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### COMMUNITY INFO

By DICES

pregnant people, and families with dependent children are eligible to apply. Forms are available at the Community School Portable, and online at dices.ca. You can also call us at 250-335-2058.

**Summer Camp is coming up!** Do you have a croquet or bocce set kicking around that you'd be able to lend us for a week or two? We'd be so grateful!

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## AVRO Album Release Party - June 18th

### MUSIC

By Megan Rose

Avro comprises of keyboardist, songwriter and producer, Adam Percy and keyboard/vocalist Megan Rose.

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Avro will be performing all of the songs from their new album followed by a DJ set by our very own local hero and soundman, DJ Eliazar

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For more information on Avro, head to [www.avromusic.com](http://www.avromusic.com) 🍷

## Phoenix Riting!

### SPECIAL INTEREST

By Phoenix Bee

they are peeping cheekily from the tops of trees, way above the power lines, sweet pink faces everywhere! And mushrooms! Oyster mushrooms are all over the woods lately, thanks to all the rain. We had an oyster dinner today, yummy. It's a rare June indeed.

Pride Day was amazing! The colours, the parade, the music, the dancing! Crowds of happy people in bright costumes. It was beautiful. I was sorry to have to leave so soon (I had a radio show). Brilliant. Hornby did it right. I am proud of us!

*A note: my bike battery is back! I am free! O happy day!*

Unfortunately, the person I had meant to interview about the APC meeting wasn't able to make it, as she lacked zoom-ability. The recording of the meeting should be available on the Islands Trust website, though, for any who want to view it. I found the APC recommendations to be reasonable and well thought out (as I said last week), but I have heard that those who spoke at the meeting disagreed. I speculate this may not be a representative selection of our community. Please contact Alex Allen or Grant Scott (our Hornby Trustees) to make your opinion known.

A few columns ago, I joked about waiting for someone to tell me they hated my column, as I had received so much positive feedback. Beware what you ask for! I have since heard from no less than three readers who have taken issue (some more strongly than others) with my lack of journalistic standards. One suggested that I should clarify my credentials in my column. So here they are: I am not a journalist. I don't know how to journalist. I observe, think thoughts, write them. I strive for integrity and truth, and I am very pleased to receive course-correcting feedback. It helps me to do better. I will try to check my facts better in future.

To that end, I discovered some facts to clarify the rumour I shared here two columns ago. I had heard that the Regional District has directed the RCMP to 'bring Hornby into line.' This sounded alarming. Turns out, it was not substantiated. I had a chat with Daniel Arbour, our Area A representative for the CVRD, who filled in the blanks for me. The Regional District has not given the police any such direction. Daniel thinks he knows what this is about, however.

The provincial government has directed the RCMP to take a firm hand all over the province. This summer, anyone found camping on the roadside, in parking lots or anywhere else they aren't supposed to be will be towed. It's province-wide; there's nothing the Regional District can do about it, so no need to yell at them. We have heard this before; every year there is talk about a crackdown on 'wild camping' in the province. But according to Daniel, there is a lot set aside here on the island to hold impounded vehicles. Hefty fines will be levied.

It's a cash grab on the part of the province, but likely not unwelcome here, as roadside camping has become a real problem. Pooping in the wrong place, crowding our roadsides and leaving garbage strewn about isn't okay with most of us. It would be great if word spread about this move to prevent folks showing up without accommodation in place. Nothing wrecks a good time like having your camper impounded.

I see one serious problem with this crackdown: what will we do for people stranded here through no fault of their own when the last ferry leaves them behind? They will have nowhere to go. How can we accommodate them? They are going to be towed wherever they happen to park for the night. I hope we can come up with a workable solution or we might become a nightmare instead of paradise for some.

Thank you to all who have written and talked to me! I appreciate all the feedback, critiques as well as kudos. It helps me to do better.

*That's what I think. What do you think? Email me at phoenixhornby@gmail.com* 🍷

## Green Wizardries, The Summer Solstice

**SPECIAL INTEREST**

*By Maxine Rogers*

**O**F all the nature festivals, I suppose my second favourite is the bittersweet Summer Solstice on 21 June. It is the longest day and shortest night of the year. The time of the sun's greatest power in the northern hemisphere and the very beginning of winter and the darker half of the year. Every day after 21 June the days will grow shorter until we reach 21 December, the Winter Solstice and begin the descent into summer again. The Winter Solstice is my favourite holiday, signalling the end of the dark and cold as it does.

As a farmer, I have been finding this summer a bit challenging but then nature never promised to make our lives easy. Especially when we have been so wilfully stupid, dumping unbelievable amounts of industrial pollution into the the air, water and earth of our only home among the stars.

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## TIDE TABLE

• Secondary Tidal Station Ford Cove •  
• Source: tides.gc.ca •

### 2022-06-16 (Thu)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 02:05        | 3.6  |
| 06:32        | 4.5  |
| 14:06        | -0.1 |
| 21:41        | 5.1  |

### 2022-06-17 (Fri)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 03:03        | 3.5  |
| 07:27        | 4.3  |
| 14:51        | 0.1  |
| 22:24        | 5.1  |

### 2022-06-18 (Sat)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 04:06        | 3.3  |
| 08:27        | 4.1  |
| 15:37        | 0.5  |
| 23:07        | 5.1  |

### 2022-06-19 (Sun)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 05:14        | 3.1  |
| 09:34        | 3.8  |
| 16:24        | 1    |
| 23:48        | 5    |

### 2022-06-20 (Mon)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 06:24        | 2.8  |
| 10:53        | 3.5  |
| 17:13        | 1.5  |

### 2022-06-21 (Tue)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 00:28        | 4.9  |
| 07:30        | 2.3  |
| 12:29        | 3.3  |
| 18:07        | 2.1  |

### 2022-06-22 (Wed)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 01:07        | 4.8  |
| 08:27        | 1.9  |
| 14:27        | 3.4  |
| 19:08        | 2.7  |

### 2022-06-23 (Thu)

| Time PDT (m) | (ft) |
|--------------|------|
| 01:44        | 4.6  |
| 09:18        | 1.5  |
| 16:13        | 3.6  |
| 20:19        | 3.1  |





*...continued from P.3* One farmer friend thinks he will not manage to get his seeding done this year as his fields are simply too wet to support his tractor. I have talked with him about the possibility of getting some draft horses for occasions such as this and for the future when fuel will be more expensive and spare parts, likely, much harder to obtain in a timely fashion. He is adamant that he loves his high-tech plow and horses cannot pull this plow. It is only functional with modern tractors. But what good is a tractor and plow if the fields will not support them?

