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Marathon mom Kim Campbell seemingly can't get enough of long-distance runs. page B7



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SANTA'S MUSICAL RIDE? The Calgary Stampede is not the only event with horses being ridden downtown. In this case, it was the annual Santa Claus Parade on Sunday down Fifth Street in Courtenay. PHOTO BY EARLE COUPER

Heroism award to Douglas

Erin Haluschak
Record Staff

Comox Valley RCMP Const. Tammy Douglas is one of a select group of B.C. police officers honoured last week in Victoria as part of the Police Honours Night, marking outstanding officers throughout the province.

Lieut.-Gov. Judith Guichon and Attorney General and Minister of Justice Suzanne Anton presented awards to 82 officers.

In May 2012, Douglas was in the right place at the right time, when she acted quickly to remove a woman from a burning home on Topland Road.

She was making patrols up Mission Hill in Courtenay when she observed a large amount of smoke coming from the area behind Comox Valley Dodge.

Douglas found three occupants safely outside the home, however a young boy was yelling for help as his aunt was still inside. The front porch area was fully engulfed, and Douglas entered the smoke-filled home and found a woman in the back area.

She was able to safely escort the woman outside. All residents of the home, including two family dogs, escaped with minor injuries due to smoke inhalation.

Douglas was treated for smoke inhalation, but did not suffer any serious injury.

"Const. Douglas exemplifies the dedication and commitment to duty that so many of my officers hold," said Chief Supt. Randy Wilson, officer in charge of the RCMP on Vancouver Island at the time.

"I take great pride in knowing that Tammy's selfless actions ensured that nobody was seriously injured or killed in this fire. The communities in the Comox Valley are well served by Tammy and her colleagues, who do not hesitate to put themselves in



CONST. TAMMY DOUGLAS was honoured during Police Honours Night for saving a woman from a burning building. FILE PHOTO

'Missing link' sought

Scott Stanfield
Record Staff

The Third Crossing Society is making a case for a two-lane highway following forest roads out of Powell River and Squamish that would act as a mid-province corridor linking northern Vancouver Island with the rest of B.C.

The proposed 'missing link' is about 30 kilometres of missing roadbed that would complete a transportation/economic corridor to Alberta and beyond. The cost is estimated at about \$500 million. "That's a pretty awesome idea," CVRD board chair Edwin Grieve

told Third Crossing president Lorne Craig, who appeared at committee of the whole.

The society suggests the corridor would revitalize ferry traffic on the Little River-Westview ferry run. It's looking for support in principle from the district.

By next fall, the Vanier school grounds should contain a new running track and a turf field to replace the all-weather gravel pitch.

The estimated 2014 tax rate is about \$6.34 for an average property worth \$350,000.

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harms way for the safety and well being of their citizens." In all, about 9,000 members of RCMP, independent municipal, First Nations and transit police services deliver policing throughout B.C. Ole Edliq of Comox Valley Ground Search and Rescue was also honoured. See story, page A5. photos@comoxvalleyrecord.com

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Elves need your donations

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Record Staff

Santa's Workshop needs community donations of new and gently used toys to help make Christmas special for Comox Valley families in need.

"It's a wonderful thing for people who just cannot afford to otherwise get things for their children, and for grandparents who find it difficult, as well," says media spokesperson Barb Metheral. "It's great for these little ones to have a smile on their faces when they've got some nice gifts."

New and gently used toys and bikes will be accepted until Dec. 13, and Metheral says the earlier the better for donation dropoffs, as the volunteers need time to clean and organize them before they're given out. Cash donations are also gladly accepted as they help purchase new gifts.

Santa's Workshop is located at 877 Fifth St. in Courtenay, and although roadwork is going on right in front of the building, donations are still accepted at the workshop. According to the City of Courtenay website, this roadwork is expected to be complete by Nov. 30.

Alternately, drop boxes are located in Courtenay at: Bank of Montreal, Baby Barn Boutique, Courtenay



SANTA'S WORKSHOP VOLUNTEER Heini Von Schilling fixes the brakes on a bike that will make Christmas brighter for a Comox Valley child.

PHOTO BY RENEE ANDOR

& District Museum, Curves, Dairy Queen, Fabricland, Habitat for Humanity, London Drugs, Mountain Ridge Tree Farm, Sun West Auto, You Are Not Alone and at the Driftwood Mall.

The Comox locations are: Coastal Commu-

nity Credit Union, Comox Centre Mall, Scotia Bank and Slegg Lumber.

In particular, Metheral says toys suitable for older children are needed.

"There's always lots of stuff for little ones, two, three, four, six,

seven, eight years old but after that there's never near as much," she says, adding the toy age range is from babies to 16 years.

More than 250 bikes were given out last year, and volunteers are busily cleaning donated bikes to give out this year. Parents and grandparents picked out gifts for nearly 800 Comox Valley children last year, thanks to community donations and the work of volunteers at Santa's Workshop.

Families can call the workshop at 250-897-1994 to make an appointment for gift selection, which happens from Dec. 2 to 20.

The workshop is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Friday during November, and it opens at 9 a.m. starting in December.

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Paul Ives

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Aquaculture causing tension with Islands Trust

Renee Andor

Record Staff

A K'ómoks First Nation aquaculture operation off Denman Island has generated some tension between the band and Islands Trust.

Islands Trust staff is seeking advice from provincial and federal agencies to see how the Denman Island Local Trust Committee, (DILTC) could respond to a KFN aquaculture operation in waters off Denman Island, which are zoned for

conservation, according to the DILTC.

"We don't have full clarity, and I don't know if anyone does, and I don't know if we'll have for a while," says Islands Trust Chief Administrative Officer Linda Adams. "The whole issue with First Nations aboriginal rights, as everybody

knows, it's a complex topic." According to FLNRO communications representative Brennan Clarke, the tenure at Henry Bay was granted to KFN-owned Pentlatch Seafoods Ltd. in 2010 by FLNRO.

The Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations, (FLNRO), has the power to approve tenure applications, (licence of occupation), for aquaculture operations. But, other agencies have regulatory authority, too, including Fisheries and Oceans Canada, (aquaculture licence), Transport Canada and local government.

Clarke says the minis-

try encourages applicants to obtain approvals from other agencies, but agency decisions are made independent of each other, and FLNRO may grant a tenure prior to other agencies issuing their decisions.

According to a letter from KFN Chief Councillor Robert Everson to Islands Trust, KFN is asserting its rights to the area around Denman Island through its aquaculture practices.

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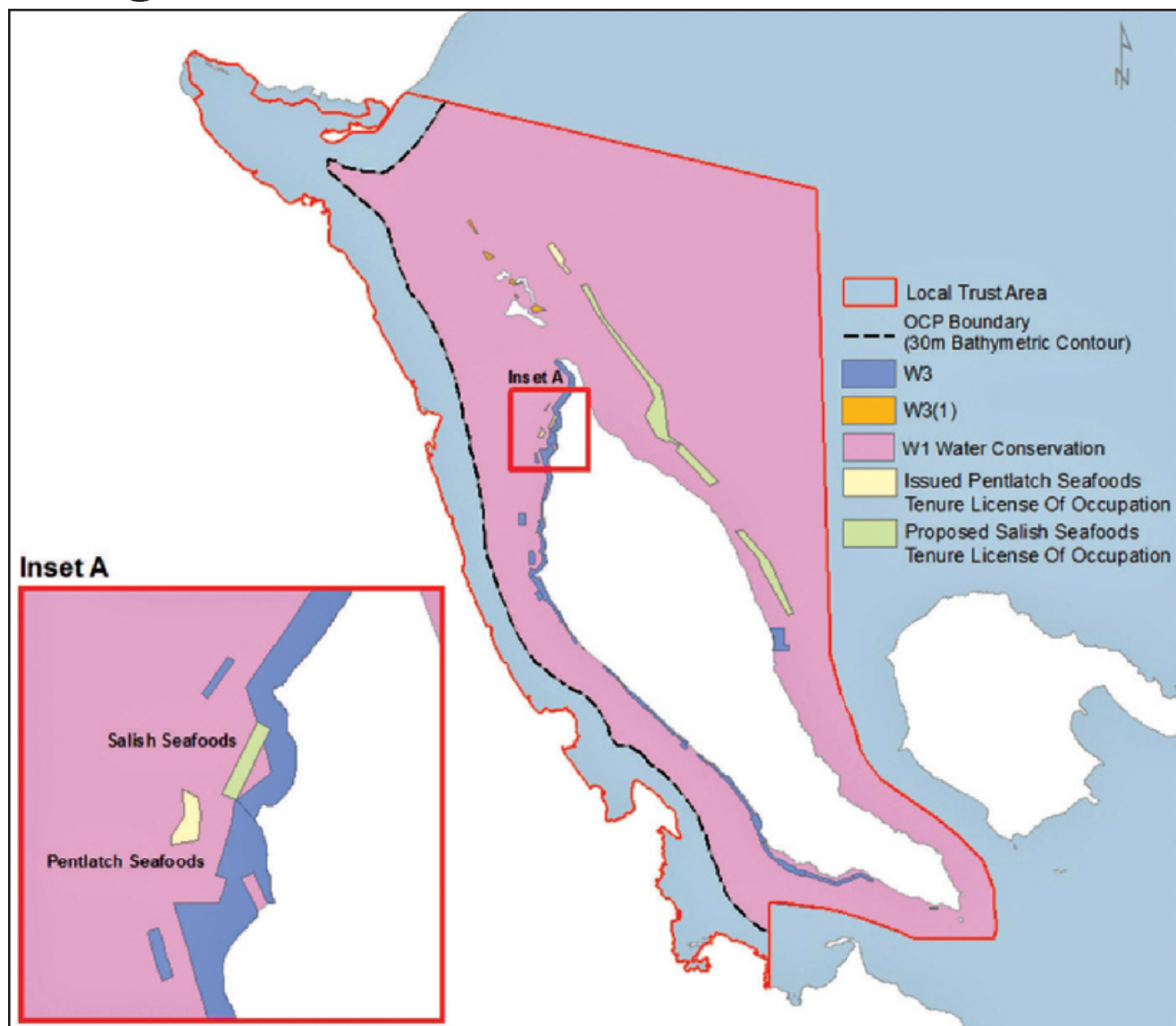
Rob Everson

for comment in time for the Comox Valley Record's deadline.

He also writes that KFN tried to address Islands Trust concerns as far back 2010, and in 2011 KFN asked for a temporary use permit while the "zoning inconsistency was addressed," but the DILTC did not support the permit. He writes that the aquaculture zoning was put in place without any consultation with KFN.

According to Adams, the DILTC put zoning in place in 1998 "to recognize then-existing aquaculture tenures, with the remaining areas zoned for conservation." Islands Trust couldn't

recognize the authority of Islands Trust or the Denman Island Local Trust Committee, especially when it comes to any bylaws that may have an impact upon the lands and waters that we have had access to since time immemorial," writes Everson, who could not be reached



THE PINK AREA is zoned by the Denman Island Local Trust committee as a conservation area. The inset within is an area in which the K'ómoks Band has an aquaculture operation.

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confirm Friday whether or not KFN was consulted because those files are in off-site archives, but Adams says Islands Trust general practice at the time was to refer "all proposed zoning changes to any First Nation that had expressed interests in the area, and to seek their comments."

She adds the DILTC rezoned three marine areas in 2004 to allow aquaculture off Sandy Island and Seal Islets at the request of KFN.

The next DILTC meet-

ing is set for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 at the Denman Island Seniors Hall, and the matter is on the agenda. To view the agenda package visit <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca>. An FLNRO representative is expected to make a presentation at the meeting, but Clarke says the DILTC is encouraged handle the matter on its own.

"The Province encourages local government to follow their own compliance and enforcement of their bylaws prior to contacting

FLNRO," says Clarke. "It would not be appropriate for FLNRO to intervene until the Islands Trust has exhausted all of its enforcement options."

Meanwhile, KFN's Salish Sea Foods Ltd. has submitted six applications for aquaculture sites in the Comox Valley area, totaling more than 500 hectares. Three of those sites — 7.3 hectares in Henry Bay; 135.7 hectares northeast of Denman Island; and 118.7 hectares on the east side of Denman Island —

fall within waters zoned for conservation by the DILTC.

Clarke notes these applications are for geoduck cultivation, while the existing site at Henry Bay doesn't include geoducks. He says FLNRO is still gathering public input about the six current applications and no decision has been made.

"The applicant is aware that they must seek approvals from DFO (Department of Fisheries and Oceans), Transport Canada and local government," adds Clarke.

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CVRD addressing pollution treatment stench

Sewage treatment plant to be evaluated, odour tracking to be done

Scott Stanfield
Record Staff

The regional district sewage commission has approved a staff recommendation to include \$50,000 in a four-year sewer service financial plan to deal with odour issues at the Comox Valley Water Pollution Control Centre on Brent Road in Area B.

The district will evaluate odour control equipment and practices at the sewage treatment plant near Lazo Wildlife Park, and implement a tracking system to consistently address odour complaints.

