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BE VERY CAREFUL: The Bylaw Enforcement Bylaw OP/ED

by Anthony Gregson

Trustee Sue Ellen Fast, chair of the local Trust meeting on June 6 2019, is big on decorum. She is at pains to keep the tone civil and calm, with the public speaking to the point. That was a bit of a challenge with one of the most contentious issues on Denman: Agenda item 8.1 Bylaw Enforcement Notification Bylaw - Staff Report - for decision.

The Bylaw Enforcement Notice (BEN) is the ticket you get if you are in violation. The BEN bylaw is not peculiar to the Trust area. It was first brought forward by the BC government 10 years ago to simplify bylaw enforcement for both local government throughout BC, and the persons ticketed for non-compliance.

So how does it do that? By staying outside the court system, which is slow and very expensive for everybody. Instead, the process, Miles Drew, Manager of Bylaw Enforcement, explained, is managed by an adjudicator. "There is no requirement to engage lawyers for a hearing, but more important, before that takes place, there is an opportunity to negotiate compliance with the bylaw and have the fine reduced. The proposed BEN bylaw would see a fine reduced to zero where compliance was obtained."

Existing enforcement policies, about "how to go about it and seek compliance first" will remain but with a different approach "You would not be issuing a ticket first, and then enforcing compliance," Miles explained. "You would be trying to engage in a discussion with a property owner, and work towards compliance before we issue something like a ticket," likely through letters and discussions.

There is a two step adjudication process, first with filing of a dispute for

adjudication that is reviewed by a Trust officer. If their decision is unable to resolve the dispute, then it goes to a formal arbitration process using the services of Mediate BC, an independent body of professional mediators contracted with the BC government.

The BEN bylaw was adopted by the Islands Trust in 2017. Since then, Manager Drew pointed out, the enforcement bylaw has already been adopted on eight other islands with no public backlash. The observation was confirmed by Trustee Busheikin. "I have talked for years to trustees on other islands and asked how its going with ticketing. I have not heard . . . that it is doing . . . negative things," like, she suggested, "creating a feeling of a police state" or being used to "make life harder for people who are already living on low income and struggling."

All well and good, but that was not the mood of the meeting. The public comments were universally negative. In the Town Hall session that preceded Manager Miles presentation, there was clearly a great deal of apprehension, both about the process of consultation, and the implications of the BEN bylaw itself. Enforcement applies to all the bylaws on the books driven out of the Official Community Plan, but only one

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CROSS POLLINATION • A Day in the Field

• Food, Music, Fun • June 22nd by Eli Hason

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Hello there fine citizens of Denmanistan, we are just getting in touch to let you know about our annual bit of fun in the field called Cross Pollination. We have been putting this festival on to highlight the amazing talent of our fine island with a day of music, art, food, and fun in the grass next to the Denman Community Hall. This event is sponsored by DIRCS. There will be vendors selling food, drinks, art, massage, and more. If you would like to have a booth space to sell your wares, please get in touch with Eli Hason at 250-792-5423 to help make it happen, as there is space in the field for all folks. The event will go from 3 pm till dark.

This year we have many great local acts confirmed, and even some from the valley coming to join in the fun. Local greats including the Denman Ukelele Ensemble, Randy Duncan, Kevin Mitchell, Tai McGillivray, The BandShe, DJ Eliazar, Whiskey Tango Foxtrot, the Hilberrys and we will also have special guests Risa Rose, and the Emily Carrs from Cumberland.

The event is all ages, and by donation. There will be food, coffee, iced tea, and more. The donations go to pay the musicians so they can keep making good music, and to cover expenses and the people working at the event. If you have an interest in having a booth, or volunteering for things like helping at the door, set up, or clean up, it would be greatly appreciated so please get in touch. We make this festival every year so our community has a day of celebrating the creativity of this fine land and sharing in the fun of each other. We hope you can make it out and keep this fun project moving along. 🍷

THE SATURDAY MARKET • Bright Moon

Botanicals & Sandstone Farms by Kerri Boland

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Fern and Dave Niedermoser and their plethora of woolen and goat milk products are a standby at the market. They've been attending for longer than we have (so at least 9 years), and while many of their products have evolved over the years, their soap and lotion has always been constant. Both are super delicious products (their lotion was the one I used daily throughout my pregnancy, and that ritual was one of my favourite parts of my day) that are well-loved by many islanders and visitors alike. A few years ago, Fern splurged and bought a wet-felting machine, and she's been making incredible art from her sheep wool ever since. Whether you choose to use one of her pieces as a carpet or a wall hanging, it will add colour, texture, and warmth to a room, and you can feel good about knowing that the wool came from sheep here on the island.

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TIDE TABLE

• Secondary Tidal Station Ford Cove •

2019-06-20 (Thursday)			2019-06-25 (Tuesday)		
Time	Height		Time	Height	
PDT	(m)	(ft)	PDT	(m)	(ft)
03:09	3.5	11.5	00:29	4.5	14.8
07:13	4	13.1	08:11	2.6	8.5
14:35	0.8	2.6	12:31	3	9.8
22:09	4.8	15.7	17:40	2.4	7.9
2019-06-21 (Friday)			2019-06-26 (Wednesday)		
Time	Height		Time	Height	
PDT	(m)	(ft)	PDT	(m)	(ft)
04:05	3.4	11.2	01:04	4.4	14.4
07:53	3.7	12.1	08:50	2.3	7.5
15:08	1.1	3.6	14:36	3.1	10.2
22:45	4.7	15.4	18:45	2.8	9.2
2019-06-22 (Saturday)			2019-06-27 (Thursday)		
Time	Height		Time	Height	
PDT	(m)	(ft)	PDT	(m)	(ft)
05:08	3.3	10.8	01:39	4.4	14.4
08:38	3.5	11.5	09:24	1.9	6.2
15:41	1.4	4.6	16:06	3.4	11.2
23:20	4.6	15.1	20:01	3.1	10.2
2019-06-23 (Sunday)			2019-06-28 (Friday)		
Time	Height		Time	Height	
PDT	(m)	(ft)	PDT	(m)	(ft)
06:17	3.1	10.2	02:15	4.4	14.4
09:33	3.3	10.8	09:59	1.6	5.2
16:15	1.7	5.6	17:05	3.8	12.5
23:55	4.6	15.1	21:16	3.3	10.8
2019-06-24 (Monday)					
Time	Height				
PDT	(m)	(ft)			
07:21	2.9	9.5			
10:47	3.1	10.2			
16:53	2.1	6.9			

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issue preoccupied everyone: the potential impact on affordable housing.

