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## Response to Petition About Housing

*By Denman Island Local Trust Committee* **COMMUNITY INFO**

**T**he Denman Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) acknowledges the 541 signatures of the petition received on March 16, asking for action on housing. This is approximately half the Denman population and sends a strong message.

We appreciate the way that the petition underscores and adds to the significant evidence of the ongoing housing crisis on Denman, and supports measures to address this situation. This article is an initial response.

**The petition had three requests. Here is an update on each of these:**

### Request #1—a full moratorium on bylaw enforcement on illegal housing

The Denman Island Local Trust Committee recognizes that, given the dual challenge of COVID-19 and a growing housing crisis, rental housing needs special protection at this time. There has already been a pause on all enforcement that would prompt evictions since spring last year, initiated through the Islands Trust Bylaw Enforcement department. This will remain in effect until the public health order is lifted. To further clarify this for Denman Island, the LTC passed a standing resolution (a type of temporary policy) at its March 16, 2021, meeting confirming the above.

Also, a partial moratorium, with several exceptions, has been in effect on Denman since June, 2019. This will remain valid until the LTC decides to remove or change it. Here is a bit more context for these two standing resolutions:\*

- Any moratorium on enforcement is temporary and is not meant to provide long-term solutions to housing, nor to encourage continued bylaw infractions.
- Site visits and communication with affected property owners will continue to take place. These are important to ascertain if the alleged infraction is actually happening or not, and to let the property owners know that a complaint has been made. This gives property owners (and potentially, tenants) time to seek information and make plans to remedy the situation.
- Even when there's no moratorium, enforcement against housing takes into account the human realities of the situation and seeks to avoid sudden eviction.

The LTC recognizes there is concern around reports of evictions connected to enforcement. The Islands Trust did not issue any eviction notices, or request evictions, in 2020 nor, thus far, in 2021. There were two enforcement files in 2020 that referred to alleged illegal housing on Denman Island. In each case, there was ongoing communication with property owners to ensure that they understood the extended timelines and options for compliance, and that they realized that no demands were being made to evict tenants at that time.

### Requests #2 and #3—a review of Denman's Official Community Plan (OCP) and Land Use Bylaw (LUB) (the two main documents regulating land use), focusing on housing

The LTC is in favour of this, and made a decision earlier this year, by resolution, to review housing regulations as part of a targeted LUB review. This initiative can include the OCP if that is needed to meet community goals. The LTC will keep this request front of mind as it works on clarifying the scope, shape and timeline of this major regulatory review.

The challenge for this review is timing. Currently, all available staff resources are directed at processing affordable housing applications. We realize this is not what is requested in the petition, but the LTC believes these projects, if successful, will play a key role in meeting housing needs, both in the short term and long term. The LTC is mindful of OCP Policy 17, which asks it to "encourage...the work of non-profit land trusts for affordable housing," and Policies 27 and 28, which encourage consideration of zoning amendment applications for seniors and affordable housing

projects.

In the meantime, the LTC continues to work at clarifying the scope and approach of this review, and seeking resources to carry it out in a timely, thorough, fair and effective way. The petition conveys a sense of urgency to this goal and provides evidence of community support for prompt and decisive action.

We thank the signatories for this key piece of public input. We invite all community members to read updates on our work on housing and other issues in the *Grapevine* and *Flagstone*, to attend or watch recordings of meetings, to contact the LTC at northinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca, or to communicate with trustees individually at lbusheikin@islandstrust.bc.ca, dcritchely@islandstrust.bc.ca, and sfast@islandstrust.bc.ca.

\*Standing resolutions can be found at [islandstrust.bc.ca/media/350894/de\\_2021-01-19\\_-\\_policies\\_standing-res.pdf](http://islandstrust.bc.ca/media/350894/de_2021-01-19_-_policies_standing-res.pdf)

## Living Well: Spring Clean-up

By Verna Isbister

**W**eaving rituals and traditions into our lives provides us with a sense of meaning, hope and connection. Every spring, I approach the Easter weekend reflecting on life, death and rebirth. The garden is the perfect place to contemplate and witness life's changes and transformations.

Victoria poet Lorna Crozier writes:

*“Every morning, I find something startling,  
something that reminds me to pay attention to  
the shifts in the seasons and the other shifts my flesh is heir to-  
the joys and sorrows that make up an earthly life.”*

Every year I wait until Good Friday or God's Friday, to clean-up my garden after winter. I dress for the occasion: old jeans and jacket, garden shoes and gloves and a hat. I head to the potting shed and get out my tools: a rake, wheel barrow, pruners and trowel. Then I begin my work. First, I pick out the fallen branches, fir cones and dead plants and then I begin to gently rake away winter's debris so not to disturb the new growth that is beginning to sprout. The hellebores, sparges, winter aconites, bergenia's, crocuses and primroses have been blooming for the past few weeks and welcome more flowers to the beds. The deep purple colour of the grape hyacinths pop against the yellow glow of the daffodils. As the forsythia begins to bloom, I prune the roses which are already beginning to bud along with the hydrangeas. Isn't it an absolute marvel to see seemingly dead wood and vines produce such healthy new bud growth?


