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Union Bay Community Club Newsletter

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JUNE 2022

BAY DAY & CAR SHOW

SUNDAY JUNE 12th

UNION BAY BALL FIELD

KIDS PARADE & RACES

KIDS ARCADE GAMES

BALL GAMES

CONCESSION

RAFFLES

& MORE

SCHEDULE AND TIMES INSIDE

Bay Day Schedule

Car Show 10 am - 2 pm	Concession open at 10:00 am for breakfast
☆Kids Parade 11 am	☆Kids & Family Races 11:30
Kids & Family Arcade Games 11:30 am	Beer Garden 1:00
Pipe Band 1:30 pm	Pythian Pie Sales Noon
Horseshoes 1:00	Concession opens at 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
Ball Games start at 3 pm & 4:30 pm	Bay Day Raffle Draw at 5:30 pm

☆ TIMES HAVE CHANGED FROM MAY'S NEWSLETTER

Kids Parade Theme Is I Am Canadian!

For such a big day to be a success we need volunteers.

We need volunteers for

Set up on Saturday night and Sunday morning

June 11th & 12th

Kids Amusement Games

50/50 Draws

Kids Races

Concession

Clean Up

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UNION BAY SLO-PITCH SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

		Game Time	Home	Away	Umpire
Wednesday	**01-Jun**	6:15	Bulldogs	Denman	Solutions
Wednesday	**01-Jun**	7:30	Kids	Solutions	Denman
Thursday	**02-Jun**	6:15	Denman	Misfits	Kids
Thursday	**02-Jun**	7:30	Slushbuckets	Kids	Denman
Sunday	**05-Jun**	9:30	Bulldogs	Slushbuckets	Misfits
Sunday	**05-Jun**	11:00	Kids	Misfits	Bulldogs
Sunday	**05-Jun**	12:30	TNB	Solutions	Kids
Sunday	**05-Jun**	2:00	Kids	Millennials	TNB
Sunday	**05-Jun**	3:30	Denman	Kids	Millennials
Monday	**06-Jun**	6:15	Solutions	Slushbuckets	Bulldogs
Monday	**06-Jun**	7:30	Misfits	Bulldogs	Slushbuckets
Tuesday	**07-Jun**	6:15	Solutions	Millennials	TNB
Tuesday	**07-Jun**	7:30	Slushbuckets	TNB	Millennials
Wednesday	**08-Jun**	6:15	Millennials	Denman	Bulldogs
Wednesday	**08-Jun**	7:30	Millennials	Bulldogs	Denman
Thursday	**09-Jun**	6:15	TNB	Misfits	Kids
Thursday	**09-Jun**	7:30	Kids	Bulldogs	TNB
Sunday	**12-Jun**	3:00	Denman	TNB	Misfits
Sunday	**12-Jun**	4:30	Slushbuckets	Misfits	TNB
Tuesday	**14-Jun**	6:15			
Tuesday	**14-Jun**	7:30			
Wednesday	**15-Jun**	6:15			
Wednesday	**15-Jun**	7:30			
Thursday	**16-Jun**	6:15			
Thursday	**16-Jun**	7:30			
Saturday	**18-Jun**	Playoffs			
Sunday	**19-Jun**	Playoffs			

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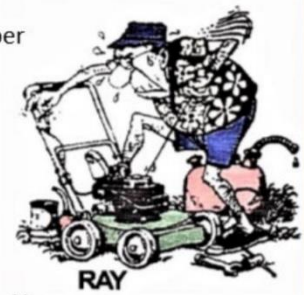

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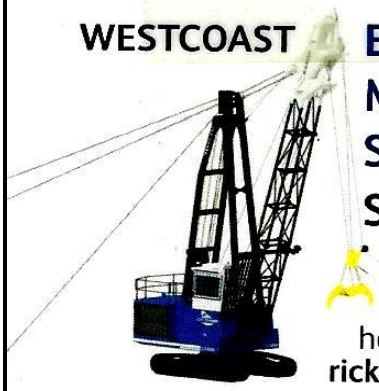