Other farmers have lost their first crops also due to the wet and endless winter of this spring. Getting the hay in looks to be more of a challenge than most years. Still, farmers are an optimistic bunch and we always say, "Next year will be better."

Everything in the garden is late this year. I have delayed planting a lot of seeds, hoping for better weather which may well not come. Ages ago, I was visiting a farmer friend and saw her basement which was just packed full of canned vegetables and fruit. I was astonished that she would need so much food. She explained that not every year is a good year so you never know when you will need to make your tomato preserves last two or even three years before you get another bountiful crop that you can preserve. Food for thought that.

I was very happy when I spotted some of my dahlias coming up, very late in the garden. I leave them in the garden and cover them deeply with compost and thatch them with heaps of maple leaves and it usually works. These are delicate plants from Mexico and they cannot endure a hard frost which we certainly had last winter. I think I will hedge my bets and bring some of them inside for the winter from now on. How I love my dahlias!

The Summer Solstice, also called by Druids, Alban Hefin, The Light of Summer, is a time for feasting and for bonfires, for dancing and for getting up really early to see the sun come up. Some people like to keep an all-night vigil and watch the sun rise. The bonfires have a protective and cleansing function. In Cornwall and Wales, young people wearing garlands of flowers would dance and spin around the fires. When the fires die down, groups of dancers holding hands skipped over the coals, being careful not to break the chain of dancers as this would bring misfortune.

This year, we might be more sedate and have the fires in our fireplaces indoors. When I got up early on 7 June, it was only 4 degrees Celsius out. No amount of prayer seems able to shift this cold weather but perhaps, we are getting the weather we deserve for our many transgressions against Nature. It was so cold on June 9, it was only 8 degrees Celsius in the evening at our place that we did have a fire in the stove to warm up the house.

This year, we are very grateful because at least the sheep are doing well. We only keep a few sheep and they are very tame and like pets to us. Our Frisian ewe, Felicia, has a pair of burly, huge, black, ram lambs that are just a little over a month old and our ewe, Mary, a Hornby girl, has also had twins. We had the sheep pastured in a portable electric fence just under our bedroom window last week so we could hear if she needed help. My husband woke me up at 1:30 in the morning as her groans had woken him up.

We raced down and found little Calgacus (the sword bearer) on the grass, being enthusiastically licked by his mother. We named him after the ancient Scottish warrior who fought the Roman aggressors at Mons Graupius in about 83 or 84 CE. His were the famous words, "They create a devastation and call it peace." The Scots lost that battle but the Romans never truly conquered Scotland and eventually had to build Hadrian's Wall and say they didn't want Scotland. This should be a lesson to us all to always resist government overreach.

After a few minutes of cleaning up her lamb, Mary gave a great cry and sank

down and began straining for her next lamb. I grabbed a tiny pair of hooves and gently assisted her in bringing out the lamb. The lamb was very wet and shining white in our light and I thought of how close we were to Midsummer so we named her Titania from, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." She seemed composed of moonlight. She has her mother's Icelandic good looks. We have never lambd a prettier creature and we are both smitten by her and are under her spell.

With all this rain, at least the grass is growing well so sheep look to be a good crop this year. I lamb later than every-



one else because I like the ewes to have good grass to eat when they are nursing their lambs and I like lambs to be born into a warm world. Our last lambs were born much later than I usually aim for but it has been such a cold spring that I don't regret it.

I know a lot of people, who have no farming experience, think humans should give up rearing animals for meat, milk and wool and just plant vegetables and grain to feed humans directly. They do have a point as modern agriculture relies on feeding far too much grain to ruminants which is wasteful and unhealthy for the animals. What people do not realize is that not all land is suitable for producing grain and vegetables. Some land is only good enough to grow grass which is of no use to humans. Ruminants also make poor land better if grazed in an intelligent fashion.

So, I wish all my readers a very happy Midsummer however they want to celebrate it.



## To the Dogs Dawn Stofer at the Summer Art Gallery

ARTS&LIT

By Anthony Gregson

local iconography to, in her own words, bring peace through beauty. Dawn Stofer, whose show opens June 23rd, shows us another path, eagerly wagging its tail right before our eyes: dogs.



“Dogs,” Dawn says, “are always on holiday. They are entirely honest. Wear their heart on their sleeve,” even if, she adds, you don’t know what is going on, anymore than we can see into each other’s minds.

The paintings at the Gallery will be a collection of some portraits and landscapes with dog. I was reminded of those verification tests to check that you are not a robot where you have to pick out the motorcycle or the traffic light in a series of photographs. “People,” Dawn said, “will be looking for the dog.”

Dawn is a versatile painter. She can turn her hand to just about anything that interests her – portraits, landscapes, this creature or that, illustration, posters designs, even abstracts. She’s chosen the subject of dogs because she wanted to get back into painting and, well, you don’t have to spend any time to see how much they engage her.

Part of that interest is her capacity for observation. She once had a summer job identifying bone fragments from archaeological digs to determine what creature they belonged to. A job of more tedious exactitude is hard to imagine, going through bags and bags of this detritus to see what was for dinner hundreds, if not thousands of years ago. “It was perfect for me,” she recalls. She brings a highly nuanced eye, a naturally intense focus. She can also bring persistence to the same subject, be it chickens, cows, or dogs because she sees something fresh all the time.

Curiously, as a painter, despite the laser focus, Dawn says she’s not a planner. “I put a mark down and respond to



that mark and then respond to the next mark.” It’s an approach that can lead to a lot of problems, but that is what she particularly enjoys. “I’m a fixer,” she says. It is something that accounts for her versatility.

When she needs to, however, she can plan meticulously. The portraits of her beloved dogs are a case in point. They are very carefully done, she says. “One wrong brush stroke, and it’s a different dog.” The result is a clear sense of the animal, without projection (such as anthropomorphic sentimentality). Yet she doesn’t see the traditional likeness as one of her strengths. “My portraits of people capture something, but are generally unflattering.” The dog portraits resist judgement and assumption, and end up throwing us back on ourselves and on the fundamental mystery of how two different species can’t get enough of each other.

