am  
Family Service, 11am, United Church, 285.3163  
Quadra Sunday Painters, 11am-2pm, 285.3390

## What's Happening at Quadra Island Community Centre

### THIS COMING WEEK March 1 - 8

**FRIDAY:** 8:30 Fitness with Jeannie; 10:00 Spinners and Knitters; 10:30 Friday Painters; 7:45 Friday Flicks presents: ANTHROPOCENE: The Human Epoch

**SATURDAY:** 12:30 Yin Yoga with Marlena (Room 3); Seniors Housing Benefit COFFEE HOUSE - doors open at 6:00

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 Somatics with Rob; 12:30 Yin Yoga with Marlena (Room 3)

**MONDAY:** 8:30 Fitness with Jeannie; 10:00 Parents and Tots; 1:00 Sing for Pure Joy; 1:30 Caregivers Q. Circle; 2:45 Island Theatre Kids, Juniors- 4:00 Main Camp; 4:00 Chess; 5:00 Iyengar Yoga

**TUESDAY:** 9:30 Qi Gong; 11:30 Yoga with Sarah; 5:00 Yoga with Trinity; 7:15 Folk Dance

**WEDNESDAY:** 10:00 Gentle Yoga with Trinity; 11:00 Parents and Babes; 12:00 Community Kitchen Lunch; 12:00 Nurse Practitioner Clinic; 1:00 Quadra Circle's Mosaics; 4:15 Parent and Child Climbing Wall; 5:45 Yoga with Sarah

**THURSDAY:** 10:00 Parents and Tots & Parents and Tots Dance; 11:00 Somatics Q. Circle; 12:30 SMART Recovery; 1:00 Living Life to the Full; 5:00 Yoga with Trinity; 6:45 Quadra Singers

**FRIDAY:** 8:30 Fitness with Jeannie; 10:00 Spinners and Knitters; 10:30 Friday painters; 6:30 Sierra Quadra presents: A talk on Tankers in Discovery Passage (Room 1)

### NEXT WEEK March 9 - 15

**SATURDAY:** International Women's Day Potluck Celebration (5:00 set up & 6:00 potluck).

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 Somatic Yoga with Rob Selmancovic

**MONDAY:** 8:30 Fitness with Jeannie; 10:00 Parents and Tots; 1:00 Sing for Pure Joy; 2:45 Island Theatre Kids, Juniors- 4:00 Main Camp; 4:00 Chess; 5:00 Iyengar Yoga; 7:00 Garden Club

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- **300 words** is an ideal length for community announcements.
- Articles do not need to be sent as attachments. Simply **send the text in the body of your email**.
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### NEXT DEADLINE

**7pm Monday, March 11**  
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## ISLAND FORUM

# Submission to the Patient Care Quality Board

I pursue this matter of hospital food served to diabetics as I have recent personal experience in two Vancouver Island hospitals; by my training as an Oral Pathologist I can and do follow up to date literature on the topic, and I believe it is my civic duty to our society.

I am further encouraged by everybody to whom I spoke agreeing with me, nurses, doctors, patients. A typical comment was: "My father is diabetic, and I would never serve this meal to him"

I appreciate that a contract was awarded to a food supplier and this arrangement may be in place perhaps for decades. The lack of control and lack of supervision did however allow the meal plans to astray almost to a scandalous extent. Take for example the serving liberalized diet to the general hospitalized patients. I was put on the diet without explanation, without being informed, not asked or given a choice to refuse. So I could not eat the meals. (See the picture with sugar being the second ingredient.)

Liberalized diet is justified, dubiously, for long term residents of old people's homes who refuse to eat the tasteless food served to them. Liberalized diet is so permissive that anything is allowed. I think open public debate must be held on this moral issue, "please the palate but shorten life", and very severe control should be introduced.

Liberalized diet introduced to meals for general hospitalized patients verges on criminal.

I certainly heard no public discussion, no explanation or justification anywhere. The dietitian's writing that "our nutrition guidelines are informed by the Canadian Diabetes Association's Clinical

Practice Guidelines" is not at all reassuring. It means to me: we do not follow them!

The Provincial Government delegates the power and the obligations to Professional bodies to be in charge of maintaining standards. I believe the College of Dietitians of British Columbia needs to do more. They advised me that:

"Hospital food service is a complex system where Dietitians may play a leading role in menu planning and food delivery oversight. That being said, it is an operation that involves more than one person and hospital food service budgets and operations are generally not solely under one Dietitian's responsibility.

Under Part 3 of the Health Professions Act, the College of Dietitians of British Columbia (CDBC) is mandated to inspect

complaints regarding professional misconduct (sexual misconduct, unethical conduct, infamous conduct, conduct unbecoming a member of the health profession and practice that might constitute a danger to the public). Duties of the CDBC with regard to complaints and inquiry also include: "to establish, monitor and enforce standards of practice to enhance the quality of practice and reduce incompetent, impaired or unethical practice amongst registrants; ... and to establish, monitor and enforce standards of professional ethics amongst registrants;" (sections 16(2)(d) and 16(2)(g))"

Also wrote that: "Systemic quality issues are best addressed through the Patient Care Quality Review Board",  
George Barabas

## Laundry Detergent

Casinos laundering the dirty cash,  
The Realty world concealing the stash.  
An economy thriving on crime. sex and drugs,  
Who are the pushers the pimps and the thugs ?  
If your tax return is a few dollars short  
You'll be hounded, impounded and taken to court.  
But If you make a few billion from illicit acts  
Run it through the casino and cover your tracks.  
Then buy a few mansions, a yacht and a jet  
And a senate seat to hedge your bet.  
Your tax will be refunded without a hitch,  
That's what it means to be filthy rich.  
You may look, squeaky clean, classy and posh  
But in the end it will all come out in the wash.  
If we add some deterrent to the laundry soap  
We can flush out the dirt, the grime and the dope.  
Clean out the scumbags and hang them to dry  
And the really tough dirt we will soak in some lye.  
A good laundry detergent is all that we need  
To wipe out the stains of the grease and the greed.

