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March 2019

The Union Bay Community Club is hosting a Garage Sale/Flea Market, to be held in the Hall

on Saturday, March 16th, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tables \$20.00 each

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Light refreshments available For more information, or to register, Call Dave Davidson – 250-335-2317 or go to Events at ubcc.ca

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Hornby Island Branch t 250.335.2326 | f 250.335.2370



Boat Ramp News

Boat Ramp Fees support maintenance and improvements

\$5 per use \$75 commercial **\$30 yearly pass \$25 Seniors** – 65 and over

Yearly permits available at the Union Bay Store, Union Bay Garage or by phoning Rick at 778-427-3119

PAY THE FEE OR PAY THE TOW TRUCK



Union Bay Community Church News

Sunday Church Services and Sunday School Refreshments following

Services - 11:00 a.m.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Union Bay United Community Church, the Friendly Church



The "Down By The Bay" newsletter is available on the web at Newsletter @ ubcc.ca. Previous issues can also be found there

Sign up and you can get the "Down By the Bay"

newsletter emailed to you. Send an email to ub.dbtb@gmail.com with the subject line "sign me up".

Ideas for new articles are always appreciated. Is there a Union Bay citizen you would like highlighted? A story to be told? Please submit to ub.dbtb@gmail.com

Advertising and Articles in the Down by The Bay

Thank you for your assistance in the operation of our Union Bay newsletter. Submission may be mailed to Box 335, Union Bay, BC V0R 3B0 or emailed to ub.dbtb@gmail.com. Alternately, articles could be dropped off with Dave Davidson. To make arrangements or if you have questions please call Dave at 250-335-2317. Cut off is the 20th of the month for the next issue.

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Pythian Sisters Meat Draw

For those of you who still haven't joined us on **Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at the Highwayman Pub** you are missing fun and prizes from our supplier, Courtenay's Butchers Block. Thank you to all of our supporters!

ATTENTION SPORTS FANS BALL SEASON IS NEAR!

WATER STATES

Just a few reminders

- All teams will be contacted soon with the date of the first planning meeting.
- If you have a group or club that would like to use the grounds for tournaments etc. you must reserve it and pay a fee. Please check with Jody (250-335-1474) to see if your date is available.
- Dog walkers, please clean up after your pets.
- Smokers, please use tins supplied when butting out.

HIGHWAYMAN SALOON

WORD SEARCH

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GAMING

Union Bay Historical Society

Annual General Meeting

Monday, March 11, 2019 7:00 p.m.

Back of Union Bay Community Church Memberships may be renewed at this time.



Flashback

Janette Glover-Geidt

COMMUNICATIONS: TELEPHONE

In 1883 a three-mile telephone line was strung between Nanaimo and Departure Bay. A Mr. Halleck stood in the Nanaimo office and played the "Blue Bells of Scotland" on his flute into a hearing tube held by Mr. Fred Brown (Union Bay's first Post Master). The sweet strains were heard clearly by Misters Loat and Young in Departure Bay.

One of the very first phone lines in the Comox Valley was strung by the Coal Company, between Union Wharf (Bay) and the mine at Union (Cumberland), for company use only.

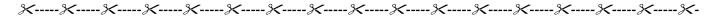
By 1890 the B.C. Telephone Company had connected Nanaimo to the upper Island, with exchanges at Cumberland and Courtenay. Besides the phone at the Colliery Office, Union Bay had only two pay stations, one at Fraser & Bishop's store, the other at the exchange in Hooper's house, fifth house north of the Post Office.

Mr. Tom Hudson was the maintenance man and in 1907 he started installing poles on Denman & Hornby Islands. In the summer he hired young boys to clear the brush and paid them in candy from his confectionary store. With one central station on each Island the settlers were connected to the exchange in Union Bay. From Union Bay calls could be made to Fanny Bay or Cumberland for 10c, to Courtenay for 20c.

In 1913 the "Princess Louise" laid a cable from Vancouver to Nanaimo providing long distance calls to the rest of the province. Then in 1931 the "Brico" dropped a cable on the ocean floor connecting Powell River with Cape Lazo.

B.C. Telephone Co. added additional circuits, so all the businesses had their own phones. The big wooden boxes were mounted on the wall with a large metal mouthpiece on front. Calls within the community were made by cranking the side handle and ringing off the right number of rings – One long- two shorts etc. All customers were on party lines which meant you could listen in to your neighbours' calls.

A big change came in 1941 when the old system was replaced by a common battery service. No more cranking; just lift the receiver and hear "Number Please" from an operator in Courtenay.