After working for a few hours and getting sufficiently dirty and tired, I make myself a cup of tea (another daily ritual) and find a place to sit in the garden and survey my domain. Well, it's really just a small patch but it provides me with endless hours of labour and joy. I learn the satisfaction of being a creator of sorts. After being a teacher for many years, I still enjoy the practise of recess every morning-fifteen minutes to stop work and enjoy a cup of tea. It's important to build a time of rest and refreshment into our lives.

This year, it is so needful to be reminded of the cycles of life: that the death of winter will end and the new life of spring will arrive. This winter, we have been under the cloud of Covid and we eagerly await the warm spring showers. I've felt that we've been particularly vulnerable when tragedies strike this year. When I hear of overdoses, suicide attempts, sudden deaths, illnesses and broken relationships, I cry out, "Enough!" What can free us of this destructive drama that we are in the midst of as April arrives?

It is in this desolate state that I find solace and healing in the garden. Dorothy Frances Gurney, an English poet, wrote:

*The kiss of the sun for pardon,  
The song of the birds for mirth,  
One is nearer God's heart in the garden  
Than anywhere else on earth.*

The garden is a place that acts out the drama of life, death and resurrection. Seeds of forgiveness, grace, love, renewal and beauty are planted in the dirt. Some grow, some die and some die in order to live. So as I enact my yearly ritual of spring clean-up, I contemplate "God's heart" of love on this upcoming weekend.

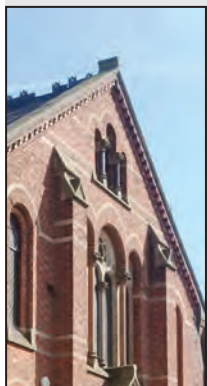
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15:34	0.8	2.6
22:37	4.6	15.1
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18:17	1.1	3.6
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PDT	(m)	(ft)
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13:34	3.6	11.8
20:30	1.4	4.6
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10:25	2.9	9.5
14:58	3.6	11.8
21:34	1.6	5.2
<b>2021-04-08</b> (Thursday)		
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11:09	2.6	8.5
16:09	3.7	12.1
22:29	1.7	5.6



## An Unpainted Portrait: Chukka (Part 3)

ARTS&LIT

By Leo Simmons



**Chukka.** *Def: a mummified Egyptian priest resurrected by unholy means and engaged to teach small boys using his eyebrows as semaphore devices. Speaks an archaic form of English.*

Chukka was, without doubt, the oldest person that I knew. My grandparents had all shuffled off this mortal coil (rather selfishly, I thought) before I was six months old, and as a consequence, my contact with wrinkled people had been limited to observing them from a distance. On the evidence of my newest teacher's behaviour, they seemed to be a very strange bunch.

Warming to his task, he and his animated pair of eyebrows regaled us with tales of ancient lore, wisdom and philosophy while I concentrated on watching him like a hawk for fear of being struck by an incoming piece of furniture or stationery. I was focusing all my attention on the duster-throwing madman when, to my horror, he suddenly stopped shuffling, whirled around and with eyebrows bristling, pointed a long bony finger directly at me. "ARE YOU LISTENIN TO ME, BOY?" he thundered. There was a scraping sound of chairs on floor, reminiscent of what happens when the local gunfighter squares up to the stranger in the saloon. I sensed people trying to hide under their desks. Trapped on the flypaper of Mr Limb's fury, I was powerless to move, although in an unconscious parallel to a dying fly, I did manage to wave my legs feebly under my chair.

"WELL?" yelled the eyebrows behind those impossible spectacles. "Yes sir – of course, sir!" I responded in my best Oliver Twist voice. The eyebrows twitched. By this time I knew it signified a blink. An expression of confusion crept over the old man's features and he opened and closed his mouth for no apparent reason. "Ah... GOOD! Don't let me catch you...er...again!" he managed eventually. Obviously, he'd already forgotten the offence that he'd imagined. I'm not sure which of us was more bewildered, but I basked very briefly in the role of minor celebrity and the rich bonus that I'd avoided any ballistic classroom equipment. Coleman glared at me, hate oozing from every pore. It made him even more objectionable.

The rest of the lesson passed in a blur. I stuck to following the teacher's every move with my eyes while I tried to work out why he'd picked me out for...whatever it was. As a strategy for ensuring my rapt attention, it was a complete failure, although it did help the rambling lecture pass quite quickly for me. A glance at my watch showed that it was already three o'clock as the bell sounded for the end of the lesson. Only one more period to go – although that too was with the oldest teacher in Christendom. At least, I thought, it meant that the long first day was almost over.