- Ann McLean

## Way to Go

Join us for the third year of monthly Monday conversations about death and dying. Meeting format: sharing, mini-presentation, discussion, business. Mini-presentations upcoming: Mar. 18—Near-death experiences, Apr. 15—Psychedelic experiences for terminal distress. 7:00 to 8:30 pm, 1087 Topcliffe, RSVP [jbaker@gicable.com](mailto:jbaker@gicable.com)

## Quadra Elementary School Garden Fundraiser

**When:** Saturday March 2nd and 9th, 2019

**Where:** Heriot Bay Tru Value Foods and Quathiaski Cove Tru Value Foods Parking lots

**Time:** 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Quadra Elementary will do their annual fundraiser for their garden! Bags of fish fertilizer can be purchased for \$10.00 and delivery is expected March 16th, 2009 at Quadra Elementary from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. All proceeds raised from this fundraiser will go directly into the school garden program to benefit all the students who attend Quadra elementary now and in the future.

Orders for fertilizer can be placed at either of these locations on March 2nd and 9th, by phoning Monica at (250-285-3850) or Tara (250-285-2690).

Thank you everyone for the continued support of the community's school!

## Seniors Housing Fundraiser

Come one! Come all! Eat, drink and savour the music!

Coffee House Fundraiser for Seniors Housing Saturday March 2 at the Community Centre Dinner and drinks: 6:00 pm – Entertainment 7:00 pm

Admission \$12.00

Enjoy an evening of entertainment including a Quadra Quartet composed of our remarkable Julie Douglas, Jody Rogers, Ken Burns and John Walton. Kate Alexandra and mother Mary will be Singing for Pure Joy and Joyce Baker will perform for our listening pleasure. Rick Bockner will again cross the waters from Cortes to grace our stage and Campbell River is sending us their talent as well. Singer-songwriters Jim Creighton and our Haig-Brown writer-in-residence Terry Jordan will be accompanied by . . . none other that the tax man David Zamluk on stand-up bass. To top it all off we have rising recording star, Leenie Bennett, to blow us away with her striking voice and lyrics.

With Owen Williams and Matt Kelly and their crew cooking up a storm in the kitchen we can promise not only a feast for your eyes and ears, but also for your palate.

Anticipation of the outcome of the small, eclectic silent auction (items include two cords of dry firewood, local handcrafts and other select goodies) adds excitement to the evening.

Don't miss this great opportunity to support our seniors and have a whale of a good time! See you there.

## Buddhist Meditation

**JOIN US FOR A** 45 minute silent meditation every Sunday at 10am at the **Children's Centre**. Everyone is welcome to experience the beauty of this simple practice. Free or by donation.

For more information call Kai 250 850 9245

## Free Money

**FREE MONEY** continues on the first Wednesday of the month, just before Community Lunch, from 11:30 am to noon in the small seminar room downstairs at the Quadra Community Centre. Single individuals receive \$10 and families receive \$20 inside a book of their choice. The program is available on the first Wednesday of each month from November to April. This 10-year-old program, started through the kind initiative of Steve Moore, could not exist without the generous support of Quadra Islanders. Please consider donating to the Free Money account at our local Quadra Credit Union to continue this method of supporting our neighbours in need. For more info call 285.2462.

## Connect with AA

**IS DRINKING COSTING YOU** more than money? We can help. If you want to stop drinking and need to find AA near you or wish to learn more about Alcoholics Anonymous visit [cr-aa.ca](http://cr-aa.ca) or call 250.287.4313 for Campbell River and Area AA. Meetings are held on Quadra Island Friday night at 8pm and Monday night at 7pm at the Cape Mudge United Church.

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# Quadra Circle News



**ACTIVITY CENTRE:** The weather scuppered plans for our first "Stone Soup Day" ... so, the new date is Wednesday February

27, 10:00 – noon, and 1:00 – 2:30 pm, for Quadra Circle participants to join together in creating a delicious soup. Following the traditional old folk legend of Stone Soup, we will begin in the kitchen by boiling a large pot of water to which everyone will contribute some food or spices. Join us to slice, dice, and stir the pot(s). We can then freeze containers of delicious soup for senior activity days! Bring vegetables, meat, spices, rice, noodles, legumes, or just yourself to help chop and stir – and if you have any containers suitable for freezing, please bring those along too!

**BOOK CLUB:** Next meeting Wednesday March 6, 10:00 am in the Literacy Room at the School.

**CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP:** Connect with other caregivers to share information, strategies and experiences in a confidential setting. Meetings twice monthly in Room 1 at the Community Centre. For more information, call facilitators John Frishholz 250-285-3655 or Susan Wilson 250-285-2994. Next meeting: Monday March 4, 1:30 – 3:00 pm.

**CRIB ANYONE?** Looking for people who enjoy playing Crib! Call Quadra Circle Office at 250-285-2255 to add your name to the list.

**FRIDAY LUNCH:** The next in our series of after lunch Wellness talks, entitled "How to get a good night's sleep" presented by Cheryl Doerksen, RN., GNCC., CHPCNC, is on Friday, March 8, 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Learn about behavioural and environmental factors that interfere with sleep. Practical suggestions to try and improve your rest. Free. All welcome.

**GOOD GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** With facilitators Owen Williams and Cathy O'Rourke, meets twice monthly at the Quadra Island United Church at Cape Mudge. Next meeting: Tuesday March 5, 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Call Cathy at 250-285-2122.