Union Bay Historical Society Membership

Please send info and cheque to U.B.H.S., Box 448, Union Bay, BC VOR 3B0				
Name(s):				
Address:				
Postal Code:	Phone:		Email:	
I am able to help with:			Enclosed:	

Reflecting on 75 years as your local credit union

In the spring of 1944, seven local residents gathered in a Union Bay basement to create a modest financial institution dedicated to the needs of their close-knit community. Transactions were conducted out of their homes, with monthly meetings at the local community hall.

The point of this earnest endeavour was never to get rich off the backs of the fishermen, loggers, colliery workers and families that called Union Bay home. Rather, Union Bay Credit Union was established as a cooperative, with each member owning a share and profits re-invested in the community.

Our credit union was built by the community, for the community. We now have more than 3,000 members and manage more than \$90 million in assets, but our founding values haven't changed. And though we've grown with the community to offer branches on Hornby Island (1992) and in Bowser (2001), we're still the only full-service financial institution between Qualicum Beach and Courtenay.

Most importantly, our success has always been inextricably linked to the strength of the communities we serve, and to our ability to continually earn and maintain the trust of our friends and neighbours. Trust remains the backbone of our cooperative, rooted in the professionalism and discretion practiced by our employees. Additionally, all deposits are 100% guaranteed by the Credit Union Deposit Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

Not yet a UBCU member? Get your share and get a \$200 cash bonus when you become a member at getyourshare.ca/unionbaycu. You can even earn \$50 by referring a friend.

Neighbours helping neighbours — it's what being part of your local credit union is all about.







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 that can be done on your time frame.

Ideas for new programs are encouraged. Put your thoughts together and present your plan or idea at a monthly meeting 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Community Club contact is Dave Davidson at 250-335-2317 or leave a message at 250/335-2500 or ubcc.ca

Local interest articles or ads for the Down by The Bay are welcomed. Submissions can be emailed to: ub.dbtb@gmail.com.



Union Bay Community Club Membership is \$10 for each year.

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





CURRENT EVENTS

The community hall is the home of a number of activities and meetings. For more information about renting space, contact 250/335-1474 or 250/335-2500 to leave a message. Meeting rooms, Dining Room, Kitchen facilities, large auditorium with stage available.

Aerobics:	Toning exercise to music. Meet three times a week. Figure 1. Every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 9:30 a.m.		
		Inquiries: Lucie 250-335-1607	
FiftyPlus Fit:	Aerobics, strength training, balance and exercises for body and mind.		
	Every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:45 a.m.	Inquiries: Traci 250-331-1949	
Cinch:	Every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. ENDS APRIL 6 TH for the summer	Inquiries: Karen 250-335-2594	
Community Club Meeting:	▶ 2 nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. ✓ Mar. 13 th , Apr. 10 th	Inquiries: Dave 250-335-2317	
Crib:	► Every second Friday at 7:30 p.m. ✓ Mar. 8 th and Mar. 22 nd	Inquiries: Mildred 250-335-2894	
Line Dancing:	Every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.Suitable for all levels	Inquiries: Mary 250-335-1748	
Pickleball:	▶ Every Tuesday, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Inquiries: Janice 250-335-0686	
Whist:	► Every second Monday at 1:30 p.m. ✓ Mar. 4 th & Mar. 18 th	Inquiries: Donna 250-335-2147	

Friendly Port Seniors: For dates please call Mildred 250-335-2894.

Other dates to note:

March

Mon. Mar 11th HISTORICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING 7:00 p.m. at the Church Hall.

**Note correction from last month. ALL WELCOME!

Sat. Mar 16th FLEA MARKET – 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Community Hall. Call 250-335-2500 or Dave 250-335-2317, or email ubcc.ca for more information.



UNION BAY CREDIT UNION PROUDLY SUPPORTS YOUR CALENDAR OF CURRENT EVENTS

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- Online Banking
- e-Statements

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^{****}All activities require a current membership to the Union Bay Community Club (\$10 per year) and a fee of \$3 per person is charged each time you attend one of the above.

UPDATE FROM THE UNION BAY STREAMKEEPERS

2018 Turned out well as far as salvage goes. We returned 7,580 fry into Hart Creek and 2,760 into Emily and Hindoo Creeks making a total of 10,340. This was done in October/November 2018. Thanks to the following volunteers for their participation in doing all the salvaging: Mike Robson, Len Ralph, John Whitman, Bruce Shearer and Marie Gaudreau.

The Riparian Zone next to the Ball Field will be remediated this spring with trees to be planted in the fall. An assessment for further improvements for Hart Creek will be made this summer.

Although the Coho salvage went well in 2018 we got a nasty surprise. Somebody decided to vandalize a trap and opened up several more releasing fry that had been salvaged. This action makes no sense. We do not need the extra cost and inconvenience this created.