"The recommendation makes eminent sense," Courtenay director/commission vice-chair Jon Ambler said Tuesday.

The committee acknowledged correspondence from Curtis Road resident Jenny Steel, who has requested action on behalf of about 22 houses in and around Point Holmes that are affected by the smell, which is at its worst in summer.

Though pleased the committee has not denied the problem, Steel is disappointed there is not a greater sense of urgency to find solutions.

"These are noxious sewerage treatment gases that we're smelling and the CVWPCC staff don't know exactly what they are," she said, adding residents hoped something could have started earlier to provide "some relief from the problem next summer."

"Instead, we have been given a timeline of somewhere between 2014 to 2018 for only an evaluation."

The plant treats wastewater from Courtenay and Comox. The district began to receive odour complaints shortly after the facility was built

in 1984.

The following year, the Curtis Road residents committee filed legal action, which was resolved out-of-court in 1992. Along with compensating residents,

the CVRD relocated the composting facility and installed additional treatments to capture and treat the most odorous gases from equipment.

By 1997, a scrub-

ber system had been installed for \$2 million. In 2002, a new composting facility worth \$5 million was constructed at the waste management centre.

An Odour Control

Policy says the district will not spend further money on odour control unless new technology could lessen the smell for a reasonable cost, among other exceptions.

One way to monitor odour levels is to track odour-related complaints, a staff report states. The CVRD logs complaints but does not necessarily respond in a consistent manner.

If a complaint tracking system is not in place by the new fiscal year, Steel said homeowners are likely to create their own system.

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Search and rescue volunteer gets lifetime award

Edliq involved with search and rescue since 1976

Outstanding local volunteer Ole Edliq of Comox Valley Ground Search and Rescue was awarded a Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Award for Lifetime Achievement Thursday.

The award was presented by Attorney General and Minister of Justice Suzanne Anton at a ceremony held at the legislature in Victoria.

Edliq has been involved with search and rescue since 1976. He served with the North Shore Rescue team for 23 years prior to joining Comox Valley Ground Search and Rescue when he moved to Courtenay in 2002.

He has participated in hundreds of searches in the greater Vancouver region and central Vancouver Island, as well as mutual aid tasks across British



OLE EDLIQ RECEIVES the 2013 Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award from Attorney General and Minister of Justice Suzanne Anton.

Columbia and in Washington State.

In his work with Comox Valley Ground Search and Rescue, Ole has been a key figure in several key search and rescue projects

such as the design and construction of a new mobile command post trailer, and the addition of 2,500 square feet to the existing Ground Search and Rescue base building.

"I feel honoured and grateful to receive this award, and acknowledge the continuous support of my family," said Edliq. "I have maintained my passion for Search and Rescue, helping those in need and working with like-minded dedicated volunteers. It is intensely rewarding."

"It takes a lot of dedication and courage to be a search and rescue volunteer, and for decades, Ole Edliq has demonstrated a true commitment to public safety," said Don McRae, MLA for Comox Valley.

"I'm very proud to have Ole and others like him working with Comox Valley Search and Rescue, and I'd like to congratulate him on this well-deserved Lifetime Achievement Award."

Each year, volunteers are recognized for their outstanding contributions in six categories: Search and Rescue, Emergency Social Services, PEP (Provincial Emergency

Program) Air, Road Rescue, Emergency Communications and Lifetime Achievement.

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Aniel grew up in the Comox Valley, and after obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Victoria, he attended law school at the University of Ottawa.

Aniel completed his articles with a national law firm in Toronto before joining Swift Dattoo. He was called to the bars of both Ontario and British Columbia in 2006.

Aniel has appeared before the Supreme Court of British Columbia, the Provincial Court of British Columbia, the BC Human Rights Tribunal, and the BC Employment Standards Tribunal. Aniel has a special interest in employment law.



From left to right: Sasha, Aniel, and Lisa.

SASHA NOWICKI HAS JOINED THE FIRM AS AN ASSOCIATE.

Sasha obtained a Bachelor of Science degree (Honours) in Zoology from the University of Alberta before pursuing her legal studies at the University of British Columbia.

After graduating from UBC in 2002, Sasha articulated and practiced with a national law firm in Calgary and later worked as both legal counsel and biologist for an environmental consulting firm. Then in 2011, Sasha moved to the Comox Valley and started her own firm, Nowicki Rae. In 2012, she was a Comox Valley Top 40 Under 40 award recipient.

Sasha focuses in the areas of estate planning and corporate commercial law.

LISA LOW HAS JOINED THE FIRM AS AN ASSOCIATE.

Lisa grew up in the Comox Valley and earned a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of Law degree from the University of British Columbia. Lisa was called to the BC Bar in 2008.

Lisa began her legal career with a national law firm in Vancouver, where she practiced in the areas of commercial litigation, bankruptcy, and insolvency. Before joining Swift Dattoo, Lisa worked with Ramsay Lampman Rhodes in Nanaimo.

Lisa practices in the areas of general and commercial litigation, with a focus on creditors' remedies.

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Hurdle passed by developer

Erin Haluschak

Record Staff

COMOX

Comox council approved the preliminary steps Wednesday to move forward with pursuing an application for 31 townhouse units on Anderton Road.

Derek Jensen, project manager at McElhanney Consulting, spoke to council on behalf of developer Don Cameron for the project at 335 Anderton Rd.

In addition to a rezoning and a development permit, council also looked at improvement to Town-owned land adjacent to the east property line of the proposed development, for the purposes of a public pedestrian connection to Anderton Road.

"This is a win-win for both the town and the developer," explained Jensen.

In April, a petition was signed by a number of residents in the vicinity of the proposed development, expressing concerns with regard to the traffic impact of Wallace Avenue as an access point to the development.

A handful of residents were present at the meeting.

"We did do an extensive traffic study and

looked at a multitude of things," added Jensen. "The results with the Wallace access is the preferred access over Anderton."

He said the Wallace access to the development is a better option due to the fact it is a local road and it limits the amount of stops and starts on Anderton.

"Given the intent of Wallace Road is a residential road to provide access to and from home, and given that the anticipated traffic volumes relative to this development and in concert with the existing residences on Wallace Avenue, the threshold for Wallace being considered a local road to something higher is 1,000 cars a day," explained Jensen.

"As per the traffic report, the daily movements of traffic in concert with this development and the daily uses of Wallace is well below the 1,000 vehicle threshold."

He noted he can understand that for some time Wallace has been a dead-end road through a cul-de-sac, and the security and privacy that it affords is of benefit to the homeowners.

"...but again I don't think anyone given the OCP, the Town of Comox zoning bylaw, ever suggested this would be fallow land forever and in the future, and an extension of Wallace in some fashion would likely occur," he said.

Town Planner Marvin Kamenz gave council a thorough presentation, detailing the proposed three-phased Wallace extension.

Although there was some opposition from residents present at the meeting, council passed a recommendation that staff proceed on the application, with council noting there would need to be changes and approvals made to both a rezoning application and a bylaw, with a possible public hearing scheduled for late February or early March.

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LAKE TRAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL students Bernadette Enriquez, Hailee Jones and Madison Collins (from left) gear up for the school's new 'pie-filled' food drive.

Pies an enticement

Renee Andor
Record Staff

Getting a pie in the face isn't always simply about making others laugh — it can be for a good cause, too. Lake Trail Middle School started a new food drive Friday, in which students receive a ticket in a draw for every food item they contribute.

The prizes up for grabs? The chance to squish a pie into the face of the school staff member of their choice. "The students are pretty excited," organizing teacher Grant Taylor said Friday, noting he's already heard certain staff member names being spoken in the school hallways.

"There's been a number of items already brought in, and teachers are even bringing stuff so they get their opportunity to get even with someone else, I think," he adds with a laugh. "It's all good natured, and the bigger cause is the fact we need to support these folks (in need) in our community."

Non-perishable donations will be collected until Dec. 6 in the two-week food drive. All donations

will go to the Comox Valley Food Bank.

"At the end of the two weeks we're having an awards assembly for academics and then we're going to draw the tickets out of the bin, so the more items they bring in, the more chances they have of winning," says Grant.

This food drive is separate from Coast Realty Group's annual Christmas Hamper Program, in which Comox Valley students bring food items to their schools to contribute to the hamper program.

Grant says the school will start collecting food donations for the Christmas Hamper Program after the new food drive is finished.

The public is invited to join in the new food drive.

Anyone who wishes to donate — minus the ticket for the pie-in-the-face draw — is

welcome to drop off non-perishable food donations at Lake Trail Middle School (805 Willemar Ave. in Courtenay).

Students are encouraged to canvass their neighbourhoods for the food, rather than simply pulling food out of their own cupboards at home, adds Taylor.

The aim is to draw donations from grandparents, friends or neighbours who aren't already donating food to the Coast Realty Group Christmas Hamper Program, and to involve the greater community in the initiative.

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Dickens read by celebrities

Event at Sid this Thursday supports food bank, transition society

Scott Stanfield
Record Staff

The Compassionate Communities Project presents a celebrity reading of A Christmas Carol, this Thursday at the Sid Williams Theatre.

Encapsulating the spirit of the season, the Charles Dickens classic shows how compassion and empathy overcome greed and resulting isolation.

The event — which supports the food bank and Comox Valley Transition Society — marks the return of the celebrity readings, which ran from 1996 to 2005 at Comox United Church.

This year's reading is a fitting conclusion to the Community Justice Centre's Compassionate Communities Project, which ends in December.

The audience and celebrities will be invited to sign the Charter of Compassion as a permanent com-

mitment to creating a more compassionate community.

Showtime is 7:30 p.m.

Festival seating tickets are \$20 — and a food item for the food bank — available at the Sid Williams ticket office, the Laughing Oyster Book Shop in Courtenay and Blue Heron Books in Comox.

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Rate falling for metered water users in Comox

Erin Haluschak
Record Staff

After examining the options for lowering metered water rates, Comox council approved a recommendation Wednesday to reduce rates and increase the minimum monthly amount for metered users.

Council also approved a report that residents be given the opportunity of opting out of the voluntary water meter program, on a year-by-year basis, following a presentation last week by Comox resident Natasha Baert-Hockin.

"This will give people the option, and whether this will entice more people, we'll see," said

Mayor Paul Ives.

The recommendation calls for the monthly amount to drop from \$17.50 to \$15.00, with the amount of water included in that fee increased from 12 cubic metres to 14 m3 per month.

Last week, Baert-Hockin presented to council as a delegation her request to be removed from the water meter program.

"At present, a metered household will pay more than an unmetered one," she said at the time, and explained she signed up for the program not realizing it was a permanent decision.

While she admitted she should have more thoroughly reviewed

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Paul Ives

the information prior to registering, she admitted to being "quite shocked" by the excessive cost of water despite conservation efforts.

Baert-Hockin said in 2012, she used a total of 333 m3, which cost her \$379.33. The flat rate for water usage (up to 600 m3) is \$312.

Despite her efforts, she noted she is paying the same amount as a person on the flat rate who would have used 648 m3 of water.

Coun. Ken Grant, who noted he does not support water meters, explained he doesn't see how the option of lowering rates will entice more people to join the metered program, and added the right thing for council to do is to offer residents the option to opt out of the program and return to a flat water rate if they want to do so.

Ives said he believes water meters will become increasingly

popular.

"The conversation tonight is not about meters or no meters, but the rate to charge. I support water meters and I believe in the long term, they will be the flavour of the day," he explained.

"It's a balance ... to meet conservation goals and make it manageable and palatable for people to use."

There are about 118 single-family homes on the metered program, along with approximately 100 units in three stratas that subscribe to the water meter program.

The flat rate for water usage (up to 600 m3) is \$312 a year.

Don Jaquest, director of finance for the

Town, said in his report to offset the possible revenue reduction, the Town could easily reduce the annual

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Arden hearing next month

Scott Stanfield
Record Staff

A Dec. 9 public hearing will address a proposed reconfiguration of a previously approved development in the Arden Road corridor. Courtenay Council — which had adopted zoning in 2011 — gave second reading last week to a zoning amendment bylaw that would reduce the maximum permitted density from 128 to 97 units in a mixed residential neighbourhood.

The 11.5 hectare property is comprised of three parcels in the 2000 block of Arden. The new plan, which needs DFO approval, proposes to replace a ditch with a piped system and stormwater management ponds.

About 24 residents who attended a neighbourhood

meeting expressed a desire to retain trees and to build a fence adjacent to the Creekside Commons development. They also expressed concern about rainwater management and traffic in the corridor.

The hearing is at 5 p.m. in council chambers.

Council approved a letter of support to the Project Watershed Society, which is applying for funding to add a breach in the Airpark lagoon.

The breach will be in the form of a 2.3-metre concrete box culvert 20 metres in length. It is intended to improve salmon access and habitat conditions through increased flushing from the river. Project cost is estimated to exceed \$200,000.

The society has been conducting watershed stewardship

activities since 1993.