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SLO-PITCH WORK PARTY

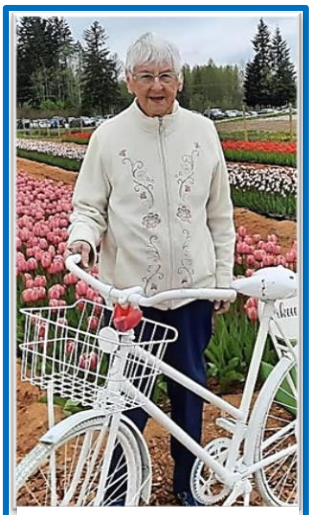
Slo-Pitch teams are repairing and replacing nets, levelling the infield, weed eating, and mowing the grass in preparation for their upcoming ball season. Thank You for your volunteer work!

On Mother's Day, May 8th, families treated their mothers to a pancake, sausage, and bacon breakfast. 23 men from our community cooked and served this breakfast. It was great to see Dave Davidson come out of retirement to assist with the planning of this event. Thank you to all of our volunteers and the families that helped to make this occasion a success! We couldn't have done it without your help.

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

The Bays Bouquets

Do you have a loved one's Anniversary, Birthday or just want to say a big Thank You to someone? Our newsletter will post it free. Please email *bmbitten@gmail.com* with your well wishes by the 15th of each month.



Happy 92nd Birthday
To
Anne Pratt

Happy 66th Anniversary
To
Allan & Barb Flawse

Happy Birthday To

Wade Friel
Jamie Bell
Anne Carroll
Doug Flawse
Brenda Bitten
Leona Katovic
Raymond Pojie
Randy Flawse
&
Diane Hawkins

Hall Restoration

A huge thank you goes to Ripple Rock Restorations, Scott and Jake for spearheading the project. Job well done. Also, the major sub contractors. Rockridge who did the asbestos abatement and those pictures were supplied by Scott as we were not allowed in the building. Blackwater Plumbing, Kyle and Devin, replaced what was necessary and upgraded things we needed that were outside of the restoration, all well worth the extra expense. End of the roll, Barry and Jason arranged all the flooring. Daeco Electric, Andrew and Mike did all the electrical as well as upgrades. Baynes Sound Wood Designs, Brian removed and replaced all the cabinets. Quick and Easy Granite removed and replaced the granite. Last but not least, our Leanne and her great painting crew did wonders with the colours.

Mainroad Contracting

Thank you so much to Danny for starting the boat ramp grading. Due to the amount of water present, it was only partially completed. If and when it stops raining, they'll return to finish it and apply dust control.

Butchers Block

Thank you Colby and company for offering reduced rates for our Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast. It was enjoyed by all and helped raise funds for our hall upgrades.

Happy 80th Birthday
To
Diane Etherington

14 of Diane's friends surprised her with a Birthday Luncheon In town

The Concept of Equivalent Clearcut Area

Imagine two raindrops. One falls into a watershed full of old-growth Douglas fir. It works its way through the lush, moss-covered branches to the ground where it is absorbed by spongy humus on the forest floor. The other raindrop falls into a watershed that has been clear-cut. It takes a direct path to dry ground where there is little capacity to absorb or retain water. The first drop will gradually make its measured way to a clear stream and join its fellow drops in their path to the sea. The second drop will quickly join others to form a muddy rill that will scour the dirt and drag bits of mud and debris along the way. A healthy, functioning watershed is resilient to excessive flooding and drought. So obviously, the watershed that received the second drop is not as resilient and not as healthy, hydrologically speaking, as the watershed that received the first drop.

Now, this may sound like one of those dreaded story problems from high school math, but it's important. You might say the first watershed is 0% unhealthy (an odd way to think about it but bear with me) and the clear-cut watershed is not healthy at all, or 100% unhealthy. This is the concept behind Equivalent Clearcut Area (ECA), a methodology used by forest scientists to assess watershed health. If a watershed covered in old-growth has half of its trees harvested, leaving it in a half old-growth and half clear-cut state, it could logically be described as 50% unhealthy, which would be an ECA of 50%. Of course, watersheds are never a perfect mix of old-growth and clear-cuts. Indeed, there is very little old-growth left. So, forest scientists have developed ways to estimate the ECA for mixed forests using average tree heights and other metrics. This allows them to study a particular watershed and determine that it behaves, for example, like a watershed with 25% clear-cut area, even though it has no actual clear-cut areas.