The Town Hall was led off by former trustee, David Graham who urged the LTC to delay bylaw approval “until the community has had a chance to review and amend . . . the Official Community Plan and subsequent land use bylaw(s) that would be affected.” A Denman resident since 1982, Graham said he has seen the OCP revised. “it is quite possible that the current bylaws do not reflect the wishes, hopes and dreams of the population. Many people are not here and I think it would be a disservice to the community to implement bylaws that may or may not have the support of the community.”

Ron Sakolsky then spoke to the affordability issue. “Community,” he began, “is a very fragile thing.” What interested him was how community is built and the sense of community grown out. “What I am very sure of is that you do not build community by employing a bylaw enforcement system that normalizes the idea of turning in your neighbours and replaces the fabric of community with a torn web of informers and housing police.”

Sakolsky went on to point out the unacknowledged importance of “underground economies” to Denman, particularly affordable housing. “It may not be perfect or strictly legal,” he said, “but it provides a service to many people who otherwise could not afford to live here. At the very least, it is a stop gap until more affordable housing options become available on island.” Law enforcement, in his view, was a threat to affordability and he urged the Trust “not to attack that underground economy in the name of enforcement at the same time that you are supporting above ground creation of affordable housing.” Both, he said, are important ways of dealing with the affordability crisis on an island. “We need to employ a diversity of tactics.” In conclusion, he reinforced Graham’s point about the need for a public hearing and re-examination of the bylaws, saying he stood “basically opposed” to the BEN bylaw.

Erika Bland seconded the doubts of Sakolsky and Graham. “Creating a bylaw enforcement agency . . . on Denman is one more way . . . to make living under the poverty line and living in alternative housing, illegal. We can’t keep putting in the sort of coercion and control. . . . She pointed out that “half of this island” is doing something illegal that “somebody wants to call . . . off.” She felt that “enforcing [the bylaw] with a single person’s personal estimation of what they should follow through on, and what they shouldn’t .

. . . is a displacement of power”, and called for a review of the bylaws.

“Bicycle” Ralph warned that “Corruption is going to come into the system”. He cited an example of bylaw abuse from the last neighbourhood he lived in. “The rich

guy comes from the city. His neighbour, whose been there fifty years, whose a hardworking family, their dogs are barking. He calls up the bylaw officer and says that their septic field is leaking. These people have to leave their land after fifty years because this person is able to do this.”

Norma Rejal was visibly upset. “Where is the community for this so-called public meeting? This is appalling – we [Denman] are different. Laura and David – remember who we are.”

Several others stated that they were representing groups who could not come because of their work.

In his presentation, Manager Miles tried to address some key issues in the hopes of clearing up misunderstanding. For one, he said that the proposed bylaw could be “easily tweaked” to “dial in” community concerns. The process remains complaint-driven, but now, the complaint can only come from an immediately adjacent property. Miles explained that he made this stipulation because a neighbouring property may have been purchased on the understanding of adjacent densities. The rule of immediate adjacency is intended to discourage gratuitous “drive by” complaints by individuals who are not personally impacted.

Trustee Busheikin later tweaked the process further at second reading by requiring the support of a complaint from a second party.

Miles said scarcity of water on Denman is often a trigger for density violations. One unlawful dwelling on a lot might not trigger concerns, but more than one probably will.

He also addressed the issue of an un

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Philippa Joly, of Bright Moon Bo-



tanicals, on the other hand, is relatively new to the market with her teas and tinctures and salves. All of her products use locally, wild-crafted and herbal ingredients. Right now she's excited about her digestive healing tea, which she attests is also



delicious! Personally, I swear by her "Kick the Sick" tincture anytime I feel even a tingle in my throat. While Philippa isn't able to attend the market regularly this summer, she will inform all of us when she's coming on Facebook (and she promised me that she'll be there this weekend!).



DOREEN HYND

by Anthony Gregson • Photo by Dreadful Imagery

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There could not have been a more congenial or spiritually appropriate setting for our conversation with Doreen Hynd. The porch of the small, silvered board-and-batten cabin, crowded by a huge rosemary bush, looked out onto a vista of beach grass meadow and the sweep of a broad foreshore, strewn with driftwood, sloping gently down to a calm sea at low tide, a vast peace under a warm overcast. There were the mountains of the Beaufort Range but this was not a naked view. Greyed out, they were the ever present bulk of the future to which we are led by the foreground of the present.

For Doreen, the Present is the point.

I am not sure what is more remarkable about this vital nonagenarian of 93: the remarkable openness, her intrinsic spirituality, or the mastery of tai chi ch'uen that keeps her in such good physical alignment. She is well-prepped in a black velvet jacket buttoned to the neck with a sparkling brooch of diamonds pinned over the breast, and fascinating earrings. Her gaze, alert, communicating, begs well-framed questions. She moves precisely, like a dancer, and then there's that voice: clear, with well-spoken, Australian English precision, the voice of someone raised, as she points out, in another age, now almost a century ago, measured and polite. There is an energetic edge, the voice of someone who is hardly tired of life or of themselves, and gets stuff done. There are people, she tells me, who swear by her voice, who have told their doctor that they have been healed by her voice. I have an inkling of what they mean. I wanted to meet her from the first time we spoke briefly on the phone and she said something about the hard work of bringing the body to spirituality. She herself is an energy.

It is not long before the conversation transforms from an interview into a discussion of life, ranging over oneself as your own truth, her childhood, the need to get away from ego, Grand Master Ma Yueh Liang, the puzzle of experience, and even sex in the lives of older people. All is informed by what is perhaps her signature characteristic: Doreen's intuitive curiosity about, and deep care for others. Once threatened by a man with a gun, she tells me that "I was prepared to die because I thought that my death might be an experience for this man that would help him." The point of Christ's crucifixion could not be made better, though Doreen does not follow any organized religion. Her bible, so to speak, is the work of the great South African writer Laurens van der Post who was partly raised as a child by the Pygmies of the Kalahari. They taught how everything around him was alive of which he was only a part, to, in effect, take in the big picture. Without, by her own admission, always knowing, that is the journey on which Doreen has been ever since she had to leave school at 14 to eventually take up Tai Chi Ch-uan studying with her mentor Sophia Delza, through two marriages and three children: the importance of letting go of the ego.

"We cannot come to truth without experience," she remarks, "but through much of our experience we do not know what is really happening. We get married, say how much we love someone, have kids, then the enchantment fades, but we don't really know why." Married to an American Air Force

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lawful building exceeding 90 sq meters in area. At the moment, secondary buildings of more than 90 sq meters are only allowable under temporary use permit. But a suite of up to 90 sq meters in a permitted dwelling is allowable. The argument could be made, Miles suggested, that the allowance for the permissible suite could instead be transferred to the accessory building. It is a potential approach, he said, when asked subsequently by the Grapevine, a question of tweaking bylaws.

A bylaw investigation, Miles concluded, is not immediately opened up just because somebody complains. They go through enforcement criteria. A complaint is likely to be below or above the enforcement threshold, "but you do not know for sure. You can try to figure it out but it only through the process of investigation that you can learn the true facts." Hence boots on the ground.