"It's exciting to see the combination of years of efforts," Coun. Ronna-Rae Leonard said to presenter Caila Holbrook.

Council approved a five-year lease agreement with the Dawn to Dawn Action on Homelessness Society, which has developed a community garden on a portion of city land at Harmston Avenue.

The garden helps to feed homeless individuals and others facing poverty.

"It's beautified a vacant area and helped people," Mayor Larry Jangula said.

The City provides water service, garbage cans and a port-a-potty in summer at a minimal cost included in the annual operations budget.

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'Plane crash' rescue exercise heats up Arctic

Exercise tested collective response to simulated airliner crash

Capt. Trevor Reid
Contributor

FORT GREELY, ALASKA — "Canada and the United States share not only a border, but a great deal of commonality when it comes to operating in our Arctic region," said Master Warrant Officer Greg Smit, a Search and Rescue Technician (SAR Tech) with Canadian Joint Operations Command.

"With the opening of the Northwest Passage and increased air travel in the North, we must collaborate to respond quickly and effectively to an incident in the Arctic."

With this in mind, approximately 100 Canadian Armed Forces members joined their American SAR counterparts in the Alaska Air National Guard (AKANG), United States Air Force (USAF) and United States Coast Guard (USCG) to take part in the Arctic Major Air Disaster (MAJAD) Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX)

recently.

The six-day exercise served to test the collective response to a simulated airliner crash in the quickly-changing and hostile Arctic climate of North America.

Conducted within a remote training area near Fort Greely, Alaska, members of the United States Army played the role of survivors of an airliner that had crashed near the Alaska/Yukon border in bad weather.

As would happen in a real-world situation, Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) Victoria and the Alaska Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) worked together to launch a variety of aircraft to the scene, initially staged from Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, near Anchorage.

First to arrive at the scene of the crash were Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) SAR Techs, USAF Para-rescuers (PJs) and Canadian Army soldiers who parachuted in and began triaging and treating the simulated casualties. Additionally, aircraft parachuted sustenance equipment and supplies, and remained at the scene, acting as airborne commanders, while circling overhead.

Maj. Matthew Harper, an



SGT. JOEL DUNVILLE of the Canadian Army Advanced Warfare Centre prepares his parachute and drop bag for a jump into the scene of a simulated plane crash.

PHOTO BY CAPT. TREVOR REID/19 WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HH-60 helicopter pilot with the 210th Rescue Squadron, AKANG, served as the SAR Duty Officer during

the exercise.

"The RCC, located at Elmendorf, received a call from JRCC Victoria, saying

there was a plane crash near the border. The duty officer then called me with a synopsis and a plan to rescue the casualties; I coordinated the response," said Maj. Harper. "At that point, I tasked the crews to save lives."

"There is a 'tyranny of time and distance' in Arctic SAR," said Lieut.-Col. Carl Westerland, director of the Alaska RCC, speaking to the

vast expanses that aircraft SAR crews must cover to reach a crash. "We have a challenge to keep survivors alive for 24 to 72 hours ... until we can get helicopters on scene to bring people out of the field."

Keeping a large number of people alive in an area that is far from any civilization, has little natural shelter from the harsh elements, and is home to a large number of natural predators, like bears, poses a significant difficulty.

"In Trenton (Ontario), we have four MAJAD kits that are designed to sus-

tain up to 320 people for 48 hours," said Capt. Angelo Manzara of the Canadian Army Advanced Warfare Centre (CAAWC), located at 8 Wing Trenton. "These

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Lieut.-Col. Carl Westerland

requirements are based off of the average size of an aircraft flying over the Arctic these days."

As the centre of excellence for parachuting, mountaineering and arctic operations,

CAAWC holds the high-readiness MAJAD capability for the Canadian Army. "We are responsible to provide a 12-man support group; when requested, we jump in and support SAR Techs."

With so many people and aircraft participating in the exercise, some of the most important lessons learned focused on recognizing the importance of communication and co-ordination among the various rescue personnel within the RCCs, in the air and at the crash scene itself.

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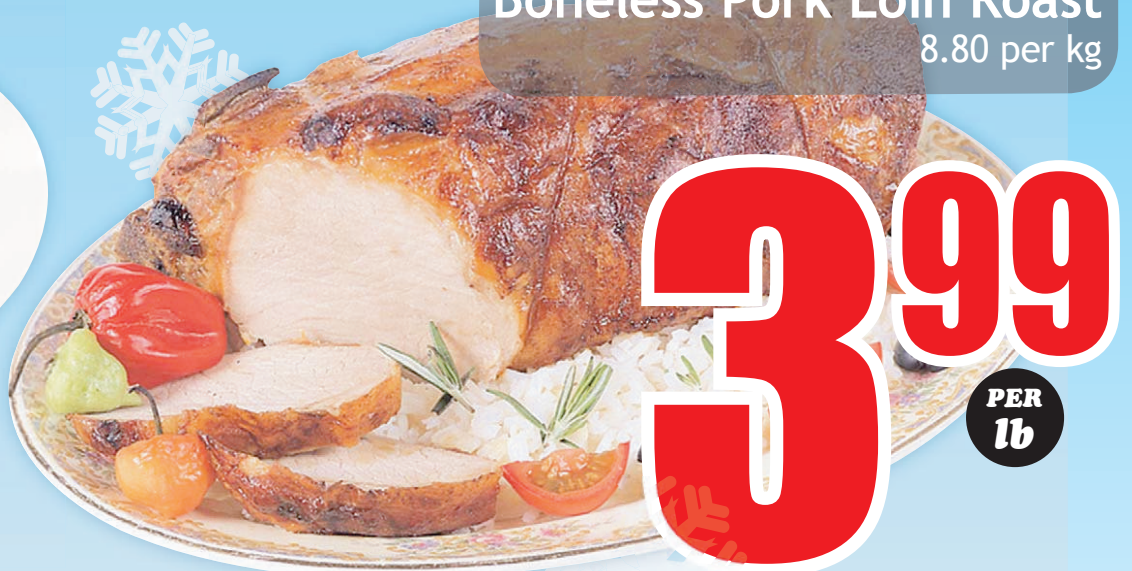
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Comox club working with Rotarians in Comayagua, Honduras

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The Comox Rotary Club decided to sell salmon because one of the members, Stan Gaskarth, travelled to the village of Comayagua and saw first-hand children and animals sharing drinking water from puddles.

Stan is director of the club's international committee. He, with other members of his committee, works hard to organize the Wild4Water project.

This is the third year Comox Rotarians are selling salmon in the Comox Valley. All club members are selling salmon.

Every dollar raised when you buy salmon from the Comox Rotary Club is used to provide pure water, sanitation, and education for children and their families in Honduras.

The club's slogan, Wild4Water, says it all. Wild salmon sales pay for pure water in Honduras.

Hardy Buoy-candied and smoked, vacuum-packed and frozen by the pound, these tasty sockeye salmon strips are perfect for all holiday entertaining menus and they make excellent gifts. This year, optional delivery costs \$10.

The Comox Rotary

Club is working in partnership with the Rotary Club of Comayagua, Honduras. Money from last year's salmon sales paid for the new well that was drilled in February.

Comox Rotarians plan to drill more wells with your help. Support of the Wild4Water fundraiser will allow

more villages to have clean water. Rotarians provide the money for the project and the villagers provide the labor.

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cated to care for the water and sanitation systems. This ensures the sustainability of the project.

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Or visit wild4water.ca or e-mail salmon@

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SCOUTER GETS AWARD Longtime Scout leader Dave Kozakowski receives a certificate of commendation from Scouts Canada. He has been a leader with the Third Courtenay Group for 13 years, serving as a leader in all four age groups — Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers. If you are interested in volunteering at any level of Scouting, contact Bry Hayton at 250-338-4296.

Vrain starting lengthy GE tour

The hunger for information about what is in our food, and what is safe, filled the recent public forum on Health and GE (genetically engineered) Foods Nov. 14 at the Filberg Centre.

An estimated 200 people heard three speakers with different experiences with GE products.

Dr. Thierry Vrain is a scientist previously working on GE products for Agriculture Canada. He explained why he has changed his mind on the usefulness and safety of GE foods.

Jan Slomp, a conventional dairy farmer in the Netherlands, and more recently Alberta, told how he is saving money by not using chemicals or GE seeds for his dairy herd.

And Colin Palmer, chair of the Powell River Regional District, reviewed how

and why his board declared Powell River a GE-Free Crop Zone, to encourage local economic development.

Susan Holvenstot, one of the organizers from GE Watch Comox Valley said, "This was a very successful event, and we hope to continue sharing information about the risks associated with genetically engineered products in the supermarkets, and in our Comox Valley farmlands."

"This was the start to a cross-Canada GE Free tour with Dr. Vrain, and another scientist, Dr. Shiv Chopra, planning to visit over 100 towns and cities. Over \$400 was raised to support the tour.

For more information, see <http://gefreecomoxvalley.wordpress.com> or gewatch@live.com.

— *GE Watch Comox Valley*

A Time for Uke

Join the Evergreen Club for their annual festive event Dec. 6.

It will be a great opportunity to gather with friends (and make some new ones) and have a wonderful evening out. A 'no host' bar starts at 5 p.m. followed by a savoury turkey dinner catered by Custom Gourmet Catering at 6 p.m.

A group of talented retired music teachers called A Time for Uke will then play Christmas music with their

ukuleles. "You have to hear them to believe how great a sound the little ukulele can make!" says organizer Marlene Lally.

Later, Gord Kruger and the Amigos will have everyone up on the dance floor.

Early-bird tickets are cheaper before Nov. 29. Tickets are available through Courtenay Recreation at the Florence Filberg Centre office (250-338-1000). — *Evergreen Club*

Black Creek seniors getting exercise

Starting this fall, seniors living in the Black Creek and surrounding areas can stay local to get a healthy dose of physical activity and social time with the new seniors program at the Black Creek Community Centre.

The community centre is excited to be able to offer programming specifically tailored to the needs of the growing seniors' population in their area, which has been made possible with generous support from the United Way.

The program will run Mondays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and each session will include a physical activity, a group lunch, and a guest speaker.

November and December dates will be Line Dancing lessons with Holly Foraie, a local dance instructor with over 23 years of experience. Each session lunch will be prepared and provided for the group.

"Seniors were identified as one of biggest demographics in

our region in our 2011 Community Needs Assessment," says Dana Starritt, interim executive director for the Black Creek Community Association, "which drew our attention to the fact that we were not recognizing that with appropriate

seniors programming." The program is a great opportunity to partner with Halbe Hall and the local chapter of the OAP.

Sy Pederson, president of the O.A.P., says, "Our group is appreciative of a low-cost way to stay active and

connected with other seniors without too much travel."

The program will take place at Halbe Hall and the Black Creek Community Centre. Fall dates are Dec. 9 at the Black Creek Community Centre, and Dec. 16 at

Halbe Hall.

The program will continue again in the new year, so call the Black Creek Community Centre office for more information at 250-337-5190 or e-mail bcca5190@telus.net.

— *Black Creek Community Association*



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Accordingly, the Province has engaged coastal communities and ferry users from across the province on strategies to ensure the long-term sustainability of the coastal ferry network. The Province will undertake a further round of community engagement in 2013 following a province-wide consultation in 2012.

How Input Will Be Used

Input received through the community engagement process will be compiled and presented to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and BC Ferries as they plan for the long-term sustainability of the coastal ferry network.

Public Open House Schedule

The first 90 minutes will be a public open house. The second 90 minutes will be a question and answer session with the project team. No RSVP is required for public open houses.

Community	Date	Time	Location
Hornby Island	November 27	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Hornby Island Community Hall
Denman Island	November 28	4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Denman Island Community School

Small Group Meeting Schedule

To attend a small group meeting in your community, please e-mail coastalferriesengagement@gov.bc.ca or call toll-free at 1 855 974-1204 with your name, contact information and which meeting you would like to attend.

Community	Date	Time	Location
Comox (Courtenay)	November 29	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	The Westerly Hotel and Convention Centre

Schedule subject to change. Please check web site for the complete meeting schedule.

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ACCURATE AIR TEAM, from left: Joe Hertz, Amber Manderson, Keanan Egeland and Gary Spink.

Thumbs up for Accurate Air

Greg Herda, owner of Vancouver Island-based Accurate Air and Central Sheet Metal, has formed a new team of former Torry & Sons employees to continue serving the Comox Valley.

"I've been really impressed with how Accurate Air was so quick to invest in our

community, setting up our techs with tools, equipment, and providing service vehicles so we could continue to accommodate our existing and new customers, both commercial and residential," says Gary Spink, 18-year veteran of Torry & Sons.

Each member of

the new team comes with a wealth of varied experience. Qualified technicians Keanan Egeland and Joe Hertz specialize in all types of HVAC maintenance, repairs and new installations, with Glen Hilsden's qualifications and expertise in gas and oil.

Amber Manderson

at the front end takes calls, makes appointments and delegates jobs.

Spink heads up the team, designing systems, estimating, consulting with customers, and managing and overseeing all projects.

