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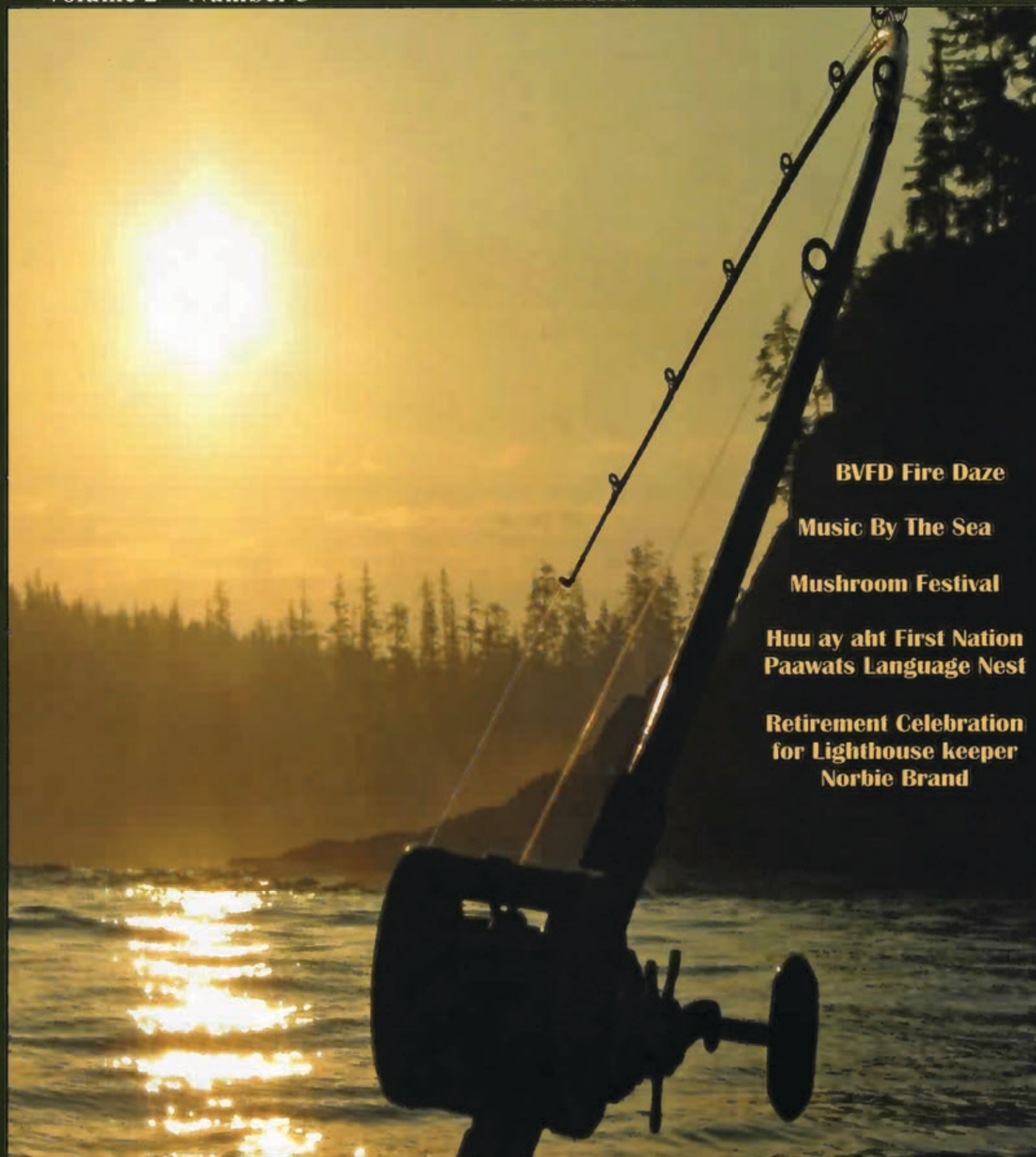
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August 15, 2010	November 15, 2010	February 15, 2011	May 15, 2011

Music by the Sea

building a permanent centre for the arts in Western Canada at Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre (BMSC) on Vancouver Island.

This July Music by the Sea will present its fifth season and transform Bamfield into a 'music-village' by the sea. From Opening night Saturday, July 10th to Closing night on Sunday, July 18th, Music by the Sea (MBTS) will present 11 concerts in the Rix Centre for Ocean Discoveries and two community outreach programmes in the Bamfield Community School. MBTS is a project in cooperation with the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre to create a permanent centre for the arts in Western Canada that will draw from the powerful inspiration the raw, full-on beauty of Vancouver Island's Westcoast has to offer!

The music on each concert has a stunning amount of talent and types of music. Our programming really is unique in that we have a "company" of great artists there for what we call a performance residency. Most of them are there for the entire period. The purpose is to enable new collaborations to form across barriers of region, musical background, music genre, and career development. The result of this mix is that each concert contains a rich variety. On each concert the audience will hear some jazz, some classical music, some ensemble music, some solo music, and probably some alternative music styles. Artists do not play an entire programme and out of the 10 concerts, each artist would likely be performing on between five and seven of them (but for only for a portion of each concert).

For instance, this year we will have Jorane, the Quebec celebrity cellist-songwriter as part of the company, and she will present a new work which will incorporate resident players...so this will be cutting across all those barriers at once. Jorane is such a well-known artist in Quebec that on the 400th anniversary of the Quebec City, which drew talent, audiences, and statesmen from around the world, she performed the main concert with the Orchestre symphonique de Québec.

And at Music by the Sea, on the very same concert, you may hear Chris Donnelly, the fast-rising jazz piano star from Ontario. From closer to home we will have the well-known violinist Marc Destrubé, and from as far away as Boston and Germany we will have the two violinists Marcus Thompson and Werner Dickel.

At the time of writing 2010 artists include:

Marc Destrubé, Violin (Vancouver)
Hannah Adarrio-Berry, cello (San Francisco)
Umbrella Ensemble:
Catharine Lee, oboe (Portland Oregon)
Alexandra Eastley, bassoon (Winnipeg)
Louise Campbell, clarinet. (Montreal)

Elizabeth Choi, violin. (Chicago)
Nan Hughes, soprano. (Banff)
Marc Ryser, piano, (Boston)
Chris Donnelly, jazz piano. (Toronto)
Marcus Thompson, viola. (Boston)
Jorane, cellist / singer songwriter (Quebec)
Michael Waters, guitarist-composer (Victoria)
Werner Dickel, viola, (Germany)

...and there will be more

To view the complete programme, visit our website at musicbythesea.ca

2010 Schedule - Week 1 At the Rix Centre:

EVENT	TIME	DATE
Concert 1 (opening)	8:15 PM	Saturday July 10
Concert 2	Noon	Sunday July 11
Concert 3	8:30 PM	Sunday July 11
Concert 4	8:30 PM	Monday July 12
Concert 5	8:30 PM	Tuesday July 13

2010 Schedule - Mid-Week

Tuesday July 13th, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Chamber music rehearsal open to children accompanied by adults Location: Bamfield Community School - Free admission

Wednesday July 14th, 8:30 pm
Music Workshop presentation —TBA Location: The Rix Centre - by donation

Thursday July 15th, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Chamber music rehearsal open to children accompanied by adults Location: Bamfield Community School - Free admission



**2010 Schedule - Week 2
At the Rix Centre:**

EVENT	TIME	DATE
Concert 6	8:30 PM	Thursday July 15
Concert 7	8:30 PM	Friday July 16
Concert 8	8:30 PM	Saturday July 17
Concert 9	Noon	Sunday July 18
Concert 10 (closing)	8:15 PM	Sunday July 18

Prices range from \$55 to \$80 and festival packages are also available.