With the motion to put the bylaw through first and second readings, trustees Busheikin and Critchley tried to address the points that were made, and explain why they intended to vote for the BEN.

Trustee Critchley did not think that the BEN bylaw was going to upset the community. He thought that the "ameliorating effect" of the new enforcement procedure would answer "a lot of concerns". He also thought that the BEN bylaw "is a very standard sort of device or tool that is used for bylaw enforcement." It's perhaps notable, he pointed out, people seem generally unaware that there is already a Trust bylaw ticketing procedure on Denman Island which is also subject to bylaw enforcement by other jurisdictions like the CVRD. How come? "Because it's not a big deal."

As for the adjudication process itself, Trustee Critchley thought that other jurisdictions do not have "quite such a comprehensive process" where the prospective fine is actually zeroed out by compliance. Moreover, "it will be a really useful thing for bylaw enforcement to keep us out of very expensive litigation. Every time we go to court, it costs a lot of money on both sides. This process allows people, who are said to be not in compliance with bylaws, to have the opportunity to go before an adjudicator, in an informal way, in an inexpensive way, in a way that doesn't require lawyers, and state their case. It is something found throughout our society, - everywhere there are these sorts of procedures."

Trustee Busheikin echoed the idea that the BEN bylaw would be a useful tool. "The initial impetus for me was the short term rental discussion, one where whole houses were being rented by people who do not even have any connection to the island." What communities find, she pointed out, is that bylaw enforcement against short term vacation rental can actually increase the housing stock.

In the case of Denman, Trustee Busheikin had done a rough count asking herself how many people she knew who are living in illegal housing or are renting out illegally to help pay the mortgage. "In a minute I came up with 60. So, it is a huge problem, and anything that can open up housing stock is important." Enforcement of the Short Term Rental policy has come to concentrate enforcement on where there is no resident owner, or anyone look-

ing after the place, or being responsive to complaints. "It tiers down from there." That is a good policy

Trustee Busheikin went on to say that "bylaw enforcement happens anyways", and there will be no increase in staff or more enforcement. "I would also like to say that I have wrestled with this many times, more than is typical for something that is considered administrative, in that it is not a change in what is allowed." When she finds herself stuck on the issue, "I go to the principle of the seven generations, which is our generation, future and past, and also the distant ancestors before the settlers. What would they think? They would say we have an Island Trust to protect and limit development, and bylaws are created out of community consultations to pull together the different needs and desires. Obviously, you cannot satisfy everyone, but that's what it is, and the reason is to keep development to a reasonable and sustainable scale. We do have rules about that, and if we say we are not going to do anything with all those rules, I do not think ancestors would want me to vote in favour from that point of view."

She promised to go to bat for anyone who thought enforcement was being used "to target people or used in an unfair way."

The meeting was not well attended, perhaps, it has been suggested, because people thought this was only a first reading. The fact that it was passed without a broader public consultation came as something of a shock. But the real issue is the bylaws themselves and perhaps not so much their actual administration.



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pilot, who was always away on training, she says the US military cared little about their wives.

After the marriage ended, she was left with two children to raise. She took it on. It is, she feels, the only way, to take on the challenge and see what happens, to move into the experience.

"The important thing," she says, "is to look at the whole picture. If you look at humans as unique, they become beautiful." That is the

essence of letting go of the ego, though that doesn't mean complete sublimation of the self. We are, she feels, our own truth. She does not buy that we are a mere construct of society. By being open, you, in effect, discover yourself.



Doreen's openness to people began as a child, growing up in outback Australia, where you knew everyone in a tiny world of only 16 square miles. It is something I have noticed on Denman itself, where, coming from a city, the focus ratchets down to a greater magnification, and soon, especially writing about them, there is no one you would ever think of dismissing. 

DO YOU HAVE AN AMAZING STORY YOU WANT TO TELL? *by Dante Ambriel*

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FROM THE CROW'S NEST:

Twice Lucky *By William Thomas*

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That first night out of Bora Bora, we're sailing blacked out, both jibs boomed out on either hand to catch a fresh following breeze. Masthead running lights are a pain to replace, which is why most yachts sail unlit after dark offshore. Unless a ship is sighted.

Taking another look around, I set the autopilot before ducking below to light the gimballed galley lamp and pump the airtop into a cup of instant coffee. Returning to the helm, I unaccountably ignore our usual practice and decide to keep that kerosene burning.

Once again steering among the stars, I am cheered by the warm glow illuminating the open galley port. Lulled by the familiar whoosh and tilt of overtaking seas, I'm blessing the sailor's life when the hairs on my neck stand up like an unexpected cliché.

Whirling around, I'm just in time to see two white steaming lights blink on close aboard, eerily backlighting a pair of huge headsails, wung-out like our own.

Before I can react, the overtaking apparition bears off sharply, crossing astern to vanish into the blackness from which she appeared.

Akahi! Both trimarans had escaped shipwreck at Huahine only to so nearly embrace at sea.

Much to my relief, after departing Bora Bora together, the 38-foot Cross

trimaran had parted company at sunset, angling off to the northwest. Coming back on course sometime after dark, they must have gybed down on us.

Seconds before impact, her deck watch later said he'd glimpsed our flickering flame.

Four nights later...

Suvarov must be close. But where? Pursuing fickle winds, nine course-changes since yesterday's sextant fix have made hash of the plotting sheet.

In case that low atoll has moved and we need to chase it down, I want to arrive in its vicinity by mid-morning. So before I turn in, we set our half-spinnaker, called a Jenniker. That ballooning red-and-yellow sail will maintain boatspeed in this slackening breeze.

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CONTEST

MACH II

WHO PLAYED TITANIA IN THE
BAROQUE FESTIVALS' RECENT
RENDITION OF "THE FAERIE
QUEEN"?

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BARK BARK..BARK BARK

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The wind immediately freshens. Lying in the “womb room” aft, I am unable to sleep with our wake rushing past 3/8-inch from my ears. Tipping sharply downwards before each steepening crest, the 31-foot Kismet-class trimaran starts to surf.

Too fast! my exhausted body protests as each roller-coaster rush banishes all possibility of rest. *We’ll shorten sail at the next watch change*, Thea and I tell ourselves. The usual trap.

The berth angles sharply forwards as the boat rockets off another crest,

takes a breaking cross-sea... and broaches.

Thea tries to trip the sheets. But our violent sideways skid throws her across the cockpit.

Tacked to the starboard *ama* bow, the mighty Jenniker pulls it under. The float digs in... and the boat starts to cartwheel, transom over bows.

In pitch darkness, the pitchpole catapults me onto the bulkhead as it tries to become the deck.

We’re going, I just have time to think.