BWS Vice President, Dave Weaver is a retired Professional Forester. He has created a Hydrological Health Report Card, which includes ECA calculations, for four of our watersheds - Mud Bay, Waterloo, Cowie, and Wilfred. The full report, which includes other important watershed metrics (area harvested, density of logging roads, number of stream crossings, etc.) as well as subjective assessments of riparian protection, can be found on our website (beaufortwater.org). Here are a few of the ECAs to whet your appetite. Remember, a lower ECA is healthier. And keep in mind that an ECA over 30% is considered problematic.

Mud Bay's watershed has an ECA of 21%. Waterloo, with its unique stand of mature Grand Fir, has an ECA of 28%. Wilfred, which stretches all the way into the snowpack, has an ECA of 30%. Cowie has the worst ECA of the bunch with a total of 31%.

When you consider the importance of these watersheds to our drinking water, these numbers aren't great. Ideally, they would all be 0% unhealthy, or in other words, perfectly healthy! The only way for these numbers to decline would be if logging companies reduced their rate of harvest. While this is not something likely to happen on its own, there is a growing sentiment that rates of harvest should be reduced and more closely regulated.

This Watershed Report Card, like much of the work BWS is doing, provides a baseline against which we can measure change. When those two raindrops fall ten years from now, we hope the change is such that they fall in watersheds with much lower ECA scores than today.

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Ideas for new articles are always appreciated. Is there a person you would like to highlight or a story to be told? Submit to *ub.dbtb@gmail.com*.

Advertising and articles in Down By The Bay

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The order form with instructions, cost and payment options is on the Community Club website at *www.ubcc.ca* Click on newsletter and then on advertising in the newsletter. Ads must be prepaid

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Current Events

The hall is home of several activities and meetings. Activities at the hall have started up again. Go to our website *www.ubcc.ca* for activities, days and times. Drop ins are always welcome!
For more information about renting space, contact Lindee Ziefflie at *rentals@ubcc.ca.* Meeting rooms, dining room, kitchen facilities, large auditorium, with stage are available.
Membership January to December
$15 per person $35 per family

THE BOAT LAUNCH TEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP

New volunteers are needed to replace some of the very dedicated ones that have had to step down for various reasons. We need the volunteer base to expand so we can continue our great success and longevity. We are looking for boat ramp fee collection, boat ramp and 19A boulevard mowing. CALL RICK WEAVER AT 778-427-3119 FOR MORE INFO

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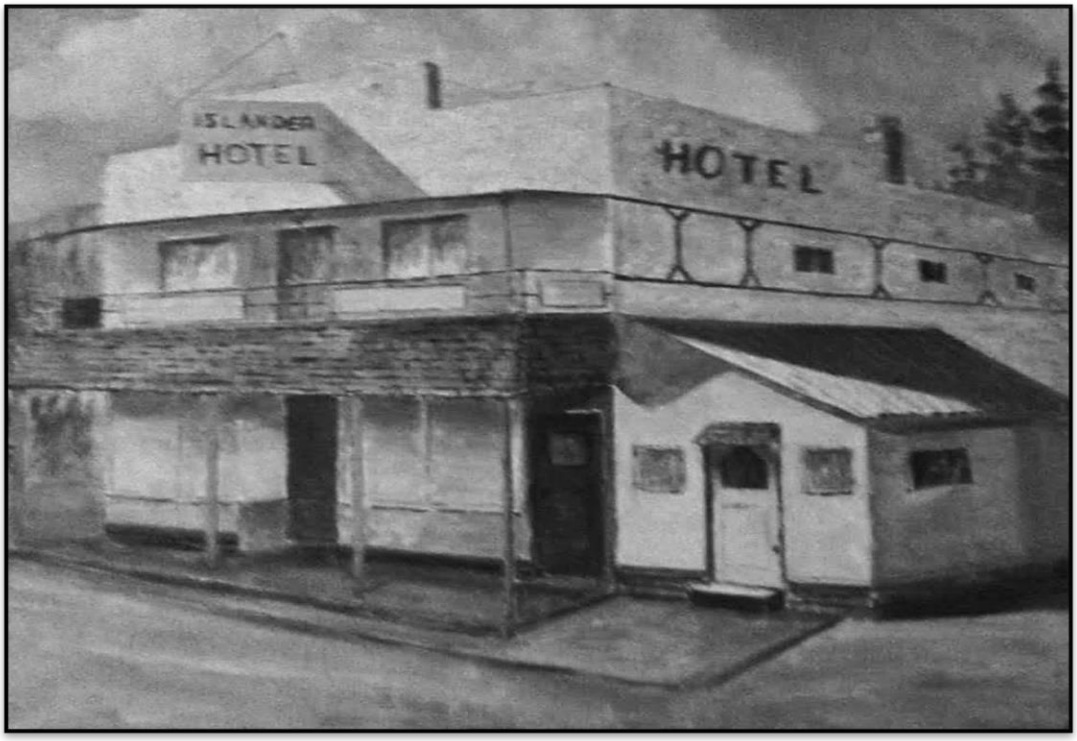