This year MBTS will be instituting a daily bus run from Bamfield to Alberni and back for the period of festival (July 9-18th). It will leave Bamfield first thing in the morning and sync up with the Tofino bus in Alberni before it heads on to Victoria or Vancouver. Then it will make pick-ups in Alberni, and synchronize with the Tofino Bus that is arriving from Vancouver and Victoria at noon. The people on that bus can simply board the MBTS bus and be in Bamfield by about 2:00PM. It will be \$25 for each one-way trip. With this new service, anybody on the lower mainland or South Vancouver Island can catch the Tofino Bus in the morning and be in Bamfield by 2:00 PM!

Our goal has been to build a reputation that the variety of talent on the stage (on each concert)

was so comprehensive and at such a high level, that ticket buyers would feel confident to buy tickets in advance without knowing the programme! And we are succeeding. Our website always urges visitors to view our website to view programmes from previous seasons and get a feel for what to expect.

So it is very much not your typical concert setting — either by content, or the venue, which allows the audience to gaze out to a sunset over Barkley Sound and the Deer Group of Islands while holding a glass of wine!

The Rix Centre boasts a wrap-around 120 degree view of the Pacific and Bamfield Inlet as the backdrop to the performers. Three stories of glass provide the view and a scallop-shell shaped roof which flares out to the ocean, provides the intimate and perfect acoustics. It is quite simply the most beautiful and exotic way to hear a virtual smorgasbord of great music played by a line-up of world-class artists — in the most unlikely and beautiful isolated setting.

For getting to Bamfield and staying there visit our website at musicbythesea.ca and browse through the links. A trip to Bamfield and Music by the Sea will be an experience worth far more than the effort it takes to plan and make the journey. This is a destination-arts-experience of the highest order!

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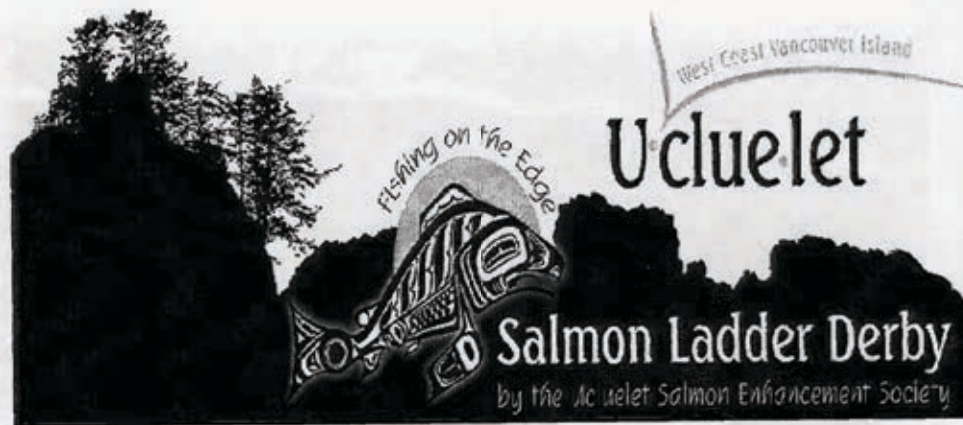
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Fish on the edge... for a chance to win up to \$40,000

Ucluelet, BC - Ucluelet is the place to be this year for a summer-long salmon fishing derby that will net the winners thousands of dollars and raise at least half that for local salmon enhancement.

The Ucluelet Salmon Enhancement Society was recently formed to run the Ucluelet Salmon Ladder Derby, the longest running locally organized fishing event ever to be held on the west coast.

For nearly four months from May 24 to September 13, 2010, fishers of all ages will have the chance to compete for the biggest catch while enjoying "fishing on the edge" in the scenic waters around the fishing capital of Canada.

Throughout the derby, the 50 largest salmon (all five species of Pacific salmon are eligible) caught will be continuously ranked on the event's website in a ladder format. Weigh-in stations will measure and photograph the fish. At the close of the derby, the top 50 fisherman will compete in a "fish-off" over three days (dates to be determined) for the largest cash prize.

Three times during the derby, at the end of June, the end of July and the end of August, cash prizes will be awarded to the top three fish caught.

The catcher of the largest fish each month will receive \$7,000, the second largest \$2,000 and the third largest \$1,000.

The top finishers each month will also get entry into the final fish-off to compete for the top cash prize of \$30,000.

The derby's co-chair Brian Clarkson said funds raised will go to the non-profit Thornton Creek Hatchery, which focuses on enhancing local coho, chinook and chum salmon populations. "Raising money to support salmon enhancement is as worthy a cause as one can find."

Because it will be the longest running local event this summer, the economic spin-offs to the community could reach into the millions, from accommodation to transportation, from restaurants to fish processing.

The Ucluelet Salmon Enhancement Society will present a cheque to the Fish-off winner and Thornton Creek Hatchery during the wrap up festivities planned for the close of the 2010 derby in September.

Please visit the event website or email info@ucluelet.travel for more information.

See you on the water!

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Treble In Paradise

"I love music, I hate musicians." -Milne



by
Darryl Milne

A very successful event indeed was the 4th Annual Aguilar Open House and Pig Roast. As near as I could figure there were about 250 in attendance to pig out and rock in an incredible \$1645.35 of donations for the Bamfield Community School. A big thank you to all, especially Mark, Milt, Brittney, and Kelsey and the gang at Aguilar for hosting this (becoming a Bamfield tradition) fundraising event.

This issue will just miss the Soulstice so I will tell you all now how great it actually was. THE BROKEN GROUP, THE MIKE LAINE BAND, NYE SULLIVAN AND THE HOSERS, THE PACHENA PLAYBOYS, and guests. More in the fall issue.

Julia Mackey and Bob Wiseman (Blue Rodeo) was an absolutely incredible double show. There wasn't a dry eye in the house during Julia's performance of Jake's Gift, a story of a W.W. 2 vet returning to Normandy after 50 years. Bob Wiseman, as ever, was way out there. A real treat was the 1/2 hour of avant garde animation shorts between shows. More major events with world class performers are planned for Bamfield as Bob and Julia promised to tell the entertainment world about this very special place.

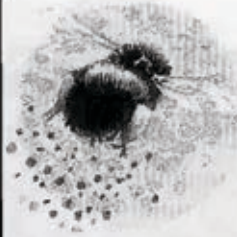
A warm welcome to our newest resident John (Johnny Blue) Altorf. A fine musician who hails from (among other places) Merville, B.C. Johnny has been playing harmonica and singing the blues for ever. He is the frontman for the Pachena Playboys, Bamfield's newest band (watch yer ass Broken Group). Watch for Johnny Blue at a dance near you real soon.

TECH TIP :

In a pinch, a plastic bread tie works quite nicely as a substitute guitar pick. Johnny Blue has asked me to ask people to save them for him.



Michelle gardening at 2 1/2 years old



My Green Thumb

~Tales of a West Coast Gardener~

by Michelle van Boven

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Bad Breath Pepper Garlic Spray

Use: All Purpose. Try it on a host of insect pests.

Ingredients:

- 4 cups of boiled water
- 1 entire bulb of garlic
- 1 smallish onion
- 1 tbspp hot pepper (flakes, powder or fresh)
- Thin strainer
- Funnel
- Spray bottle

Directions:

1. Steep the all your ingredients overnight in the boiling water.
2. Pour the whole mess into a blender or food processor and liquefy.
3. Strain through cheesecloth or a thin-meshed strainer. Be sure to capture all the particles to avoid clogging your sprayer.
4. Funnel the liquid into a spray bottle.

Non-Edible Variation: Try adding 1 tsp dish soap to the mix. Not only will it aid in the mix sticking to the insect, but will also do its own damage.

How to Use:

Thoroughly coat the leaves of the infected plant with the spray. Be sure to get the undersides and other nooks and crannies where bugs will hide. Store your mixture in the fridge to avoid the rotting smell that will eventually arise. (although this could then be used as a deer deterrent...)

Why It Works:

Garlic contains a chemical that bugs don't like. As an added bonus it also has fungicidal properties that may aid or prevent some diseases. The active ingredient in hot pepper is capsaicin. This is the stuff that burns your eyes.