The outrigger pops clear and the plucky little tri rocks back on her tailfeathers with an almost audible sigh.

Celerity’s mana is strong. But it will be years before we fly a Jenniker again at night. 

REMEMBERING THE DRAGON LADY

ARTS&LIT

by George Fetherling

The “Dragon Lady” was the name of a sexy Asian “villainess” in *Terry and the Pirates*, a popular newspaper comic strip of the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s. In the 1960s, however, people in the U.S. often applied the decidedly unflattering nickname to Tran Le Xuan, better known as Madame Nhu. She was a 98-pound Vietnamese woman of distinguished family with remote connections to Bao Dai, the last emperor. She was also the wife of Ngo Dinh Nhu. That made her the sister-in-law of Ngo Dinh Diem, the president of anti-communist South Vietnam. As Diem was a lifelong bachelor, Madame Nhu served as her country’s de facto first lady. That’s where the trouble began, for she was no Jacqueline Kennedy.

She was probably one of the world’s worst good-will ambassadors (or one of the best ill-will ones). Following a coup d’état in 1963, she fled to Europe, where she lived in fear of communists, Americans, the *New York Times* and who knows who else, for hers is quite a story. Le Xuan born in the north in 1924, when the French regime in Indochina had almost thirty more years to live. She spoke proper French and in later life couldn’t understand the Vietnamese dialect spoken by people in central Vietnam. When the students at Madame Parmentier’s ballet school in Hanoi mounted a production of *Snow White*, the young Le Xuan (the name means “beautiful spring”) knew that the title role would be given to one of the fair-skinned French girls and that she might as well steal the show with a cruel performance as the wicked witch. Talk about type casting.

She was 15 when she met Ngo Dinh Nhu who was twice her age. Three years later, in 1943, once she had converted to Catholicism from Buddhism, they were married. At the time, her husband, who came from a family of big landowners, was affiliated with the Japanese invaders in an administrative capacity. Madame Nhu aided her husband’s political career through her (the phrase sounds much better in French) *coucheries utilitaires*. The Second World War was followed immediately by what she considered *une guerre bizardouille*: the curious armed conflict by which the Viet Mihn

under Ho Chi Minh drove out the French. It was a bloody affair that segued into civil war, from which the Nhu clan’s fierce anticommunism derives. At one point, communists blew up Madame Nhu’s grand piano with explosives, believing it was a radio used to communicate with the enemy. Other than that, there was no low comedy but only tragedy. One of her brothers-in-law was murdered—some say, by being buried alive—and she herself was taken prisoner. She endured privation with the steadfastness of Scarlett O’Hara.

When the country was partitioned into communist North Vietnam and U.S.-backed South Vietnam, Diem became, by degrees, the president of the latter. His ascent had American support but over the objections of the now-deposed French who hated him for nationalizing French industries and making the remaining French in Vietnam feel as unwelcome as possible. Diem’s brother, who was commonly held to be the brains of the family, served as his chief political advisor, and his brother’s wife, the Madame, became drunk with luxury and power.

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Everyone knew her tastes and methods, and nobody doubted her tenacity. She swanned round the palace in Saigon. She built an estate at Dalat, up in the mountains, that had fifty gardeners. She elected herself to the National Assembly, had her father made finance minister and appointed other close relatives to high diplomatic posts. Diem set up what he named the Service for Political and Social Research, or secret police, whereas his sister-in-law founded a small private all-female army to do her own dirty work. She called its members “my little darlings.” One western observer (male) remarked that her dresses were like the sheaths that conceal knives. Among her fashion accessories was a crucifix made of diamonds.

Madame, having worked hard to improve her English, paid flirtatious visits to the United States, but it was clear that she was no diplomatist. When John F. Kennedy sent Lyndon Johnson and a party of others to Saigon, she shocked Lady Bird Johnson and the president’s sister, Mrs. Jean Kennedy Smith, by giving them a tour of her bedroom. It was entirely carpeted in the skins of tigers—with heads attached and paws and claws intact.

Gradually she and her family lost much of their influence, especially by ruthlessly persecuting the Buddhist majority. Diem’s other problems were infiltration by northern insurgents and growing disloyalty in his own armed forces. In November 1960 there was a coup attempt that, while not actually proposed by the officials in Washington, wasn’t opposed by them either. Then in February 1962 two disaffected South Vietnamese fighter jet pilots attacked the palace. One bomb fell in the room occupied by Diem but failed to detonate. Another one, intended for Madame, destroyed her private living quarters but, miraculously, left her only with some burns.

The Dragon Lady’s media image reached its nadir in June 1963 when a Buddhist monk named Thich Quang Dur publicly set himself on fire in protest against government policies. Madame Nhu trumpeted the incident as “a barbecue” and offered to supply gasoline and matches so other

Buddhists could follow suit. When the western media threw up their hands, she feigned an apology by saying that she thought barbecuing a person was an English idiom that she was using properly. JFK and his advisors felt they had to get rid of the Nhus.

On November 2, 1963, while Madame Nhu was busy shooting off her mouth in California, Diem and his brother were killed in a coup that, as she said, correctly for once, took place “with either official or unofficial blessing of the American government.” Hearing the news, President Kennedy reacted in a coy and disingenuous manner, saying privately that the brothers must have been murdered as two such “good Catholic boys” would never have committed suicide. When Kennedy was himself killed only 20 days later, the Vietnam problem passed to Lyndon Johnson—the same Lyndon Johnson who once sighed that Diem was “the only boy we got out there” and publicly called him “the Winston Churchill of Asia.” Madame died in 2011, age 86. Let us not remember her too closely.



IRAN’S GAME

OP/ED

By Gwynne Dyer • Originally published June 16, 2019

The evidence is far from conclusive, but on balance Iran probably is behind the attacks on four oil tankers in the Gulf last month and two more last Thursday. Those attacks carefully avoided human casualties, so if they were Iranian, what was their goal?

If it was Iran, the answer is obvious. Iran would be reminding the United States that it may be utterly out-matched militarily, but it can do great damage to the tankers that carry one-third of the world’s internationally traded oil through the Strait

of Hormuz.

After the US tightened its sanctions last month in an attempt to destroy all of Iran’s foreign trade, including the oil exports which are its economy’s lifeblood, Iran declared that if it could not export its oil, no other country (in the Gulf) would be allowed to export theirs. Other economies would be hurt too.

There’s history here. Back in the mid-1980s, when the United States tried to strangle Iran’s Islamic Revolution in its cradle by encouraging Saddam Hussein’s Iraq to invade Iran, 543 ships were sunk or damaged in three years as each side tried to stop the other side’s oil exports. Another tanker war would be no fun at all.