"I was surprised at the amount of calls and questions we are get-

ting on air quality concerns over and above heating and cooling," says Manderson. "Gary, with all his years in the business, always offers great solutions, ideas and advice no matter how little or large the project."

More information at 250-871-5688 or gary@accurate-air.ca.

New product ideal for active adults

With placement in 12 sport and gift shops, pharmacies and natural food stores since their launch in February, GOMedi wear has added SportChek to its customer list. A new product called ValleyTREK is on the shelves of 164 SportChek stores in Canada.

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Decision shortsighted

In this day and age of tight funding, the need to cut excessive costs is understandable.

But there is an old saying that talks about cutting off your nose to spite your face. And there's a lot of that in all levels of government.

The Comox-Strathcona Waste Management (CSWM) board has indulged in a little face-spiting. In the board's quest to squeeze a few dollars, they've decided to stop funding the Campbell River and the Comox Valley's compost education centres.

Actually, to be more specific: the Comox Valley board members (except one) voted to kill the compost education centres. For some reason, Campbell River area members found the centres worth saving and attempted to do so with a motion to keep the Campbell River centre on Dogwood Street.

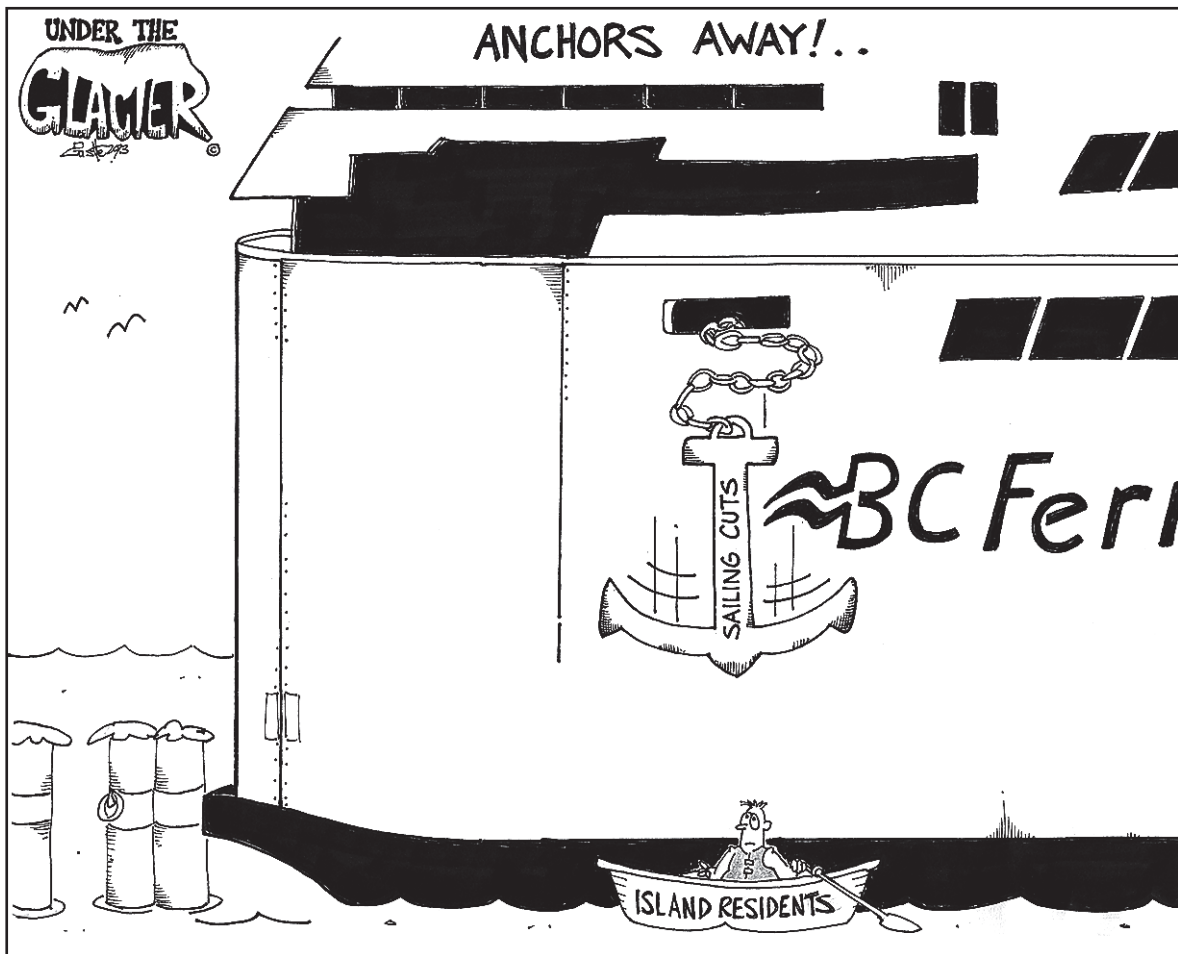
This has to be one of those situations where nitpicking over a relatively small amount of money sacrifices something that's of greater value than its budget line amount. The Compost Education Centre on Dogwood Street has been an effective public education resource that has taught thousands of children over the years about the value and techniques of composting.

Oh, and the parents that came along probably absorbed some of that knowledge too. These centres also served as focal points for the community. Elaine Jansen – the “Compost Diva” – is a far more well-known – and loved – figure in the community than any CSWM board member.

Given that one of the CSWM's mandates is to divert garbage from the landfill – thereby precluding the need to spend millions on building and operating them – cutting the compost education centres to save a few thousand dollars seems shortsighted.

All is not lost yet, there is still an opportunity for the centre to come back during final budget discussions and hopefully Comox Valley politicians will be able to see beyond the end of their noses and allow us to keep our centre at least.

Campbell River Mirror



Worried about geoducks

Dear editor,

I am shocked that the geoduck tenure proposals have progressed as far as they have.

If these tenures are approved, the waters of Baynes Sound and Lambert Channel will become an enormous industrial aquaculture site, rather than our beautiful Salish Sea that enhances the livability and joy in our lives and helps to support the rich, but evermore compromised ecosystem of the Salish Sea.

It is possible that this massive aquaculture will bring revenue into the Comox Valley, but it will more likely drain it of even more revenue and jobs!

What will happen to income from tourism when our shores are littered with debris, the water is murky, all manner of sealife are trapped in predator netting, and our seabeds are planted with PVC pipes?

What will happen to the commercial and sport fisheries when the herring spawn is disrupted by the destruction of the plants needed for the roe to cling to?

How will the current wild harvesters survive when the sea bed is no longer accessible for their sustainable harvest?

How will all of us in Baynes

Sound and Lambert Channel feel when our waters are muddied by the high-pressured hose used to harvest geoducks and the resultant dead sea life and plant life are washed on our beaches?

From a broader perspective, industrial geoduck farming covered by these tenure requests would irrevocably threaten the herring spawn that occurs in these waters in March of each year. This yearly spawn accounts for half of all herring spawned in the Strait of Georgia.

The herring roe require a healthy ecosystem and sea bed that contains eel grass and other marine vegetation. Such vegetation would be destroyed by the high pressure hoses that liquefy the sea bed to harvest geoducks.

In addition, predator netting would trap spawning herring, preventing their ability to continue to spawn in future years.

Herring are a keystone species in the Salish Sea. They are eaten by coho and chinook salmon, humpback and killer whales, eagles, bears, wolves and a wide variety of sea mammals.

To compromise the herring spawn is to compromise the ecosystem of the waters of the Strait of Georgia and beyond.

The herring stocks have been steadily declining in the last decade to the point that only the Strait of Georgia and the area around Prince Rupert remain open to herring fisheries. It seems extremely unwise and destructive to further compromise this important forage fish through destruction of key habitat for spawning.

Geoduck and sea cucumber aquaculture on the scale proposed would significantly alter the quality of life for our community.

We need to ask all parties involved (industry and government alike) to consider very carefully whether such tenures are indeed morally just, sustainable, and whether the economic benefit to a few is worth the destruction of the quality of our life, the health of the ecosystem of the Salish Sea, and the disruption in the food chain of migrating birds and sealife.

This is a matter that needs an urgent wave of opposition by the people of this region. We owe it to future generations, to our land and sea to stand up and say no! Enough is enough already!

Barbara and John Mills,
Denman Island

Quick, get out your cameras

Dear editor,

Wake up Comox Valley residents. Get out your cameras.

Your chance to eulogize our local beautiful seascape heritage is fading fast.

The K'ómoks First Nation's Salish Sea Farms Ltd. is about to decimate this beauty with plastic pipes and nets for geoduck cultivation. Google images will show you what our shores might look like if this is allowed to go ahead.

There are now six new applications for sea cucumber and geoduck farming. To view where those aquaculture farms will be,

visit friendsofbaynessound.wordpress.com. These are unusually large applications encompassing over 1,200 acres of our shores.

Local, provincial, federal and foreign governments are very supportive of development of this industry. Business and development are their mantra.

There is little independent valid information as to what impact this development will have on natural sea life (on the top, middle and bottom of the sea), aquaculture already present, tourism and the appreciation and enjoyment of the beaches in

our Valley by all who live here.

The voice to oppose this development is yours. Let your opinion be heard now before it is too late. Visit the friendsofbaynessound.wordpress.com website or contact your regional district, provincial and federal elected representatives directly.

The natural ecology and beauty of our waterways and beaches in the Comox Valley is a valuable heritage to pass down to our children. It should not be sacrificed to industry for the monetary benefit of a few.

David Riddell,
Comox Valley

Record Question of the Week

This week: Fifteen per cent of respondents so far say they believe cuts announced by Ferries are the right way to proceed. Almost everyone in these parts is affected by ferries. How do you feel? Visit www.comoxvalleyrecord.com and vote in the Poll on the mainpage.

Ole Edliq of Comox Valley Ground Search and Rescue was awarded a Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer Award for Lifetime Achievement last Thursday.

As necessary as they might be, cuts announced by BC Ferries will inconvenience islanders and might have a negative effect on our ferry-dependent economy.





COMOX VALLEY RESIDENT Roy Hemmerich is a member of the War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program.

War stories should linger

Dear editor,

I belong to Operation Legacy, a group of members of the War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program dedicated to preserving Canada's military heritage and teaching other young people how to carry on the remembrance message.

This year, the War Amps celebrated a major anniversary. Ninety-five years ago, First World War amputee veterans formed the Amputations Association of the Great War. The name was changed to The War Amputations of Canada when Second World War amputees joined their ranks.

These men later started the CHAMP Program to assist young amputees like me.

In addition to having had the privilege of learning about Canada's military heritage from a young age, I also know what it is like to live without a limb — a strong bond that I share with war amputee veterans. Because of this, I feel it is my duty to ensure that the stories of war are preserved and its lessons never forgotten.

I have been fortunate to be involved with Operation Legacy by participating in local Remembrance Day ceremonies and laying wreaths on behalf of the War Amps. I have also donated documentaries from the War Amps Military Heritage Series to the Cranbrook Public Library.

I encourage everyone — particularly young people — to learn more through the War Amps Military Heritage Series documentaries, which are available at a cost-recovery price at waramps.ca.

Nicole Byford, Cranbrook

He's going to vote

Dear editor,

Comox council has implemented their great plan of a one-year (trial) recycle plan and six months later they are increasing it.

Garbage fees are going up on the organics/yard waste collection program.

Ever heard of dropping an idea that doesn't work, is too costly or should we flog a dead horse like the water meters because council said so?

Not every idea is a great hit and when our council finally sees this, there is no opting out or recourse for the taxpayer. Our sewer service is going up also but not because of Comox growth but outside our boundaries.

Get more tax from Courtenay. We don't get a referendum like area A, B, C voters do for dumb regional district ideas of garbage collection or water meters but we do get to vote in the next municipal election.

Paul Lachapelle,
Comox

He's a former water meter advocate

Dear editor,

I read of the Comox resident who wants to opt out of the water metering program.

I also want to opt out, as will many rural CVRD residents who will see large increases in their water bills in 2014.

If all will recall, it is only the 8.9 per cent rural consumers of the Comox Valley System that will pay these rates.

Ninety-one per cent of Comox Lake water-supplied customers are on a flat rate.

I was a water meter sup-

porter until this week. I read the bylaw that the CVRD administration has finalized and it did not consider the suggestions from the Sept. 17 public meeting or the Oct. 7 residents' submission.

Not only does the bylaw surcharge rural gardeners — it does not reward conservers, as Comox, and Cumberland does.

I also learned that the CVRD has accumulated a large surplus — a reserve fund of over \$15 million collected from Comox Valley customers who have been

paying more than CVRD water costs — for years.

The administration said they needed to increase revenues from metering to build reserves.(ACFAR)

I read the consultant report again, which predicted a 20- to 50-per-cent reduction in water consumption. Comparing 2013 to 2011, there was 6.6-per-cent reduction. I expect most of this resulted from repairing leaks.

This is the only positive aspect of the mock billing process — encouraging customers to fix leaks. The leaks

are fixed and further reduction will only result from less green space. No doubt some rural customer will cut back with unaffordable surcharges.