This recipe comes from **Gayla Trail's** website: **You Grow Girl**. She is an urban gardener in Toronto & a source of serious inspiration.

'Do what we can, summer will have its flies.'

Ralph Waldo Emerson

I have been asked to write about **bugs**—which at this time of writing in mid-May—prime garden planting time, I'm battling a bug of my own; a spring cold. So, instead of playing outside in the dirt & getting eaten alive by the bugs, I'll write about them!

This is an incredibly broad topic to discuss & it changes with the seasons. I'll start off with the **'Bad' bugs**—the ones that cause us to run screaming from the garden or reach for the chemicals. We are talking about **blackflies, mosquitoes, aphids, slugs** & any assortment of beetle or worm that frustrates our endeavors to grow a crop of food.

In the spring, those 'no-see-ums' are **hiding in the dirt**, so it's a good idea to wait til mid morning before digging around too much. Once the soil & the air warms up, they generally disappear til the evening hours. Later on in the summer, they return when we become too busy to **keep the grass trimmed** & evenings by the fire pit can become unbearable unless the fire is roaring & the chemicals are applied.

To avoid nasty surprises in the greenhouse or storage shed, it's best to **store your empty pots upright** instead of upside down, as spiders & wasps might find those dark spaces to their liking & nothing is worse in the spring than having spiders jump out at you while you are reaching for pots to grow your herbs in!!

Now **aphids & slugs** are altogether different critters. They can devastate a veggie patch or your basil plants almost over night! For slugs, you'll have to find something that works for you: midnight garden tours with a flashlight & a sharp stick, copper mesh, egg shells, slug bait, beer traps... All I know, is that they love being under cover & wet spring soil in the greenhouse is a great place for hatching new babies.

Aphids seem to like humidity—so let your greenhouse breathe & try to confuse those critters by **growing sacrificial plants** that they can munch on instead. One great

plant you can grow are **nasturtiums**; they actually attract aphids to themselves & still manage to keep on going!

Companion planting is a great way to confuse bugs you don't want. These plants add a bit of diversity to the gardens & will distract the bugs from their intended targets. For instance: borage will repel tomato worms, so why not plant a few of these in the greenhouse with the 'maters. Basil repels mosquitoes, marigolds repel bean beetles, garlic & horseradish repel beetles, rosemary & thyme work well too. Every garden & gardener will find certain plants work really well together.

But what about the

'Good' bugs? Are

there such a thing?

Definitely the bees &

butterflies &

ladybugs. I was just

reading an article

about bees & how the

honey bee is actually an introduced species

from Europe! Our wild bees are much

better pollinators, but they don't produce

honey in the quantities that the European

bees do. We can invite the bees into our

gardens by providing a wide range of

flowers for them to visit throughout the

seasons. Ever wonder why dandelions are

the first and last flowering plants? The bees

rely on them for survival!! Check out the

Ministry of Environment's brochure on

Beneficial Bugs found thru the Integrated

Pest Management site to learn more & find

out how to attract them to do the dirty work

of getting rid of the 'bad' bugs in the

gardens. Far easier I think to let the spiders

be than to run around squishing bugs!!

As an alternative to applying chemicals

to yourself when all you have are those few

precious morning hours to garden, I've

made a **homemade, natural bug repellent**

(bug off!) that can be found at **Fay's Gift**

Gallery on the Westside of Bamfield. It

contains citronella, lemon grass, lavender,

peppermint & tea tree to keep those bugs

away. If they do manage to bite, I've also

found that a mix (**bug bite bye-bye**) of

lavender & peppermint will ease the itch &

swelling.

'Shoo fly, don't bother me...'



My Green Thumb con't

Water Conservation Tips for Your Gardens:



We all want to know how to use less water but still have lush & productive gardens. Some might find it a strange concept here on the coast where we are surrounded by water & it seems to rain more than we want (especially in the spring when we want to be outside!), but there are times when we do experience dry & hot weather that can just zap our plants. Here are some tips that might help.

Mulch:

Mulch on top of the ground **slows water evaporation** from the surface. A bonus to good mulching practices is **weed control**, a necessity in a healthy garden because weeds rob water and nutrients from desired plants. Control weeds by piling mulch on open spaces 3-4 inches deep. Put your garden on a good organic mulch diet with organic compost and the reward will be healthy garden soil that helps hold moisture. Things to use as mulch: **straw** (not hay as it contains seeds that might sprout), **grass clippings** (dry it first as fresh clippings will start to rot & mould & are a good environment for those wood bugs that while being great decomposers, might attack the plants being mulched), **leaves & conifer needles** (conifers will change the pH levels, so keep that to a minimum), **shredded newspaper, manure** & pulled up weeds (as long as they haven't gone to seed already). Don't mulch with peat moss; it dries out and forms a mat or crust on the top of the soil that easily sheds water. Instead, work peat moss well into the soil.

Collect Water:

Get a **rain barrel** to collect water. Water collection from house gutters and collection barrels in the garden **captures "free" water**. In a period of rain, the collection points will have plenty of water stored for dry spells to water container gardens. A rain barrel with a proper connection for a soaker hose becomes an **efficient way to seep water** into planting beds. I've seen some very ingenious designs

for this & want to try it on my own gardens this summer. If you've got a blue barrel somewhere on your property that isn't being used for anything, this makes a perfect water collector. Chop the top off & install piping in the bottom with a valve. Place a fine screen or mesh ovetop to keep out debris & bugs. You can make your own drip lines from rubber hoses with small pin pricks or you can invest in some soaker hose from suppliers such as Lee Valley. I have extra 5 gallon buckets that would make very effective slow-drip watering devices. Just fill the bucket, turn on the drip hose valve & let it water your flower bed or veggie bed slowly & more effectively than standing there for 10 minutes with a hose & spray nozzle.

Plant natives

Plants that are native to your area have **adapted** to whatever rainfall nature gives. Native plants also tend to thrive and have better ornamental value with **little or no maintenance**. No excess fertilizers, pruning and care makes them ideal choices for water and environmentally friendly gardens.

Reduce Evaporation

To encourage roots to develop, soak the garden thoroughly rather than watering it lightly several times. The **best time** to quench your plants' thirst is early in the morning, when plants are turgid and best able to take in more water; in fact, the morning dew that moistens the top few millimetres of soil makes it easier for water to penetrate deeply. Irrigating at midday is wasteful, as much of the moisture is lost to evaporation, while watering in the evening isn't ideal because leaves stay wet all night long, which can lead to disease.

Stop watering your lawn! This has the added benefit of allowing the lawn to go dormant during the summer which will also reduce the number of times you need to get out there to mow it.

Repair leaky hoses, irrigation lines & spray nozzles. I have a hose that waters me more than it does my gardens & it will be replaced soon as it not only wastes water, but frustrates the gardener.

I'm sure there are many more ways that we can come up with to conserve water in our gardens & if you have ideas, share them with your neighbours. I look forward to hearing new ways to make life in the garden easier & more simple!



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Fire Daze

For more than 25 years Bamfield volunteer firefighters have hosted FireDaze. The FireDaze fundraising events bring residents and visitors together for 6 events over 3 weekends in July and August.

FireDaze revenues help cover the costs for fire equipment and training, completion of the interior and exterior of the new Fire Hall, and Halloween fireworks for the community.

Golfers, duffers and novices come to play the intertidal golf course in the Burlo slough. The date for the tournament is set by the lowest tides in the month of July. At dawn on July 10th firefighters will be placing 9 flags around the muddy course. By 8:30am golfers begin registration at The Barge. The line up for tee off is like the

award show red carpet with cameras snapping the costumed golfers to share with forlorn golfers around the world who are not able to participate. Bamfield Intertidal Golf Tournament score cards have been posted in clubhouses around the world for the past decade. Costumes are optional, and prizes are awarded in a variety of categories including: best costume, low score and most honest golfer. The registration Barge turns into a refreshment and barbeque centre for hungry golfers until the tide floats The Barge away.