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But maybe the current pinprick attacks on tankers are just a general warning not to push Iran too hard. They would still be dangerous, because people could get killed and the situation could easily spin out of control. But the opposite hypothesis – that the attacks are a ‘false flag’ operation – is much more frightening, because it would mean somebody is really trying to start a war.

Who would be flying the ‘false flag’? The leading candidates are Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, the two Arab countries that are doing their best to push the United States into a war against Iran on their behalf. Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu would also love to see the US attack Iran, but one doubts that Israel’s de facto Arab allies would want Israeli special forces operating on their territory.

Which brings us to the weirder part of the story. All six tankers that have been attacked sailed from ports in Saudi Arabia or the UAE. The attacks have all reportedly been carried out using limpet mines, which cling to ships’ hulls by magnetic force but have to be placed by hand. That means they were probably placed while the ships were in port.

It’s almost impossible to place a limpet mine once a ship is underway. Other boats cannot come close enough without being spotted, and swimmers (including scuba divers) cannot keep up. So is security in Saudi and UAE ports so lax, even after the first attacks in May, that foreign agents can plant limpet mines on tankers before they sail?

It’s very puzzling, and even the aerial video ‘evidence’ of a small Iranian boat allegedly removing an unexploded limpet mine from one of the tankers makes little sense. Limpet mines are generally fitted with ‘anti-handling devices’ (i.e. they explode when you try to remove them), and yet everybody on that boat crowded onto the bow as if to get as close to the explosion as possible.

But of course, if it’s an Iranian mine, maybe they knew that it had no anti-handling device. You can get dizzy trying to figure this stuff out, and be no closer to the truth at the end. But let us hope that Iran is the culprit, because we know that it, at least, does not want a war. It wouldn’t actually lose, but it would suffer grievous harm.

The United States is even harder to read. Donald Trump certainly doesn’t want a war. He just wanted to destroy the treaty, signed in 2016 by Iran, the

US, the UK, France, Germany, Russia and China, that put Iran’s nuclear programs under strict international controls for the next fifteen years.

That’s only natural, because the treaty was Barack Obama’s greatest diplomatic achievement and Trump is dedicated to destroying his legacy. But beyond that, what did Trump want? Probably just a Kim-style ‘summit’ with Iran’s Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

Having created the crisis, Trump could then triumphantly ‘resolve’ it and bask in what he imagines to be the world’s admiration and gratitude. He is a man of simple desires.

Unfortunately, his two chief representatives in the ground, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and National Security Adviser John Bolton, probably do want a war with Iran. They would never say that, but they spin every bit of data in as anti-Iran a direction as possible. That includes, of course, their analysis of who is behind these attacks.

Nevertheless, we should hope that they are right and that Iran is behind the attacks, because that would be a stupid but quite genuine attempt to stave off a full-scale war. If it’s a Saudi and UAE false-flag operation, with or without the tacit collaboration of Bolton and Pompeo, then the region really is headed for war.



THANK YOU TO DR. MALTHOUSE

by Louise Frasier

COMM
INFO

Iwould like to express my gratitude for the many years Dr. Malthouse has served our community. What I found unique about Dr. Malthouse was his genuine offer to actually take the time to listen to his patients. That in itself was therapeutic and something of a rare find in the medical system. I never felt rushed through an appointment and he was always willing to listen to me as a person. So, I thank you, Stephen, for all your years of therapy and kindness you offered to all of our community.

Sincerely, Louise Frasier

VISIT DENMAN COMES

BACK TO LIFE *By Anthony Gregson*

**COMM
INFO**

Do you have family and friends visiting Denman Island this year? Be sure to direct them to the newly updated www.visitdenmanisland.ca website. Visit Denman Island.ca is a resource for visitors and locals alike for current information on Denman Island events, businesses and organizations, all in one place.

Established by the Visitor Services Committee of Denman Works in 2016, Visit Denman Island is undergoing a complete content refresh. Web traffic has already increased substantially over last year.



Over the past few months, new content, photos and links have been added to 32 places to shop, eat, play and stay on Denman Island, plus 13 events, 8 new articles in the Stories section, and updates to services and community groups. Businesses pay to advertise depending on how extensive and prominent they want their presence to be. Services and community groups are advertised for free. The focus is on the attraction and support of visitors who use many of the amenities used by residents. The website aims to convey an honest sense of Denman as a beautiful island and lively, individualistic community, keeping in mind the need for respectful tourism and the limited visitor infrastructure.

New information resources include the Denman Island map from the Denman/Hornby Visitors Guide, 6 Popular Outdoor Spots to Visit or Hike Map, a Frequently Asked Questions page, the Islands Grapevine. The site will soon have a Kids Corner section with things to do and see as well as child-friendly businesses. A monthly What's Happening on Denman Island is posted as a roundup of news and events, each month highlighting a theme such as Wellness or Parks and Trails.

Listings include hours, address, web site and social media links, more photos and more in-depth descriptions with sections about the artist or entrepreneur and testimonials from customers.

Weekly updates on the Visit Denman Facebook page (www.facebook.com/visitdenmanisland) are a critical element in the marketing strategy, helping drive traffic to the website where there is more information. The DW Facebook page highlights the events, listings, and local news on visitdenmanisland.ca.

The rejuvenation of the Visit Denman island website is a major project of Denman Works to support local business through a program of economic enhancement. Denman Works contracted with Denman resident Trish Weatherall, a marketing communications specialist with extensive tourism and journalistic experience in the upper Vancouver Island market, as the Web Content and Social Media Manager. Their mission is to build

relationships with island enterprises through consultation, content refresh, and engagement in their plans and needs. It's a process that takes time and demonstrable benefit. Trish has impressed everybody with her commitment, diligence, and quality of work.

Responsibilities include the collection and analysis of website activity, as well as answering visitor email inquiries. Google Analytics metrics show a 67% increase in unique page views in May 2019 (5293 views) compared to May 2018 (3169 views). Web site audience demographics also show that 84% are

new visitors to the site. Visitors are 68% female and 32% male, with a mix of ages: 3% age 18-24; 20% age 25-34; 17% age 35-44; 17% age 45-54; 22% age 55-64; and 20% age 65. The most striking finding is that Denman has a huge appeal to women in their thirties to fifties.

The rejuvenation project began in February with interviews with about 40 locals to review their business goals and needs, and to get input and ideas. Using this information and connections with Tourism Vancouver Island and Destination BC, Trish has developed a site branding strategy, content standards and policies, and an integrated marketing and social media plan.

The project is now about 70% complete. The web site will continue to grow over the coming months. Using the tax-funded budget from the CVRD, Denman Works is looking at a sustainable plan to keep the content fresh and current for the next three years.

Submissions of photos, video and articles which highlight the best of

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Denman Island are welcomed. Visit Denman Island will pay for content. Current rates are \$25 for featured photos selected for the website, and up to \$100 for articles in the Stories section. Please contact info@visitdenmanisland.ca for details.

