

Union Bay Community Club News Letter

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AUGUST 2017

Union Bay Community Club Annual Fall Craft Sale

**Sunday, September 10th
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**



The Union Bay Community Club is getting ready for their annual Fall Craft Fair being held at the Community Hall.

There is something for everyone, with a number of new booths. If you are looking for a special gift for a special occasion, for the or just something for yourself then don't miss this date. **No admission charge.**

'Souper' Lunch Available

Food service is available all day and the price is right.

- ❖ **Come and join the fun**
- ❖ **Meet great people**
- ❖ **Have lunch, enjoy the food**
- ❖ **See works by very talented crafters**



For more information, call Dave at 250-335-2317.

The Friendly Port Seniors Tour de Rock Fundraiser **Garage Sale, Book Sale & Car Wash**

Saturday, September 16th, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

It is a great time to do your fall cleaning and donate to a worthy cause.
(no large items please i.e. chesterfields or appliances)
Call Donna (250-335-2147) for more information
or if you can help at the car wash Dave (250-335-2317)

Cops for Cancer Tour de Rock is a Canadian Cancer Society community-driven campaign that enables people living on Vancouver Island to raise funds for pediatric cancer research and provide support to children and families living with cancer.



Union Bay United Community Church News

Please note:

Services will be returning to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 3rd.



Special Sunday, August 27th
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Work Party Wednesdays!

There are two more **Wednesdays (August 16th & 30th)** that we will be holding work parties.

We are looking for people to drop by the Community Hall between 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. to help with small maintenance projects.

Some of the projects will include repairing and painting the concession and repairing steps.

If you have time to help just come by at 7:00 p.m. Call Darcy (250-650-1626 for more information.



BAY DAY 2017

Thank you to all who helped on Bay Day. It is one of our main yearly fund raisers. Many helpers worked in many ways to make this a fun and wonderful time for all.

This year the weather was very good; the food concession delicious, the Car Show excellent. The Beverage garden operated by the 'Solutions' Slo Pitch Team and always busy. The Credit Union sponsored "Bouncy" stations kept little ones amused. The Horseshoe Tournament ran well with sponsors Fanny Bay Oysters and Mac's Oysters. The Sea Food Cook Sales ran by Baynes Sound Oysters was surrounded by seafood lovers. Children's races were well attended this year with a group of great helpers. 'Old Faithful Gals' great pie sale was enjoyed. Slo Pitch games kept all interested. Game activities for the children were a centre of fun and were a busy part of the day.

Thank you from the volunteers who operate the Community Club and Recreation Society to all the people, the groups and the teams that joined in to make this a great day. So many wonderful helpers make a community proud to be a family place.

A new generation of volunteers that aided with our game activities included:

Grady Baird	Autumn Balkie	Bailey Cullen	Tayler Kennelly
David McDowell Jr.	Cali McKay	Jasmin Newsom	

Bay Day Raffle winners:

1st: Bill Murchison
2nd: Sharon McGarvey
3rd: Laura Davidson

Horseshoe Winners:

1st: James Ford & Jess Morgan
2nd: Rebecca Kennelly & Craig Gagne





Volunteerism – part of what makes Canada great!

As Canada celebrates its 150th birthday, we thought we'd reflect on what we feel is an integral part of the bedrock of this great nation. No, not our love of hockey or Tim Hortons . . . we're talking about the enthusiastic willingness of each and every one of us to volunteer our time to help make our communities great.

A quick survey of our own employees and directors showed just how involved we are in our communities. More than half of UBCU staff and directors volunteer regularly with one or more nonprofit community groups.

One staff member from our Union Bay branch, for example, has volunteered more than 50 hours this year alone with the Union Bay Community Club. She says she wants to show her community spirit and ensure she never loses sight of those community values.

You will see our staff and directors at local fall fairs, Halloween parties, schools, music festivals, community clubs, senior housing initiatives, family days and many other community events where an extra pair of hands makes the work lighter and fun.

Our CEO, Sharon McGarvey, who has likewise volunteered a great many hours to local nonprofits, perhaps best sums up the reasons we do so:

"Showing our children the value of a strong, united community helps them appreciate that sense of belonging," she says. "The community benefits when we join together to create something that's greater than the sum."