The fry that were released by the vandals had next to no chance of surviving the draught for the rest of the summer. Right now, our only remedy for the survival of the Coho salmon is to salvage as many as possible, feed them until the fall and release them when conditions have improved.

We need more volunteers to participate in Union Bay Streamkeepers and Rosewall Hatchery in Fanny Bay.

Ray Kraft
UB Streamkeepers.
For more info call 778-427-2777.



UNION BAY GARDENERS

We are a small group of volunteers who maintain the Boulevard Gardens along the Coastal Highway. These stretch from south of McLeod to the Old School with parts in front of Union Bay Market and Union Bay Automotive. The group normally meets on the second Tuesday every month (March – October) at 9.00 am for a couple of hours or more. Timing is fairly flexible with gardeners often setting their own work times to suit their schedules or preferences. We have further improved flexibility by having some club members adopt their own garden beds which now stands at about 40%. "The Boat Ramp Crew" works cooperatively with us to look after the grass cutting, fertilizing etc. Currently we have an automated sprinkler system in place which allows us to water every second day.

We encourage any interested volunteers even if they can only spare an hour or so to work independently at any time to get in touch with us. Bring along a reflective safety vest or wear bright shirt or coat plus your own gardening tools. We have a few spare reflective vests available and cones for when working close to the highway.

Our automatic sprinklers were purchased through donations from the community. In the past we have received donations from residents of Union Bay and outside areas plus businesses and governmental agencies which allows us to operate successfully. Any future donations no matter how small would be gratefully received.

For more information or to join us in a worthwhile cause, please call:

Mike Robson, Coordinator mrobson@telusplanet.net 250-335-0298

DANIEL ARBOUR Area A Comox Valley Regional District Representative



AREA A UPDATE – WINTER 2019

Dear Union Bay residents,

Over the coming four years I will endeavor to write short quarterly updates in this paper, relaying CVRD news and information that are relevant to each community in Area A.

After three months in office, I am happy to report that things are going well. The CVRD has professional staff and our board members work well together. So far when we disagree, we do so in constructive ways and everyone seems to be there for genuine public service reasons.

In December, we went through our orientation and a strategic planning session, which amongst a handful of priorities identified the core theme of "sustainability" as a core regional focus. Then in January and February it was budget time. We have 99 services and budgets across the CVRD, each with its own considerations both short and long term.

In Area A, we have the most services than any of the CVRD jurisdictions at 72! Each community in Area A has distinct and unique relationships with the CVRD. For example, Hornby Island has almost twice the level of services (and therefore tax requisition) when compared to Fanny Bay. There are many reasons for this, and I look forward to sit down with communities to discuss their services, and how your tax dollars are put to work. Maybe we can look to host "bring your property tax bill" sessions? Let me know if you are interested. I truly believe that educated and transparent discussions about our taxes is a great way to build our communities and shape them the way we want.

Externally, I am also honoured to have been appointed as the CVRD external representative to two organizations: The Vancouver Island Library board, and the Island Corridor Foundation, which owns the train track from Courtenay to Victoria. The Vancouver Island Library Board we all pay some taxes towards, and the Island Corridor Foundation we jointly own with four other regional districts and five First Nation communities. For the latter one there is no yearly tax requisition, but a lot of debate!

I could go on and on, but I think I will stop here. For those who want more regular updates and who are on Facebook, do take the time to follow the CVRD page @comoxvalleyrd and my page as I post regularly on specific CVRD and Area A news. My Facebook handle is @danielarbour.ca. Also please don't hesitate to reach out with any issues where the CVRD could help. My email is reachme@danielarbour.ca, and my phone number is 250-650-8480. Thanks again for your support in the last election, I am committed and excited to work on everyone's behalf.

Daniel



SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH.

Do not forget to advance your clock one hour.

Also, a very good reminder to check all the batteries in your smoke and carbon dioxide detectors. Keep your family safe.



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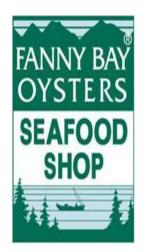


YOGA

Drop In Sessions Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 – 8:00 pm Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:30 am



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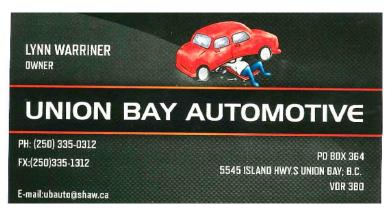


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2019 DOG LICENCES AVAILABLE NOW

It is mandatory for Comox Valley Regional District (VCRD) electoral area residents to licence their dogs.

- The licence fee for a dog that is spayed or neutered is \$5.
- The licence fee for a dog that is not spayed or neutered is \$15.