As updates continue, the site will expand the Artists & Galleries and the Health & Wellness sections.

If you would like information about how to include your product or service on the web site, or have suggestions or corrections to current listings, please contact Trish at info@visitdenmanisland.ca. Listings for essential services are free, all others pay an annual listing fee: \$25 for a basic listing, \$100 for enhanced, and \$200 for featured. 🍷

ISLANDS TRUST: Gov. Decision on Trans Mountain *By Islands Trust*

COMM
INFO

Lekwungen territory, Victoria— The Islands Trust Council expressed disappointment on learning of today's announcement that the Federal Government plans to continue with the Trans Mountain Pipeline expansion project.

Last year, the Federal Court of Appeal quashed the government's approval of the project, citing the need for better and more fulsome consultation with Indigenous communities and a more comprehensive look at the impact the project will have on marine life off the coast of British Columbia.

"We are disappointed that the Prime Minister did not seize the opportunity the Court of Appeal presented him with to correct course on this issue," said Islands Trust Council Chair, Peter Luckham. "The Islands Trust Council remains resolutely opposed to the Trans Mountain expansion project, believing that the massive increase in tanker traffic will bring intolerable environmental risks to the waters and islands in the Salish Sea, along with very real impacts on the communities who live and work along the oil tanker transport corridor and who are being asked to shoulder the burden of this decision for generations."

In September of last year, in response to the Court of Appeal Decision, trustees from Islands Trust

along with councilors from San Juan County in Washington State wrote an open letter to the Prime Minister outlining the reasons for their opposition to the expansion project. In their letter they wrote the following:

Is this our new reality: summers of dying whales and unbreathable air? A reality shaped by climate change. A reality shaped by short-sighted dependence on fossil fuels. We object to Trans Mountain not just because we live along the corridor of risk but because we believe that the environmental and economic costs are simply too high. We believe there are more visionary and less risky ways to spend billions of dollars to generate jobs and taxes for roads, schools, and hospitals.

"It is distressing that the day after declaring a national climate emergency," continued Chair Luckham, "the Federal Government continues to support pipeline expansion, even as the impacts of climate change are increasingly felt. In March of this year, the Islands Trust Council declared a climate change emergency in the Trust Area, following the example of other governments who have made similar declarations in their jurisdictions. As part of the declaration, we called on all levels of government to take action. For our part, we don't use the term 'emergency' lightly. The declaration is a clear acknowledgement that the climate situation is now so serious that urgent action is required. We must change the way we do business. The status quo is no longer acceptable."

The Islands Trust is a federation of special-purpose local government bodies representing 26,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area and another 10,000 non-resident property-owners. The Islands Trust is responsible for preserving and protecting the unique environment and amenities of the Islands Trust Area through planning and regulating land use, development management, education, co-operation with other agencies, and land conservation. The area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major islands and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5200 square kilometres.

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MOVING & LIVING ON DENMAN

By Craig Baird

**SPECIAL
INTEREST**

For thousands of years, the First Nations people have been living in the Denman Island area, taking advantage of the many resources the area provides. Indigenous people of the Puntledge tribe both lived year-round on the island and used it as a summer home.

According to pioneer settler reports, collected by Winnifred Isbister for her book *My Ain Folk*, the First Nations people would come from Comox on Vancouver Island and spoke the Chinook language.

Coming to Denman Island, the Indigenous people fished and dug clams and clam bed camps have been found in both Henry Bay and Metcalfe Bay, along with long-gone camping sites. Diet for the First Nations during those years was fresh and dried salmon, berries and oolican oil.

One big part of the diet was deer meat, which was collected through a deer drive. The Indigenous people would form a line along a part of the island was narrow. Screaming at the deer, the deer would run towards the saltwater where other Indigenous would be waiting in canoes to hit the deer. It is believed that at least two drives of this nature took place just prior to the first European settlers arriving.

According to the accounts in the book, at Yellow Rock writings can be found that record a great battle fought with the Indigenous people of the mainland. It is not known who won the battle. Another battle, fought before 1850 and believed to have raged the entire day, apparently left many relics for future people to find in the forests of the island.

When land was bulldozed at Metcalfe Bay, an old First Nations camp was found including arrow heads, hammers, anchors, necklaces, mixing bowls, animal teeth, pipes and cod fish scales.

When Europeans started to arrive, the settlers noted the First Nations people already on the island were very kind and friendly with the new arrivals. When the winter would come, the First Nations people would move to the junction of the Puntledge and Tsolum Rivers. It is believed they would move to that area in late August or September when the salmon runs would begin. In February or March, when the herring spawning would begin and

clamming was at its best, the people would come back to the fishing locations on Denman Island. That being said, there is evidence of house structures on the island to lend evidence to the fact that some stayed in the fishing areas of the island all year long. Most likely it is believed that the movement to different areas did not happen every year.

In 1956, it was found that there were shell middens that covered 10 hectares, running up the shore for a mile, and running as deep as 15 feet. Within the midden there were clam shells, bones of deer, whales and seals. It is believed that this was a village site for some time. Another village site was found south of Fil-longly Provincial Park, where several depressions were found. It was believed these were the remains of plank houses dating back centuries since the trees growing in the depressions were believed to be 200 to 300 years old.

Suggestions for columns or questions? E-mail Craig at crwbaird@gmail.com. Listen to his podcast by searching for "Canadian History Ehx" on your podcast platform. Find his show on YouTube by searching for "Canadian History Ehx".

*Information for this column comes from *The Pentlatch People of Denman Island* (2004) *

THE HASHERS

By Buck 'The Man' Manly • Photos by Dreadful Imagery

SPORTS

Great news sports fans. Your Denman Hashers have once again qualified for the playoffs! For what has to be 15 years running we're getting post season ball! Truly an impressive streak. Not even the recent Home and Garden Tour can boast of such success. Despite its renown the Tour has only managed to show every other year.

bottom seeding firmly in their grasp, eased through the last game of the regular season by resting several of their stars. 'Load management,' the new philosophy which, the thinking goes, will see the team through to imaginable playoff success.

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In front of a smattering of five fans at the Union Bay Ballpark the Hashers,

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Despite the depleted ranks rubber-armed Spitball Wilson took to the mound. Some things seem to never change. He smashed the Hashers record for consecutive innings pitched three and a half seasons ago now and shows



Swings Right: Dead-Pull's sweet swing!

couldn't understand a word I uttered with a mouth full of deluxe cheese-burger, no onions. Inconclusive.

Back to the action, my mind raced. Can she even swing lefty? Will she still be a dead-pull hitter from this other side? Might she ironically be a flare-hitter from the right side? *It's not unheard of to see a gulf islander change their name*, I pondered. 'Amy Flarrington?' I suppose it does have a certain ring to it...and at that, the ring of an aluminum bat jogged me back to the moment as I witnessed Dead-Pull yank a screaming drive into right field. Name change unnecessary.