The landscapes with dogs are just that: the dog is almost nothing more than a gesture (some, if you look closely, are “just a scribble,” she says. The landscape is more than just a background. There is a great variety of treatment, season, and colour. Dawn has an admirable facility. The dogs are actors who imbue the landscape with possibility. They are explorers whose ways are lovingly familiar but whose motives are essentially unknown.

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## Canada's Foreign Policy: You Gotta Serve Somebody

OPINIONS

By Sally Campbell

**I**t came as a bit of a shock to me to realize that Canada's foreign policy has been dedicated to the support of empire from the get-go. Willful blindness perhaps? Certainly our Canadian education system was geared to be in service of empire back when I was growing up. We learned far more about old medieval England than we did about our own Indigenous peoples, here on the land long before Europeans knew that Turtle Island even existed. We didn't question singing "God Save the Queen" at our weekly assemblies and getting a day off school for "the Queen's Birthday". And outside of Quebec, as far as I can tell, there was no recognized resistance to entering 2 World Wars at England's behest. It was considered "disloyal". We were raised to be proud and unquestioning subjects of British Empire. After WWII, our allegiance gradually shifted to the US, which became the new empire, the new world imperialist.

Americans eventually came to dominate the world, and it can be said that most of the struggles of today reflect their determination to have & maintain world hegemony. This was the stated goal for the neo-conservative "Project for a New American Century" conceived in the 90's, and taken to new levels during the Bush/Rumsfeld/Cheney era. The list of American-led, mostly covert "regime changes" is long and can easily be googled. These illegal overthrows of sovereign governments, these endless wars, are generally declared to be in pursuit of democracy; in reality their purpose

is to install governments more favourable to imperial interests.

Canada's role has been, as always, to serve imperialism. This realization became very clear upon reading Yves Engler's latest book: *Stand on Guard for Whom? A People's History of the Canadian Military*. (Black Rose Books, 2021). The book is exhaustively researched & footnoted. It is thorough and unrelenting, going right back to Canada's beginnings. It is a disturbing and essential read for people interested in our country's contribution to the troubled state of today's world. The levels of secrecy and lack of accountability of our military are shocking and a tad frightening to learn. Engler explains exactly how our military, under the auspices of NATO (controlled by the US), has been deeply involved in weapons supply, training missions and often fighting in former Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, Libya, Iraq and now Ukraine (not an exhaustive list). In Iraq, for example, Canadian Brigadier General Nicolas Matern was Deputy Commanding General, reporting directly to the US General who led the 170,000 strong foreign force. (*Stand on Guard for Whom?* @ 57) Yet here in Canada, most of us were under the misconception that we did not engage in the Iraq War.

In Libya, NATO intervened in a popular uprising, initiated a massive bombing campaign, and Col. Gaddafi was assassinated, again with a Canadian in a leading role, this time as head of the NATO "mission". That mission was regime change. (As Hillary Clinton bragged: "We came. We saw. He died.") Col. Gaddafi was famous for standing up to the US, supporting anti-colonial struggles, and had long advocated for a pan-African union. After Gaddafi's murder, the country was plunged into a 10 year civil war, and is now in tatters, as are Iraq and Afghanistan. Why do more Canadians not question this violent and illegal interference in other countries' matters? My hunch is that we still harbour the delusion that ours is a friendly, "defensive" military, a peace-keeping force. We take for granted that if it is a NATO action, it must be necessary. Necessary for what? To protect Canadian business interests in other countries? To further entrench US world domination?

Here in Canada, we have quietly pursued courses of action & policies that differ from our US

neighbours and the sky hasn't fallen. At a time when McCarthyism was destroying careers & lives in a fearful witch hunt for communists, we had an official Communist Party running candidates. We established universal health care, ended capital punishment, entrenched equal rights for all (the US is still unable to pass an Equal Rights Amendment), made abortion a private matter between woman & doctor, legalized same-sex marriage, brought in MAID, embarked upon a long overdue reconciliation process with our Indigenous peoples, and we are currently passing gun legislation that would be unheard of south of the border.

So why must we blindly follow a nation bent on running the world?

(to be continued next week...) 🍷

## My Continuing Education

OPINIONS

By Charles Kinch

**I** was pleasantly surprised that several people approached me after my letter to the editor in the Grapevine June 2nd, to thank me and encourage me to continue public discussion of questionable aspects of Islands Trust procedures and the potential negative effects of the recent bylaw changes being processed. I was also energized by re-reading the article in the Grapevine Feb 24 in which Margie Gang tried to make more public the Executive Summary of a "Governance Review Report on the Islands Trust", a consultant's report for Islands Trust that identified "good governance principles" and how well Islands Trust was living up to them in its practices. Overall while there were a few notes of praise, it was embarrassing for the Trust to have a large number of poor grades in many areas. They are too many and too complicated for me to go into, so I leave that as an ongoing challenge elsewhere. I have focused on aspects that affect our own island and me personally.

First and foremost is the disconnect between the goals and expectations of a democratic representational government seeking open transparency, where citizens' voices are heard and decisions are consensus based, and the practical obstacles in place that prevent that happening. For the current affordable housing initiative, I was vaguely aware of it, and did not participate in earlier meetings as they appeared to be completely focused on the village property and many were on-line Zoom meetings,

which are a challenge due to my limited internet connection. It was only with the Notice of Public Meeting posted in the Grapevine May 19, that it became clear there were two completely unrelated initiatives, with the second part consisting of transfers of densities to properties on Danes Road in the northlands that directly about my own. With only 11 days until the meetings May 30, I found it a challenge to navigate the Islands Trust complex website to educate myself on the issue and compose questions, even being quite technically savvy. It must be worse for others.

I was looking forward to the scheduled meetings to better understand the whole initiative and to participate in public debate on the issues. I sent in a two page written submission of comments and questions to give advance notice to what I hoped would be discussed. The practicality was much different than expected. The meetings themselves seemed far too constrained, a half hour given to a Community Information Meeting that was the only opportunity to ask questions and get answers. There were so many people attending that questions were limited to only a couple of minutes, with hurried responses, and still went way beyond allocated time, leaving the Public Hearing even more rushed, with more time constraints on presenters of a couple of minutes each as panel members were from off island and had to make the last ferry out. Written submissions were given no reference and they as well as the oral submissions got no response. While it is not directly comparable, the meetings did bring back images of the "Public Consultation" meetings of BC Ferries introducing our beloved cable ferry. For BC Ferries, it was clear the decision had already been made and the meetings were merely a formality to be ticked off, allowing folks to vent their opinions with no real effect. I do think our LTC is open to input, but these meetings did not really allow that to happen. They met the letter of public consultation, but I did not feel it met the spirit.