**LIVING LIFE TO THE FULL:** Last chance to learn how you can feel happier, gain confidence, have more energy, be less

stressed and develop skills to deal with life's challenges. Course runs March 7 – April 18, 1:00 – 2:30 pm at the Community Centre. \$35.00, financial assistance available. Register by calling 250-285-2255 or emailing [qcircle@outlook.com](mailto:qcircle@outlook.com) MOSAICS with Elena Mason is in Room 1 at the Community Center, each Wednesday 1:00 – 3:00 pm. For information, or to register: Call 250-285-2255 or email [qcircle@outlook.com](mailto:qcircle@outlook.com)

**SPRING SOMATICS:** Sheelagh Elmitt offers another 6-session somatics class, Thursdays March 7 – April 18 (no class April 11) in Room 3 at the Community Centre, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm. Participants need to be able to get up and down from the floor, as well as lie face down and on their backs. Beginners welcome. To register, email [hkquadracircle@gmail.com](mailto:hkquadracircle@gmail.com) or call 1-778-404-0738.

## Winter Market & Bazaar

Winter Market & Bazaar @ QCC \*Saturday, March 16th 10am - 2pm\*

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We're looking forward to seeing you all again! Next market in April. Easter Weekend, Saturday, April 20th. Mark it on your calendar.

## Quadra Island Cemetery Society AGM

March 5, 2019 - Q I Legion - 7 pm

Quadra resident's participation is strongly encouraged.

## Elizabethan Night

Imagine, if you will, you are invited by Sir Walter Raleigh to attend the Oxford Literary Society's fête, a night of satire, skits and poetry. Your son and daughter are excited because there will be singers and dancers and jugglers and maybe even a dragon. The year is 1606. Edmund Spencer and Christopher Marlowe have recently died and their works are still gaining in popularity and reputation. John Donne has recently been released from jail for marrying the daughter of an English official. Ben Jonson's Volpone has just been staged and Shakespeare's Macbeth is imminent. A young Robert Herrick is just starting his career.

Imagine no longer. On Saturday, April 6th at the Quadra Community Centre the works of Marlowe, Shakespeare, Jonson, Herrick, Spencer, Donne will be acted and read by some of Quadra Island's greatest thespians. No need to leave the kids at home. There will be dancers, jugglers and singers and maybe even a dragon.

The doors open at 6:30, show starts at 7:00 ish. Admission by donation.

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

Our Seniors have been very busy preparing for the North Island Regional Meeting which will be held on April 25th at Heriot Bay Inn. Four branches will be attending Black Creek, Fanny Bay, Cumberland and Quadra Island. This event will be celebrating Spring with flowers and prizes.

We have also been preparing for our June Convention which will be held by Agassiz and Cultus Lake. Our Branches are busy sending in Resolutions which will be voted on at the convention. Our organization will be making a sincere effort to improve lifestyles for all Seniors province wide we are also affiliated with National Pensioners Org. All our meetings and gatherings will include Ann Lawrence with Armchair aerobics. Lunches will always be provided with Coffee and Tea. To become a member call Lois Norman@3061 for transportation call Ruth Amiabel@3801 or cell ph. 250-895-9188.

# Friday Flicks



March 1

## Anthropocene: The Human Epoch

On March 1, 7:45. at Quadra Community Centre, Friday Flicks presents Anthropocene: The Human Epoch.

The film is the third collaboration between award-winning photographer Edward Burtynsky and acclaimed filmmakers Jennifer Baichwal and Nicholas de Pencier following *Manufactured Landscapes* and *Watermark*. In breathtaking tableaux, their latest documentary continues their exploration of industrialization and extraction in astonishing scale and perspective.

In recent years, some scientists have argued that the Holocene Epoch — the nearly 12,000-year period since the last Ice Age — has ended, and we have now entered into the Anthropocene Epoch. The new label reflects the dominance of humans on the planet, causing mass extinction and climate change and altering the Earth more than all natural processes combined.

Spanning numerous countries, the film reveals in stunning images how our mania for conquest defines our relationship to the Earth — and how we have created a global epidemic. In Kenya, mounds of elephant tusks burn in a devastating

display of the impact of poaching (chillingly reminiscent of the bison skulls that were piled high in the clearing of the Canadian plains for settlement). In Russia and Germany, mining operations transform terrains into otherworldly industrial wastelands as hypnotic, colossal, lifelike machines endlessly extract on an unfathomable scale.

**ANTHROPOCENE: The Human Epoch** is a mesmerizing and disturbing rumination on what drives us as a species, and a call to wake up to the destruction caused by our dominance. These startling dystopian visions are not future projections; they reflect a reality that is already here, and if we are to change course, the first step will be a revolutionary shift in consciousness.

March 15

## Sharkwater Extinction

*Sharkwater Extinction* is a work of galvanizing activism rendered with heart and soul, and the final film by award-winning Toronto documentarian, photographer, and conservationist Rob Stewart. Building on the research, passion, and sometimes daredevil first-person investigative work of 2006's *Sharkwater*, *Sharkwater Extinction* updates and expands on the fight by Stewart and others to halt the hunting of sharks, which are often killed just

for their fins. Since the release of *Sharkwater* and the growing awareness it helped foster, shark finning has been banned in most of the world. Yet these magnificent creatures — one of the world's oldest and most important predators — are in more danger than ever, due to a thriving pirate industry, legal loopholes, and widespread corruption. Over 100 million sharks (yes, you read that right) are killed every year. The world's shark population has decreased by 90 percent in the last 30 years. An entire species — and a cornerstone of our ecosystem — hangs in the balance.

Completed by the production team after Stewart died while making the film in January of 2017, *Sharkwater Extinction* takes us to Costa Rica, Cape Verde, the Bahamas, Panama, and the US to explore the myriad ways sharks continue to be placed in peril.

The film's gorgeous imagery lures you in, while its nerve-wracking scenes of Stewart risking his life to expose hunters keeps you riveted. But the beauty of this film lies in Stewart's enduring sense of wonder. He said he made these films to make people fall in love with sharks, and that he did. Stewart will be greatly missed.