After an afternoon nap or trek to the beach, folks gather at the BVFD east side fire hall for the Salmon Barbeque dinner beginning at 5pm. Be prepared to line up for a wild salmon dinner barbequed to perfection, served with salads, buns and dessert. Come early for dinner, as it is the opening night of Music by the Sea at the Rix Centre for Ocean Discovery and you don't want to be late for the concert.

After 9pm, the fire hall will rock the night with DJDoubleD; lights, action, and music for everyone (over 19 years of age of course).

Barkley Sound is the place to be on the BC Day long weekend, July 31 - August 2, if you are a fisher. The BVFD Salmon Fishing Derby kicks off on Saturday morning. The weigh-in station will be at Kingfisher Marina this year, just south of the old weigh-in dock. After a great day on the water, plan to be at the fire hall on Saturday night to tell the tales and dance with your best friends.

The Derby ends at noon sharp on Monday, August 2 and is followed by a barbeque lunch at the fire hall and prize presentations. The winning fisher takes home \$1,000 and a great fish. Second (\$500) and third (\$250) prizes are followed by hidden weight prizes. In order to win a hidden weight prize the fisher must attend the presentations. Hidden weight prizes include a Suzuki motor,

fish finder, tackle and many more. Tickets for the Derby are available at fishing outlets across the Island and in Bamfield. Family and friends will gather for Sand Castles on Pachena on Sunday, August 15, a morning of creativity, digging and entertainment. This sandcastle contest has a twist. Each sand structure entry must have a detailed story about the structure and a storyteller to charm the judges and audience.

Enter the beach from the Pachena Bay Campground. Be sure to bring sunscreen, water and snacks, digging and sculpting tools, and all the usual necessities for a day at the beach. Individuals, families and

group registrations are encouraged. Registration begins at 10am. Ribbons will be presented at noon.



Please support the Bamfield Volunteer Fire Department fundraising events, bring your camera and be prepared for memorable experiences.



Be FireSmart

adapted from FireSmart by Linda Myres, Community Emergency Program

With the summer season upon the West Coast, don't be caught off guard for the possibility of fire in our communities. The 2009/2010 winter was mild and there are predictions of a drier than usual summer. Despite the cool and wet spring weather, there is an increased risk of wildfire this year.

Many gardeners have noted that the soil is already dry 6 inches below the surface. In past years, the famous cool, foggy August days protected the coastal forest areas from drying out. Weather patterns have changed and now the previously predictable foggy days are uncertain for keeping our forests in low risk for fire.

So how do you prepare your house and property for a dry summer season? The Insurance Bureau of Canada has produced an informative video that can be downloaded from YouTube (<http://youtube.com/watch?v=1VZWwCOPhUk>) to give you some ideas.

FireSmart is a national program endorsed by provincial governments and the insurance industry. It outlines many steps that homeowners can take to protect their homes from wildfires. The Insurance Bureau of Canada recommends and supports the FireSmart program because it is a step in the right direction to help homeowners and communities adapt to climate change. If you live in or near a forested region, sooner or later you may have to contend with the spread of a wildfire. The best protection against loss, damage or injury due to wildfire is prevention. The complete brochure can be downloaded at <http://www.abc.ca/en/BeSmartBeSafe/Publications/>. Be sure to check out the Home Assessment checklist.

Properly preparing your home and community doesn't guarantee that you will not incur fire damage, but it does reduce the risks. Obtain insurance coverage for all property at risk from fire - government disaster financial assistance is limited and only covers uninsurable perils.

Some of these preventative measures cost very little and reduce fire dangers by a great deal; others require planning and a

long-term commitment to change. It may not be practical or economical to apply all of them to an existing structure, however, many FireSmart modifications are easily accomplished. Others can be included in long-term maintenance or renovation plans or incorporated in new buildings as they are designed and constructed.

A well thought out FireSmart protection plan includes the following suggestions:

- Prune tree branches to a height of 2 metres or more
- Store fire wood 10 metres or more from the house (avoid down slope location)
- Remove all trees, long grass, shrubs, logs, branches, twigs and needles within 10 metres of house
- Thin trees (with 3 - 6 metres between crowns) for at least 30 metres from the house
- Contact your utility company if trees or branches are not clear of power lines
- Grass within 10 metres of buildings should be mowed and watered
- Address, fire or lot number clearly signed
- Driveway is wide enough to accommodate emergency vehicles
- Try to provide an alternate emergency access route to your property
- Pond or tank with emergency water supply
- FireSmart burning barrel
- Driveway clear of trees to a distance of at least 3 or 4 metres
- Chimney installed to code complete with spark arrestor screens
- All eaves enclosed and screen all vents including soffits
- Undersides of balconies, decks and crawlspaces sheathed in with flame resistant materials
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The Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre is a marine biology station, the site was chosen by five western Canadian universities as a place that would be best suited to provide access to the specimens and resources of the Pacific coast. Today, the Centre serves as a field school for university students, a renowned centre for public education in marine science, and a space where scientists can conduct their research close to the field.

By coming on one of our tours, you get to have a closer view of the facilities we have at the Centre. Come learn about the research that is being carried out by the scientists at the marine centre, who study everything from abalone to dogfish to sea stars.

While walking around our site, you can witness the unique history that the Centre has with the community, as it transformed over time from a Cable Station to a marine lab.

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I remember our first few trips out to the "Big Bank" in the late 80s.

We would arrive on the spot around 6:30 in the morning, and we would already be surrounded by the commercial boats who had spent the night out there from the previous several days fishing..

I use to wonder, "what are these skippers thinking, when they see these little sport boats way out here?"

I remember following one of the Hiliners of the day, the "Trident Isle" Captained by Bob Bowker, and watching him haul Smiley after Smiley over the checkers of his Commercial Troll boat, and wonder to myself, "What the heck is he using?!"

It took us quite a while to figure it out, but with a little help from a few of the long time commercial fisherman, we were able to start consistently catching Chinook, and Coho salmon, and BIG ones too!

I'm not sure why Skippers, Like Bob, and Joe Garcia, and Clifford and Richard Nookemus decided to help us out in those

days, but they did..

Maybe they felt sorry for us floundering around out there, catching nothing but a cold, while they filled their holds, and returned to shore to unload, and start all over again...

One regret in my life is that I never got to go on a big troller like those boats in the hey day of the commercial fishery, just to experience it...

It was magic to watch from alongside, and I fear those days may be gone.

The troll fleet, in my humble opinion was manned by true fisherman in every sense of the word, and I have the utmost respect for every one of the gentlemen that earned their living on the hi seas...

Now days when we venture out to the La Paruse Bank, we do so in high speed well equipped boats, with the latest in navigation equipment, and safety gear. We can be on the spot in a little over an hour compared to the 4 or 5 hours it took the men in their Trollers.

We typically spend about 8 hrs on the bank, and on an average good day, will catch our limit of Chinook, Coho, and Halibut for our customers, and then ready the boat for the trip home, while bobbing about on the Pacific, letting them soak it all in. I try to inject as much history about the area as I can to my customers during the course of the day, and give them a true understanding of where we are, and what has taken place out here for decades.

We are anticipating another fantastic year for the sport fishery in Bamfield, and I am already waking up in the middle of the night, with screaming reels going off in my dreams, and hard pulling monster Chinook landing on the deck of the "Hielan' Lassie"

I wonder if these same dreams haunted the Troll fleet skippers back in the day? Bells clanging loudly, signalling another bight from a large "Red" Chinook...

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Fond memories; a space to gather, celebrate and grieve: The Bamfield Community Hall and United Church buildings have been well used for over 40 years by locals and visitors alike.

Dances, dinners, weddings, funerals, community meetings, conferences, symposiums, bingo games, concerts, basketball games, bake sales, auctions, bridal showers, potlucks, Christmas concerts, preschool activities, fundraisers and elections; you name it the hall and /or church has housed it. Chances are, whether you have only visited Bamfield once or have lived all your life here, the Community Hall and Church holds some sort of memory for you.