In discussions after those meetings I heard several vehement concerns that other input that should have been included hadn't been. Residential neighbours near the village site sounded very frustrated at their concerns not being listened to. I and others wondered about the local business community since the

application removes several acres of prime Commercial Zoned real estate from the village core. When asked about this separately, the Planner apparently stated that the Islands Trust believed it had a consensus view because it had received a letter of support from the Business Improvement Association of the island. When pressed, this turned out to be a letter from an individual at Denman WORKS. In my own admittedly informal survey of local business owners and operators, there was no consensus on the application itself, but universal view that their opinions should have been taken into account but were not as there does not exist any Business Improvement Association on the island, and that Denman WORKS, while doing good things, does not represent them, as it is a corporation solely aimed at encouraging entrepreneurial ventures with information resources and referrals to funding sources, and runs a Job Board, but being funded primarily by the Comox Valley Regional District, has neither the mandate nor mechanism to represent local businesses. If Islands Trust was assuming it was the representative, it was out of naivete or ignorance of the reality of this island.

In my view these practical restrictions on public input have now reached the absurd. At the Community Information Meeting and Public Hearings, it was made clear that no further input from the public would be received after the close of the Public Hearing. While I can agree to the concept of preventing further influence on their voting on the topic out of the public eye, I naively assumed this prohibition would only extend until their vote on the issue. I was very surprised to find out that further comments I emailed to the Committee members Trust accounts after their vote were intercepted and I was strongly schooled by the Legislative Clerk/Deputy Secretary of the Islands Trust and the Planner that once the Public Hearing has concluded, that "the Local Trust Committee and individual Trustees cannot receive any public questions or engage in any discussion about the proposed bylaws", and that technically "The bylaws have not been adopted" but have only been forwarded for further voting on by the Trust Executive Committee and also need Minister of Housing approval before coming back to the LTC for final reading and adoption. "This could be several more months, in which time the LTC cannot hear from or receive any new information or questions from the public or the applicant." Others have told me that their attempts to telephone the local trustees were abruptly terminated as soon as it became clear the topic was these bylaws.

Thus I wish to confirm that this article and any discussion arising from it is not addressed to our Local Trust Committee and that I hope that the general public will assist in ensuring that no information or questions that might have any insinuation of being related to the current bylaws reach the eyes or ears of the Committee members, as that would be illegal activity, and we all (I hope) are try

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With gratitude, Sally Dyck  
A Cut Above Hair Studio, serving Denman Island since 2000

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...continued from P.7 ing to be law abiding citizens.

I only hope that we the public can come up with some way to get the Trust in future to be a bit more receptive to public input.

My second area of concern is the disconnect between the goals and governance principles of providing equal opportunity, and uniformly adhering to and applying its own laws and policy, and the details of this set of proposals in which a certain individual is being allowed to break current bylaws without seeming to have valid justification, in terms of density transfers and environmental impact.

For historical context, in the late 1960s, the provincial government was so concerned with the proliferation of small-lot subdivisions on many islands that it imposed a 10 acre minimum subdivision size on all islands. Debate proceeded for several years and finally in 1974, the Islands Trust was formed, primarily to put limitations on excessive development and protect from excess environmental impact. It took a few years adjusting that mandate, but eventually the Trust took over all land use controls from regional districts, but still with Provincial oversight. For almost all islands, zoning was imposed with separate categories for agriculture, resources, commercial and residential, with residential almost universally divided into an R1 small lot designation generally reserved to legalize small lot subdivisions already implemented (Ie legacy subdivisions), but an R2 designation of 10 acre minimum for all new subdivisions. This was softened to a 10 acre average, allowing slightly smaller lots to be allowed as long as larger lots balanced the average. What this current set of bylaws does is to legalize a de facto R1 neighbourhood without having to justify it. This is accomplished by the two stages of having one R2 subdivision happen in which 3 of 6 lots are below 10 acres, one just above and two larger, and then a year later, letting the two largest lots be reassigned to a new zoning classification of R2(8) at 7 acres per lot, well below R2 criteria, which essentially produces a 9 lot R1 subdivision with 7 acre averages, but hidden by calling them all R2 and R2(8). The unfairness is highlighted by the fact the adjacent property on Danes Road is currently being subdivided into 12 residential lots but is being forced to abide by standard R2 criteria. My concern here is that this must be either a one-off special for a unique individual to break the laws and get extra profit, (which is counter to the general principle of universal application of laws), or it is going to set a precedent that lots of other proponents will apply with proposals that ignore or break current rules as long as they are paired with a proposal that will receive public approval of a benefit elsewhere, also not a good governance structure.

I am also concerned that while the Islands Trust was also founded in part to protect overexploitation of the environment like water supply, serious concerns about water in both parts of the proposal are ignored, downplayed or simply left to other governance bodies to care about. The Governance report cited earlier a major failure of Islands Trust to take practical steps in protecting our environment by failing over many decades to properly define carrying capacity of our environment to identify what and where specific limits to growth need to be set.

I have only limited knowledge about the water issues on the Denman Green site itself, but am aware that they are serious enough that they may doom the project to failure by not complying with other rules set by other governing bodies like VIHA.

My personal concern is that this set of bylaws ignores the fact that the two receiver lots on Danes Rd. do not appear to be able to support the required water. On those lots, two wells were drilled that found no water until they went beyond 200 ft in depth, but starting at an elevation of around 100 ft, were way below sea level, and had to be abandoned/decommissioned because of being salty. The lots went ahead only on the basis of shallow dug wells, which were tested to recover adequately after being emptied, but conveniently only in December and January. By adding three new densities to those two lots, they will only be validated if three new wells are provided, unlikely to be drilled because of the other two failures, meaning likely to be shallow dug wells. My concern is that by being closer than legal spacing, at the end of a dry August, they will either be dry or be interfering with each other or with the Danes Creek headwater protected area owned by the DCA right across the road from where they will be dug. DCA should be concerned since besides these 5 potential shallow wells, one more lot in the same subdivision bounding on the Covenant area is also relying on a shallow dug well. By not insisting on adequate water supply proof at time of rezoning, I worry that it will mess up the lives of future purchasers of those properties or of their neighbours. I have also heard that Freshwater Sustainability and Recoverability criteria are the subject of one or more current projects funded by the Trust, so it is a shame that this set of proposals are being allowed to go ahead without that in place or at least taking it into account in their decisions.