I suddenly realised that Chukka had stopped talking and was staring around the room. "Well c'mon then! Off you go to yer next lesson, dammit!" he said with some exasperation. We stayed put, squirming slightly. By now completely bemused, the old duffer sauntered over to his desk and stood behind it, peering at us with faint alarm. "Go to yer next lesson!" he said again. A quietly spoken kid at the front plucked up his courage and with an arm raised, softly informed the old man that our next lesson was with him, in that room, and was called 'Classical Civilizations'. The eyebrows fluttered, scaring any pregnant pauses out of the room before they had a chance to establish themselves. "Of course you are! Stupid boy!" So: he could still think on his feet if necessary. "Here, hand these out. Quick, now!" he said, pressing the unfortunate lad into service carrying around a towering pile of tatty, heavy textbooks. As it turned out, these books were actually references for the subject we'd just finished – which had been the Classical Civilizations lesson

after all. It didn't matter because the teacher launched into what seemed like an unmodified version of the previous hour, punctuated on occasion with some spider-like scribbles on the board and sudden demands for answers to mysterious and as yet unanswerable questions, such as "Tell me what you know about Thermopylae! Quick, now!" Had we not been terrified of him, the lesson might have been quite entertaining, but it would be a few more weeks before we had the measure of the old boy and could get through his lessons without fear of injury.

Within fifty minutes the bell for the end of the school day blasted out. Unlike television programmes which portray noisy pupils ignoring the teacher, immediately packing their bags and streaming unhindered into the corridor with shrieks of delight, we stayed silent and immobile. Chukka appeared to have not heard the bell and continued in full flow, wagging a piece of chalk at nothing in particular as he spoke in open admiration of the Greek culture and all its wonders. As he continued, we started to fidget, more so when our fellow pupils began to stream past the outside window and out of one of the school gates to freedom. It was only when he strolled over to the window that Mr Limb seemed to become aware of them, and twitched those magnificent hairy brows. "Has the bell sounded?" he asked nobody in particular. Several voices called out "YES SIR!" "Well, why the bally...? Off you GO!" We needed no further encouragement, and the harsh, shrill sound of chairs and desks screeching on the floor filled the air. Within a few seconds, my books were in my brand new briefcase, and I was on my way out of the room. When I stole a glance backwards, the ancient teacher was staring out of the window in apparent irritation at the mob of excited boys outside.

Things, I suspected, had been very different when he first trod those halls...



## The IHRA Definition of Antisemitism

OP/ED

By Sally Campbell

**The** International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) adopted a “new definition” of antisemitism in 2016. There is actually no need for a new definition of antisemitism. It has been clearly spelled out and remains widely understood as hatred of Jews for being Jews. The IHRA definition in itself is not controversial. However, it lists 11 examples of antisemitism, 7 of them involving criticisms of the State of Israel. These examples have the effect for which they were intended. They scare and silence people. For instance, one example declares it antisemitic to criticize the State of Israel as a racist endeavour. Israel has itself recently passed legislation (the 2018 Nation State law) which declares it is a state for the Jewish people only, and not a state for all its citizens. Human rights supporters call that law racist. Does that make them antisemitic? Similarly, support for the Palestinian-led Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions movement (BDS) is considered antisemitic under the examples, as it would arguably be “denying the Jewish people their right to self-determination”. Accusing Jewish people of being more loyal to Israel than to their own nations is deemed antisemitic as well.

The intention & effect of the IHRA definition, which binds organizations that adopt it, is to censor support for Palestinian rights and to silence criticism of Israel about its oppression of Palestinians. This is in clear violation of the freedom of expression that democracies enjoy.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has adopted the definition on behalf of Canada, and appointed long-time Zionist Irwin Cotler as Canada’s “Special Envoy on Preserving Holocaust Remembrance & Combating Antisemitism”. Cotler has been invited to explore ways to build the IHRA definition into federal policy and legislation, and to represent Canada at the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance.

What threat does adoption of the IHRA definition pose to Canadian politics and civil society?

Let’s examine the UK as a case study. Proponents say the IHRA definition and examples are necessary because of the emergence of a “new antisemitism”. What does that mean? The British Labour Party adopted the IHRA definition under pressure from a faction within the Party calling itself “Jewish Friends of Israel”. Ever since, the Labour Party has been embroiled in a very messy skirmish around supposed antisemitism within its ranks. There seems to be no concrete evidence of same. Adoption of the definition however, ignited an internal battle royale, which led to the censure and suspension of several principled MP’s such as Jackie Walker and Tony Greenstein, (ironically a Jewish woman of colour & a non-Zionist Jew). Ultimately the process took down Labour’s democratic socialist leader, Jeremy Corbyn, a man dedicated to anti-racism, progressive causes his entire career. Corbyn had huge grassroots support in Britain and led the Opposition. He was accused of antisemitism because of his overt support for Palestinian rights. (Actually, Corbyn’s biggest crime was the threat he posed to the neo-Liberal establishment elites in both the Labour and Conservative Parties, for his “share the wealth”, equality-oriented politics.) The IHRA definition in this case was used to besmirch his reputation and ultimately derail his leadership. The witch hunt for antisemitic speech (code for support for Palestinians) continues in the Labour Party (Jonathan Cook, British journalist, [www.jonathancook.org](http://www.jonathancook.org)). Trump adopted the IHRA definition by Executive Order last year (as did Ontario Premier Doug Ford). It is being used in the US Department of Education to silence scholars on the subject of Israel-Palestine. In a number of American universities, for example, where the Senate or Board of Regents has adopted the definition (under pressure from pro-Israel lobbyists & donors), students and faculty who advocate for Palestinian rights through such avenues as BDS have been targeted for censure, dismissal, non-hiring, and demotion, through application of the IHRA definition. Groups like Students for Justice in Palestine have been demonized as antisemitic. The definition has been used in lawsuits against activists, all of which have been dismissed. ([www.Palestinelegal.org](http://www.Palestinelegal.org)). This censorship and silencing has recently been an issue at University of Toronto and at UBC.