From the CVRD experience, there will be little incentive for Courtenay and Comox to implement water meters. I'm very disappointed in the CVRD management of this project.

I don't mind paying the higher Courtenay flat rate of \$440 — where can I sign up?

Phil Harrison,
Area B

Hard questions await CVRD chair

Dear editor,

Regarding the recent vote on rural garbage:

Although the proposal by area directors was soundly defeated by approximately three-quarters of those who voted, I think a

few questions should be put to the board chair and Area C director Edwin Grieve.

1. Sun Coast Waste services put in a bid \$275,000 lower than the multi-national companies. Why then was their bid not

accepted?

2. Why would our elected area reps want to destroy a local established Canadian business?

3. How much did this referendum cost us taxpayers?

I would have thought that when Sun Coast Waste services who were a local and a Canadian

company requested a meeting to find out why their low bid was not accepted and were told, "No meeting is necessary, as there is nothing to discuss" shows me that the area reps' minds were made up well before the bids were in.

I think if anyone should have been given a chance to ask

a few questions, it should have been the lowest bidder. Let's hope people remember this come next election for our area reps.

It would seem some of them do not care about the people they were elected to represent. Why is the question?

Mike Lazare,
Black Creek

Tax cuts = service cuts = fee hikes

Dear editor,

BC Ferries makes cuts for savings — tax cuts=service cuts=fee increases.

So Christy Clark's cabinet has decided that because of huge decreases in ridership on BC Ferries, changes have to be made. Cut out some routes, reduce trips on others.

One is still waiting to get results on promises from governments and parties to make the ferry system on the islands part of the highway system. Like in the Kootenays.

The B.C. cabinet has directed BC Ferries to cut services and continue to offer free

passes to employees — at a cost of millions.

I wonder if the Clark cabinet considered some reduction in the bloated bureaucracy of BC Ferries and the huge salaries and pay bonuses to senior management? But wait!

Turn all the gift shops into casinos. Put slots in the bathrooms and beside the ice cream machine and in the elevator for handicapped passengers.

Maybe that will ease the pain Clark must feel at having to charge seniors for use of the ferry system.

Cliff Boldt,
Courtenay

Oncologist lost

Dear editor,

Are residents of the North Island aware that the Vancouver Island Health Authority has sent our one and only Nanaimo-based oncologist to Victoria for four of five work days?

We now have the oncologist at the Nanaimo cancer clinic on Fridays only.

I refer to the VIHA press release of Feb. 13, 2012 regarding improved services for the North Island chemotherapy patients.

Nanaimo had recruited a medical oncologist to join the two general practitioner oncology phy-

sicians. Is this the recruited oncologist that now spends four days a week in Victoria?

Is this oncologist really expected to carry Victoria patient caseloads as well as over-seeing the North Island patients? How does sending our oncologist to Victoria better serve the North Island patients and their needs?

I would like a response from VIHA and the BC Cancer Agency concerning my issues. VIHA constituents north of Ladysmith will be interested as well.

Donna Newall,
Nanose Bay

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THE ARTS

CD release party for three local acts

A triple CD release concert featuring music from the latest releases from Anela Kahiamoe, Nathan Senner, and Judy and Bruce Wing will be held Nov. 30 at the Little Red Church in Comox at 7:30 p.m.

This will be a fun evening where the artists will share songs (and a few of the stories behind them) from their new CDs Through the Years, Dance in the Moon and Wishing for Someday.

Reserved seating is available by calling 250-897-0423.

• Growing up in Hawaii, Anela Kahiamoe has been a professional musician his entire life and has toured extensively with several successful bands in Hawaii opening for groups such as Bread, Fleetwood Mac, and Elvin Bishop.

He worked in the tourism industry in numerous hotel and cruise ship gigs before moving into studio recordings, radio commercials, television and movie appearances. Since moving to the Comox Valley in 2010, Anela has become well known as host of the regular open mic jam at the Flying Canoe West Coast Pub, and has appeared at many local festival events including three performances at Vancouver Island Musicfest.

Anela continues to be one of the most sought-after sidemen and studio musicians in the Comox Valley, as well as a member of Poi Boys, a duo with Doug Cox.

Anela was first drawn to the ukulele, then to Hawaiian steel and slack key styles. His instrumental style was influenced by slack key guitar masters Keola Beamer and Gabby Pahinui and lessons from Hawaiian steel guitar's most influential artist Jerry Byrd. Anela's new CD Through the Years is comprised of original and co-written songs and a range of styles from traditional Hawaiian to flavours of

reggae and full-on blues.

• Nathan Senner was co-host of the popular Comox Valley Songwriters Circle and is a local fine arts teacher. He has been writing songs for more than 20 years, and to the great joy of those who have appreciated his music, has produced and recorded his debut CD Dance in the Moon.

With a style that has been compared to James Taylor, Marc Cohn, and the late Jim Croce, Nathan is a welcomed performer at local music venues, community events and festivals including Vancouver Island Musicfest, and the Island Folk Festival in Duncan. He is a respected songwriter and three-time finalist in the Cowichan Folk Guild song writing competition.

Nathan's music is thoughtful and bittersweet and the sincerity of his vocals and sensitive delivery make his music especially meaningful to hear. Nathan will be joined by Helen Austin, who contributed on his album, as well as violinist extraordinaire Blaine Dunaway.

• Also sharing the stage and songs from their latest CD Wishing For Someday are Judy and Bruce Wing. The couple are best known as hosts of the weekly Backstreet Jam and monthly 1st Tuesday Fundraiser concert series.

This is the Wings' third album and it features eight original tracks flavoured by the contributions of Kahiamoe and Dunaway.

The Wings have a percussive playing style and co-write much of their music, Bruce often providing the arrangements, melodies, and instrumentation with Judy writing lyrics and singing vocals.

The album has a multi-genre appeal and includes jazz, pop and country songs with lyrics that draw on familiar themes of love and transition.



NEW CDS BY Anela Kahiamoe (top), Bruce and Judy Wing and Nathan Senner (not pictured) will be unveiled Saturday at the Little Red Church.

Judy received a nomination for Female Songwriter of the Year at the Vancouver Island Music Awards for their previous album Saying Hello, Feeling Goodbye and has provided background vocals on the albums of several Island artists.

Bruce has played in several commercial dance bands and instrumental ensembles includ-

ing The Powdered Wigs and more recently The Snow Monkees with Dunaway.

Tickets for the triple CD release concert at the Little Red Church in Comox are available at the door and can be reserved by calling 250-897-0423. The music will start at 7:30.

— Little Red Church

Standards and more at jazz club

The quality of jazz music in this town keeps getting better and better.

After last week's scintillating performance by the Mike Irving Quintet, this week's show promises to be equally brilliant. After a resoundingly successful show last spring at the jazz club DMN&FRNZ are back this Thursday at the Avalanche Bar on Eighth Street at 7:30 p.m. with some new tunes and some new FRNZ.

DMN comprises Don MacKay on five-string bass, Michael Eddy on piano, and Neil Clark on drums. These well-known Comox Valley musicians have been rehearsing an exciting program, which recognizes the incredible talent of composers such as Chick Corea, McCoy Tyner, Herbie Hancock, Bill Evans and Horace Silver among others.

Their renditions of standards and not-so-standards will be enhanced by the addition of FRNZ Rachel Fuller on alto sax, clarinet and electronic wind instrument; Paul Nuez on trombone and Jay Havelaar on trumpet.

As Don commented in a recent interview, "The FRNZ bring an energetic infusion of talent to the group and are excited about the upcoming performance at the Jazz Club."

A few of the more energetic tunes you will enjoy include: McCoy Tyner's Señor Carlos, Chick Corea's Captain Marvel, Armando's Rhumba and Spain, which will feature Jay Havelaar's wonderful solo introduction.

Fuller will be sure to enchant you with her version of Herbie Hancock's Tell Me A Bedtime Story and Joe Zawinul's A Remark You Made, performed on the mesmerizing EWI (Electronic Wind Instrument).

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Lots in running for VIMAs

Comox Valley singers, songwriters and musicians garnered 11 nominations for the 2014 Vancouver Island Music Awards.

Sue Medley leads the way with three nominations — for her song High Time in the Vocal Performance of the Year, Best Production of a Song and Pop/Rock Song of the Year categories.

Brody Dawson, who is likewise a finalist in Vocal Performance of the Year for her song Words, is also nominated as Live Act of the Year.

Bruce and Judy Wing are the other Comox Valley act with two nominations — Roots Song of the Year for Miss Your Exit and Pop/Rock Song of the Year for Lucky Lucky You.

Other Comox Valley hopefuls are Mary Murphy in World Music Song of the Year for The Road to Lisdoonvarna, Jack Sigurdson in Best Production of a Song for Found Her Phone Book, the Cumberland Brothers in Roots Song of the Year for Johnny and Joey Clarkson in Pop/Rock Song of the Year for Johnny the Radio.

The full list of nominees follows with Comox Valley people in boldface.

Vocal Performance of the Year:

Giving In a Little – Tom Lang

High Time – Sue Medley

Oine Doine – Balkan Babes

One Last Time – Jessica Benini

Right-Hearted – Sam Weber

Words – Brody Dawson

Live Act of the Year: AVIA

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World Music Song of the Year:

La Polizia – Compassion Gorilla

Oine Doine – Balkan Babes

Si Me Gustaba Mexico – Bowler

The Road to Lisdoonvarna – Mary Murphy

Best Production of a Song:

Found Her Phone Book – Jack Sigurdson

Giving in a Little – Tom Lang

High Time – Sue Medley

La Polizia – Compassion Gorilla

Negatism – Bowler

Sarah – Dave Cormier

Roots Song of the Year:

Black Moods – Andrea



SINGER SUE MEDLEY reaped three of 11 Comox Valley nominations for 2014 Vancouver Island Music Awards.

Smith
Comfy Couches – Daniel Cook

Dreaming – Kerry Jayne

Fireweed – Rose Kirchner

Home – Jonny Miller

Johnny – The Cumberland Brothers

Miss Your Exit – Bruce and Judy Wing

Roll On – The Twisted Pines

San Francisco Babe – Johnny Galactic

The Garden – Bev Finch

Pop/Rock Song of the Year:

Chicago – Riley Smith

Giving In a Little – Tom Lang

High Time – Sue Medley

In Love With a Liar – Mark Crissinger

Johnny the Radio – Joey Clarkson

Loosely – Andrea Smith

Lucky Lucky You – Bruce and Judy

Wing

Sarah – Dave Cormier

Still Bleeding – This Day Burns

Stranger – Kali Moreno

The 2014 10th anniversary VIMA gala will take place March 22 in Victoria.

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Dance ethnologist returning to Cumberland

The Abbey Studio in Cumberland welcomes back Farima Berenji this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Berenji is a scholar and an award-winning, internationally acclaimed performing artist, instructor, dance ethnologist, and arche-

ologist.

Her love and passion for dance and history has led her on an extraordinary lifelong journey throughout the world, from her home countries Iran and Azerbaijan to other neighbouring Silk Road countries such as

Armenia, Kurdistan, and Turkey.

Her scholarly background includes in-depth studies of dance, music, poetry, art, history, as well as mythology, and the ancient and spiritual traditions of Iran and Central Asia.

Farima travels worldwide to perform and teach dance and wellness. Farima is strongly connected to spirituality and healing.

Cathy Stoyko of the Abbey Studio brought Farima to Cumberland earlier this fall and the response was so positive that she is coming back again.

At the event on Friday evening, we will start with sacred dance performances by Farima and special guests at 7 followed by Sema Gathering at 8.

Farima will guide us through personal and spiritual Sema (Sufi Whirling) as well as other turning practices, while listening to sacred poetry and music. Feel free to bring a poem to share or play us your favourite musical instrument. Bring snacks or drinks to share and wear white or light-coloured clothing and wear socks or soft-soled shoes.

Doors open at 6:30, all are welcome and there will be a sliding scale at the door to determine admission fees.

Farima will teach dance workshops that same weekend at the Abbey Studio on Saturday and Sunday. Each day we will learn a different dance style, technique in the morning and a choreography in the afternoon. Workshops are limited to 16 participants; please pre-register.

This time, Farima will also share two evening lectures with a potluck and Q&A. The subject Nov. 30 is Persian history and Dec. 1 it's Folk dances and peoples of Iran.

For more information and to pre-register for the whole weekend, contact Cathy Stoyko at 250-218-0704. The Friday evening Sema gathering and performances as well as evening lectures and potluck are open to public with no need to pre-register.

The Abbey is at the corner of First and Penrith in Cumberland.

For more information and to register, call Cathy, e-mail cdstoyko@uniserve.com or visit [\[dance.blogspot.com\]\(http://dance.blogspot.com\). For more info about Farima, visit <http://farimadance.com/home.html>.](http://cathystoyko-</p>
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— The Abbey Studio



MARK ISFELD STUDENTS (left to right) Julian Gould, Tom Black, Michaela Demeo and Ethan Glenwright will perform the Wizard of Oz this week.