Overall I hope the general public continues to debate these issues and contacts me to see how we might try to make our Islands Trust more responsive to our wishes and needs and truly be protective of our environment.



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## Shortages in the Land of Plenty: Manufacturing Consensus

OPINIONS

By Helen Grond

**W**e are social creatures and therefore we have evolved to behave such that harmony and peace are the goal. These are patterns that have served us throughout history because living disharmoniously does not serve the collective. Without intact social groups, we fall apart and literally cannot function. That's our reality.

Consensus has long been recognized as the goal to support the collective. Unfortunately, our social groups have become so large, disjointed and hierarchical that the shared core beliefs required to stay harmonious are getting damn near impossible to sustain. Historically, a successful social group consisted of about 40 individuals living together in mutually supportive ways that are focussed on keeping the group safe and content. What happens when groups are far larger and divided? Trust is hard to maintain and confusion and unease result.

It means that opportunities exist for people with selfish and opportunistic goals to overthrow the will of the collective by exploiting the human need for harmony. Instead of achieving consensus by open and honest exchange, they resort to creating it through manipulation. Consensus can be manufactured through a whole host of strategies that confuse us and lead us into traps. One of our infamous former Trustees is a master at this game!

To manufacture consensus, the message must be controlled. This is easy to do when the group isn't able to see all of the information and understand the bigger picture. The bigger picture is purposely obscured. Instead we are given messages that serve the agendas of those who are more than willing to be the bully. Many people are trusting and willing to believe that messaging, even if it's lacking in facts or evidence. People who are feeling pressure are rather easily coerced into accepting an offered solution. There are many examples of this in modern society. Sometimes I wonder if most things we are told to believe without evidence fall under the definition of manufactured consensus. If things don't make sense, it's probably because it's no longer possible to honestly evaluate all the information we are bombarded with day in and day out.

I will use a local example of the home sharing battle that has developed over decades on Hornby Island. I've had the opportunity to see how this has evolved and gained momentum over that time in spite of overwhelming evidence to the

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*...continued from P.9* contrary of the predetermined manufactured outcome being pushed. In spite of at least two past public surveys showing that the community is overwhelmingly in favour of home sharing (90%) and the obvious positive impact on the local economy and home security, the Islands Trust is eager to push it off the Island for good.

In 2010, it was determined that the number of homes being shared was between 100 and 150. Best estimates right now are 92 (HISTRA, a local home sharing organization). Yet the messaging is that it's exploding! It's amazing how repetitive messaging impacts peoples' perception. It seems that actual evidence is no longer required when the collective is encouraged to believe perceived threats without question. Community influencers and authorities are working hard to manufacture consensus by blaming everything that ails Hornby Islanders on home sharing. They ignore decades of past and current evidence and pretend it doesn't exist. They target "the wealthy and greedy" as the main culprits and refuse to acknowledge the plight of homeowners on fixed incomes who comprise a high number of participants. They openly ignore obvious other issues that expose total failure by government (such as ferries). They shape opinion by outright lies, demonization and the artful placement of "influencers" in positions of power. It's daunting if you don't understand the game, and honestly, we are not designed to see games. We are designed to trust.

Is this the right way to govern? The use of deceit, continuous gaslighting of the public and no attempt to follow due process? Aggressive bullying on social media is the secret weapon it seems. We are a society that is so overwhelmed with anxiety, fear and a lack of peace, that many will agree to almost anything if it promises to make the discomfort go away.

Is that really what we want from government? Look at our Prime Minister. It's

the exact same playbook that he uses to get his way. Could a worse world leader actually be out there? Not according to the opinions of multitudes. We are the laughing stock of the world as our petulant, entitled PM calls his honest constituents names like misogynist, racist, extremist and terrorist for not bending to his will. He tells us to blindly follow "the science", (while consistently avoiding "the evidence"), a concept that any self-respecting scientist would scoff at.

There are rules and formulas to polite social discourse, debate and consensus building. They involve honesty, a keen desire to explore a subject without bias and agendas and no ad hominem attacks (attacking the person rather than the substance they present) on individuals because they have a different opinion. We are not in the school yard anymore! I wish that some of our current and former elected officials would act like it. It's a terrible example to set for leadership.



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## Letter to the Editor *Dear editor,*

*I am responding to a letter in last week's The Islands Grapevine that references my contributions to public debate on content moderation. I'll attempt to do so with equanimity and in the spirit of clarity.*

*Firstly, I wish to distinguish my comments in relation to the dismissive and condescending insults aimed at some contributors in letters and opinion pieces, from a defense of what was clearly misogynist language used in a poem that was published. No man should ever use the B word in reference to any woman, privileged and not, or use metaphors of violent acts toward her.*

*I do find it ironic that in the spirit of promoting content moderation, that its proponents level personal insults and condescensions at those who they disagree with by calling them "wackos" and "conspiracy theorists", and further now, as undermining their own credibility as a result of a spelling or syntax error. And there is a clear difference between insulting Justin Trudeau ("failed drama teacher") and insulting a neighbour in relation to their print contributions in letters and opinion. For clarity, this is what I mean by punching up or down.*

*It seems that we live in a time of tribal certainties, while the facts aren't nearly as stable and reliable in any media. The facts and truth have a funny way of evolving over time and I have found myself learning new things by challenging my own assumptions. Such was the case in relation to Max Rogers' piece on Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID).*

*I've always favoured the idea of a highly regulated regime of medically assisted end of life care, and assumed that the Canadian MAID legislation had been thoroughly vetted for its ethical employment. After reading Max's piece, I decided to jump down the rabbit hole of reading on the subject in search of credible critique from a spectrum of perspectives. While it is true that some extreme opponents have used some inconvenient truths to advance their anti-MAID perspective, it's also true that there are cases under MAID that are credibly a cause for concern.*

*The best reporting I found in mainstream liberal media was by The Guardian newspaper, where it describes cases in which Canadians with mental health issues living on tiny incomes and without appropriate housing or a close community of support, have been made eligible for legal assisted suicide. It points to the issues of a lack of appropriate care for the least fortunate among us, and its abuse of the intent of MAID. The Guardian reporting describes such cases, and suggests that MAID's eligibility requirements need review and amendment.*

*While I might otherwise agree with Stephanie Slater's assertion that, "Unfortunately, people's health and even their lives could be at stake if they lack the capacity to correctly assess the accuracy of many of these statements", her punch down on Max's*

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piece on MAID needs a second look, as the certainty expressed in the claim that Max's piece was "distressingly distanced from facts and reasoned opinion" can best be described as a case of the pot and the kettle. Mentally ill people living in poverty can be vulnerable under MAID legislation.