The Centre for Israel & Jewish Advocacy (CIJA) is Canada’s largest Israel lobby group. They are promoting adoption of the IHRA definition at provincial, city, and municipal levels across the country, as well as in universities and political parties. They are

well-funded and well-organized.

Vancouver, Montreal and Calgary have voted down adoption of the IHRA definition. Entities who adopt it arguably have to censure, not hire, or perhaps fire people who support Palestinian equality. Groups such as Independent Jewish Voices have led the fight against adoption of the definition through their “No IHRA Campaign”. ([www.IJVCanada.org](http://www.IJVCanada.org))

The NDP has an anti-IHRA resolution on its agenda for its forthcoming convention April 11-13, 2021. This resolution has come under attack by outside supporters of Israel. IJV recommends NDP members encourage their delegates to vote “yes” for the resolution and has backgrounder fact sheets explaining why the IHRA definition needs to be opposed.

One challenge presented by the IHRA definition is that no one wants to be called antisemitic. The effect is that those worried about being labelled antisemitic remain silent in the face of injustice. They don’t realize they are contributing to the erasure of Palestinians and to the calculated assault against their struggle for freedom, justice and equality. From retired Archbishop Desmond Tutu: silence in the face of oppression perpetuates the status quo.

Further, critics of the definition rightly note that it diverts people from addressing real antisemitism which has been openly expressed by white supremacists in the US, by such acts as last year’s bombing of a Jewish Synagogue in Pennsylvania.

Finally, the definition’s examples conflate Israel & Zionism with Jews everywhere. Jewish people and the Israeli state are not one and the same. Over ½ the world’s Jewish population lives outside of Israel. Progressive Jews don’t equate their Judaism with Zionism (support for Israel as a Jewish state), and many consider that assumption about them to be antisemitic.

Canada needs to stand with the majority of the world’s nations and start condemning Israel for its ongoing apartheid instead of being guilted into adoption of spurious diversion tactics such as the IHRA definition of antisemitism.

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## Letters to the Editor

**Dear Grapevine Editor:**

*I would like to urge anyone who cares about the marine environment to please oppose the application for expansion of the deep water tenure near Henry Bay.*

*The expansion (in a W1 Marine Conservation zone) will almost triple the existing tenure in a valuable herring spawning area which will be negatively impacted. This area is also part of an internationally recognized IBA (Important Bird Area) and labeled an Environmentally or Biologically Sensitive Area (EBSA) by DFO so more industry would displace more indigenous and transient species in an already fragile marine environment. Water quality would also be compromised due to a reduction of oxygen levels. Their plan also includes the ability to decontaminate shellfish which raises questions about the health of recreationally gathered shellfish in a residential and important recreational area.*

*This company has had numerous documented complaints against its existing tenure due to escapement of their gear which is a violation of their Shellfish Conditions of License. The last time it occurred (just after the annual beach clean up), over 100 oyster baskets, trays, buckets, ropes etc. ended up on our shore. When notified, the tenure owner's crew was dispatched and only the "easy pikins" were retrieved. After notifying the tenure owner once again and waiting a week, neighbours reluctantly cleaned up two trailer loads with great difficulty due to the terrain.*

*When plastic gear washes up, it grinds away in the tide line creating toxic microplastics which contaminate the marine ecosystem including the very product these shellfish growers are passing off as "green and sustainable growing in pristine waters".*

*Please go to the link at-*

*<https://comment.nrs.gov.bc.ca/applications> click on "Find" and enter 1411213. Click on the icon for details. You will have the ability to comment until April 9th and don't be fooled by their Debris Management Plan because even though it looks promising...it's far from it.*

*Raft tenures are responsible for 90% of the escaped shellfish industry equipment we find on our shores and until DFO actually enforces Shellfish Conditions of License and goes back to doing inspections, more rafts mean more debris which means more microplastics.*