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Performances at school from Wednesday to Saturday

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Continued from B1
bard's The Intrepid Fox as well as a couple of burning bebop tunes.

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Active Comox Valley

Jennifer Cox (250-890-9116)

30 Min Challenge Event Photographers & Videographers
Photographers and videographers are needed to showcase the many great activities taking place across the Comox Valley on Wed. Nov.27th as we celebrate Sports Day in Canada with the Active Comox Valley 30 Minute Challenge. Go to www.activecomoxvalley.ca/challenge today to commit to being active for 30 minutes Wednesday, November 27th and join Active Comox Valley on a mission towards a healthier more active community!

30 Minute Challenge Event Coordinators

Event coordinators are needed to promote the Active Comox Valley 30 Minute Challenge in schools, workplaces and clubs across the Comox Valley on Wed. Nov.27th. Any activity counts so get your group together and register now at www.activecomoxvalley.ca/challenge in celebration of Sports Day in Canada, and the chance for the Comox Valley to win the title of Sportiest Community in BC.

Immigrant Welcome Centre

Events Committee Chair

Nina Poljak (250-338-6359)

The Chair will work with other committee members to create and coordinate various events for the Immigrant Welcome Centre of the Comox valley. Events are planned to connect newcomers of the Comox Valley with their community. The Events Committee will work with various Community partners and staff of the committee's Volunteers. The committee will be responsible for planning, publicizing, and following through events.

Kitty Cat P.A.L. Society

Foster Home • Volunteer Coordinator (250-218-7223)

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Senior Peer Counselling Society

Senior Peer Visitor • Volunteer Coordinator (250-871-5940)

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Girl Guides of Canada

Activity Leaders – Sparks / Brownies

Jo Stiles (250-650-0061)

Adults over the age of 19 needed for leadership opportunity volunteering in teams of 2 or more. They provide a varied program that is Girl-centred, fun and engaging. The program includes: games, crafts, community visits, music, and outdoor time. Spark/Brownie Guides can design their own program or work from pre-planned programs. Training is available both online and face-to-face. Local mentoring is also available. The exact time and day of the week when meetings will occur is flexible.

St. Joseph's General Hospital

General Helper - Activities

Janice Wagemann (250-890-3030)

Monday, Thursday, Saturday or Sunday afternoons: Provide general assistance to the Activity Aides on Oceanview, under their direction. Examples of activities are baking, crafts and games.

Comox Valley Therapeutic Riding Society

Laureli Morrison (250-338-1968)

Horse handlers/side walkers

A desire to help people, work with horses, and enjoy a fun social atmosphere is required. Positions require some physical ability, such as walking trails and indoor arena. Committing to once a week, for one hour for an 8-10 week session is ideal but not necessary. Sessions run September through to June, M-thurs, 9-4. Riders are from ages 5 and up. Minimum age to volunteer is 16 yrs of age. No experience necessary as training is provided.

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MAKE-YOUR-OWN HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS

Holiday decorating is a big part of the holiday season. Bins are taken out of the attic or garage, and decorations are once again given their opportunity to shine for several weeks before being packed away again.

Among the many decorations families use to deck the halls are ornaments that were made by hand. This year creating homemade ornaments can be a crafty project that helps families make new holiday memories.

Christmas tree ornaments come in all shapes and sizes and often tell the stories of holiday traditions. There are several different ways to create personalized, do-it-yourself ornaments and leave the cheap, easily broken ornaments from the dollar stores behind.

Photo ornaments

Fun photo ornaments showcase how a family has changed and grown over the years. Experiment with different ways to create these ornaments. You can glue a photo to a ceramic ornament and cover it with decoupage glaze to set it permanently. Try purchasing clear, glass ornaments, then remove the top of the ornament, which is usually



spring-loaded, before slipping a photo inside and replacing the top. You also can laminate a photo, punch a hole in the top and affix a ribbon.

Ceramic ornaments

The popularity of paint-it-yourself pottery has led to an increase in ceramic and crafts shops across the country. During the holiday season such shops offer many holiday items that can be painted. Often the store will then fire the pieces after they are painted so that they are shiny and hardened for display.

Those who want to do their painting at home can visit their local craft or hobby shop, where typically there are unfinished ceramic ornaments that can be painted

with acrylic paints found right in the next aisle. A finishing coat of clear glaze will help protect the ornaments from year to year.

Wood crafts

Many of today's craft centers have expanded to include sections devoted to unfinished wood items. Everything from letters to animal cutouts to boxes and rocking horses can be purchased and finished. Turn keepsake boxes into painted and ribbon-adorned gift boxes. Stain a treasure chest that can be used to store reindeer snacks for Santa's crew.

Turn small decorative pieces into ornaments for the tree. Paint and affix wood initials onto stocking holders to identify to whom each stocking belongs. Crafty individuals also can turn plain wood plaques into signs with clever sayings, such as "Park your sleigh here."

Scavenge around the house

Young children can use any medium for making ornaments. Garlands made of macaroni or popcorn are traditional. Fabric scraps can be sewn and stuffed with potpourri for homemade scent sachels. Hand-drawn pictures can be made and laminated and hung on the tree.

The only obstacle with regard to DIY ornaments is a limited imagination. Homemade items can add whimsy and a personal touch to the holiday season.

centerpiece! Simply arrange the red and white cupcakes neatly on the stand with a few sprigs of holly for pops of green colour. Tie a festive bow around the base of the stand or the handle of the dome.

5. Happy holiday harvest! Fill a basket with a holiday-inspired bounty of clementines, cranberries, walnuts (in-shell), and pomegranates. Complement the arrangement with a few gold-coloured ornaments and add rustic accents like branches, greenery or pinecones.

(NC) 1. Eye-candy canes! Fill the base of any clear vase with a choice of colourful, miniature Christmas ornaments and add four to five of the huge President's Choice Old-Fashioned Handcrafted Candy Canes around the rim. Round out the centerpiece with a few sprigs of greenery and ornamental gold berries.

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DECORATE SAFELY AND LIGHT UP YOUR HOME

(NC)Decorating the house is a fun activity for the whole family, but don't forget the necessary yet simple safety measures when adorning your home for the holidays. While twinkling lights and flickering aromatic candles look and smell great, they can also be dangerous if the right precautions are not taken.

To make sure your home will dazzle, the experts from leading retailer, RONA, share their top three holiday decorating safety tips:

Candles

If you will be lighting wick candles throughout your home, it is important to strategically place them out of reach of children and pets, and away from flammable decorations such as a tree or garland. Alternatively, LED candles have popped up everywhere and have a natural glow. Consider lighting up your home with different sized LED candles this season while reducing the risk of fires.

Tree

Make sure your tree is properly secured and in the right size stand. The last thing you want is your tree to topple over, destroying your ornaments or injuring someone. Be sure to measure the base of your tree before purchasing a stand. Stands with four prongs or more offer the best support. If you have a large tree, ensure the weight of the base can support the tree, especially if it is top-heavy. You will want to ensure your tree is secure enough to be kid and pet-proof so if they decide to tug on it or accidentally knock into it, it won't go anywhere.

Lights

If you use a ladder to hang lights, outdoors or indoors, it is wise to ask someone

to hold the ladder in place when doing so.

During the cooler months, the ground is firmer and potentially more slippery if frost, snow and ice are in the mix.

Taking this extra safety precaution will minimize the risk of slips and falls and keep you in one piece for the celebrations.



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Marathon mom loves running

Earle Couper
Record Staff

Kim Campbell is a mom in motion.

The mother of 13 – with 17 grandkids and two more on the way – just finished running her “fourth or fifth” marathon to go along with the many half marathons and other races she has participated in.

The 57-year-old has been running for 13 years and said she got into it because she felt her kids were not getting enough exercise. “I started a walk-run program with them, and I thought, ‘I can do this. It’s actually kind of fun.’”

“I didn’t start running till I was 45-ish. I was at home for 30 years doing groceries and laundry. If I can do it, anybody can do it. I’m not a great athlete, I do it completely for fun.”

Great athlete or not, there is no doubt her running has been a great way for her to see the world. “I’ve done the Penticton Ironman and Penticton Challenge,” she says, adding the highlight to date was her first Penticton Ironman in 2010. “The scenery was great.”

In February this year Campbell was in Israel to compete in the 31st annual Dead Sea Marathon. “It was really hot, but really beautiful.” Another trip took her to Sadona, Arizona for a half marathon. “It’s a lovely way to holiday,” she noted.

Campbell says she loves training for her races, even though at times it has meant she has had to



KIM CAMPBELL TOOK part in the 31st annual Dead Sea Marathon in Israel in February.

persevere through injury. She says a lot of self help and the talents of Lauren McGuire at The Joint Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Centre have kept her running career on track.

Campbell certainly has no plans to slow down any time soon. When she was

in Victoria for her latest marathon, she saw a TV interview with a woman in her 80s who was running the race. “I said, ‘That’s going to be me,’” Campbell recalls.

Campbell has plans to compete in a race in Germany to celebrate her 60th birthday, and there

are more adventures awaiting her. “I would love to do a stage run through mountains, and this year or next I want to do cross-country skiing.”

With three teenage boys at home and working nights, Campbell still makes time to run three times a week. Spinning, biking and cross-fit training are also part of her routine.

A member of the Comox Valley Triathlon Club, Campbell has competed in races with her children and says the most fun she has had was with her daughters running the Edge to Edge event from Tofino to Ucluelet.

“This is what we do as a family,” Campbell said, adding her husband Jack is now taking part in triathletes as well. Campbell has trophies from the Mind over Mountain Adventure Race (MOMAR) and has done the running and biking segments of the Royal LePage Comox Valley Snow to Surf Adventure Relay Race. “All the local events are fun,” she said. Although she has not competed in the Perseverance Trail Run, she notes she runs the course with a friend “for fun” on Fridays.

Born in Vancouver, Campbell moved to the Valley when she was 10 and calls it “the best place in the universe. There’s lots of great people and training here, and I have an incredibly supportive husband. He’s my biggest fan. He thinks I can do anything.”

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Kickers teams advance to U18 rugby finals

This past Sunday the Comox/Campbell River Kickers RFC’s U18 men’s and women’s rugby teams hosted the Vancouver Island semifinals at Cumberland Village Park in Cumberland.

First up, the second-ranked U18 women faced the Velox Valkaries from Victoria and with little difficulty on the way came out with a 44-0 win. Tries were recorded by Lauren Sargent (3), Kristine Osachuk (2), Chloe Baird (2) and Dawson German (1), with two conversions by Osachuk.

“The team, made up of girls from different schools in the Comox Valley and Campbell River, really came together throughout the season,” said coach Aimee Burley.

“Things we once struggled with individually and as a team really came together these last few weeks and the way they played today proved it. We luckily had a good mix of girls. Our forward pack was powerful against our competition and would set up good ball for the speedsters to score,” said Burley.

“To place second is a big accomplishment for our program, which is in its

first year. We have some talented athletes in Comox and Campbell River. The future looks bright for them.”

The finals are this Sunday, Nov. 24 at Cowichan RFC at 11:30 a.m.

The U18 men played their North Island rivals

from Nanaimo in the second game of the day and also came away victorious with a score of 56-5.

After a close opening 10 minutes of the first half which saw the score tied, the bigger and more experienced Kickers started to control the tempo and pace of the game with some excellent forwards play. The Kickers scored two more tries before halftime by Trevor Caton and Jackson Locker, going into the half leading 15-5.

The second half started with tries from Callum Passingham and Foster Dewitt and two more from Caton putting the game out of reach for the visiting Hornets. Arne Neuman had a strong game for the Kickers including a 55-metre run off of a Nanaimo kickoff for a try under the posts. After playing in the forwards for most of the game the Kickers... See KICKERS, B10

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Webber qualifies for American final

Thirteen-year-old rider is dedicated to BMX racing

Thirteen-year-old Aidan Webber has been racing BMX since he was four years old. He started on a \$10 garage sale bike and slept with his first trophy for a month.

Webber has been a staple in the BMX community on Vancouver Island ever since. He can be found on any given day racing in Victoria, Nanaimo or Cumberland mentoring and inspiring younger riders with his skills and love of the sport.

Webber has experienced a huge amount of success in his sport from winning local, provincial, and Canadian national age group titles. His passion and successes in the sport have only served to motivate him to attain bigger goals, some of which include world championships and ultimately the Olympics.

In 2013 Webber set his sights on competing for an American National age group title. Webber's passion inspired his family and sponsors to bring him to American national competitions in Reno, Nev., Fort Worth, Texas, Redmond, Ore., Las Vegas, Nev., and Bakersfield, Calif.

Just as 2013 is coming to a close, the competition for an American national title is coming to a close in Tulsa, Okla. on Nov. 28 to Dec. 1. Webber's hard work has ranked him #12 among 13-year-old experts and #9 among 13-year-old Cruisers. Not bad for his first year racing the American Series.