We need to acknowledge that Publisher Mike is also our neighbour, running a small local business and providing a valuable service. Threats to his livelihood in relation to advertising support are troubling to me. He is attempting to keep the forum open, in a community newspaper that can be described as economically marginal at best. Since Mike took over the paper, its content has improved and expanded, if even imperfectly. Attempts to deplatform contributors, and indeed the paper itself, don't represent any kind of communitarianism I am familiar with.

We live in a strange time where corporate media across the political spectrum lies daily, parroting the lies of government press releases with little accountability, while censorship is cheered on by intelligent and progressive minded people. It's a culture war of identity politics that attempts to cancel anyone who dares to have an opinion outside of the consensus that forms far too quickly, and without the same level of scrutiny expected of others. We can all moderate our own contributions and still debate our differences without punching down.

I am grateful for The Islands Grapevine and Mike and Chris's weekly efforts. The paper's readership is growing, which is good news for those who advertise. The editorial policy states that the views expressed in the paper are not necessarily the views of the Publisher. Indeed, it's our weekly community paper that supports its employees, its advertisers and community organizations, in keeping us informed and allowing for a rare open public forum.

Thanks to Mike and Chris and ALL its contributors.

Keith Porteous 🍷

## Publisher's Notes HELLO Howard.

Thank you for your advice on fact checking. I want you and readers to know that I'm taking it to heart because, like you say, "lies have powerful consequences."

To that end I decided to fact check your Letter to the Editor from last issue.

For starters, you claim the Freedom Convoy to be anti-vax. It is in fact, anti-mandate.

While trying to make your point about the dangers of lies, your letter goes on to misrepresent Maxine's words from her piece in Issue #1531. I provide excerpts of it for our readers:

*Let me first explain that from Austria eastwards there were very few coal deposits so the first industrial revolution passed the region by. Likewise, the eastern part of Europe has few oil fields, excluding Russia. So, the second industrial revolution happened there but at a much shallower level than in countries that had access to a lot of oil.*

You said Maxine misled readers through "assurances that eastern Europe has been historically bereft of hydrocarbons." What I gleaned from 'Musings on Romania and Bulgaria,' a couple of industrial revolutions, circa 1760-1840 & 1870-1914, were less transformative to that region than to other countries rich in oil. Polish and Romanian friends aside, who's being misleading here?

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Further along, Maxine continues:

*Romania and Bulgaria are rife with political and police corruption which we seem to have mastered here in Canada. If there are any police reading this article, let me explain that the violence you have perpetrated on the Fairy Creek defenders, your inability to bring anyone to justice over many, many scores of murders of mostly native women on the Highway of Tears, and your frankly disgusting behaviour to the peaceful protesters in Ottawa which included using a large horse to trample an elderly Mohawk lady, who was disabled and using a walker, have not exactly endeared you to the Canadian public. Of the disgusting behaviour of our politicians, I can only say that they are a sore disappointment and the ghost of Tommy Douglas is unquiet in his grave.*

Your letter again twists Maxine's words to infer Tommy Douglas "might share sympathies with the far-right white supremacists who guided last winter's 'Freedom Convoy.'" If you'd read Maxine's article without having already made up your mind about her, you'd see she suggests our politicians are fortunate there's six feet of earth and 36 years of afterlife impeding ol' Tommy from having a word with the lot of them. I'd pull up a chair and grab some popcorn for that conversation!

Facetiously wondering how I might print anti-semitic content is not only insulting, it's absurd. Anti-semitism is not okay. It's not a laughing matter. To make light of it in an attempt to smear the paper reveals an addled sense of humour. What's the punchline, Howard? Your professed concerns over a downward spiral in public discourse appear utterly disingenuous when you grease its skids in such manner.

I will credit you with skewering our outdated editorial policy, though. It was drafted in 2017 pre-pandemic and does require revision. Thank you for bringing it to my attention. The current political climate demands a rethink and I want you and readers to know a revised editorial policy will be forthcoming as we look to chart a way forward for the Grapevine and the communities it's committed to serve. Look for it in the coming weeks along with news of other developments.

Til then, Cheers. 🍷

## Latin America: The Pink Tide is Rising

By Gwynne Dyer

• OP June 13th, 2022

### OPINIONS

wing dark horse called Rodolfo Hernández, who calls himself the 'King of TikTok', may crush Petro's hopes of becoming Colombia's first-ever leftist president next Sunday (19 June).

It did seem that Petro's moment had finally arrived. Going into the first round of the presidential election last month he was well ahead of the establishment candidate, Federico Gutierrez, a serviceable replica of outgoing president Ivan Duque – but the runner-up was actually Hernández, whose social media skills make him a real threat to Petro.

Hernández is a wealthy 77-year-old businessman whose resemblance to Donald Trump is more than skin-deep. He flaunts his ignorance proudly, his speeches consist mostly of slogans and abuse, and he almost never discusses actual policies. But he does promise to kick out the corrupt politicians.

"Almost all of them are robbers, thieves, scoundrels, delinquents," he claims, and he's about half-right. Indeed, he may be one himself: he faces a graft investigation from his time as mayor of the city of Bucaramanga. But it's the usual populist strategy: target small-time crooks while serving and protecting the rich and powerful.

Hernández is not a new phenomenon in Latin America: Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro has been doing a Trump tribute act for years. And while he may manage to deflect the 'pink tide' from sweeping across Colombia, it will still cover most of the region by the end of this year.

It's called 'pink' to distinguish it from the 'red tide' of Communist and other hard-left militants who made major inroads in Latin American politics in the latter half of the 20th century.

