

Union Bay Community Club News Letter

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AUGUST 2020

Union Bay Community Club
Outdoor Fall Craft Sale

Date: Sunday, September 13th

Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Place: Community Club ball field



To book a space please go to ubcc.ca

Spaces are a 12' x 12' area

Bring your own cover if needed.

Check out all of the great crafts and ideas.

- No admission charge
- Snacks will be available.
- Spacing will be prearranged.
- Masks are optional
- BC Coronavirus guidelines will be followed



The same as the last few issues of Down by the Bay it is going to be put on the Community Club's web page and emailed out to our mailing list. Some hard copies will be produced.

If you know of someone who would like a hard copy please (if you have the ability) print it for them or get them to contact Dave Davidson at 250-335-2317.

Many events are cancelled until further notice, along with monthly meetings:

- Union Bay United Church is suspending services, though they are now reviewing the public health rules to see when they may open.
- No Community Club's monthly meeting.
- Most current events are suspended.



UNION BAY



BOAT RAMP NEWS

Boat Ramp Fees support maintenance and Improvements

\$5 per use

\$75 commercial

\$30 yearly pass

\$25 Seniors (65 & over)

Yearly permits available at the Union Bay Market, on line at ubcc.ca or call Rick Weaver at 778-427-3119

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Union Bay Historical Gaolhouse



Located next to the Heritage Post office the Gaolhouse is open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 pm. Wednesday thru Sunday.

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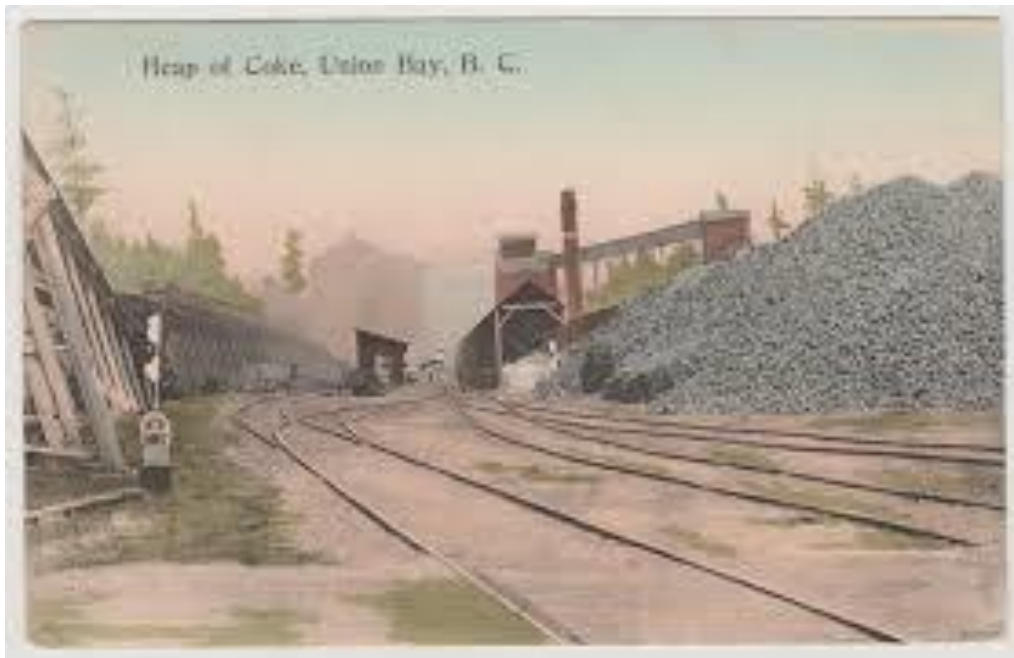
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ROYAL LEPAGE





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

For more information about renting space, contact Jody 250/335-1474. Meeting rooms, Dining Room, Kitchen facilities, large auditorium with stage available.

We will keep you updated as quickly as possible on the startup dates for all our winter programming.

Community Club Meeting

Usually the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting t.b.a. Inquiries: Dave 250-335-2317

Individual Dates:

→ Sun., Sept. 13th, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Outdoor Fall Craft Sale

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STORIES OF HOMES IN UNION BAY

For the next several articles I will feature historic homes in Union Bay. Many of the earliest settlers: The Cooks, Drews, McCarthys, McKays, Rays, when they arrived to work at the port, about 1884, lived in the large boarding house built and let by the Union Coal Company. First single men lived there then families. It was here that the first Christmas was celebrated with a Christmas tree. For many children it was the first they had ever seen. Mrs. Drew dressed as Santa and gave all the children little gifts.



THE LAVENDER HOUSE:

Soon the families leased land along the highway and built homes. One of the first homes was built by Andrew and Ellen McKay on the property where the "Lavender House" is today. It was a small house with tiny rooms, which were papered inside with newspapers. With a barn at the back the McKays ran a livery stable where horses could be rented for a trip to Cumberland, or exchanged to complete their journey. Their oldest son, Bob, the first boy born in Union Bay, was in charge of the horses and also hired out ploughing fields. Not far from this house Mrs. McKay's brother, Andrew McCarthy, built an old type Irish house with animals living in one end. They had the first child, Greta, born in the fledgling town.

The McKays bought farmland south of the town and sold their small house to John and Elizabeth Cook, who tore down the barn and used the lumber to build the present house, about 1907. Mrs. Cook had a black walnut organ which had travelled by horse and wagon across the States to Portland, then put on a ship to the Bay where she played it for Church. She also made Ice cream and sold cones at the gate.

Several families called the house home: Customs Officer Abrams, Seymour & Greta (Post Master Brown's daughter) brought up their family of three there. The Vowels, Fred and Mame (granddaughter of the Cook's) with Eddie & Ann enjoyed the house. Also, the McBride family living next door to Mrs. McBride's cousin, Elizabeth Renwick, called the house home. About 1990 Alex and Kathleen Kinasewich bought the house. Alex, a carpenter, made many changes, even added a loft upstairs. Sometime after 2000 Kathleen had the front yard ploughed and planted with lavender. When it bloomed it was a beautiful sea of purple. Kathleen held parties for groups of friends who helped harvest the lavender. In the back-yard Alex converted a shed into a store where Kathleen made and sold lavender products: sashays, tea, soap, perfume, candles etc. The enterprise did not last long, and the next owners did not cultivate the lavender.

By Janette Glover-Geidt

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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******Please submit pictures (JPEG format) that you agree to let us use in issues of DBTB. Residents enjoy seeing Union Bay as it has grown and the 'old timers' we all have heard of.**

Union Bay is a great community!!!! – get involved –

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September 1st**

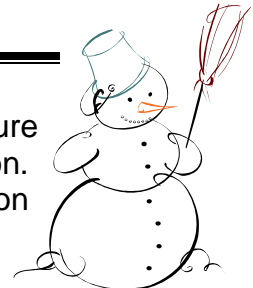
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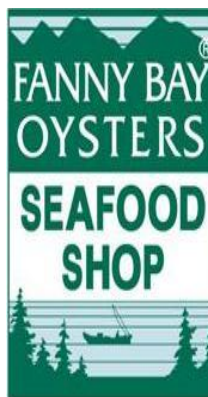
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In an unsettling reversal of my teenage years, I am now yelling at my parents for going out.



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