As the town of Bamfield changes each year, the population tends to drift up and down with the tide. Some years year round residents are plentiful and others not. Children and adults both share fond memories of functions and events for all ages regardless the number in attendance.

1961
West Side Hall



Before addition
was built

West Side Hall



United Church
1965

south wall
after
renovations



Photographs courtesy of
The Beacon, Bamfield's Community Newspaper October 2004
Looking Back Series: Bamfield Community Hall
by Pat Garcia

Past Present Future

In the 30's and 40's various card parties, community fundraisers and even a performance from the CGS Estevan's orchestra took place at the original community hall. Records show that in 1965 talks began with the United Church and work began to adjust the layout of the church to accommodate the hall.

Originally, the part that houses the hall was the church and the part now the church was the hall. Over the years expansions and renovations were completed by local volunteers.

The eighties, saw the storage area on the north end of the building built for tables and chairs.

In the nineties, an addition was constructed, which allowed for new washrooms, hall extension, enlarged kitchen and entrance way that changed to the side for a larger cloakroom. This is also the time that wheelchair access was established.



As years passed the Hall activities and events changed and grew as did the community which made it all possible. Countless hours of volunteer time, community work bees and 'behind the scenes' administration work has made our community what it is today. "It would be nice to name all those directors who over the last thirty-eight years, have worked hard and selflessly to make sure that the hall continues to serve the community well." *Pat Garcia's, The Beacon: Looking Back to the Community Hall; October 2004.*

The Community Hall and Church property has recently been sold by the United Church to Bamfield Properties Ltd., a group of B.C. families. Advisor to Bamfield Properties Ltd., local seasonal resident, Alan Vines, has said that the "first priority will be to try and save and restore the manse. Further development plans for the property will depend upon the outcome of consultations with the community and all the affected parties and regional authorities. The company's owners are committed to being long-term members of the Bamfield community."

Our community remains strong with the very community spirit that keeps us growing together as one. The community will continue to grow and change throughout the years to come.

Please watch for new meeting and event locations and ensure our new community members have a warm welcome into our unique west coast community way of life.

Alberni Valley Bear Smart Community Program

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Bird Food : Use birdfeeders only in winter. Keep ground free of seeds.

Barbecue : Turn off the grill after each use. Store covered and in a secure area.

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Paying attention to common household activities will reduce encounters and contribute to a 'Bear Smart' community. Encourage your friends and neighbours to participate as well.

IF YOU SEE A BEAR. . . ACT RESPONSIBLY REMAIN CALM

Often the bear is just passing through. If it finds no food, it will simply move on. Keep well

away. Do not crowd the bear - give it plenty of space. Warn others to be respectful: bring small children and untrained pets in the house.

LET THE BEAR KNOW IT IS NOT WELCOME

Do not allow the bear to feel comfortable in your backyard. Retreat to a safe place, allow the bear an escape route and make lots of noise to encourage the bear to leave. After it has left the area, remove anything that attracted the bear.

Alberni Valley Bear Smart Committee
For information on bear-proofing your property or to volunteer for the Alberni Valley Bear Smart Committee

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Memorial Tree

Original Lino Cut by: Tanya Porter
Carver: Al Porter



A GRAND FAREWELL Carl Ostrom April 19, 1932—May 9, 2006

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed and for your attendance at this Grand Farewell for Carl

C an't remember? Ask Carl.

A brother, an uncle, A step-dad and a friend.

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S peed boat rides, a fixer of boats.

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R avenous reader, RCMP if you're in a bind.

O ddball nicknames. Of-the-wall humour.

M ailman, mechanic. He loved a good romour!

Roald Ostrom 1925 - 2003

We were recently saddened by the loss of one of our community members. Roald Ostrom, born October 21, 1925, passed away April 9, 2003. He leaves to mourn, Nancy his wife of 56 years, his daughter Marie (Richard Jacques) and grandchildren Jenny and Ryan of Cobble Hill, his daughters Carol (Roger Sant) of Denver and Linda (Cliff Haylock) of Bamfield and his brother Carl and sister Ebba Jennings of Bamfield.

As a child, Roald went to the original Bamfield School and was later a graduate of Vancouver Technical High School. Following his graduation, he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and trained as a navigator.

Upon the death of both his parents in 1945, Roald returned to Bamfield to continue the operation of Ostrom's

Machine Shop. During the following years, he became well known among the fishing fleet for his ability to trouble-shoot problems, repair engines, build parts and send the repaired boats out to fish again.

Roald was president of the Bamfield Chamber of Commerce when the road into Bamfield was completed. For many years he ran the Bamfield Utilities generators and was the operator for the BC Hydro diesel plant.

Roald was always interested in meeting new people, travelling to new places and 'shooting the breeze' with those he knew well. Roald enjoyed attending community events, talking to neighbours and remembering past people and Bamfield history. He will be fondly remembered by his friends, neighbours and especially remembered by his family.

Bamfield Community Hall Society (BCHS)

On May 18th, 2010, the BCHS held its AGM during which a new Board of Directors was elected. This Board extends a heart-felt thank you to the previous board members (Eileen Scott, Shirley Pakula, Rae Hopkins, Heather Cooper, John Mass, Sheryl Mass, Linda Myres, Hedy Demontigny & Rose Charles) for their years of dedication to the community.

The new Board of Directors for the BCHS is: Rose Janelle (Chair), Renia Charytonowicz (Vice Chair & from previous board), Sue Evans (Treasurer), Michelle van Boven (Secretary), Megan Geall (Communications), Suzanne Jennings, Tanya Porter (from previous board), Darryl Milne, Dennis Morgan, Jennifer Wenstob, Jimmy Spencer, Suzanne Rompre and Eileen Scott (Honorary Chair).

We ask the community for patience & understanding during this time of transition as the new board becomes organized.

In maintaining the Society's traditions of community support, we will continue many partnerships & the first event will be the Canada Day celebrations & parade at Centennial Park on Thursday, July 1st.

Please check for notices on the Community Portal (mybamfield.ca) and on the east & west side notice boards. We welcome any volunteers for all the functions & you may communicate with the Board of Directors via email at: commhall@mybamfield.ca, or via letter mail at Box 90.

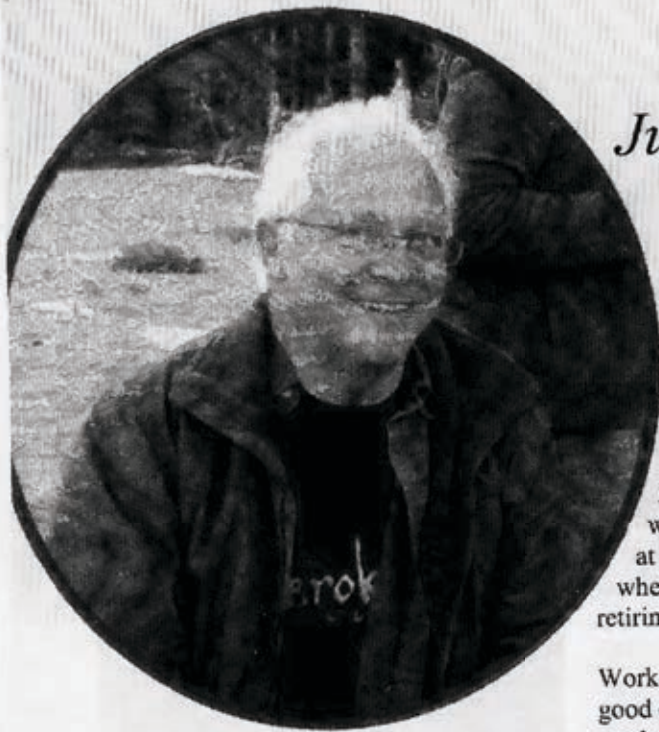
There are still phone cards available for sale, which allows you to join the Hall Society. They are available through Rose at the General Store & Suzanne at Centennial Park.