**C**ORRUPTION isn't fought with slogans on TikTok," complained veteran Colombian presidential candidate Gustavo Petro. But social media can win elections, and a right-

In most Latin American countries these revolutionary movements were stamped out by US-backed military coups. In a few countries – Cuba, Nicaragua, Venezuela – they live on as stagnant and impoverished dictatorships. But with the end of the Cold War the passion gradually went out of the politics, and the extremists faded away on both sides.

What's left is a 'pink tide' of non-violent social democrats, competing in democratic elections with conservative parties that defend the interests of the local establishments. There's nothing uniquely Latin American about this, nor about the fact that the conservatives are increasingly resorting to populist strategies.

The difference is that Latin American countries are much more unequal than those in other parts of the West (except the United States), which probably explains why there is a 'pink tide' of social-democratic governments coming to power in Central and South America.

That tide began to run around the turn of the century, with the elections of Ricardo Lagos in Chile (2000), Luiz Inácio 'Lula' da Silva in Brazil (2003), and Néstor Kirchner in Argentina

(2003). Its most recent successes have been Luis Arce in Bolivia (2020), Pedro Castillo in Peru (2021) and Xiomara Castro in Honduras (2022).

Not to mention the election of Mexico's first socialist president, Andrés Manuel López Obrador (AMLO) in 2018, and the likely return to power of Lula da Silva in the Brazilian election next November. Those two countries alone account for more than half of Latin America's population.

Colombia, with 50 million people, is third-biggest, and it may also turn pink this month. In the first round Gustavo Petro got 40% of the votes and Rodolfo Hernández only 29%. The populist right-winger will probably pick up more votes from the candidates who were eliminated in the first round than Petro will, but it's heading for a photo-finish.

Either way, Colombia is heading for major change. If Hernández wins, he's proposing to declare a state of emergency for 90 days and suspend all judicial and administrative functions "in order to address corruption." He will rule by decree, in other words, and he gets to choose who is arrested. It could end up as a populist dictatorship.

Unlike Hernández, Petro is a known quantity, active in politics for the past thirty years. He's not really radical, but he would be Colombia's first-ever president from the left, so for some Colombians his policies would seem extreme: things like expanding social programs, ending oil and gas exploration, and investing in agriculture.

To pay for all that, he's planning to raise taxes on the country's 4,000 richest people and on the mining industry. He will be making enemies of some powerful people, and the head of the Colombian army has already expressed his concern.

Colombia has a long, unbroken tradition of 'conservative' rule, and an almost equally long history of low-level civil wars. Change there is especially risky, and what is on offer from the right this time may be even more destabilising than what is being offered by the left.

But in general, the pink tide is still rising. 🍷

## Move On

by Thomas Provençal

*You'd think that I could shut up  
about covid for a change.*

*The problem is the government  
won't let go the reins*

*of mandates and restrictions  
even as the virus wanes.*

*Vindictively they penalize  
individuals outspoken  
with threats to freeze their bank  
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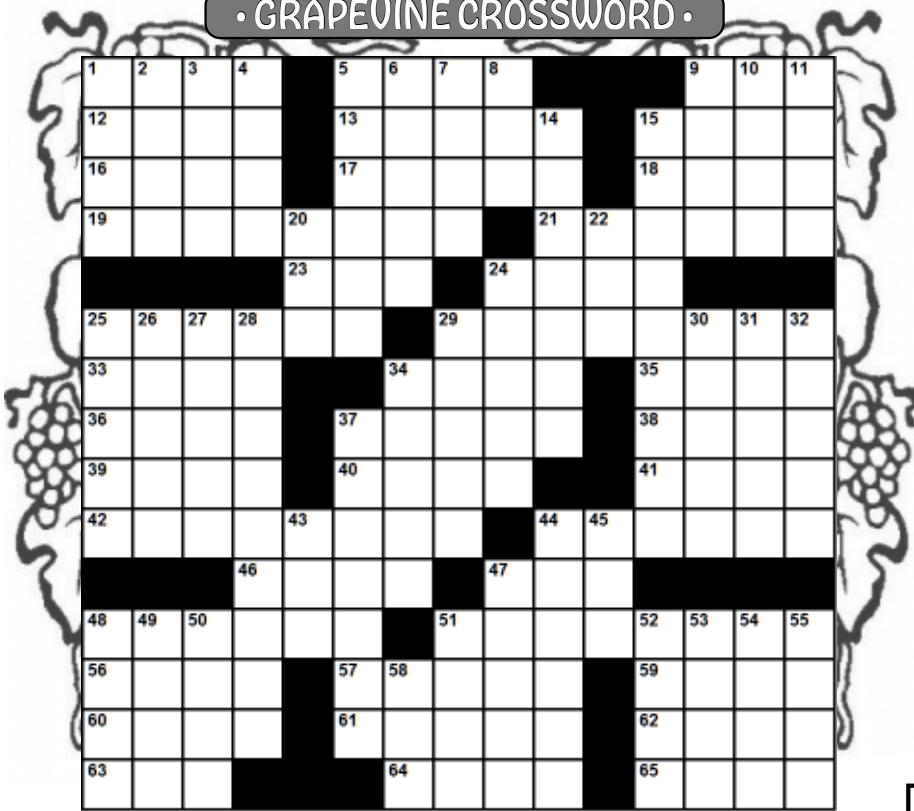
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• **CLASSIFIED ADS** •

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fully Hydraulic Sawmill for hire.  
Call Bill 250 650 1322

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and install also repairs, for free  
estimate contact Kevin at 250  
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EXCAVATION & SERVICES: Bark  
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Runs. Mid-size Excavation  
and Hauling Services. Contact  
250.703.3898 or sheldano@  
telus.net

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(Serving Denman & Hornby  
since 1988) Bark Mulch,  
all gravels, Bison compost,  
Treework, site clean up, fir mill  
end firewood, roof tear off,  
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**Truck and single axle**  
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**250-335-2390 or 250-650-**  
**2390**

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soil, bark mulch, gravel and  
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650-9986. denmantruck@  
gmail.com

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PLANT SALE SAT & SUN JUNE  
18TH AND 19TH 10am-3pm  
3525 EAST ROAD. PERENNIAL'S  
AND ANNUALS (Asters,  
Mexican Sunflower, Zinnia's  
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rharris@telus.net

BILL SMITH'S DOWNSIZING  
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Channel Tape Deck + some  
usable tapes + \$600.00  
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cab over diesel floored truck  
with 5th wheel \$350,000  
kilometres small 5th  
wheel \$7,500.00.  
Susan & Matt 250-586-9375  
susandenny@shaw.ca

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obo - call 335-2377 for more  
info.**

WAGNER FIREWOOD. 2 cords  
to Denman, \$610 plus GST.  
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call Scott at 250-334-7323

• **COMMUNITY NOTICES** •

COMOX VALLEY TRANSITION  
SOCIETY EMERGENCY CRISIS  
LINE: 250-338-1227 or Text:  
250-218-4034 For more info  
visit <https://cvts.ca>

COMMUNITY SERVICES FROM  
DENMAN WORKS Projector  
and screen: Book with Abraxas  
Books and Gifts 250-335-2731

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meetings (unlimited time  
and free recording): See  
[denmanworks.wordpress.com/  
contact/](https://denmanworks.wordpress.com/contact/)

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info. 250 335-2293.