The Canadian BMX season ended with the Canadian Grand Nationals over Thanksgiving weekend and there have been no races or practices to keep Webber's skills strong. Competing with kids who race all year long and have personal coaches and trainers would seem daunting to most.

Not to Aidan Webber. Most afternoons you can find him on the road next to his Comox home training from 1.5 to 2 hours a day, rain or shine. Sprints, road rides, gates, warm ups and cool downs keeps him focused on his goals. He has had opportunity to race a few times in Washington where they have



AIDAN WEBBER IS a top-notch BMX competitor. PHOTO SUBMITTED

an indoor facility, but mostly he has been on his own.

On top of all of that BMX training, Webber trains with the Comox Valley Sharks competitive swim team eight hours a week, started high school this year,

and recovered from a broken collarbone in September. It is clear to see how Aidan's involvement in the sport has taught him to work towards goals, overcome obstacles and to believe in himself. Aidan's teammates,

friends and family know that Aidan will be competing in Tulsa at the end of the month to the best of his ability and with the heart of a champion. Aidan has already won in their eyes.

- Webber Family

Legion dart players shoot for turkeys

The Comox Legion's annual Open Darts Turkey Shoot goes Saturday, Nov. 30.

Entry fee is \$7 per player, format is a round robin blind draw mixed doubles (where possible), there will be no knockout round, results will be off the sheet.

FMI, contact Dave at 250-339-9592 or dcwillington@gmail.com. - Comox Legion

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- 9:15 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. 19 WING FITNESS & COMMUNITY CENTRE (250-339-8211 EXT 6989)**
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- 10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. BLACK CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (250-337-5190)**
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- 12:15 P.M.-12:45 P.M. COURTENAY AIRPARK: FRESH AIR FITNESS WITH ELM FITNESS.**
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The BC Games Society and Coast Capital Savings have announced a new three-year corporate partnership that will support the BC Summer and BC Winter Games and recognize B.C.'s best young developing athletes.

As part of the agreement, Coast Capital Savings will be the Official Financial Institution sponsor, beginning with the Nanaimo 2014 BC Summer Games. The investment delivers on Coast Capital Savings' promise to help build a richer future for youth in our communities, says Wendy Lachance, Director of Community Leadership, Coast Capital Savings.

"We want to help provide young people access to sport and the benefits it brings. While competition is the backbone of the Games, at its heart are the spirit of competition, camaraderie and friendship, teamwork, and the setting of goals for individual and community excellence. We are honoured to partner with the BC Games family to promote these shared values," says Lachance.

Included in the partnership, an awards program has been created to offer financial support to B.C.'s young athletes over the next three Games. The awards will provide 16 athletes with a \$500 Coast Capital Savings bursary for their educational and athletic pursuits.

"Partnering with a company that shares our values of supporting youth and community is a great endorsement of the work we are so passionate about," said Kelly Mann, President and CEO of the BC Games Society. "We welcome Coast Capital Savings to our family of corporate partners and look forward to working together to create exceptional experiences for everyone at the BC Games."

The Nanaimo 2014 BC Summer Games will take place July 17-20 and will feature up to 3,900 athletes, coaches and officials from across British Columbia. Competition will take place in 19 sports at venues throughout the Nanaimo area.

- BC Games Society



THE VANIER TOWHEES senior girls volleyball team won their third straight Vancouver Island championship last week. The talented squad is now preparing for the 2013 B.C. AAAA provincial championships, which run Nov. 28-30 at Penticton Secondary School. Left to right: Back row - coach Dave Neill, Jamie Neill, Megan Ireland, Taylor Redman, Madi Gold, assistant coach Cheyla Reader. Front row - Emily Novak, Kristen Jorgensen, Jenny Veloso, Carly Gunter.



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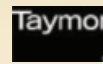
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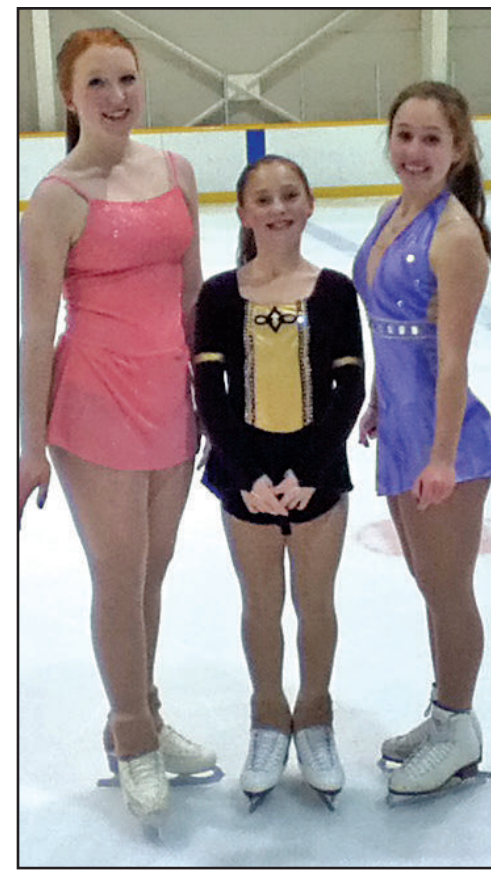


THE U18 WOMEN Kickers from left to right: Back row -Toni Burchill, Gloria Figueroa, Mae-ghan Bean, Chloe Baird, Lauren Sargent, Emily Toovey, Georgia Bellamy. Front row - Bobbie Thomas, Dawson German, Taya Gagnon, Kristine Osachuk, Neila Schaad.

Kickers impress in semis

Continued from B7
ers then started to play some entertaining and open rugby which saw Caton control the backs with some excellent play-calling and helped Blair Schmelz and Brad Doig finish the day with a try each.

The men travel to Victoria on Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2:30 p.m. to take on the powerhouse Oak Bay Castaway-Wanderers in the U18 B.C. final.
- Comox / Campbell River Kickers



COMOX VALLEY SKATERS Meghan Taylor, Jade Pagenelli and Peyton Meiers distinguished themselves at the BC/YK Skate Canada Sectional Championships.

Skaters shine at Sectionals

Three Comox Valley Skating Club members competed at the BC/Yukon Skate Canada Sectional Championships.

The BC/Yukon Champions (Sections) are the qualifying event for the Western Challenge which in turn is the qualifying stage for the Canadian Championships.

In addition to this, the Section Championships also serve to name the Provincial Champions in each category, the "Pond to Podium" Super Series Champions, and the Regional Champions.

For their efforts at this championship event, Peyton Meiers scored a personal best in the Pre-Novice Women's Short Program, Meghan Taylor recorded personal bests in both the Short Program and Freeskate Program in the Novice Women's category, and Jade Pagenelli was named Vancouver Island Region Champion for Juvenile Women U11.

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Several CVSC skaters have one more competition before Christmas. After the Christmas break, in addition to continuing the CANSkate and Power Skate Learn to Skate programs, and ongoing figure skate programs, skaters and other club members will begin preparations for the April 5, 2014 Ice Show.

For information on how you can be a part of the show, or involved in any of our skating programs, go to comoxvalleyskatingclub.ca, e-mail comoxvalleyskatingclub@gmail.com, or phone 250-339-9872.
- Comox Valley Skating Club

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HOCKEY

VANCOUVER ISLAND JUNIOR LEAGUE

Team	North Division					GF	GA
	GP	W	L	T	OTL		
Nanaimo Buccaneers	26	17	7	2	0	36	102
Campbell River	25	15	7	2	1	33	110
C.V. Glacier Kings	27	15	9	1	2	33	97
Oceanside Generals	25	3	20	1	1	8	57
Team	South Division					GF	GA
	GP	W	L	T	OTL		
Victoria Cougars	24	19	3	1	1	40	120
Peninsula Panthers	24	12	9	2	1	27	94
Westshore Wolves	27	9	11	3	4	25	94
Kerry Park Islanders	26	10	12	1	3	24	91
Saanich Braves	24	7	15	1	1	16	60

Nov. 22 Comox Valley Campbell River 5 OT, **Nov. 23** Nanaimo 3 Comox Valley 3
Nov. 29 Comox Valley @ Peninsula Panthers
Nov. 30 Victoria @ Comox Valley 7:30 p.m. Sports Centre #1

10-PIN BOWLING

Class Act	38	101
King Pins	31	103
Quinsam Auto	25	88
Strikers	24	97
Hopefuls	17	101

Team
High Game Score Limeys 618,
 Spare Shooters 618 **High**
Game Hcp. Amigos 882 **High**
Series Score Spare Shooters
 1800 **High Series Hcp.** Amigos
 2515
Men
High Game Score Mike Gribble
 191 **High Game Hcp.** Ray Smith
 249 **High Series Score** Doug
 Ellis 549 **High Series Hcp.** Ray
 Smith 692
Ladies
High Game Score Linda Franz
 177, Annette Jones 177 **High**
Game Hcp. Annette Jones 250
High Series Score Annette
 Jones 491 **High Series Hcp.**

Annette Jones 710

Tuesday Night Mixed

Team	QTR	YTD
Screaming Eagles	25	101
U.K. Plus	25	90
The B.U.F.F.S	18	90
EZDUZIT	34	89
Buckin Awesome	25	80
Ryan's Pizzeria	8	78
King Pins	21	71

Team
High Scratch Game The
 B.U.F.F.S 842 **High Hcp. Game**
 EZDUZIT 1119 **High Scratch**
Series Screaming Eagles 2333
High Hcp. Series EZDUZIT
 3218
Individual
High Scratch Game Ken Wil-
 son 218, Lisa Gribble 189 **High**
Hcp. Game Ken Wilson 259,
 Lisa Gribble 265 **High Scratch**
Series Ken Wilson 508, Shan-
 non Hinsberger 516 **High Hcp.**
Series Ray Berkenstock 656,
 Brooke Rodgers 707



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HOCKEY

8-BALL

SCORING LEADERS

Player	VIJHL Top 10			
	Tm	G	A	Pt
B. deVries	CR	17	29	46
B. Taekema	CR	22	17	39
D. Pernal	Com	19	19	38
G. Dunlop	Nan	13	25	38
C. Logan	Pen	15	21	36
B. Lervoid	WS	13	22	35
S. Brett	Com	15	19	34
A. Milligan	KPI	21	12	33
J. Skerratt	Pen	13	20	33
G. Zagrodny	VIC	5	27	32

C.V. POOL LEAGUE

Team	RW	PT	GW
Misspent Youth	36	1340	104
Scratch	33	1306	98
Choc-O-Lot	32	1307	93
Drive By	31	1257	92
Chalk-A-Holics	30	1273	95
Breaking Bad	30	1217	79
Rack-No-Phobia	29	1314	98
Classics	27	1270	88
Who's Counting?	27	1147	72
Balls In Hand	26	1227	85
4 Men & A Lady	25	1156	74
Team Cuddles	24	1236	83
Chalk-N-Awe	21	1173	81
Cue Tease	21	1147	69
The Breakers	19	1098	65
Mex Hookers	15	1036	53
Chalk One Up!	14	1089	59
Dam Winians	10	989	52

RW-rounds won; **PT**-points; **GW**-games won

Player of Year Standings

Player	GP	Pts
Ostwald, Werner	32	100.0
Horton, Rob	36	93.9
Caton, Bernie	36	79.7
Ferguson, Brian	36	77.4
Grenier, Dominick	28	76.3
Robinson, Shane	27	71.7
Brown, Randy	20	68.8
Ward, Robin	32	67.9
Laramee, Bill	32	66.8
Stewart, Wayne	36	66.6

SOCCER

VANCOUVER ISLAND MEN

Team	Div. 2			
	W	L	T	PT
Saanich Fusion	9	0	2	29
Comox Valley	6	1	3	21
Cowichan	5	5	1	16
Westcastle	4	3	3	15
Nanaimo	3	3	5	14
Gordon Head	3	5	3	12
Lakehill	3	6	2	11
Prospect Lake	3	6	1	10
Gorge United	2	6	3	9
Vic West	2	5	3	9

Nov. 23 Comox Valley United @ Westcastle
Dec. 1 Vic West Wolves @ Comox Valley United 2 p.m. Valley View

VOLLEYBALL

B.C. BOYS AAA

1. Kelowna
 2. Earl Marriot
 3. Steveston London
 4. Mount Boucherie
 5. Belmont
 6. Penticton
 7. Oak Bay
 8. Fraser Heights
 9. Reynolds
 10. Dover Bay
- HM GP Vanier, Seaquam, Claramont

B.C. BOYS AA

1. MEI
 2. Langley Fundamental
 3. Langley Christian
 4. OKM
 5. Highland
 6. Nanaimo District
 7. Princess Margaret
 8. DP Todd
 9. Clarence Fulton
 10. College Heights
- HM George Elliot, Duchess Park, Pacific Academy

B.C. GIRLS AAAA

1. South Delta (1)
2. Riverside (2)
3. South Kamloops (3)
4. Kelowna (4)
5. Earl Marriot (5)
6. Lord Tweedsmuir (6)
7. Elgin Park (7)
8. GP Vanier (8)
9. Pinetree (9)
10. Moscrop (10)

10-PIN BOWLING

CRYSTAL LANES

Team	50+ Seniors		
	QTR	YTD	
Happy Wanderers	58	117	
Amigos	56.5	108.5	
Flyers	51	127	
Spare Shooters	41.5	102.5	
Limeys	38	100	

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TRU cracks CIS top 10; Gunter leads Canada West



COURTENAY'S BRAD GUNTER leads Canada West in points per game with 5.59 and is second in kills and 10th in digs.