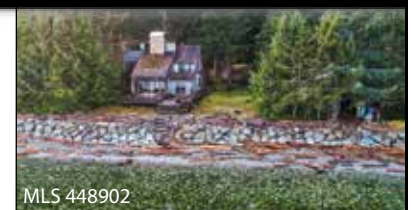
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As there seems to still be confusion on how appointments are set up with our clinic, we would like to put out a few reminders:

Dr. Graham is NOT taking on any new patients and appointments are therefore made only if you are officially registered with him as your family doctor.

Dr. Kareem is currently still taking on new patients, and will see walk-ins if her schedule with regular patients will allow. Her clinic days are Mon, Wed, Thur & Fri.

Appointments need to be booked ahead for routine things such as prescription refills, follow up of lab results, general non-urgent health concerns, physicals, biopsies, Drivers Medical and Marine Medicals. Call in anytime of day to book these appointments.

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## Quadra Island Outdoor Club Upcoming Events

Because the trail conditions have been sketchy and the snow in the mountains has been exceptional, we have had three wonderful trips in a row to Mt. Washington. We are hoping to be able to resume local hikes soon. These are the planned trips to the end of the “winter” schedule:

**6 March, Wednesday** - hiking a Deadfish - Tripod loop

**13 March, Wednesday** - hiking a Haskin Farm loop

**20 March, Wednesday** - snow at Mt. Washington

**27 March, Wednesday** - hike to Maud Island

**3 April, Wednesday** - hike to Stramberg old growth grove

**7-11 April, Sunday to Thursday** - multi-day hiking trip to Cowichan Valley

**17 April, Wednesday** - hike along the Campbell River & Elk Falls

**24 April, Wednesday** - hike around Mt. Seymour

**28 April, Sunday** - the summer planning meeting

**6-9 May, Monday to Wednesday** - multi-day hiking on Cortes Island

The two multi-day trips, to Cowichan in April and to Cortes in May, are full, but you can still let the coordinator know if you are interested. There is a limit on the number of participants for the Haskin hike on March 13th, so don't procrastinate on this if you are interested.

We're hoping to have a gear sale in April, so stay tuned on those plans. The details on most of these trips are available at the winter schedule:

<https://qioutdoorclub.org/schedule-fall-winter-2018-19/> Please make sure to click on the trip to get to the trip description which includes the coordinator contact information as well as trip details. Since the weather is uncertain, it's even more important to stay in touch about specific trips.

## Exciting New Children's Program at Quadra Community Centre

We are very excited to announce that a group of passionate and creative local parent facilitators have joined forces again to put together another series of their awesome Unbound Children's program this spring.

This program is uniquely Quadra specific and taps into the amazing community connections and beautiful natural surroundings that our Island has to offer. It helps children connect through a varied program of exploration and creative learning. All classes take place at the Quadra Community Centre (except on field trip days).

### Here are a few of the exciting details!

Unbound is a community collaborative program, which provides unconventional recreational opportunities to Quadra Island's young generation. The objective of this program is to provide children, boys and girls, (ages 7-11 years old) the opportunity to learn and gain hands-on experiences within a supportive and multidimensional environment.

Each new focus activity will be led jointly by Unbound program facilitators, valuable community volunteers, and specialized mentors who have interest, experience, and passion for the activity. These activities will provide time for each individual participant to learn, create, and play within each experience.

### Schedule

• **Family Hike Afternoon** -

March 21

• **Coppersmithing** - March 28

• **Bonsai Planting** - April 4

• **Metal coating/Morse coding** - April 11

• **Costume Design** - April 18

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• **Farming** - May 2

• **Mural Art** - May 9

• **Fort Building** - May 16

**Please Register at Quadra Community Centre, beginning March 1st, 2019.**

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For more info please call or email the facilitators:

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## Join Quadra Island Garden Club!

Everyone is welcome at the Quadra Island Garden Club!

Check out our new website to see our upcoming events and speakers. Go to:

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We generally meet on the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm (except on stat holidays) from September to May.

We have special events throughout the summer, too.

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The cost to join our club is only \$10.00 per individual or \$15.00 per family and \$3.00 for drop-in visitors.

For daily info about our club and gardening in general, follow us on FaceBook:

[www.facebook.com/groups/971582922903469/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/971582922903469/)



# At Your HBI

**March 9.** Oh yeah! Tap Takeover with Hoyne Brewing Co! HBI Pub Saturday, March 9. Begins at 5pm; Extracurricular UofQ beer class with Sean Hoyne at 7pm; Open Mic and local music begins at 9 pm. See you there!

**March 14** Rockin' Bingo with the one and only Linda G. Starts at 5pm, come and play along, win a prize! No Charge.

**March 15** in the HBI Pub: **David Gogo** returns for an encore show! Multiple Blues Music Award winner adds heart, soul and grit to the international blues scene & we get to enjoy his talents right here on Quadra Island. 9:00pm. \$15. at door.

**UofQ: March 6** - A tell all story of tattooing all questions answered. Award winning tatoost Wayne Scott.

**March 9** - Drink in the Story xtra class with Sean Hoyne.

**March 13** - The Artic Circle with Aaron T. O'Connor.

**March 20** - Rats! Non-toxic options and more with Greg Ross.

**March 27** - Boat Prep for cruising season with Murray Abercrombie & Russ Avon

Wednesdays: HBI Pub education. 7:00pm

## HBI Friday Night Bands

**March 1** our pals Go Dog Go...

**March 8** Sons of Guns...

**March 22** Carolyn Mark / Cortes Rocks

**Saturdays;** Open Mic, an experience like no other. 9:00pm. HBI Pub.

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## Ferry Corp. Presents Draft Terminal Concepts for Public Input

Further to the advertorial from BC Ferries in the last edition of the DI (DI 697 15 February, 2019) announcing it, the corporation released their Campbell River Terminal Development Plan on Monday, February 25. In fact what was released wasn't a final plan but the next stage of a public engagement process which started back in October 2018 with the first public input.