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Memorial Tree Society
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William (Bill) John Mather June 14, 1948 – November 23, 2009



William (Bill) John Mather was born in Vancouver on June 14, 1948 to Thomas and Joyce Mather. He spent the first few years of his life between Vancouver, Sanich and Edmonton prior to moving to Bamfield in 1957. In Grade 3 at the time, he had the west side of Bamfield as his playground, basing his childhood and later exploits out of the family house in "Mather's Bay" (between the Wyton and Smecher properties). Tales of small boats, big fish and plenty of pellet gun fun abound from that time as the three Mather brothers (Robert, Fred and Bill) ranged through the woods and on the seas.

In 1963 Bill was 15 and had started working the trollers, first with Pat Kelly then Tom Nimbley and Robert Garcia. From fishing Bill moved to logging, working with Lowery Log near Bamfield in 1965 where his aptitude for working with machinery became apparent. He boarded out for High School in Burnaby from 1965-1967 then returned to Bamfield before being accepted in the Heavy Duty Mechanics Program at Malaspina College in 1967. Upon completion of the class time for the program Bill headed out and up island to Holberg (I won't repeat what Bill euphemistically called it) where in 1968 he began bugging a shop foreman to let him start his apprenticeship. The foreman got so tired of seeing Bill every day that he finally gave in to him. Bill excelled in the shop (started in the afternoon shift), next thing he knew he had his own pickup and was doing mechanical work all over the area.

He finished his Heavy Duty Mechanic apprenticeship there, and on April 5 1969 married Linda Maureen Stewart (after a courtship spanning Bamfield, Victoria and Port Alberni) with whom he settled in Holberg. In 1972 they left Holberg and returned to Bamfield where Bill got hired as a crewmember at the Lifeboat Station (with his dad) where he worked for over thirty years – retiring at the end of 2003.

Working Coast Guard shifts afforded Bill a good deal of off-time, and he used it productively. He, with varying partners including Ron Logan, Dave Christney, and wife Linda ran a variety of businesses. In the 1970's he and Ron Logan owned and operated a sawmill business while at the same time he, Linda and Dave Christney were managing a rental property (Bamfield Cabins) where the Bamfield Lodge is today. Bill, Linda and Bernice (Linda's Mom) started Kamshee Store around 1988. The store became a focal point in the lives of the Mather family until it closed its doors in the original location in 1996 when Ralf & Rita Weber bought the building and renamed it to Tides & Trails. Bill and Linda moved the business to a building in front of the Motel and ran the Kamshee Store there until 2000.

On top of all of that, Bill also acted as a Caretaker for Bamfield Marine Station for many years during the 80's and 90's.

Clearly, Bill liked to stay active, and that was just the "work" side of things. He also was active with friends and family recreationally, particularly after daughters Linda (February 4, 1976) and Christina (June 4, 1982) were born. Each summer for many years during the late 70's the family and several others would set up camp on Diana Island (affectionately known as 'Dizzy Land'). They built everything they needed to live there for the majority of the summer, commuting back and forth for work, and even bringing out goats, chickens and household pets for the season. In the fall Bill loved to head out with hunting partners Clifford Charles, Roger, Paul and Steve Demontigny and others to their grounds in the East Kootenays. Bill loved to act as camp cook, and later really loved to take his 4runner into places others might consider "inaccessible"... Bill was also involved with the Bamfield Volunteer Fire Department, and participated in several "Evolutions" (skills competitions) with the Department in different places in BC. He was made a "Lifetime Member" of the Department a few years ago.





Later in Bill's career at the Lifeboat Station he became a RHIOT (Rigid Hull Inflatable Operator Training) Instructor – he loved those rubber boats and could get them to do almost anything (even fly for short distances...). Not always known for his patience, he got the respect of all of his students, even the ones who were "requested" (in the pre-harassment days) to don the infamous "pink vest." Anyone else ever pull out those kill switches?? The well-known picture of a Mark 5 Zodiac flying off West Breaker at Cape Beale was manned by Bill and Tom Schmidt.

After Bill's retirement he stayed active and went to work for his brother Fred on the M.V. Uckuck and then the motorized barge A.G. Ford carrying some big cargo through Nootka Sound. As Fred says "Bill excelled at figuring things out or fixing things. If you could not fix something he would come and play with it until it worked. I think he loved challenges like that. He freely gave of his knowledge if you asked him."



That last statement seemed to sum up Bill's real legacy. There are countless people who can tell stories of Bill's generosity with his time, skills and experience. He loved a challenge, and was always willing to help out. And he didn't do it to get anything in return – he did it because he enjoyed it. When daughter Linda added grandson's to the family (Joshua on December 18, 1995 and Noah July 13, 2002) Bill was really in his element as a grandfather.

Bill passed away suddenly during the final days of a beautiful vacation to the Dominican Republic for the wedding of friends. Passing before him were his father Thomas, wife Linda and nephew Joel. He is lovingly survived by his mother Joyce, daughters Linda and Christina (Ryan), and grandsons Joshua and Noah. "Billy" was the youngest brother of three and will be deeply missed by brothers Robert (Sharon) and Fred (Glenda). 'Uncle Bill' was fondly looked up to by his many nieces and nephews. Throughout his lifetime Bill attracted a strong circle of friends, who each tell their own story of his sincerity and generosity. He was a son of the west coast – a son of Bamfield.





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Chronicles of a Bamfield Surf Junkie



Surfing is not really even about ideals for me. It is simple lust and allure. Forget about the "soul surfing" state of being and the laid back cultural stigmas one can associate with. It is really just a simple addiction that can lure me away from responsibility, food, human interaction, you name it.... the essentials of life become synonymous e with surfing!. It fuels itself through pure and unadulterated selfish satisfaction. The more I surf the more I crave. So I am pretty sure that makes me a surf junkie.

This winter that cycle was exacerbated by an El-Nino winter that fed storm systems in the North Pacific producing low pressure systems often stacked 3 deep. Living in Bamfield that creates a unique set of challenges.....so with little work and a Harper assisted living program to fuel my needs I went surfing...a lot! This winter big consistent surf meant that sheltered bays and coves and points of land that are usually flat and unheralded can suddenly come to life. But here in Bamfield most of the coastline is exposed so it also means

that go to summer spots can get insanely wild and potentially dangerous. So the sap story begins and....being low on funds and due to the favourable local conditions I took this winter to hone my skills at the local breaks and they produced consistently all winter long.

Summer and spring open up opportunities for exploration and exposed coasts where even small ground swells can produce surprisingly playful waves and faces to carve on.....but unlike more developed parts of our coastline, without road access and having a restricted view of the waves recon. becomes a significant time investment, where a good boat and a fat bank account are essential tools of the trade.

Aloha to all the brahs , and a special hat tipping to all our shredecessors.

Until next time.

Jimmy

Retirement Celebration for Lighthouse keeper Norbie Brand

Hosted by the Bamfield Historical Society and the Canadian Coast Guard

April 24th, 2010

Heavy squalls threatened all morning but with Clay Evans promising the winds would turn to the northwest and a change to sunshine we kept the tents on the Coast Guard lawn for Norbie's retirement party. Norbie Brand has been a keeper of the light at Cape Beale since 1976. He's retiring after 34 years of service at age 60.

The event was hosted by the Bamfield Historical Society and the CCG. The BHS thought the celebration would be a fitting time and tribute to follow their first Annual General Meeting. CCG members John Hughes and Chuck Evans literally went through the breakers to get into the "cut" to pick Norbie up from Cape Beale the morning of the event. Norbie said he's never been afraid of or on the ocean, but still gives Mother Nature her due respect.

Just after 2:00 pm Clay Evans opened the formal portion of the event by



introducing the Master of Ceremonies – Clifford Charles. In thanks to Norbie for his many years of service Louis Druehl first presented Norbie with a Linda Haylock watercolour entitled "The Blue-eyed Eagle". The painting was a gift from the BHS. Linda most generously donated this painting and the Historical Society thanks her for such tremendous support. Linda's poetic inscription on the back of the painting reads; "Ever watchful, the blue-eyed eagle soars over the wild realm of the ocean and the shore, above his home at Cape Beale, keeping all under his protective wing."