THE GENERAL STORE needs  
two more employees to start  
right away. The applicants  
must have some work  
experience, be able to take  
direction but also be able  
to determine and prioritize  
what needs to be done. A  
Serving It Right certificate is  
necessary, as are references.  
Call 250 335-2293 or email  
denmanisland.generalstore@  
gmail.com if interested. A  
resume could also be dropped  
off at the Store.

• **WANTED** •

LICENSED GUN BUYER wants  
your unwanted rifles &  
shotguns. Cash buyer, call 250-  
335-1686 or 250-650-0355



## • BUSINESS DIRECTORY •

• (H) Hornby • (D) Denman • (UB) Union Bay •  
• (FB) Fanny Bay • (C) Courtenay/Comox •

### • ACCOMMODATIONS & RENTALS •

- Denman Activity Centre (Seniors) Rentals 335-3027 (D/H)
- Denman Community Hall Rentals 335-3027 (D/H)  
2 halls, commercial kitchen, new sound system  
suitable for concerts, plays, meetings, weddings, etc.

### • REAL ESTATE • INSURANCE • FINANCIAL SERVICES •

- Bente Pilgaard, RE/MAX The Islands 335-2510 (H/D)
- Cloutier Matthews LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants 338-7367 (All)
- Donna & Jenessa Tuele • Royal LePage Hornby 335-1720 (D/H)
- Sylvie Schroeder • Royal LePage Denman Island 335-2551 (D/U)

### • BUILDING • CONSTRUCTION •

- Aquarian Systems • Water Cisterns • Ed Hoepfner 335-2037 (D/H)
- Cal's Bobcat Services • Auger, Grapple, Rake 613-447-8873 (D/H)
- Denman Electric, Licensed, Fully Insured & Bonded 335-3122 (D/H)
- DB clearing & excavations • call or text 250-465-1889 (D)
- Roc-Isle Drywall, Harvey Hodgins • 35 yrs exp. 'certified' 334-4776 (D/H)
- Seaside Electric • Licensed, Bonded & Insured 702-0570 (D/H)
- Tandem gravel truck & transfer trailer • Grant Morrison 335-0702 (D/H)
- Scott Knight • Licensed Home Inspection 604-779-9335 (D/H)
- Shel Brodsgaard • Excavation & Services • 250-703-3898 (D/H)
- Excavator/Backhoe/Tandem Gravel Truck • Kenny Mather •  
250-703-6512 (All) • John Isbister • 250-335-2565 (D)
- Ray Ulovec • Backhoe/Excavator Septic Installation • 335-3145 (D/H)

### • SERVICES •

- Denman Works! • Tony Gresson 250-335-0287 denmanresource@gmail.com (D)
- Peter T. Mason • Land Surveying 757-8788 (All)
- Tree Service • Darian Chase • Arborist 218-0404 (All)
- Music Lessons & Piano Tuning • Scott Knight 604-779-9335 (D/H)
- Able & Ready Septic Pumping Service • 250-338-8822 (D/H)
- Home Town Shredders • Document Shredding • 334-7111 (D/H)
- Bottled Water Delivery • DenmanWater.ca • 250-228-7161 (D/H)
- Florist-Keep Floral (Emma) • 250-335-2746 (D)

### • HEALTH & WELLNESS •

- Acupuncture • Margot Davey, R.Ac • 778-992-0165
- Acupuncture • Jenny McCartney, R.Ac • 250-508-8160 • www.heartwoodacupuncture.ca (D/H)
- Physiotherapist • Acupuncturist • TCM Herbs • Carmen RPT, RTCMP 335-2260 (D/H)
- Massage Clinic • 2796 Northwest Rd. • Leyah Kelly 335-2584 (D)
- Chiropractic Care on Fridays • Dr. Dawn Armstrong, DC 465-8482 (D)
- Magnoliahealing • Deep Tissue Body Work • Kelly Hyllestad •  
1(250) 650-2405 (D/H)

## FORTNIGHT EVENTS

THURSDAY 16

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6pm
- CAP SITE 4-7pm
- FOOD BANK 4-7pm
- FREE STORE 5-7pm



FRIDAY 17

- AA Meeting DI United Church 7pm

SATURDAY 18

- RECYCLING CENTRE 9-5pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 9-5pm
- FREE STORE 9-Noon
- FARMERS MARKET Old School 9:30am
- AVRO ALBUM RELEASE  
DI Community Back Hall 8m

SUNDAY 19

- AL-ANON United Church 7pm

MONDAY 20

TUESDAY 21

- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6:30pm

WEDNESDAY 22

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6pm
- CAP SITE 4-7pm

THURSDAY 23

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6pm
- CAP SITE 4-7pm
- FOOD BANK 4-7pm
- FREE STORE 5-7pm



FRIDAY 24

- AA Meeting DI United Church 7pm

SATURDAY 25

- RECYCLING CENTRE 9-5pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 9-5pm
- FARMERS MARKET Old School 9:30am
- FREE STORE 9-Noon

SUNDAY 26

- ST. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH 10:30am
- AL-ANON United Church 7pm

MONDAY 27

TUESDAY 28

- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6:30pm

WEDNESDAY 29

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6pm
- CAP SITE 4-7pm

THURSDAY 30

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 2-6pm
- CAP SITE 4-7pm
- FOOD BANK 4-7pm
- FREE STORE 5pm-7pm



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June 24-26th.  
Casual weekend of  
camping & music**

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of the day after yesterday  
between 7-8?