It took 15 years of following the Hashers to witness a hit to right field

no signs of letting up. You'd have to be a long time Hashers fan to remember the team's previous hurler, Dave Lang, 'The Duke of Dalziel.' It's been so long ago now that he doesn't even live on Dalziel anymore! So clearly things can, and do, change.

Which brings me to 'change.' Its inevitability and how we deal with it. I've been resistant to change. I've embraced it. I've worried about it. I've felt liberated by it. Quite circumstantial really, but navigating change is a running theme in every life.

Take 'Dead-Pull' Harrington, for instance. Her name comes well earned. Blessed with a sweet swing but cursed with an inability to hit to the opposite field. Opposing defences can stack the left side, effectively neutralizing one of the Hashers stronger bats. Her tendency to pull the ball with every contact has been going on for so long even 'The Duke' could tell you about it were you to ask him. It's entirely possible we've have stumbled upon the one thing that **won't** yield to change.

But then it happened. Mid game, Dead-Pull stepped up to the plate and proceeded to stand on the opposite side of it! Everything seemed to slow down in that moment. *This is it*, I thought, 'The Man' might be having a stroke! I turned to my kid asking if my speech was slurred but she said she



Swings Left: This is it... Medic!

from her bat but what was more enticing from a fan's perspective was Amy's willingness to enact change rather than wait for it to come. As it's said, "there is the quick and the dead."

In playoff Slo-Pitch things happen

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quickly and the ability to recognize the situation and adjust on the fly is just the approach required in keeping opponents on their heels. Advantage Hashers!

Sweet switch-hitting swing Amy! Here we go Hashers, here we go!!

Slo-Pitch Playoffs at the Union Bay Ballpark: Saturday and Sunday, June 22nd & 23rd. 

OLD-GROWTH RAINFOREST MANIFESTO *By Esther Muirhead*

COMM
INFO

1. OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS are vast and complex ecosystems, having evolved over the last 400 million years. They have intrinsic worth in and of themselves.
2. The rainforest belongs to a global forest community, not to human society. Humans have no ethical right to reduce the complexity of OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS. Humans must learn to ask for an invitation to visit the forest as guests of a living intelligent organism.
3. The well-being, flourishing and diversity of OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS must be protected from human interference, not destroyed for human profit. Their inherent value is independent of their usefulness to humans.
4. The integrity, richness and biodiversity of OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS is key to the health of the world's climate.
5. Because of climate instability, destroying OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS will never regenerate fully. Loss of carbon sinks and sequestration disrupts hydrology cycles, increases both the amount of CO₂ released into the atmosphere and the rate of plant and animal extinction.
6. OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS reduce the maximum spring and summer air temperatures by as much as 2.5 degrees Celsius.
7. Human greed has plundered the OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS and we must protect what is left. The ancient forests can only flourish when all related corporate "free" trade agreements are abolished. We must return all OLD-GROWTH RAINFORESTS back to themselves, the countless species that depend on them for sustenance and to their local First Nations hereditary families who see themselves as guardians not owners of these sacred ecosystems.

DEMANDS for the Schmidt Creek Watershed:

- Stop all logging and remove any remaining cut-blocks from sales schedule
- Reinstate the regular and intensive monitoring of sediment loading and the integrity of the Orca rubbing beaches to determine damage from recent logging
- Engage in consultations with and gain consent from Matilipi and Ma'mta'gila hereditary chiefs, families and matriarchs about implementing a moratorium on logging.
- Expand all Old-Growth Management Areas to include the entire watershed.





Chickadee Lake by Chris Seguin



Having Pyrophobia makes this activity difficult.

Good

by Thomas Provençal

*Life is flowing through me
With the insects and the birds;
It speaks the dialect of love
Using rhyming words.
Its energetic mystery
I barely comprehend;
Yet all I really need to know
Is how on earth to blend
With all of life's creation,
The mammals and the fish
And myriad crustaceans
That are offered on a dish
So I can integrate the world
Into my very blood;
No need for explanation;
I just call it Good.*

• THE ISLANDS GRAPEVINE •

EDITORIAL POLICY

The Grapevine is dedicated to fostering a sense of community on Denman and Hornby by covering events, issues, and the creativity of the many gifted people amongst us. The following is our policy on content:

- Profiles of individuals, history, reviews and op ed are published free of charge.
- Literary content including poetry, stories, belle lettres is published free of charge.
- Promotional content for products, services, programs, and events will be published at going advertising rates.
- Public service announcements, notices of meetings, and news releases will be published for a fee. Exceptions will be made for emergencies where the public is immediately endangered.
- With regret, no exceptions can be made for non-profit status.

Please keep in mind that Hornby and Denman are a very small market for newspaper publication. We do our best to provide quality content at no cost to our readers but we ask you to understand that this depends on financial viability. Paper, ink, postage, equipment, and rent all add up. As it is, the Grapevine can only be brought to you with considerable subsidy of time and energy by our team which is very willingly given. The Grapevine would like to accept more content free of charge, particularly around community news, and is working on plans to expand its reach and revenue base to move towards that goal.

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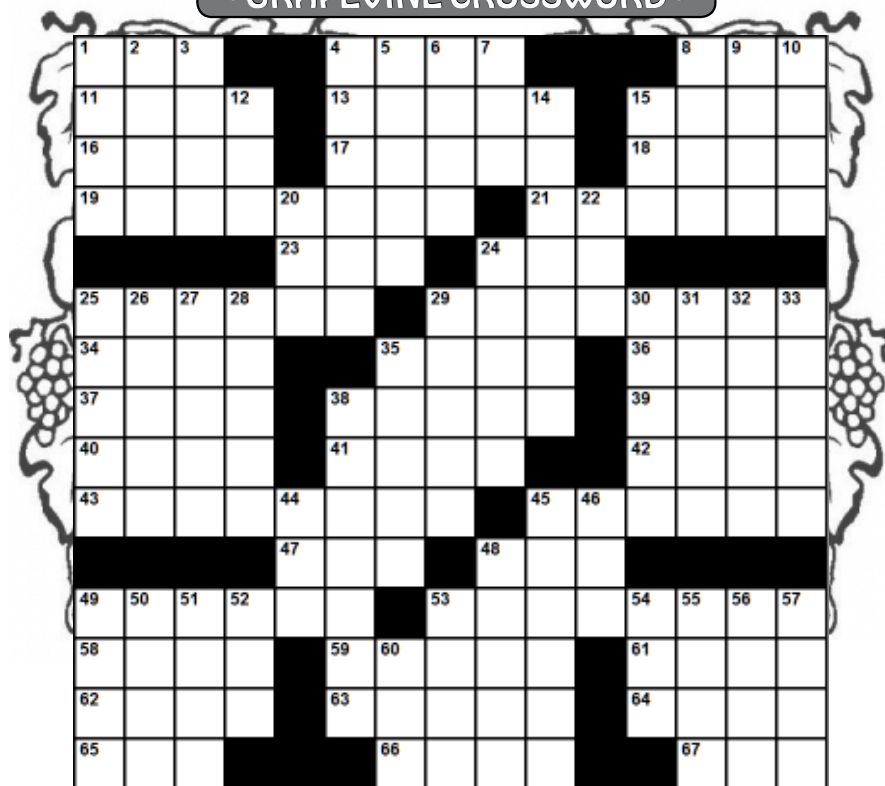
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13. Dogpatch character
15. Computer operating system
16. Abbr. after a list
17. Artless
18. Drum's partner
19. Warehouse vehicle
21. Delhi wraps
23. Have dinner
24. Breakfasted
25. Motorbikes
29. Final performance
34. Carbamide
35. At the apex of
36. Brilliant fish
37. D.C. employees
38. Come to
39. Turning counterclockwise
40. Biblical weed
41. A seasoning