Norbie was clearly touched by Linda's beautiful sentiments and rendition of Cape

Beale, with a moon snail moon, starfish stars and the blue-eyed eagle prominently in the foreground with a central focus on the lighthouse. Fish and canoes complete the picture.

CCG was represented by the lighthouse supervisor Glenna Evans and Gary Hamilton. Knowing that Norbie already has many depictions of Cape Beale Glenna Evans thought he should have something in memory of his time spent on other lighthouses. His last posting was Estevan Point. Glenna presented him with an architectural drawing of the Estevan Point lighthouse. Norbie was nonplussed by the gifting of this particular drawing because he said he had spent every day of the three weeks he was at Estevan Point marveling at the flying buttresses in the lighthouse design.

Clifford and Rose Charles then presented Norbie with a First Nations painting done by Patrick Amos. In the foreground - three killer whales, their dorsal fins rising up from the ocean with the lighthouse beyond. As a former CCG Officer in Charge, Clifford and Norbie know all too well the calls for assistance that have come from the treacherous waters off Cape Beale in their respective tenures.

Steve Clarke delivered a message from Pat Carney who was not able to attend due to recent surgery. " (Norbie) I am sorry to miss Bamfield's celebration of your long service on the west coast light stations and Cape Beale in particular. You and your colleagues and your families have served as sentinels of our coast and preserved our safety and security. I hope you enjoy your retirement. We will miss you."

Norbie made comments in his heartfelt thanks for today's honors that may have reached out to many people who did not know him by name but were appreciative of his watch. I can only say that I too am one of those people he spoke of that were only too grateful to see Cape Beale as their first sighting of land after coming home from the sea.

Thanks Norbie.



Thanks to all of you terrific, hearty, wet-coasters who came to say goodbye to Norbie and share a burger despite the rain. We heard most of the speeches between squalls. If you are interested in reading the Jack Knox article about Norbie Brand's retirement in the Times Colonist "109 driftwood Santas later, lighthousekeeper retires" visit the link below:

<http://www.timescolonist.com/columnists/Jack+Knox+driftwood+Santas+later+lightkeeper+retires/2946878/story.html>

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Bamfield Historical Society you may contact Heather Cooper, or Steve Clarke.

-Nancy Hendry



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Profile of a Mushroom

Cantharellus cibarius

Golden Chanterelle

This mushroom is orange or yellow, meaty & funnel-shaped. On the lower surface, underneath the smooth cap, it has gill-like ridges that run almost all the way down its stipe, which tapers down seamlessly from the cap. It has a fruity smell, almost like apricots & a mildly peppery taste & is considered an excellent field mushroom.

In many areas in the Pacific Northwest, they can be located growing under conifers starting in the late summer & running through the fall season. They are mycorrhizal, which means the fungus has a symbiotic, mutualistic association with the roots of the tree, helping it grow, while receiving nutrients as "payment." Thus, both the tree and the fungus benefit from this relationship.

The Mushroom Festival Committee is excited to announce the date of Saturday, October 2nd, 2010 as the date for this year's festivities. We are busy planning the Forest Feast menu and arranging all the other details involved to make this year's event another successful & fun-filled weekend.

Keep you eyes open for posters & raffle tickets & check the Bamfield Community Portal (www.mybamfield.ca) and the Mushroom Festival's web site (www.mushroomfestival.ca) for further details.

Last year's event was a very successful time for the whole community of Bamfield. The Mushroom Festival Committee is dedicated to making contributions back to the town of Bamfield, and this year we sponsored the Bamfield Community Emergency Program (BCEP) to aid in purchasing emergency radios, the Bamfield Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) for the construction of rolling kitchen cabinets for dishes, the Bamfield Arts Council for future community projects and in partnering with the Community Hall Association for the Community Hall Painting Project, for a grand total of \$3,500.00 in donations. We thank everyone who supports the Mushroom Festival & we are looking forward to this year's event.

The Paawats is growing!



Just like the children who attend the program, the Paawats in Anacla is growing! Construction has already begun. The building is being renovated to accommodate a sleep room, art room and an office. This addition will help to create a space that will better accommodate a full day child care program.

If you haven't heard about the Paawats yet, here's a quick update! In February 2006, HUU-ay-aht Elders, parents and children began planning a language nest program. The goal of the program was to provide a vehicle for recovery of the ancestral HUU-ay-aht language. The language nest is named "Paawats" meaning "nest" in HUU-ay-aht.

In 2007, the HUU-ay-aht hired an Early Childhood Educator to facilitate the program. By hiring an Early Childhood Educator, the HUU-ay-aht opened the doors for several possibilities. The Paawats is now a licensed facility with the Vancouver Island Health Authority. We are able to help parents obtain child care subsidy through the Ministry of

Child and Family Development, access various support services and provide support for community initiatives and activities. We have the endorsement of the School District.

Most importantly, we have a successful language and culture program for the families living in Anacla and Bamfield to enjoy. We enjoy a variety of play-based activities and field trips. We have the support of our fluent elders who attend daily and bless us with Haahuupa!

Currently we operate three programs. There is the original Paawats Language Nest and Preschool program which is also, in partnership with School District 70, an Outreach Strong Start Centre. We offer full-day child care for children birth to five years old on a limited basis (two-days per week - Tuesdays and Wednesdays).

For more information about these programs and the expansion, please call Kathy Waddell at 250-723-0100 or 250-728-3083.

BAMFIELD COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS



This lousy spring has not discouraged hopeful gardeners. Garden plots have been taken up by new gardeners **Laura White, Hana Kucera & David Riddell, Susan Evans, Sarah Tyne, Loretta Sirois, Brody Geall & Family, Zena Robertson (by proxy), Erika Grebeldinger, Ali Griffith/Bowker & Family, The Butler Family, and Tracy MacKeracher & Kurtis Hayne.** In all, seventeen plots are now occupied.

Thanks are due our hosts, **The Bamfield Centennial Park**, for the clearing of a grove of alders to our west. This greatly increases the late afternoon sun. **Andrea Butler** has planted a fig tree, bearing one figette, near the garden benches. Come, read your favorite poet in the quiet of your garden.

The Garden Annex - four plot potential - is being pioneered by **Tracy MacKeracher & Kurtis Hayne, Bamfield Builders, the Bamfield General Store, and the Centennial Park** provided fencing materials for the annex. Three plot sites within the annex, located on the east end of the Smiley Rink, are available. If you are interested, please contact Louis (250-728-3297).

Rodney Murray, Master Gardner, now with the **HUU-ah-aht First Nation**, has agreed to meet with anyone with questions about gardening. A date will be announced later. If you are interested, please let me know.

Louis Druehl

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Dear Car Thieves and Vandals:

I doubt any of you will be reading this but in the event that you are I would like to tell you, in case you haven't even thought about it, how it feels to be on the receiving end of your senseless and cruel actions. Obviously you have never had anyone steal or vandalize your vehicle or you would not put your fellow human beings thru all the wasted time, energy and money it takes to deal with the situation.

Our vehicles are very important to all of us. We live in an isolated community and in the case of an emergency it is our only way out to get help. We had an emergency, went to get our vehicle only to discover you had tried to steal it, unsuccessfully, and did \$4000 damage to it trying, leaving us without a means of transport for a month!

These incidences are happening too often here in our nice quiet - once safe little community of Bamfield. The R.C.M.P. and others are now working with us to put a stop to this—so be aware—next time—what you try to take may take you!

Judy Wutzki

ICBC : Preventing Auto Crime

<http://www.icbc.com/road-safety/prevent-autocrime/theft-proof>

How can I theft-proof my car?

While auto theft has been dropping in B.C., any vehicle is still at risk.

Older vehicles often easiest target

If you own an older vehicle, it's at high risk of being stolen or broken into. Why?