Perhaps you'll join us in celebrating Canada's 150th birthday in a distinctly Canadian way – by volunteering with a local nonprofit. Happy birthday Canada!



The community hall is the home of a number of activities and meetings.

For more information about renting space, contact 250/335-1275. Meeting rooms, Dining Room, Kitchen facilities, large auditorium with stage available.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Please watch for the fall start up dates for all our winter programming in next month's issue of Down By the Bay.

Community Club Meeting

Usually the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. but note....

→ changed to **August 28th** Inquiries: Dave 250-335-2317

Individual Dates:

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| → Sun., Sept. 10 th , 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Fall Craft Fair and Plant Sale |
| → Sat. Sept. 16 th , 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Friendly Port Seniors
Tour de Rock Fundraiser |
| → Sun. Oct. 22 nd , 5:30 p.m. | Fall Supper |
| → Tues. Oct. 31 st , 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. | Children's Hallowe'en Party |
| → Sun, Nov. 19 th , 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | UB Community Club Christmas Craft Fair |

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What does it mean to be Canadian?

For one, it means pitching in for the collective good. It's what makes our communities so strong, and it's what makes being Canadian so great. Join us in celebrating Canada's 150th by volunteering with a local nonprofit!

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Newsletter

Down By The Bay Newsletter

Thanks to all contributors to our Union Bay newsletter. Local interest articles or ads for the **Down by The Bay** are welcomed. **Thank you to all our advertisers for supporting this publication!**

Submissions may be mailed to Box 335, Union Bay, BC V0R 3B0 or emailed to ub.dbtb@gmail.com. Alternately, articles can be dropped off with Dave Davidson. To make arrangements or if you have questions please call Dave at 250-335-2317.

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Remember it is volunteers that keep the Community Club up and running.

They constantly:

- keep the building and grounds in good shape
- organize special events such as Union Bay Family Day, Craft Fairs and many more
- keep track of hall and field bookings.

Please consider joining the Community Club.

Union Bay is a great community!!!! – get involved – share your skills and talents – volunteer

The Union Bay Community Club offers this opportunity to get to know your community and contribute to the cause. Would you consider offering a small portion of your time?

Volunteer jobs coming up that you may wish to lend your skills and help with:

- ☒ Craft Fair assistant – three times per year.
- ☒ Intermittent odd jobs – two hours at a time.

Ideas for new programs are encouraged. Present your plan or idea at a monthly meeting. Community Club contact is Dave Davidson at 250-335-2317.

UNION BAY COMMUNITY CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUE NOW



\$10.00 per person

Your fee helps to support the hall and grounds
Contact Donna McKay at 250-335-2147
or mail to PO Box 132, Union Bay, BC V0R 3B0

Union Bay Historical Society

If you haven't visited the museum or have out of town guests this summer, please consider a visit and learn more about the history of Union Bay.

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR August Museum Summer Opening

Wednesday – Sunday; Closed Monday, Tuesday

Two shifts Daily: 10:00a.m – 1:00p.m. or 1:00p.m – 4:00p.m.

Thanks to those who volunteered for July but August remains a blank slate.

For more information contact:

Linda McKay at lindadawn@shaw.ca or

Bette Hopwood at bette.hopwood@gmail.com or 250-218-3212

Flashback

by: Janette Glover-Geidt

GARDENS: After the early settlers built their house they cleared land for a garden. Even the renters of the company houses usually had a portion of the back yard in garden with a rose or honeysuckle at the front. Seeds could be bought at Fraser and Bishop, at the Creamery in Courtenay or ordered from a mail order house. Seed catalogues provided reading and planning material during the winter for the spring garden. Most families had enough boys to dig the ground and pick out rocks. If not, a Chinese worker was hired to turn the soil, or Bob McKay and his team of horses was hired to plough large fields. Commercial fertilizers didn't exist, so wood ash, containing potash was sprinkled over the garden. Kitchen peelings were dug in. Leaf mold from the forest, and seaweed from the beach were collected and used. Manure from barn and chicken coops made great fertilizer. As the cows roamed freely around town, "cow plops" were free for the taking. This was usually designated to the children who competed for the biggest. Potatoes were an easily grown staple. At planting time, in lean years, the housewife simply peeled the potatoes from last year's crop a little thicker around the eye and planted this. Lettuce, peas, beans, corn and tomatoes were eaten fresh or canned for winter. Root vegetables: potatoes, carrots, turnips, beets and onions were stored in root houses or under the house where it was cool. Large orchards were planted with apple varieties like Gravenstein, Transparent, King and Russet, so the kids could have an apple a day with lots left for apple sauce and pie. A few gardeners cultivated flowers and made show places of their property. Drew's property, (next to the Pottery shop, today covered with blackberries) was dubbed "Rose Cottage", where daughter Clea was married. Both Glovers, Harry Sr. and Herbert Sr. had show gardens with box hedges, flagstone paths, rose and grape arbours. The official residence of the Colliery Manager (three houses north of the Post Office) was surrounded with beautiful grounds. A creek bridged in several places ran through the property, which also featured a fountain and tennis court. The Chinese gardeners created the setting for many garden parties and flower shows.

As of September, UBHS requires someone to compile and submit this page to Down by the Bay. If interested, contact Linda or Bette at the above.

Thanks to Frank Jarvis for his quiet and efficient attention to detail on many maintenance issues.



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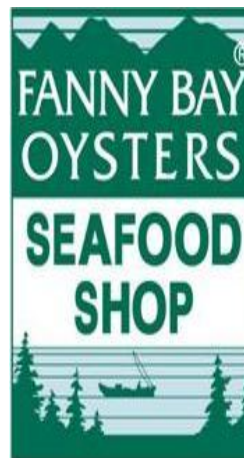
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Dave Davidson

INTRO PARA:

Last year, Dave Davidson stepped back from the president role of the Union Bay Community Club after 23 years of service. While he is still an active volunteer, Down by the Bay shares this story about him to recognize his many years of hard work, and as thanks for his leadership.

Thank-you Dave!



STORY

Dave Davidson has become a fixture in Union Bay – a friendly face who seems to constantly be at the community hall, in coveralls, working away to keep the facility up and running. Last year, Davidson stepped back from the role as president of the community club – a role that he stumbled upon unexpectedly a quarter-century ago.

His life in Union Bay at all is, in fact, a surprise. In 1954, at the age of 20, Davidson was an engineering student at UBC who took a summer job at the mill in Powell River. The position extended to five years before he decided to quit engineering school and build a life for he, his wife Eileen and the three children that would join them. His volunteer position with the Powell River Fire Department turned into a full-time job in 1960.

During that time, his eldest son became involved with Scouts, and naturally, so did Dave. His weekly volunteerism turned into a 26-year commitment, ending with him as District Commissioner when he left in early 1991.

In 1991, after 31 years with the fire department, Davidson made the decision to retire. With all three of his kids now on Vancouver Island and in the Lower Mainland, he and Eileen started looking to move. Initial house-hunting in the Sidney area failed and eventually their realtor suggested a waterfront find in Union Bay. David Davidson moved to David Road, and started looking to get involved in the community as he had always been in Powell River.

“We didn’t know anybody in Union Bay – one of the gals in Powell River said ‘just know the name McKay!’

One day shortly after their move while Eileen was at a Newcomers’ meeting, David walked down to the hall to check it out. Within a few short months, he was voted in as vice-president – and when the president resigned just a few months later, David found himself leading the club. It was 1993.

“I had some fast learning – it reminded me of when I started scouting,” reflects Davidson.

Since then, Davidson has helped to steer the club to keep up long-time traditions and try out new activities and events. He’s particularly proud of the improvements that have been made to the hall itself – with updated lighting, doors, flooring in the kitchen and dining room and more.

The only way he’s been able to keep it up though – he’s quick to note – is due to the support of many in the community.

“Lots of good helpers – that’s the main thing. You have to have lots of people to make these things happen.”

As vice-president now, he’s still a regular face at the community hall and community club events- helping to pass along the knowledge he’s collected over his 23 years.

By: Colleen Dane