

## Union Bay Community Club News Letter

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# Union Bay Community Club Outdoor Fall Craft Sale

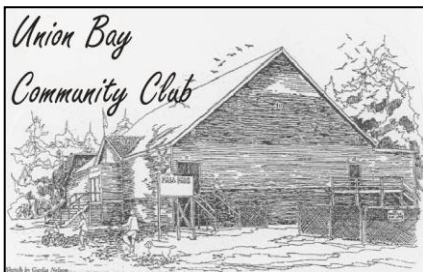
**Date:** Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Place:** Community Club ball field

**LARGE FIELD OF CRAFTERS  
MANY, MANY CHOICES**



**Come and check out all of the great crafts and ideas.**

- No admission charge
- Snacks will be available
- Spacing will be prearranged
- Masks are optional (but, wearing is caring)
- BC Coronavirus guidelines will be followed
- Contact Marilyn Manning 250-335-3432 or Dave Davidson 250-335-2317 for more information



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.

## ***Some winter programs are starting up!!!***

### **Aerobics:**

Toning exercise to music. Meet three times a week.

► **Every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 9:30 a.m.**

Inquiries: Lucie 250-335-160

### **Line dancing:**

► **Every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.**

\*\*\* **Beginning September 9th**

Inquiries: Mary 250-335-1748

### **Many events are still cancelled until further notice:**

- Union Bay United Church is still suspending services.
- No Community Club's monthly meeting.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mortgages &amp; Loans</li> <li>• Online Banking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• e-Transfers</li> <li>• e-Statements</li> </ul>
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## UNION BAY



## BOAT RAMP NEWS

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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.



## The times, they are a changing (And that's impacting how we bank)

The past six months have seen unprecedented change in our world. COVID-19 has transformed how we live, play and conduct business. From meeting online and “signing” documents electronically to carrying hand sanitizer and avoiding hugs and handshakes, we are adjusting our everyday behaviours to keep our selves, our families and our communities safe.

When it comes to banking, adaptability is key and innovation is imperative. Keeping pace with advancements to remain relevant is a continual priority at Union Bay Credit Union. With the pandemic, changing demands have accelerated certain banking trends.

### **Pandemic-influenced banking trends (and how we've kept pace)**

- More banking done online and through mobile apps: our world-class online/mobile banking infrastructure and security has never been more used or appreciated
- Fewer in-branch transactions: the use of technology has meant a reduction in day-to-day transactions, leaving our customer service reps available for more advice-based and/or complex transactions
- Night deposits on the rise: more businesses have discovered the convenience of night drop banking as an alternative to visiting the branch during open hours
- Increase in automatic transfers: automated transfer setups mean members can save and manage their money without having to go anywhere or give things another thought

Fortunately, our connection with members and commitment to stay abreast of technology have allowed us to meet shifting needs. And our in-branch experience, while different, is still based on keeping our employees and members safe and happy.

No matter how things change, Union Bay Credit Union will always remain committed to our local roots and communities, as we have for more than 75 years.




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## STORIES OF HOMES IN UNION BAY cont'd:



The two homes north of the Post Office were built at different times, over 20 years apart. About 1911 the house next to the Gaolhouse museum was built for the Coal Company's Master Mechanic, at the time Andrew Pollock. He was from Scotland where he had trained.

This was a large rectangular house bigger than most homes in the Bay at that time. It consisted of a large living room with windows overlooking the water, and behind that a dining room, both with coal burning fireplaces. The kitchen was at the back with a door to the garden and garage. The front door led up to a long hall, wide enough to have a piano along one wall. Three bedrooms and a bathroom led off the hall.

In the early 30's Bill Auchinvole, son of the Manager, became Master Mechanic and moved into the home with his wife Thelma and daughters Margot and Heather. They were a very social couple who entertained often and generously supported everything happening in the community. Bill supported sports and Thelma provided beautiful linen, silver and flower arrangements for weddings and special events. She also supported the Red Cross with her knitting and sewing through WW11.

While they were living there a dining nook was added to the kitchen and a den. A wide veranda stretched along the back facing the lawn and vegetable garden, tended by Dick, a friendly Chinese fellow, who grew giant vegetables and fruits, many of which Thelma canned and jammed. As well, an adorable playhouse was built for the girls, where many of their friends spent happy times playing house.

Percy Renwick, son of early settlers, studied and became assistant Customs Man to Seymour Abrams in Union Bay. Elizabeth Walker, a young lass recently from Aberdeen Scotland, came to live with her step sister, Mrs. Emdy. Elizabeth procured a job as chambermaid at the Nelson Hotel where one day, while sweeping the porch, Percy Renwick, a handsome man in the uniform of a Customs Man, appeared and stole her heart. They were married in the early 20's and first lived in a small house on Washer Creek Hill. With their growing family of three boys, Kenneth, Donald and Jack, they had outgrown the first house so bought property on the highway where they built a large house. Besides three bedrooms up and two down, the very social couple specified that the house must have a large living room. Over the years the grand living room was put to good use for get-togethers, parties, showers, card games, 58 ladies at a costume party, etc.

As Percy was Customs Man, many officers from ships that called were entertained. Especially during WW11, people gathered for a good time, singing the latest tunes with friend Kathleen Stubbs playing the piano. The couple were heavily involved in building the Community Hall, which opened in May 1942 to an inaugural banquet. Percy was Secretary-Treasurer for many years and Elizabeth led the Ladies committee, making sandwiches for the Saturday dances.

Elizabeth lived on in the big house many years after Percy's death. With her wonderful sense of humour, she entertained friends and lived to be 100.

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](mailto: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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1/4 page 8" x 2 1/2"	20.00 per issue
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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.**

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

**COMMUNITY  
CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP  
is due now.**

**\$10.00 per person**

Your fee helps to support the hall and grounds  
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#### Day 2 without sports:

I found a young lady sitting on my couch yesterday. Apparently, she is my wife. She seems nice.

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Dear Friends: My 30<sup>th</sup> birthday is today but I just want everyone to know that I am postponing it indefinitely due to coronavirus, I will be turning 30 at a later date.

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My husband purchased a world map and then gave me a dart and said, "Throw this and wherever it lands – that is where I am taking you when this pandemic ends." Turns out, we're spending two weeks behind the fridge.



## UNION BAY GARDENERS

We are a small group of volunteers who maintain the Boulevard Gardens along the Coastal Highway. These gardens stretch from south of McLeod to the Old School with parts in front of Union Bay Market and Union Bay Automotive.

The group meets on the second Tuesday every month (March – October) at 9.00 a.m. for a couple of hours. Timing is fairly flexible with gardeners often setting their own work. We have further improved flexibility by having some club members adopt their own garden beds which now stands at about 55%. "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 during the drier summer months.

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.

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:

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