**- Edi Johnston [edijohnston@gmail.com](mailto:edijohnston@gmail.com) 🍷**

**Dear Editor:**

*Just for the record... Craig Baird's article, "Settling Hornby Island", in last week's Grapevine neglected to mention that George Ford, the first settler on Hornby had a wife, an Indigenous wife who no doubt gave him more than a hand when he "got down to work clearing out the land and setting it up for farming." The roles of women and Indigenous people are often erased from history. I would like to unerase the roles of Indigenous women in this instance with a quote from an essay, "Invisible Women" by Jean Barman in *On the Cusp of Contact*. Henry Ford "...married Mary James, seventeen years his junior and daughter of Fort Rupert Chief Kla Kwa Keela... In 1869 the Fords moved from Comox to Hornby Island, perhaps because, a descendant has mused, the growing white settlement around Comox 'was not friendly to a Native and non-Native marriage.' Ford, together with a friend who had also come out in 1862 and married an Indigenous woman, became the first white settlers and eventually owned almost half of Hornby between them. In 1897 the Ford farm was described as splendid..." In this and other essays in *On the Cusp* Barman points out that the many Indigenous wives of settlers came with valuable skills and knowledge. They and their relatives knew how, where and when to hunt and fish and, on the coast, how to harvest and preserve a vast array of seafood with which to sustain their families while land was cleared and set up for farming. This would be in addition to all the usual work done by women raising families on homesteads. They most certainly were major and indispensable contributors to the splendiddness of farms such as the Fords'.*

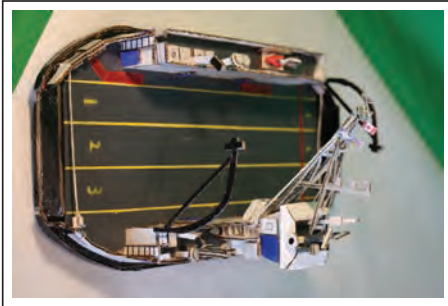
**- Mary Jane Stewart 🍷**

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# Passionate Ferry Fan Builds Incredible BC Ferries Replicas

By Tessa Humphries • Photos 1-4 of Kahloke by Josh Yeung photo 5 by BC Ferries

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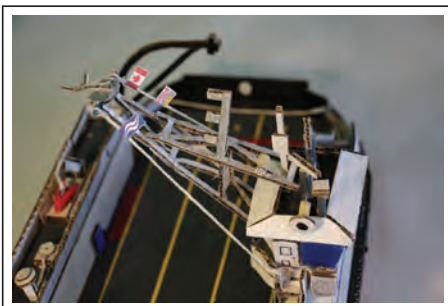
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**B**C Ferries' employees might recognize seven-year-old Josh Yeung from all the trips he's made on board our ships. Josh has been passionate about BC Ferries since he was just five years old. Trips to

visit his grandfather on Denman Island helped drive his interest. He would spend the time on board looking at all the details and asking questions.

Now he spends about two hours every day making his own ferries — models of BC Ferries vessels he creates from cardboard and other household materials. He is able to replicate them to the tiniest of details thanks to his photographic memory.

Josh's unusual abilities and interest in BC Ferries made more sense to his mom Jackie after he was diagnosed on the autism spectrum. Now Josh attends the Whytecliff Learning Centre in Langley where one his teachers, Dave, helps bring Josh's skills to the forefront and bust myths about autism.

"They're kind of taught they have a disability, when in fact Josh is proof they just are exploding with ability."

- Dave Mutnjakovic, Josh's teacher

Josh's dream is to pursue a career with BC Ferries, as maybe a deckhand or up on the bridge as an Officer. Well done Josh – we can't wait to follow along your journey! 🍷

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## The Masked Man

by Thomas Provençal

I hold on to my story  
no matter how gory.  
Here, sit down in my dive.  
I made the trail  
that follows my tail  
to the end of Reginald Drive.  
He had it coming  
and deserved what he got.  
I defended the honour  
of the woman he shot  
and barely got out alive!  
The fight was a blight

on my good reputation.  
I banished the bloke  
with a quad amputation.  
Somehow I heard he survived!  
I buried the blond  
in a garden of daisies  
then I cracked open  
some IPA hazies.  
I was just getting into my stride.  
Word soon got out  
I could finish their bout  
with enemies better as dead  
Many have called  
and I can recall  
stories that'll slice off your head!

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The Comox Valley Primary Care Network is being built with **YOU** at the centre! By forming care teams that work together, we aim to improve access to more services. To do this well, we need to hear from you. Please take 10 to 15 minutes to show us the way.

To access the survey, scan the QR code or go to [surveys.divisionsbc.ca/CV-PCN-PES.aspx](https://surveys.divisionsbc.ca/CV-PCN-PES.aspx)

For further information please contact the Comox Valley PCN Evaluator at [cv\\_evaluator@divisionsbc.ca](mailto:cv_evaluator@divisionsbc.ca)

Thank you for being a part of your improved health system.

## TreeEater Nursery Spring Sale!

You are invited to come to TreeEater Nursery to check out our offerings of perennial fruit and nut trees.

Please come by between 10am-3pm on Saturday, April 3rd. Address is 2011 N. Central Rd.

Covid friendly protocols will be in place. No time like the present to plant the trees for future climate resilience!

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Members, vote on our proposed merger April 21 to May 5: online, in-branch or mail-in.

For branch info, please visit [ubcu.ca](http://ubcu.ca)

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF AQUACULTURE LICENCE APPLICATION**

**Land Act:**

**Notice of Intention to Apply for a Disposition of Crown Land**

Take notice that we, **Pentlatch Seafoods LP** from **Courtenay, BC**, have applied to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), for an amendment to **Xelikw - Henry Bay - Deepwater Suspended Shellfish Culture** situated on Provincial Crown land located at **Henry Bay near the North end of Denman Island in Baynes Sound**.