The newly released ‘plan’ illustrates three central concepts that BC Ferries is asking for public comment on. There will have been two public open houses this past week as well (as also announced in the advertorial) in which these draft plans will be showcased.

While by no means an exhaustive breakdown of these options here are a few initial observations and opinions on the concepts and the presentation of the draft plan(s).

- The terminal changes are being precipitated by the two replacement vessels coming in the next few years. With more sailings per hour the pace of activity at the terminal is going to increase significantly. The ticket booth is already a bottle-neck and all three concepts show at least two ticket booths which should be a big improvement. **Concepts 1 & 2** even seem to leave room for a third vehicle entrance and ticket booth.
- While a small area of green space is shown along the west end of the parking area no improvements in terms of shade are shown along the road-side of the lot. With this new development comes an opportunity, not to be missed, to plant fast growing trees to help ease the sweltering summer temperatures. This should be included in any final concept.
- **Concept 1** shows an elaborate on-site drop-off/pick-up area with the trade-off being the lowest total vehicle capacity and the fewest parking stalls. With room still allocated for drop-off and pick-up along Roberts Reach this risks being an unused white-elephant, too distant from the vessel berth and main exit to change habits and become practical.
- Only **Concept 3** shows any changes to the shoreline above the Coast Discovery Marina with an in-fill expansion making room for additional holding lanes and parking outside the main terminal.
- All three concepts show significant changes to the four lane Roberts Reach roadway parallel to the terminal. It looks as if the road will be narrowed-down to just one lane in each direction. In each case room is taken up by grey or green shading which a BC Ferries Terminal Engineer told me indicates median or raised sidewalks and boulevard greenery respectively. This seems to be a huge, unnecessary trade-off for this very busy roadway. I can already hear the letters page in the Campbell River Mirror once word of this leaks out!
- Looking at the entrance and exit options it's clear that the design engineers have a challenge working with the existing road patterns. There's no standout, obvious best solution, but hey, ...roundabouts!

**Editor's verdict:** The woeful need for ferry commuter parking has to give the **win to Concept 3** - if indeed the parking stalls indicated are for the ferry going public. 48 spaces is significant and while there will certainly be a fee it should be less than a ferry fare yet enough to discourage frivolous use. This should have some impact on overall ferry traffic giving commuters a secure option for keeping a vehicle in town.

There doesn't seem to be any inherent reason why Concept 3 couldn't also include a pedestrian overhead-walkway. Improving pedestrian safety at this crossing is essential but even with an overpass, street-level safety still needs a solution for the less mobile and rushing walk-on passengers inevitably cutting across the road for a sailing.

**Concept 3** does require altering a small part of the shoreline doubtless adding costs and potentially a regulatory/logistical hurdle. But it seems unlikely that improving efficiencies and capacity could happen without increasing the terminal footprint. It's a case of getting the job done right.

**To see more details** including the complete plan concepts document and a link to a public survey look online at: [tinyurl.com/y4ce7jub](http://tinyurl.com/y4ce7jub)





## Sierra Quadra Welcomes: Renowned Environmental Activist Briony Penn

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

We are so fortunate to have Briony Penn come to Quadra Island. She is a Canadian author and environmental activist[1] who received international attention when she protested logging on Salt Spring Island by riding horseback through downtown Vancouver as Lady Godiver. She won the Roderick Haig-Brown Regional Prize[4] and was shortlisted for the Hubert Evans Non-Fiction and is an adjunct professor of environmental studies at the University of Victoria and has lectured in the School of Environmental Studies and Restoration of Natural Systems Program since 1991.

Briony Penn will be presenting:

A Century of Conservation, Cultural Change and Chaos through the Eyes of Ian McTaggart Cowan and Cecil Paul (Wa'xaid).

She writes, "Our destination is what I would like to talk about, and a boat – I call it my Magic Canoe. It is a magical canoe because there is room for everyone who wants to come into it to paddle together. The currents against it are very strong, but I believe we can reach that destination, and this is the reason for our survival." Wa'xaid

Through the eyes of two men, Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan, called 'Canada's father of ecology,' and Wa'xaid, Xenaksiala elder, named 'hero of the planet' by Rainforest Action Network, the talk explores the last century of conservation, specifically how the movement was manifested on the central coast of British Columbia/Xenaksiala unceded territory.

The heart of this area is the Kitlope, the largest protected intact temperate rainforest on the planet. The two men, driven by similar vocations and love of the natural world but within completely different cultural, social and economic contexts, challenged contemporary orthodoxies around wildlife, the land, indigenous cultures, and our responsibility to protect the natural world. They took on major corporations and institutions with the very different skill sets and opportunities available to them but what they shared was a similar approach of collaboration of bringing people "into their magic canoes" to work towards a common vision for humanity's survival. To sustain themselves they both had to take their



values and friendships into secret societies and sanctuaries. Wa'xaid's story is one of extraordinary resilience overcoming what he calls the arrows that came his way—the colonial acts of genocide.

Cowan brought the awakening of consciousness in the scientific community that indigenous cultures carried deep ecological knowledge. Over the last decade, author Briony Penn has worked on biographies with both men and draws upon their ideas, research, values, approach to education and legacies of protecting natural areas, species and systems—including cultural systems and institutions that embed these values—to emphasize the commonalities between us and the importance of nature to sustain us and heal from the trauma and chaos of the last century. There will be readings from three books.

Briony Penn is a passionate and engaging speaker who brings new and exciting insight into our natural world. Please mark your calendars for this not to be missed Sierra Quadra event.

Quadra Community Centre, Saturday March 23, 2019 doors open 7 pm for refreshments. Program begin 7.30 pm.