In 1980, Thelma Fubister painted and gifted this painting to the Highwayman Pub, previously known as the Islander Hotel. The door on the right led to the one and only café in town at the time, which provided food to both the bar and local families. After the café closed, the bar expanded and included a games area. Food is still served to bar patrons from the kitchen.

HOW TO USE A DIAL TELEPHONE in COURTENAY

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After you have dialed a number you will hear either the "ringing signal," which is a "burr-rr-ring" sound, indicating that the called telephone is ringing, or the "busy signal," which is an intermittent "buzz-buzz-buzz" sound, indicating that the called line is busy.

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TO CALL A PARTY ON YOUR OWN LINE

Lift receiver—get dial tone—then dial "18" plus all seven digits of the party's listed telephone number. Hang up. Wait for a few seconds while your party's phone is ringing —then lift your receiver and talk.

Should you be the receiver of a call from someone on your party line, you will notice a **"TICK TONE"** when you answer. Wait a moment for the caller to speak.

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Union Bay Credit Union Ball Team 1963

Back Row: Daryl (Peanuts) Wynn, Robbie (Scoop) Chapman, Richard Sexton, Barry Peters, Bill Lund, Don (Bowser) Benny. *Mid Row*: Barry (Buzz) Walker, Glen Cooper, Bill Bullen, Lenny Murdock, Donald Dalziel. *Front Row*: Bill Coe, Steven Lennox, Glen Haddon, Ricky Anderson.

Stories of Buildings in Union Bay cont. *Janette Glover-Geidt*

Continuing north, the Island Highway crossed Washer Creek past Japtown and swung up Washer Hill past a few homes built there on land leased from the Coal Company.

At the top of the hill the Nakamura's built a large house. Mrs. Nakamura took in washing and did the laundry for many housewives. Her husband and sons delivered the clothes on their bikes. After the Japanese were removed from the coast, in 1941, Charlie Shillito bought the house for his large family of seven. His wife Lil, always dressed in overalls, created a beautiful garden of vegetables and flowers, specializing in gladiolas; one year she planted 400 bulbs. Lil was generous with her flowers, many summer brides' bouquets featured beautiful glads.

More homes were built facing the highway. The Arrol family built a cottage where they lived, then sold in the 1940's to the Etter family. Mrs. Etter had many little ones who often played on the Hill. The kids would put their baby brother in a closed box on the highway and watch when nervous motorists stopped to look in the box and nearly faint at what they could have run over. Unfortunately, while playing on the road, five year old Jimmy was killed by a car in 1946.

Before the Arrols, Butcher Bowden built his own house. Bill followed the lay of the land, a step up to the living room, a step down into the bedrooms. On the north end he built a cold room, well insulated, where he cured ham, made bacon, and corned beef. Stacked out back in the garage were dozens of salted cow hides to be sold for leather making. Next door, butcher Bowden's oldest daughter Winnie, home from Vancouver in 1927, where she had apprenticed in dress making, built with her Dad's help, a shop where customers came to have clothes sewn. In the 1960s a second floor was added to the building, creating what was jokingly called Union Bay's only high-rise. Beyond that several other houses were built, ending with the house built by George Davis Jr. for his aging parents, Peg-leg Davis and Mrs. Davis, who had left the farm at the crossing. The old couple lived there until they died and George Jr. and Ella moved in. Later it was bought by Sid and Millie McKay.