42. Batter's stats
43. Image worship
45. Igneous rock
47. Cape or fish
48. Biceps site
49. In position
53. Hasty and careless
58. Hands up time
59. River nymph
61. Dock support
62. Ankara native
63. Serious theater
64. Bhutan's locale
65. Ace, when not eleven
66. Certain organic compound
67. Basis of light

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2. Anne Frank's father
3. Forage legume
4. Crazes
5. Rearward, at sea
6. Apartment
7. Bk. after Exod.
8. Fit of ire
9. Stereo setup
10. Alimony getters
12. Kind
14. Bureaucratic hassle
15. Craft of sci-fi
20. Blazed a trail
22. Brooding individual
24. Heard the alarm
25. Civilian dress
26. Echo was one
27. Peter, in Panama
28. Artist's prop
29. In a theatrical manner
30. Boot bottoms
31. Aida, for one
32. Fleet based
33. Poltergeist
35. Clio or Edgar
38. Bewilder
44. Be a stage star
45. Of a wedding
46. Band aid
48. 1836 battle site
49. Centerward
50. It could be proper
51. Aching
52. Calligrapher's supply
53. Shensi province capital
54. Curative water
55. Greet the villain
56. Musical medley
57. Begin a hand
60. Exist

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• CLASSIFIED ADS •



CARPOOLING

RIDE OFFERED TO DEPARTURE BAY FERRY, typically Mondays from the 6:40 am.
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APPLIANCES FOR SALE. Ranges, washers, dryers, fridges, dishwashers, gas/electric range. All fully restored and come with a full six month warranty. Call Rick Graham 335-0954.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

PLAYGROUND YARD SALE FUND RAISER Denman Hall Sat. June 29, 9-2pm • tools, jewelery, small tables, chairs, antiques, etc.

THE DENMAN ISLAND SPORTS FIELD ASSOCIATION has had a decade of successful summer soccer tournaments and would like to give back to our great community. We are pleased to announce the establishment of The Peter Marshall Bursary. A grant or grants up to \$1,000 will be awarded to groups or individuals to help their pursuit of a recreational sport activity or education/training in this area. You may need new equipment, help to cover travel costs, funds to organize a tournament, course fees or other needs. All ages are welcome to apply. Deadline for applications is July 15th. Please fill applications at this link: <https://wufoo.com/forms/peter-marshall-bursary-application/>

ICE CREAM POTLATCH Friday June 28 - in order to encourage acts of kindness towards each other I will be handing out free ice cream starting at 1pm at the Ice Cream Shack. More info- contact Jacquie woofbarksnot@gmail.com.

THE DENMAN ISLAND COMMUNITY EDUCATION SOCIETY (DICES) seeks a highly motivated individual to fill the position of Executive Director. Position to begin August 2019. Please see the website www.dices.ca for a full job description. Applications are due at the Community Programs office in person, or via e-mail at dices.director@gmail.com by July 6th at noon.

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Jimmy Tait

May 22nd, 1920-June 7th, 2019

Jimmy died peacefully and comfortably at home

Friday, June 7th 2019

Many Thanks to our fabulous Home Support Team & Doctors.

Mum's 'Celebration of Life' will take place at a later time. If you would like to make a donation in her memory please support Hornby Denman Health Care Society.

Mum loved this island & community. Thank you for all your love and support.

Susan, John and Charlie Tait

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

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- Cloutier Matthews LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants 338-7367 (All)
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- Acupuncture, Herbs • Dr. Willo Walker, Dr. TCM 335-1535 (D/H)
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335-1877 (D)
- Chiropractic Care on Fridays • Dr. Dawn Armstrong, DC 465-8482 (D)
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THE COMING WEEK'S EVENTS

DENMAN ISLAND (DI) HORNBY ISLAND (HI)

THURSDAY 20

- CAP SITE 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- D.I. FOOD BANK 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- DAACS OPEN STAGE 7:30pm • Back Hall (DI)
- GROUP SING 3pm • New Horizons (HI)

• World Refugee Day •

FRIDAY 21

- CAP SITE 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- D.I. FOOD BANK 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- ELEMENTS OF CREATION 1pm • United Church (DI)

SUMMER SOLSTICE

• Int'l Yoga Day • Nat'l Flip Flop Day • Nat'l Selfie Day • Take Your Dog to Work Day • World Music Day •

SATURDAY 22

- CAP SITE 11-2 pm • Community School (DI)
- CROSS POLLINATION FESTIVAL 3pm • Community Hall (DI)
- ELEMENTS OF CREATION 7:30pm • United Church (DI)
- MOVIE NIGHT 7:30pm • The Hall (HI)

SUNDAY 23

- DENMAN UNITED CHURCH 10:30 am • (DI)
- ST. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH 10:30 am • (DI)
- ELEMENTS OF CREATION 2pm • United Church (DI)
- BLACKBERRY LANE meeting 3pm • Back Hall (DI)

• Int'l Widows' Day •

MONDAY 24

- QUILTER'S GUILD 9:30-3 pm • United Church Hall (DI)

TUESDAY 25

- CAP SITE 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)

WEDNESDAY 26

- CAP SITE 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- DIGS (Garden Club) "Hats & Gloves Party" 2pm • 2105 Northwest Rd (DI)
- HIAC 7:30pm • The Hall (HI)

• Day Against Drug Abuse/Illicit Trafficking •

THURSDAY 27

- CAP SITE 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- D.I. FOOD BANK 3-7 pm • Community School (DI)
- "COLLECTED" DI Art Gallery opening 7pm • DI Art Gallery (DI)

• Nat'l Handshake Day • Nat'l Ice Cream Cake Day • Nat'l Sunglasses Day •