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is **Crown Land File 1411213**.

Comments may be submitted electronically via the provincial Applications, Comments & Reasons for Decision webpage at <https://comment.nrs.gov.bc.ca>

Alternatively, hard copy comments may be directed to the Section Head, Aquaculture, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development at 142 - 2080 Labieux Rd, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9.

Comments will be received by FLNRORD up to **April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. FLNRORD may not be able to consider comments received after this date.

Please visit the website at <https://comment.nrs.gov.bc.ca/> for more information.

Be advised that any response to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. For information, contact the Freedom of Information Advisor at the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development office in Nanaimo.

**Canadian Navigable Waters Act:  
Notice of application for Approval of Aquaculture Facility.**

**Pentlatch Seafoods LP** hereby gives notice that an application has been made to the Minister of Transport, pursuant to the Canadian Navigable Waters Act for Approval of the work described herein and its site plans.

Pursuant to Paragraph 7(2) of the said Act, **Pentlatch Seafoods LP**, has deposited with the Minister of Transport, on the on-line Navigable Waters Registry (or Common Project Search (CPS): <http://cps.canada.ca/>), under the Navigation Protection Program File number# 2002-500678, a description of the following work, its site plans:

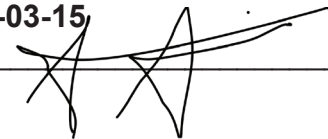
**Shellfish Aquaculture** in, on, over, under, through or across **Henry Bay in Baynes Sound** in front of **the Northwest shore of Denman Island**.

Comments regarding the effect of this work on marine navigation can be sent through the Common Project Search site mentioned above under the Comment section (search by the above referenced number) or, by sending your comments directly to the Navigation Protection Program Pacific, Suite 820 – 800 Burrard Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6Z 2J8 if you do not have access to the internet

However, comments will be considered only if they are in writing (electronic means preferable: [NPPAC-PPNPAC@tc.gc.ca](mailto:NPPAC-PPNPAC@tc.gc.ca)) and are received not later than 30 days after the publication of the last notice. Although all comments conforming to the above will be considered, no individual response will be sent.

Date: **2021-03-15**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday April 6 2021 Via Zoom at 5 p.m.

*The Financials, a Directors' Report, and a proposed slate of Directors are now available on our website [DenmanHousing.com](http://DenmanHousing.com)*

You are invited to join the Zoom Meeting by video or by phone <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6766677098>  
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## Shipping: Worse Than Aviation

OP/ED

By Gwynne Dyer • OP March 29th, 2021

“We’re waiting on food goods like coconut milk and syrups, some spare parts for motors, we’ve got some fork lift trucks, some Amazon goods on there, all sorts,” said Steve Parks of Seaport Freight Services in England, who is awaiting twenty of the 18,300 containers aboard the recently freed ‘Ever Given’. Which of those things cannot be sourced from somewhere closer than Asia?

Oh, all right. Coconut trees don’t grow in Europe, where ‘Ever Given’ is bound. But at least 80% of the cargo on that gigantic container ship and the 370 vessels still backed up behind it (of which a third are container ships and car-carriers) didn’t really need to be moved halfway around the world. The stuff could be made a lot closer to where it is wanted. In fact, that used to be how things worked.

Now that the delinquent megaship has finally been freed from the bottom, normal service will resume and 50-odd ships, bearing one-eighth of all the world’s international trade, will once again pass through the Suez Canal each day. Egypt will doubtless reconsider its decision to leave the southern third of the canal single-lane, and everybody will live happily ever after.

Well, no. Putting huge amounts of dispensable, low-value stuff on massive container ships only makes sense to accountants. The life cycle of most of the goods that the container ships carry is to be dug out of a hole in the ground, turned into consumer goods, shipped halfway around the world, and eventually buried in another hole in the ground.

The sole justification for this most extreme manifestation of globalisation is that the wage rates are lower on one side of the world than on the other. But it’s murder on the crews, mostly poor people from poor countries who aren’t even allowed ashore when the ships stop briefly in ports. And it’s hell on the environment, because almost all these ships are burning bunker oil.

Bunker (Heavy Fuel Oil - HFO) is the tar-like residue that remains at the end of the process of distilling and ‘cracking’ petroleum, after the lighter hydrocarbons like gasoline and diesel have been removed. Most cargo ships burn bunker, and it’s so polluting that ‘Ever Given’, steaming along alone, produces as much pollution per day as fifty million cars driven the average daily distance.

A more relevant comparison, perhaps, is between the shipping and the aviation industries. Each accounts for about 3% of total emissions of human origin, they are both growing fast, and they are both very hard nuts to crack.

Their shared basic problem is that you can’t easily electrify ships and planes. Electricity produced from nice, clean sources like solar or wind or hydro-power is little help because of the deplorable lack of very long extension cables, and batteries are too heavy for planes and not long-lasting enough for ships that spend weeks at sea.