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## Season Closes with Lizzy Hoyt

Don't miss the final Quadra Cultural Events performance for the season. Lizzy Hoyt will be performing at the QCC on Saturday, March 16, 2019 starting at 7:30. Advance tickets will be available for \$17 at Works of H'Art, Inspirations, The Music Plant in Campbell River and online at Tidemark Theatre. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$20.

Acclaimed songwriter, Lizzy Hoyt is one of Canada's most powerful Celtic-folk artists. Known for bringing Canadian history to life with her music, her songs like "Vimy Ridge", "White Feather", and "New Lady on the Prairie" have garnered awards and nominations while also connecting strongly with audiences across the country. In 2013, Lizzy was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal by the Governor General of Canada for her outstanding contribution to commemorating Canadian veterans and Vimy Ridge history through music.

A talented multi-instrumentalist, Lizzy toured for ten years as a side musician before pursuing her own projects. She has been praised for her mastery of the fiddle, guitar and harp by the Edmonton Journal, Calgary Herald, Penguin Eggs, Bluegrass Unlimited, Star News, and more. CBC's Chris Della Torre calls her "a musician's musician" and notes "fans that want their artists to play well can find that with [her]". In addition to this praise, her voice has been described as "otherworldly", "angelic", "sweet", and "pure", and as a singer, she has been recognized for her clarity and precision.

Lizzy's fourth album, *New Lady on the Prairie* (produced by John Reischman and Lizzy Hoyt) demonstrates a mature and refined 'trans-Atlantic' sound that blends influences from Celtic, bluegrass and folk traditions.

Lizzy is a full-time musician who travels and tours throughout Canada during the year with her trio. Throughout her career, she has released four independent albums and two music videos. Lizzy has enjoyed substantial success at folk radio as an independent artist. Following the release of *New Lady on the Prairie*, she was the 4th most played Canadian album on FolkDJ Radio playlist and charted as #2 on the Roots Music Report for Celtic Artists. Despite the fact that the album was released in October, it still ranked among the top 20 most played Canadian albums of 2014! Other awards and nominations for Lizzy's music and projects include International Acoustic Music Award (Best Female Artist), Canadian Folk Music Award Nominee (Traditional Singer of the Year), finalist standing in two international songwriting competitions (John Lennon Songwriting Contest, USA Songwriting Competition) as well as ten awards at multiple international film festivals for her *Vimy Ridge* Video.

Beyond her own show, she is a sought-after instrumentalist and adjudicator for music festivals. She has toured as part of "Genius of the Violin" and as a classical vocalist with the Centre for Opera Studies in Italy, Manitoba Underground Opera and Flipside Opera.



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**F**inally, a day off from meetings! A good day to continue with the pruning of my very old maple trees, I thought! Not! It is blowing, raining, snowing and sleeting! Argh! Will we ever get out of this weather pattern? It was pretty for awhile, but this is getting to be a bit much! Oh well! So what better way to spend the day than writing my Report. To say it has been a busy month would be more than an understatement. I will try to be brief, but you know that is not going to happen!

## BC Ferries good news!

Might as well start with some good news that affects all of us. As you probably have heard, the consultant's report to the Government regarding the Ferry situation was submitted to them in June and they have just announced their decision on some of the recommendations in the report. Rather than re-write the entire account of it, I am going to paste in my FaceBook posting of yesterday. It pretty much says it all.

## VICTORY? WE WON?

I am not sure how to start this! The announcement of the Redlin Report today was great news for most of us. Maybe all of us!

We have spent thousands of hours working on this issue. Thousands of people have participated. We have signed petitions in the amount of 40,000 people. We have done media in the thousands of hours of TV, radio and print as well as web based and FaceBook postings. We have held demonstrations at the Legislature and we have held demonstrations in local areas. Our ask was to please treat coastal communities like part of the provincial economy and as part of the provincial transportation network. We asked for Ferries to be put back into the Highways ministry, for fares to be reduced, for service levels to be restored, for the Coastal Ferry Act to be destroyed. As a very large, province wide community, we asked to be treated fairly.

I do believe that today was a turning point. We were given back our old

schedules, the ones prior to the previous Minister causing havoc with them. We were given an assurance that the Coastal Ferry Act will be amended and that a new service contract will be negotiated.

The things that we said over and over again were quoted verbatim in the report and the announcement. This has to tell you that we were right and the Government has now recognized it. For this I can say, "We Won!".....

I wanted to be assured that the "gifts" of today were not going to be off-loaded onto the Ferry Corporation and that the subsidy to them would not be increased and our fares might then go up. I called Mark Collins, CEO, directly and he assured me that the Govt. is paying the bill for the restoration of all of the mistakes.

I was incredibly relieved to hear that the northern routes were receiving a great deal of the benefit announced today. They will once again be treated as humans! They will have sailings returned to them and be able to travel like the rest of BC.

I want to thank John Horgan's Govt. for acting upon the report from Blair Redlin. It was the right thing to do.

I want to thank all of the people out there that worked so hard for so long to just get us back to where we started. They put so much into this effort and the people of BC will benefit from it. Not just the coastal people but all of BC. This is a province wide issue.

My thanks go out to all of you for all of your hard work and your tenacity. It paid off. Onwards and upwards! (end of post on FB)

That pretty much says it all from my perspective. We do not know the exact dates of the changes taking effect but have been told it will be soon.

I also spoke with Mark Collins about the home porting issue regarding the two new vessels. I have been assured that at least one vessel will be kept on Quadra at the dock and the other is still in the planning stages. So stay tuned. They have a lot to work out.