In 1947 the highway through town was straightened and widened. Washer Hill, which had seen many accidents, was made a secondary road and the highway was cut straight through the hill. It left the houses with no front access, so a "dead end road" was built behind them.

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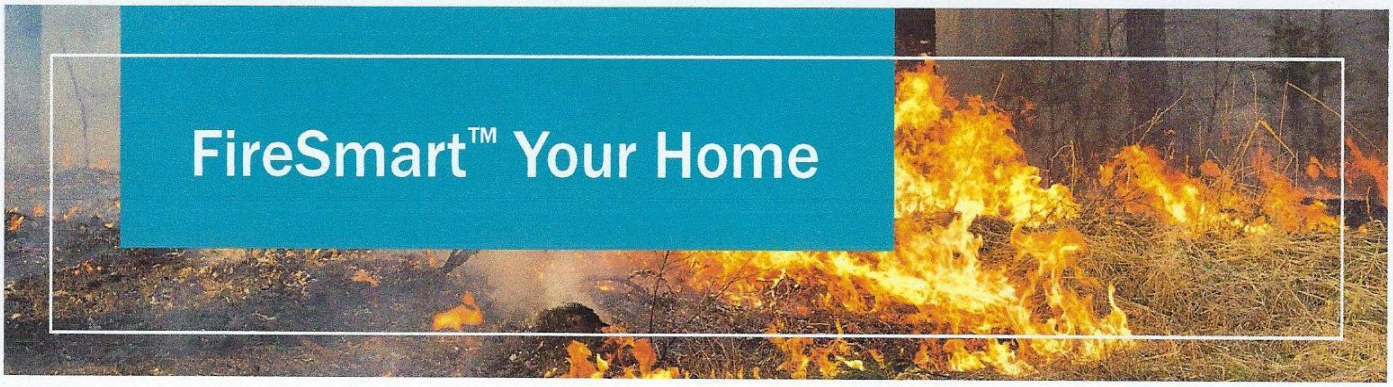

FireSmart™ Your Home

FireSmart™ Program Helps Protect Your Home

Forest fires are a natural part of our ecosystem, and we're learning that we can't eliminate them. However, we can reduce the risk of losing our buildings and properties in a wildfire event.

FireSmart is a community based program that provides information, education and activities that increases a community's resilience to wildfire and reduces the risk of wildfire. For a free FireSmart evaluation call your local fire department.

FireSmart Tips For Your Home

Have a wildfire evacuation plan and make sure everyone in your household knows what to do.

A mowed lawn is a fire-resistant lawn. Grasses shorter than 10 centimetres in height are less likely to burn intensely.

Clean and maintain gutters and roofs. Keep decks and balconies clear of leaves and debris.

Clean under your deck to remove any combustible material. Establish a 1.5 metre non-combustible zone around the perimeter of the house and deck.

Add non-combustible 3 millimetre screens to external vents (except dryer vents).

Hold sheds and other structures to the same standards as your home.

Relocate propane tanks 10 - 30 metres from your home, and keep combustible vegetation a minimum of 10 metres from propane tanks.

Move firewood and lumber 10-30 metres away from home.

FireSmart doesn't mean that your trees have to be cut down. Keeping them spaced and pruned is often sufficient.

Reduce the flammability of your landscaping and plant wildfire resistant vegetation.

Register for local emergency notifications delivered to registered users mobile or landline phones, visit: **www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/getnotified**

For more information on the FireSmart program, call: **250-334-6000** or visit: **www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/firesmart**

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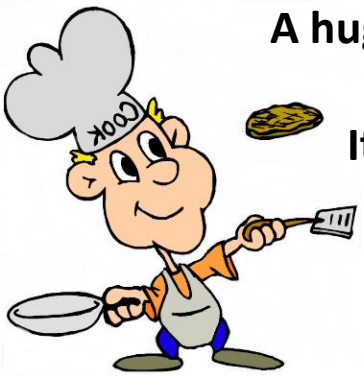

A huge thank you to all who volunteered at the Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast.
It was a great time we shared together!
Thanks to the following people

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