That is why both seaborne trade and commercial aviation were excluded from the start from the emissions quotas that countries have signed up for. Instead, the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) were given the job of reducing the emissions of their own industries. With exactly the results you would expect.

The IMO promised an actual reduction in carbon dioxide emissions from shipping for the first time in 2018: a 50% cut by 2050. Not ‘net-zero’ emissions by

2050, like 110 countries have pledged, but just half that. It’s a start – or it would be except that the IMO is not going to start enforcing emissions reductions at all until 2029 or 2030.

There are two ways to limit the damage from marine fuel emissions. One is to burn low sulphur bunker (an extra \$15-20 per metric ton), which cuts harmful sulphur dioxide emissions but doesn’t lower CO2. But what most ships are actually doing is burn the cheapest bunker oil, install ‘open-loop scrubbers’ to bring the emissions down to 0.5% sulphur instead of 3.5% – and dump the excess sulphur into the ocean.

The one way to cut maritime carbon dioxide emissions fast is to lower the speed of the ships: reducing a large ship’s speed by 10% cuts its CO2 emissions by 27%. But the best measure of all, until a new generation of wind-driven cargo ships matures, is to cut the sheer volume of trinkets traveling by sea.

You can still have your cheap garden furniture, brand-name sneakers and plastic Easter eggs if you want, but make them closer to home and pay a little more. And put at least as much pressure on the world’s shipping industry for emissions cuts as popular opinion is already exerting on the aviation industry. 🍷

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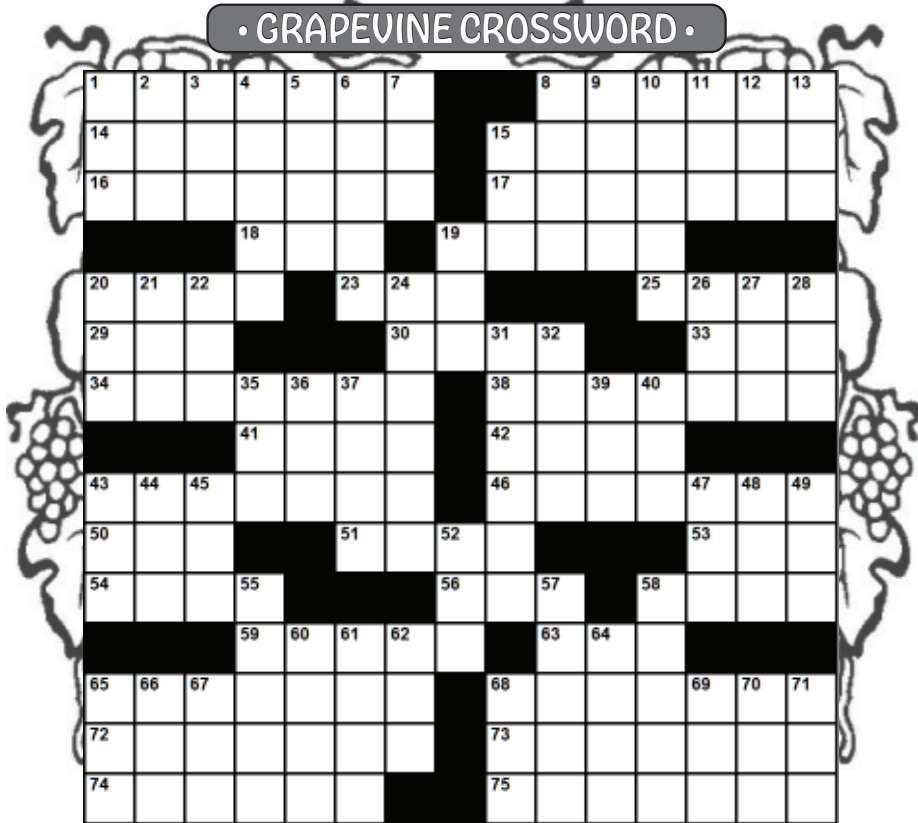
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The Grapevine is dedicated to fostering a sense of community on Denman and Hornby by covering events, issues, and the creativity of the many gifted people amongst us. The following is our policy on content:

- Profiles of individuals, history, reviews and op ed are published free of charge.
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- 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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• ACROSS •

1. Gets all mushy
8. Holds fast
14. Of a round trip
15. Ace, of a sort
16. Pre-election election
17. Seventh heaven
18. Benevolent guy
19. Increase
20. It was, poetically
23. Aspen gear
25. Dog nail
29. Atom fragment
30. Without much effort
33. Anteceding
34. Argue
38. Sponsorship
41. Galactic time period
42. Colts' mom
43. Idaho state flower
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58. Biting bug
59. Improbable victory