Here is a copy of the report: [tinyurl.com/y27crbv7](http://tinyurl.com/y27crbv7)

## Mapping of Quadra house numbering

A number of years ago I was asked by the Fire Dept if I could get spiral bound map books of all of the roads and numbers on Quadra for each responder to have in their vehicles. I managed to get the house numbering (GIS) people to comply and they provided a number of books for Fire, Ambulance and Police. Over the years and with lots of use they became worn and in need of replacement. A couple of years ago I requested new books with all of the updates and the SRD complied. I gave those to all of the above. Recently I was told that it would be very helpful for each of the home ports for each of these three service providers to have a large map with the same (or more) info. Once again I requested five foot by six foot wall maps for each of the above and the SRD put in three days to provide them. I formally presented them to the service providers at a little gathering at the Fire Hall last week. This will help them in being able to see the "big picture" at the stations and on the road. Hopefully this will keep you safer! One public service announcement though... If you don't have a house number posted at your driveway, please do not delay! Put one up! Your life could depend on it.



Jim Abram (C) with local BC Ambulance, QI Volunteer Fire Dept and RCMP members, and the new maps.

## Meeting with Q. Cove Local Area Plan (LAP) developers

I met with some of the people who want to provide much needed housing on Quadra and that want to help us realize our intention in the LAP vision.

One of their main hold ups is not the SRD but other government departments. Some have had approval from the SRD and at least one of the other main players at senior level of government but are getting little response from another level of government. I



confirmed this and took it upon myself to call directly to the people in charge at that agency and had a commitment to visit the property within this past week. He actually did as requested and has seen fit to get the proposal moving immediately. Time well spent in picking up the phone and talking to a person that I have worked with ever since I have been in local government. Relationship building is so important. So hopefully we will see some movement and approvals and hence, some properties for sale or rent in the near future.

### Gowlland Views development

This proposal was before the community a couple of years ago, out towards April Point and towards West Road. It was opposed, supported and everything in between. After months of consultation and negotiation and public open houses, a proposal came forward that was generally accepted by the community. It provided much needed properties for sale, lots of parkland dedication, many trails and even a small campground. It also provided connection to the Q. Cove sewer which needed more connections to keep the annual user fee at a lower rate.

The application then went somewhat dormant and did not proceed to public hearing nor fruition.

The applicants came back this last Committee meeting with a substantially altered plan that did not provide the same amount of amenities, half the lots, and no connection to the sewer system. This was a major change to the proposal and had not been presented to me or the other directors prior to showing up on the agenda. It is impossible to then proceed with these changes without considerable discussion with staff, the proponent and the public. As was reported in one of the other publications on the island, we made a recommendation from the committee that the old, substantially different bylaws be defeated and sent back to staff, the proponent, the Director (me) and the public for revisions. The impression left by the other recent reporting was that we were defeating the proposal. Untrue!.

We were defeating irrelevant bylaws that could not have been easily amended so that we could write up appropriate bylaws that would help this proposal have a chance in the community. It does provide for more housing, give substantial amenities to the community and allows for greater use of the sewer system. But it requires detailed work and research to be done and most of all community input.

Since then I have met with the proponents and our senior planner and have come to some agreement on the direction that things should go. This is how it should have started, but it didn't. We are now on the right track and hopefully will be providing some affordable lots and a well planned development with lots of amenities for the people of Quadra.

### Discovery Island Chamber of Commerce (DICC) meeting

I had a pleasant luncheon meeting at the Legion with DICC Directors and discussed many issues, the least of which was the direction that the Chamber might be embarking on over the next two years. So far a great deal of emphasis has been put on tourism promotion. That direction is being questioned due to the lack of infrastructure on the island and the incredible success the Chamber has had in drawing tourism to the island and improving our economy.

The next direction they were considering was economic development in general. There is nothing wrong with that. However, in discussion with one of the members at a meeting prior to this meeting, we focused on the SRD initiative called the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan. We were successful in receiving a grant in the amount of \$70,000.00 to hire a consultant to look at what we have, what we need and where we want to go, along with a whole lot more. The Request for Proposals has gone out and the SRD staff are reviewing the short list at this time.

Once chosen the consultant will be leading public consultations with groups and associations and everyone on the Discovery Islands (excluding Cortes) to try and come up with our vision. This will be OUR vision, not the consultants'. The Chamber will be one of those key groups that will be consulted with. We talked about this for some time and it seemed like the DICC is in!

This should all start moving in the spring.

### Read Island issues

I am not going to go into the details of most of these, because it would just be too much!

We are still in the final stages of purchasing the six acres of land adjacent to our Surge narrows Dock facility and I am still working on the final details of the water lot reassignment with our planners and with the ministry of Forest and Natural Resources.

A huge volunteer project is underway to clean up the mess on the water lease that is due to

lack of maintenance. The debris is becoming an environmental threat and the community is doing this and bringing it to the Quadra side where it will be shipped to the landfill. I have gotten the landfill (run by the CVRD) to waive the fees since it is a "beach" clean up!

We are also negotiating with a new woodlot owner on the island to see if it will be possible to purchase a piece of one of the lots that he just purchased from Raven Industries. This is adjacent to land that the Read Islanders already own and also adjacent to SRD land down the road.

The forest practices of one of the other small companies and one of other large companies is causing a great deal of concern and is the subject of a great deal of discussion in the community. (please understand that I am trying to keep this short, so few details at this time)

The SRD is also being asked to continue its participation in a huge comprehensive mapping project that will benefit the community and the SRD and all others that might need to reference it.

During the upcoming visioning process and ICSP process large scale maps are being produced by the SRD. You can find them here: [tinyurl.com/y5rkrwtl](http://tinyurl.com/y5rkrwtl)

### Possible purchase of T-W private land at Granite Bay

I am talking with senior officials about preserving about three hectares of a cut block that they are planning to do adjacent to the Granite Bay Wharf Park. They are being very agreeable about not logging it and selling it at a reasonable price. This would come out of Parks Reserve funds. Discussion to continue in the next two weeks.

### Cannabis Unknowns

I know everyone is asking about this issue and it is coming up at our next committee meeting, I believe. The new regulations that have been announced by the Fed's and the province are totally confusing to say the least. Some sort of regulation, like zoning, will be considered just as all other land uses are.