Older vehicles often don't have an effective anti-theft device and are easy to steal. That's why the average age of a stolen vehicle in B.C. now is about 11 years old.

All new cars, vans, light trucks and SUVs built in Canada must be equipped with anti-theft engine immobilizers as of Sept. 1, 2007.

How can I protect my vehicle?

You can do a lot to keep your vehicle safe by using an anti-theft device and removing any packages or personal property from sight.

What provides the best protection?

What provides the best protection: immobilizers, car alarms, or steering wheel locks? Refer to the table below for details about each type of device.

How to avoid false alarms

A quality product that's professionally installed or adjusted can offer good protection. Here are some ways to avoid false alarms:

If your vehicle's alarm is going off when it shouldn't, have the system's sensors checked. The sensitivity may be set too high.

If you are buying a new alarm system, consider one with "smart alarm" features. These units adjust automatically to their surroundings.

Remote alarm controls can sometimes be a weak link. Look for an alarm with scanning protection. This feature prevents randomly generated signals from deactivating the alarm. Also, try to get a system with code-grabbing protection. This feature prevents someone from intercepting the remote's signal and reproducing it.



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With summer, dryer conditions result in heavier dust. These conditions make driving challenging for many drivers. Reduced visibility is now the norm. All drivers should make sure their lights are on at all times day or night. Give plenty of room in between vehicles and for stopping. When passing slower moving traffic, be sure to get the attention of the one you are passing. Most industrial traffic will pull towards the side and let you know when it is safe to pass. Use your common sense. Don't cut the corners.

We are strongly advising all traffic to slow down on this road. Slow down. Enjoy the beauty of the area. Watch out for wildlife on the road.



You can check out our Bamfield Road Safety Hotline for current and emergency updates at **250 731 3223**.

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1	0242	9.5	2.9	16	0316	9.8	3.0	1	0344	8.2	2.5	16	0509	8.2	2.5	1	0521	7.5	2.3	16	0055	3.0	0.9
	0919	2.3	0.7		0933	1.6	0.5		0939	3.6	1.1		1034	4.3	1.3		1022	5.2	1.6		0741	7.9	2.4
TH	1554	8.9	2.7	FR	1601	10.5	3.2	SU	1609	9.5	2.9	MO	1704	10.5	3.2	WE	1654	9.8	3.0	TH	1243	5.9	1.8
JE	2140	4.6	1.4	VE	2219	2.6	0.8	DI	2245	3.6	1.1	LU				ME				JE	1853	9.5	2.9
2	0326	8.9	2.7	17	0415	9.2	2.8	2	0437	7.5	2.3	17	0011	2.6	0.8	2	0019	3.3	1.0	17	0207	3.0	0.9
	0953	2.6	0.8		1017	2.6	0.8		1015	4.3	1.3		0633	7.5	2.3		0652	7.2	2.2		0851	8.2	2.5
FR	1630	9.2	2.8	SA	1649	10.5	3.2	MO	1651	9.5	2.9	TU	1137	5.2	1.6	TH	1132	5.9	1.8	FR	1406	5.6	1.7
VE	2233	4.6	1.4	SA	2326	2.6	0.8	LU	2348	3.6	1.1	MA	1808	10.2	3.1	JE	1804	9.8	3.0	VE	2007	9.5	2.9
3	0415	8.2	2.5	18	0524	8.2	2.5	3	0547	7.2	2.2	18	0129	2.6	0.8	3	0137	3.0	0.9	18	0306	3.0	0.9
	1029	3.3	1.0		1107	3.6	1.1		1100	4.9	1.5		0804	7.5	2.3		0818	7.5	2.3		0942	8.5	2.6
SA	1710	9.2	2.8	SU	1742	10.5	3.2	TU	1741	9.5	2.9	WE	1255	5.6	1.7	FR	1304	5.9	1.8	SA	1510	5.2	1.6
SA	2334	4.3	1.3	DI				MA				ME	1920	9.8	3.0	VE	1922	9.8	3.0	SA	2108	9.5	2.9
4	0514	7.5	2.3	19	0038	2.6	0.8	4	0059	3.3	1.0	19	0241	2.6	0.8	4	0244	2.3	0.7	19	0353	3.0	0.9
	1110	3.9	1.2		0646	7.5	2.3		0717	6.9	2.1		0921	7.9	2.4		0921	8.2	2.5		1021	9.2	2.8
SU	1753	9.2	2.8	MO	1205	4.3	1.3	WE	1201	5.2	1.6	TH	1416	5.6	1.7	SA	1426	5.2	1.6	SU	1600	4.6	1.4
DI				LU	1840	10.5	3.2	ME	1841	9.8	3.0	JE	2029	9.8	3.0	SA	2035	10.5	3.2	DI	2159	9.8	3.0
5	0040	3.9	1.2	20	0152	2.6	0.8	5	0211	3.0	0.9	20	0341	2.3	0.7	5	0339	1.6	0.5	20	0432	2.6	0.8
	0628	7.2	2.2		0815	7.5	2.3		0843	7.2	2.2		1016	8.2	2.5		1008	8.9	2.7		1053	9.5	2.9
MO	1157	4.6	1.4	TU	1313	4.9	1.5	TH	1319	5.6	1.7	FR	1522	5.2	1.6	SU	1532	4.6	1.4	MO	1642	3.9	1.2
LU	1840	9.5	2.9	MA	1943	10.2	3.1	JE	1947	10.2	3.1	VE	2127	10.2	3.1	DI	2137	10.8	3.3	LU	2242	9.8	3.0
6	0146	3.6	1.1	21	0301	2.3	0.7	6	0314	2.3	0.7	21	0429	2.0	0.6	6	0426	1.3	0.4	21	0505	2.6	0.8
	0751	6.9	2.1		0933	7.5	2.3		0949	7.5	2.3		1058	8.5	2.6		1048	9.8	3.0		1120	9.8	3.0
TU	1254	4.9	1.5	WE	1426	5.2	1.6	FR	1435	5.6	1.7	SA	1615	4.9	1.5	MO	1628	3.6	1.1	TU	1719	3.6	1.1
MA	1930	9.8	3.0	ME	2045	10.5	3.2	VE	2051	10.5	3.2	SA	2217	10.2	3.1	LU	2234	11.2	3.4	MA	2321	9.8	3.0
7	0247	3.0	0.9	22	0401	1.6	0.5	7	0408	1.3	0.4	22	0508	2.0	0.6	7	0509	1.0	0.3	22	0534	3.0	0.9
	0908	7.2	2.2		1034	8.2	2.5		1039	8.2	2.5		1133	8.9	2.7		1126	10.5	3.2		1146	10.2	3.1
WE	1356	5.2	1.6	TH	1530	5.2	1.6	SA	1541	4.9	1.5	SU	1659	4.6	1.4	TU	1720	2.6	0.8	WE	1753	3.0	0.9
ME	2022	10.2	3.1	JE	2141	10.5	3.2	SA	2150	11.2	3.4	DI	2259	10.5	3.2	MA	2326	11.5	3.5	ME	2358	9.8	3.0
8	0342	2.0	0.6	23	0451	1.3	0.4	8	0455	0.7	0.2	23	0542	1.6	0.5	8	0549	1.0	0.3	23	0602	3.0	0.9
	1010	7.5	2.3		1122	8.5	2.6		1122	8.5	2.6		1203	9.2	2.8		1204	11.2	3.4		1210	10.2	3.1
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	1148	8.5	2.6		1236	8.9	2.7		1240	10.2	3.1		0639	2.0	0.6		0708	2.0	0.6		0656	3.6	1.1
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SU	1742	4.3	1.3	MO	1831	4.3	1.3	WE	1319	10.8	3.3	TH	1320	9.8	3.0	SA	1401	11.8	3.6	SU	1329	10.8	3.3
DI	2347	11.8	3.6	LU				ME	1915	2.3	0.7	JE	1923	3.3	1.0	SA	2038	1.0	0.3	DI	2010	2.3	0.7
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