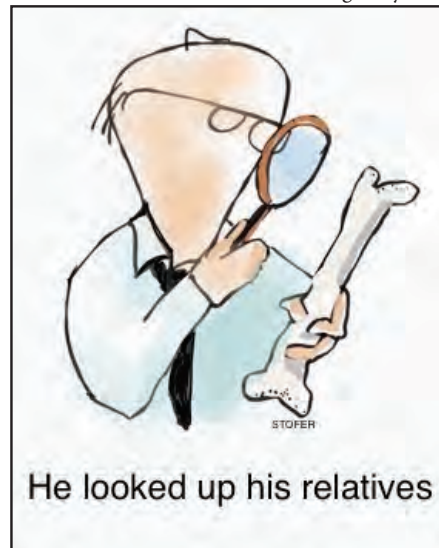
63. Avail oneself of
65. Superior in quality
68. Made corrections
72. Happen again
73. Eskimos, Utes, et al.
74. From birth
75. Key in text

• DOWN •

1. Absorb
2. Bobby of the NHL
3. Govt. cops
4. Clock readings
5. Abbr. after a list
6. British informers
7. Conniving
8. Eager, and then some
9. Grime
10. Utter chaos
11. Airport info
12. Actor Ely
13. Period of time
15. Additionally
19. Assistance
20. Cramp
21. Be a beau
22. Abby's sister
24. Filch a fellow
26. Luau wear
27. Band of sparks
28. Barely visible
31. Express grief
32. Currency of China
35. -chi ch'uan
36. Still, in verse
37. Inoperative to NASA
39. Hindu Mr.
40. Coat rack
- piece
43. 1967 Monkees song
44. Over there
45. Auto gear, abbr.
47. Anthropology focus
48. Cultural collection
49. Be in session
52. Approx.
55. New Mexico's flower
57. M-m-m good
58. Kind or type
60. NATO, e.g.
61. Pivot about
62. Always, in verse
64. Leak out
65. Altdorf's canton
66. Animal home
67. Absalom, to David
68. Absorb, as costs
69. Affront socially
70. Capt.'s heading
71. Banned substance

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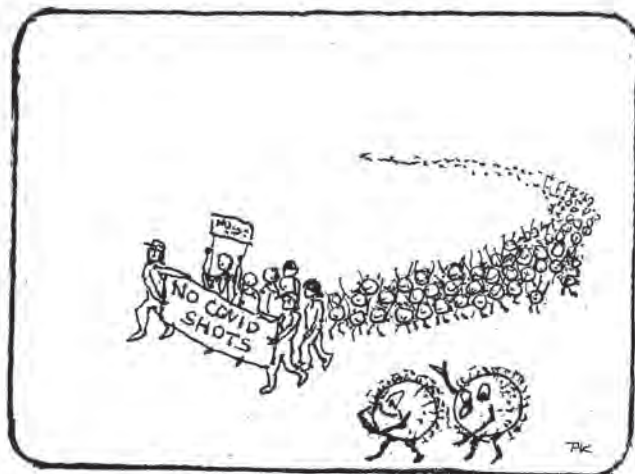
COMMUNITY SERVICES FROM DENMAN WORKS Projector and screen: Book with Abraxas Books and Gifts 250-335-2731 abraxas9@telus.net Zoom meetings (unlimited time and free recording): See denmanworks.wordpress.com/contact/

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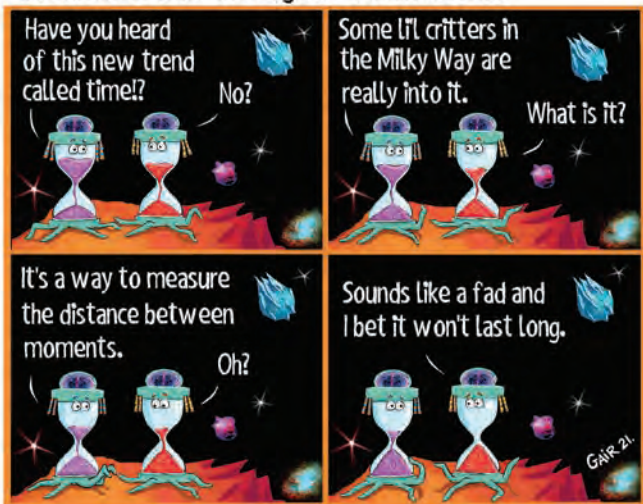
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THURSDAY 1

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

FRIDAY 2

- AA Meeting DI United Church 7pm

SATURDAY 3

- RECYCLING CENTRE 9-5pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 9-5pm
- FREE STORE 9am-dark
- WOOD STOVE PIZZA NIGHT - Earth Club Factory

SUNDAY 4

MONDAY 5

TUESDAY 6

- DHA AGM see ad on page 9

WEDNESDAY 7

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

THURSDAY 8

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

FRIDAY 9

- AA Meeting DI United Church 7pm

SATURDAY 10

- RECYCLING CENTRE 9-5pm
- BOTTLE DEPOT 9-5pm
- FREE STORE 9am-dark
- SPRING DINNER MENU - Earth Club Factory

SUNDAY 11

MONDAY 12

TUESDAY 13

WEDNESDAY 14

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



THURSDAY 15

- RECYCLING CENTRE 2-6pm
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- FOOD BANK 4-7pm



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**April 2: General Store Good Friday**

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**April 5:**

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