Our head planner, Aniko, and her planning team have been pro-active and even though they have not received Board direction on how to address it, they have been working behind the scenes to understand the most recent legislation. They are ready and shall do whatever the Board directs them to do.



## REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### QI Cemetery License Renewal

I was asked to support this renewal but not at the inflated price the province wanted. I wrote a letter in support of the existing fees and uses. I will be attending the AGM on March 5th to discuss this with them.

### BC Ferries again!

We will be having two Ferry Advisory Committee meetings in the next few weeks: one on Campbell River terminal development on Feb. 27th and then another one as an operational meeting on March 14th.

### Ocean Protection Advisory Committee meeting

I will be attending the OPAC meeting #5. It will be taking place in Parksville. The meeting is set for 2.5 days (half day on March 18th (beginning at noon) and full days on March 19th and 20th. This is one of the Federal committees the SRD Board has appointed me to. I am there to represent our regions' issues and report back to them. I do a formal report which you can view on the minutes of the SRD Board as they get submitted

### Stuart Island issues

The transfer of the School District property that they have divested is taking longer than expected but is totally underway. The reassignment of the water lease in front of it to the SRD is also moving along slowly but it is happening. This is a real exercise in patience for me, as I like to just get things done. We are dealing with three bureaucracies, so you can imagine!

Also a Stuart Island Board of Directors meeting is being held in Campbell River March 8 at the the Pacifica office at 1pm. I will be attending.

### Island Health Board of Directors Partnership Breakfast

An Invitation was sent on behalf of Leah Hollins, Board Chair, Island Health, for a 7:30 am meeting to discuss our issues. One that I have informed them of is the need for restructuring their agency so as to allow developers a reasonable hope of getting their proposals looked at.

### North Island Communities Burning Regulation Committee

I have been asked to attend this meeting on May 15th which deals with the north island desire to have burning regulation in their area. So far all we have gotten to is an impasse due to conflicting jurisdictions. We'll get it straightened out, I am sure.

### Owen Bay Wharf

There has been a lot of back and forth regarding the reconstruction of the Owen Bay wharf facility. The majority of the concern is around the alignment of the lease that is being applied for. A consultant was hired to design the wharf but it does not work for bare access to this water access only community. I asked staff to please see if they can change the lease area applied for (already in process).

I can report that staff have been very diligent with respect to the Owen Bay application and have received an update from FLNRORD indicating that the application is on hold pending approval of the Site Alteration Permit. So it looks like this can be worked out amicably

Had enough??? ( I am sparing you the gory details of all the Committee and various Board meetings I still have to attend!)

Feel free to contact me between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday (please, not on weekends or holidays, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at jimabram@xplornet.ca or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... You can read occasional updates on issues that i will post on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/JimAbram>, but please do not use this medium as a way to communicate regarding SRD business. If it is important, my cell is 250-830-8005... Lots of choices.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram

Director, Discovery Islands-Mainland inlets, Area C, SRD

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QUADRA ISLAND	VANCOUVER ISLAND
†6:20 am	†6:40 am
7:05 am	7:30 am
††8:00 am	††8:30 am
9:00 am	9:30 am
10:00 am	**10:30 am
11:00 am	11:30 am
12:00 pm	12:30 pm
1:00 pm	1:30 pm
2:05 pm	2:30 pm
3:00 pm	3:30 pm
**4:00 pm	4:30 pm
5:00 pm	5:25 pm
5:50 pm	6:15 pm
7:00 pm	7:30 pm
8:00 pm	8:30 pm
9:15 pm	9:45 pm
*10:15 pm	*10:45 pm
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DATE	TIME PST	M.	FT.
<b>01</b> Friday	03:31	4.4	14.4
	09:03	3.5	11.5
	13:19	4.0	13.1
	20:41	1.5	4.9
<b>02</b> Saturday	04:19	4.5	14.8
	10:01	3.4	11.2
	14:16	4.0	13.1
	21:27	1.4	4.6
<b>03</b> Sunday	04:59	4.6	15.1
	10:44	3.3	10.8
	15:08	4.1	13.5
	22:09	1.4	4.6
<b>04</b> Monday	05:32	4.7	15.4
	11:18	3.2	10.5
	15:57	4.1	13.5
	22:46	1.5	4.9
<b>05</b> Tuesday	06:00	4.7	15.4
	11:47	3.1	10.2
	16:44	4.2	13.8
	23:21	1.5	4.9
<b>06</b> Wed.	06:25	4.7	15.4
	12:14	2.9	9.5
	17:28	4.3	14.1
	23:54	1.7	5.6
<b>07</b> Thursday	06:48	4.6	15.1
	12:41	2.7	8.9
	18:12	4.3	14.1
<b>08</b> Friday	00:27	1.8	5.9
	07:10	4.6	15.1
	13:12	2.5	8.2
	18:56	4.3	14.1
<b>09</b> Saturday	01:01	2.0	6.6
	07:34	4.6	15.1
	13:47	2.3	7.5
	19:44	4.3	14.1
<b>10</b> Sunday	01:38	2.3	7.5
	07:59	4.6	15.1
	14:26	2.1	6.9
	20:36	4.2	13.8
<b>11</b> Monday	02:19	2.6	8.5
	08:27	4.5	14.8
	15:10	1.9	6.2
	21:37	4.2	13.8
<b>12</b> Tuesday	03:05	2.9	9.5
	08:58	4.4	14.4
	15:58	1.7	5.6
	22:49	4.2	13.8
<b>13</b> Wed.	04:01	3.2	10.5
	09:34	4.3	14.1
	16:53	1.6	5.2
<b>14</b> Thursday	00:13	4.2	13.8
	05:12	3.4	11.2
	10:21	4.2	13.8
	17:58	1.4	4.6
<b>15</b> Friday	01:39	4.3	14.1
	06:52	3.6	11.8
	11:26	4.1	13.5
	19:08	1.3	4.3

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