For the first time this season, the Thompson Rivers University WolfPack have made the top 10 of the CIS national rankings in men's volleyball.

The WolfPack are ranked 10th. It marks the eighth year in the nine year tenure of Pat Hennelly as head coach at TRU that the Kamloops team has been recognized.

"It shows that people recognize our achievements of the last week," Hennelly says, referring to the team's split with the University of

Alberta Golden Bears in Edmonton. "We won once and were on the verge of winning two. No team has gone into Edmonton and swept the Bears since 2000."

This is the first time in 2013-14 that any WolfPack squad has been recognized in the CIS rankings.

Courtenay's Brad Gunter (3rd year, outside hitter) leads Canada West in points (5.59 per game), is second in kills (5.12 per game) and 10th in digs (2.06 per game).

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Margaret Houston Morley - nee Baird
 March 20, 1924 - November 21, 2013

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our mother Margaret Morley, age 89, long-term resident of Ocean View at St. Joseph's Hospital. Ill for only a short time, she passed peacefully on Thursday, November 21. She was predeceased by her husband Jack ten years ago at Christmas. Left to mourn but with wonderful memories are her sons Wayne (Pearl) of Willow Point, Carl at Glacier View Lodge, and daughter Lin (Arnie) of Courtenay; only grandson Rob (Pat) of Ottawa, and step-granddaughter Lesley Coulter and her sons Gavin and Bryce of Cedar; plus several nieces and nephews in BC and Winnipeg. She was also predeceased by her Scottish parents William and Margaret Baird, brother Bill Baird and his wife Jean - formerly of Penticton, and sister Jessie and her husband Bert Muirhead - formerly of Custer Bend.

Margaret was born and raised in Winnipeg where, as a young teenager, she met and later married her high school sweetheart Jack. They both answered the call of duty, joining the RCAF during the war and serving in Canada until Mom gave birth to the family's first grandchild Wayne in Vancouver in June 1945, a birthday gift for her father. Dad's postings then took them to Winnipeg where daughter Linda (Lin) was born, and then to Ottawa where Carl was born. While stationed in Comox when it reopened in 1952, Mom worked part-time in the post office in what is now the Comox Military Museum, and again at the base post office during their next posting to Greenwood, Nova Scotia in the 60's. In their next posting and wanting a sit-down job, Mom took secretarial training in Ottawa and proudly held a top-level security clerical position at RCMP Headquarters. More postings took them to Trenton and Edmonton (Namao) and finally back to Comox where Dad retired in 1977. Together they built their retirement home on King Road, and then became commercial fishers on the Cape Belle for several years. After Dad's passing in 2003, Mom sold the house and moved to the Trade Winds apartments, then to Casa Loma, and to her final home at Ocean View.

Because both Mom's brother and sister were themselves military families and moved throughout the country, any opportunity to visit each other was a great cause for celebration, reminiscing, and rebonding. One of Mom's greatest pleasures in life was spending time with her family - family meant everything to her.

Donations in Mom and Dad's names (Marg & Jack Morley) can be made to the CFB Comox Military Museum, 19 Wing Military Row, Comox, BC V0R 2K0, (250) 339-8162

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Irene May Classen

Irene was born June 6, 1925 and passed away peacefully at home on November 16, 2013. A Celebration of Life for Irene was held on Saturday, November 23, 2013. Irene was predeceased by her devoted husband Edward Allen (Al) Classen.

Irene's memory will live on through her children Carol (Doug) Chaisson, Heather (Bud) Blancher, Ron Classen, Ted (Debbie) Classen, Debbie (Bob) Silliker, Gary Classen, Wayne (Patty) Classen, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a great-great grandchild.

She is also survived by her sister, Mona Walker.

The family wishes to thank the staff and friends at Chance's Bingo for many years of joy.

For those wishing, donations in her memory to Parkinson's Society of British Columbia, 600 - 890 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC, V6C 1J9 would be appreciated.

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Brian deVRIES
 January 1, 1939 - November 10, 2013

After a lengthy illness Brian passed away peacefully with his family by his side. He is predeceased by his son Thomas, his parents Jan & Anne and brother Harry.

He leaves to mourn his loving wife Lynn, daughters Betty (Chris), Sue (Donny), Lora (Norm) and son Bob (Leesha), grandchildren Donald, Daniel, Melissa, Logan, Cassidy, Shelby & Jasmine and great grandson Skylar. He also leaves to mourn his brothers Leonard & Morris and sisters Viola, Winnie & Freda.

Brian was raised in Yorkton, Saskatchewan and worked several different factory & construction jobs in his early years before finally getting a job at CFB Whitespruce. In 1986 Brian moved to CFB Comox where he worked as the roads and grounds supervisor until he retired in 2006. He loved his job and his people and received many awards for his accomplishments, most importantly he was awarded the "19 Wing Citizen of the Year" in 2002. Brian loved horses, fishing, spending time in the yard feeding his wild birds and tinkering in his shop. His greatest joys came from watching his children and grandchildren grow from little rambunctious ones into the fine young adults they are today.

After retirement, Brian found enjoyment & many good friends at the Senior's Centre playing darts & poker. He greatly enjoyed visiting with his good neighbours & friends sharing lengthy, humorous stories. He was a "Jack of all trades" who could fix anything, was great at woodwork & even invented his own tools for some jobs.

Brian will be greatly missed.

A Celebration of Life Service was held on November 24th, at 2:00 P.M. at the Courtenay Legion.

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KRAMP, Harold Frederick

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A Celebration of life will be held at 2:00pm on November 30, 2013 in the Amenity Room at 6001 Promontory Road.

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Stanley Downs
 January 9, 1918 - November 13, 2013

Stanley Downs passed away November 13, 2013 at Glacier View Lodge with family by his side.

Stan was born in Kentor, Manitoba January 9, 1918. As a young man he came to BC with his mother and father, brother and three of four sisters. The family settled on soldier settlement land in Merville, close to Kitty Coleman Beach.

Stan Served in World War II as an aircraft mechanic. After the war he returned to the family homestead until 2010 when he moved to Glacier View.

Stan worked as a logger for many companies in the Valley, eventually becoming a faller until he retired.

Stan never married, but was a wonderful uncle to many nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews and finally great great grand nieces and nephews. He especially enjoyed the family gatherings and had his special seat at the table in each home.

Stan was an amazing gardener, planting dahlias and moms in spring for a late summer show of colour.

Sports were his passion and he enjoyed golfing & going to baseball games with his nephews.

The family would like to thank Dr. Reggler for his kindness and to all the staff at Glacier View Lodge. Uncle Stan felt everyone always had time for him, even when they were very busy.

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MANY PEOPLE HAVE TURNED THEIR BACKS ON WRAPPED GIFTS IN FAVOR OF GIFT BAGS. HOWEVER, THERE'S SOMETHING TO BE SAID FOR INTRICATELY WRAPPED PRESENTS UNDER THE TREE.



Have we become a society that is too busy for gift wrap? When a birthday arrives or the holidays come around in full force, where do most people turn? To the ultra-convenient gift bag, that's where.

Gift bags have largely taken over the party aisles at most stores, where rows and rows of gift bags in all shapes and sizes are not uncommon. If you're trying to find a roll of wrapping paper, good luck. For birthdays, anniversaries and even baby showers, paper designs have essentially become obsolete.

It's true that wrapping paper seems to make a rebound come the holiday season, when stores begin to devote aisles of space to holiday supplies. But even when shiny foils and smiling Santas beckon customers from the tightly packed rolls, many people still choose gift bags.

Gift bags do have many advantages. They are easily portable, generally inexpensive and come in some very clever designs. They're also touted as a "green" product because they can be reused.

But there are plenty of people who feel that the elimination of intricately wrapped presents takes some of the magic out of the holidays. Carefully wrapped gifts show that a person put in time and effort to present a gift in a way that is sentimental and personal. Although it may take mere minutes to pry away the paper and find a treasure inside, there's something to be said for paper-wrapped gifts. It means the gift-giver sat down, pondered the paper design and carefully chose the bow or ribbon with the recipient in mind.

Before you eschew wrapping paper for a gift bag this holiday season, think about all of the advantages to spending some time and reacquainting yourself with the art of gift wrapping. Here are some reasons to save the gift bag for another time.

* Wrapping can be green, too. Wrapping paper can be reused if it is carefully removed from a gift. You also can create your own wrap-

ping paper by decorating brown postal paper with a rubber stamp or having children color their own special murals. Don't overlook newsprint as wrapping as well.

* Paper is more cost-effective. You are bound to get more bang for your wrapping buck by choosing wrapping paper. Although there are scores of discount stores that sell low-priced gift bags, often the quality isn't the same, and the handles could tear after one or two uses. Wrapping paper per inch is definitely more affordable than gift bags, particularly when purchased on sale.

* Wrapping paper lets you be creative. Cover a box with a patchwork of different paper scraps, choose to stagger colors of paper with boxes towered one on top of another or tie on the biggest bow you can find.

* Paper is traditional. Look back to the classic stories of yuletide and you are bound to find images of Santa Claus pulling wrapped boxes out of his enormous gift sack. Also think about how department stores used to (and some still do) offer complimentary gift wrapping.

* Wrapped gifts travel better. When carrying your bounty of gifts to friends and family, carefully wrapped boxes tend to stand up to travel better than gift bags. No one wants to receive a gift bag that has been wrinkled and crushed into some amorphous shape. Plus, wilted tissue paper can be off-putting.

* There's something magical about wrapping paper. The anticipation, the drama, the build-up to peeling aside wrapping paper and revealing the gift has brought smiles to children's (and adults') faces for generations. It is hard to improve on something that has been successful for years and years.

Although the public may be swept up in rushing from here to there, there are traditionalists who appreciate sitting down and spending time creating holiday magic by way of beautifully wrapped gifts.

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HANS PETER MEYER is one of 14 local artists whose work will be displayed at the Comox Valley Airport until May 1.

Airport now more colourful

Twenty pieces of art by 14 talented local artists will be displayed at the Comox Valley Airport until May 1.

YQQ's Art and Culture Program launched its 2013/14 exhibition Coastal Explorations – Celebrating Island Living last week. The works represent the artists' views of the unique way of life on northern Vancouver Island.

"All work presented in this year's display celebrates Island living through representations of the people, places, employment opportunities and natural environment of this region," said Jen Alton of the Comox Valley Community Arts Council.

The exhibition features photography, sculpture, painting and textiles by artists Brian Argyle, Bert Badey, Lisa Cross, Bill Kerr, Sandra Lamb, Brian Latta, Marsha Mackinnon, Hans Peter Meyer, Uli Ostermann, Marilyn Peeters, Heimke Webb and Grace Wolff.

For the first time, the YQQ Art and Culture Program features a unique fabric art installation by Althea White as well as a soapstone carving by Ron Moffat.

"This exhibition is an excellent way to connect our passengers with the northern Vancouver Island cultural community and provide a truly enhanced experience at our airport," explained YQQ CEO Fred Bigelow. "We are proud to work with the Comox Valley Community Arts Council on this highly successful public art program, which is now entering into its third year."

The Comox Valley Airport Art and Culture Program, a partnership between YQQ and the Comox Valley Community Arts Council, is intended to showcase the rich artistic tradition of northern Vancouver Island.

A call for submissions is issued each spring and artwork is selected by a jury of representatives from the airport and the Arts Council.

More information about this program, the featured artists and their work on display at the Comox Valley Airport can be found on www.comoxairport.com under Airport Services/Art and Culture Program.

For information about how to get involved in YQQ's Art and Culture program and other community arts projects, visit www.comoxvalleyarts.com.

— Comox Valley Airport (YQQ)

Powerful band launching new CD

In February 2012, five of the West Coast's leading jazz musicians came together for a two-night, live-concert recording session before capacity audiences at Hermann's Jazz Club in Victoria.

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Featuring nine MacNayr originals, the music was crafted specifically for these five musicians bringing together diverse musical influences. The Measure of Light unites some of the world's best cre-



THE DYNAMIC QUINTET of drummer/composer Kelby MacNayr plays Nov. 30 at Studio Live! in Cumberland.

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This extraordinary album will be available when the Kelby MacNayr Quintet performs four concert dates in three of the West Coast's most intimate listening rooms.

The Comox Valley gets its turn this Saturday at Studio Live! at 2679 Beaufort Ave. at First Avenue in Cumberland at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are available at Bop City Records in Courtenay.

For more about the musicians, visit kelby-macnayr.com.


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