SURGE CURRENTS

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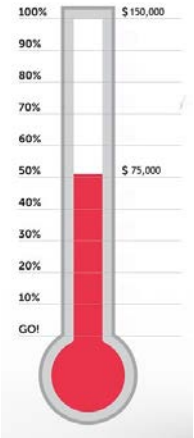
Mary Anne Moss Bridge Dedication & Memorial Tea

Please accept oceans & streams of gratitude from all us Mosses to so many islanders who turned up to celebrate the opening of the Salmon Viewing Bridge & memorial tea to remember our Ma, Mary Anne Moss. It meant a great deal to us that Ma was able to live for so long with you all, the people she loved, & on Read, the island she loved & took such pride in. It sure meant the world to her. We're also proud of the island community for supporting the bridge, another achievement in an impressive series of conservational projects to sustain the environment & create educational opportunities on the island.
Huge thanks to Jim Dyck & everyone who helped make this project such a success. We appreciated all the delicious baked offerings, including several versions of Ma's gingerbread. Special mention to Richard Gilmore for wearing the ribbon shirt Ma made for him 50 years ago - it still fits! Hat's off to the dream team of Sheila, Coady, Lise, Seana & Tasia, who facilitated everything from transport to food prep for the event & to SNCA for organizing the lovely signage.

Love,
the Moss Family

Lot 302 Fundraising Update



To date we have raised $26,225, (excluding the original inspirational donation of $50,000 by Ralph and Lannie Keller) for over one quarter of the required funds. That is fantastic. Given this, we now have some momentum and the key is to keep it going. So what can you do? Here are some thoughts.

Firstly, if you haven't donated yet, please consider doing so. Everything counts, no matter how big or small. Ask everyone you know to donate - friends, family, children, distant aunts, etc. Ask those who stayed with you this summer to consider contributing.

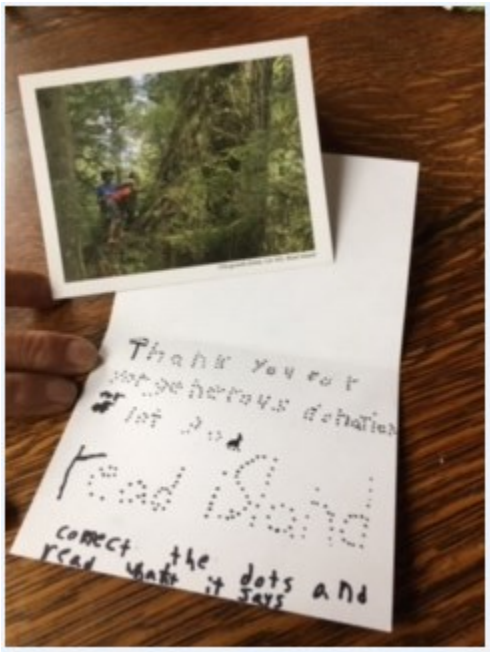
In terms of how to donate, the best way for us is by cheque or cash, mailed or dropped off at the post office, or e-transfer to surgenarrows@gmail.com. Prepared donation envelopes await you at the post office and freight shed. If you donate via any of these methods, we receive 100% of the funds. As a special bonus, you'll receive a thank you card lovingly signed by the students at the Surge School (see photo attached), and your name (or if you prefer, your anonymous contribution) is recognized on the GoFundMe page.

We recognize that some (particularly those who are unfamiliar with our community) are more comfortable donating through GoFundMe https://www.gofundme.com/f/lot-302-purchase-read-island-bc. There is a 2.9% transaction fee for this, but if this platform attracts more donations it is well worth it. However, please be aware (and pass onto others) that when you donate through GoFundMe you are immediately asked for a 15% tip to support their platform. You are not required to give them this tip. If you chose to, you can select "Other" from the drop-down menu and give a tip of zero (or any other amount).

If you forget the address of the GoFundMe site above, no problem! Go to our new community website, http://www.snca.ca/ . The home page features a link to GoFundMe and all other online methods of donating and explains why the purchase is important.

Direct donations are just one way to help meet our goal. We've heard lots of other ideas about how we could meet our goal. Some that have been raised or are in process include:

- Making a quilt that could be raffled or auctioned
- The Surge School students are making tea-towels
- Hosting a "by donation" dinner
- Designing and selling T-shirts
- Selling paintings or prints
- Asking some local businesses to donate tickets that could be raffled or auctioned
- Set up a birthday fundraiser on Facebook. Instructions on how to do it can be found here: https://www.facebook.com/help/1910205189301966?helpref=related



And we're sure there are many other ideas out there. There seems to be no shortage. However, what we really need now is people to implement all these suggestions.

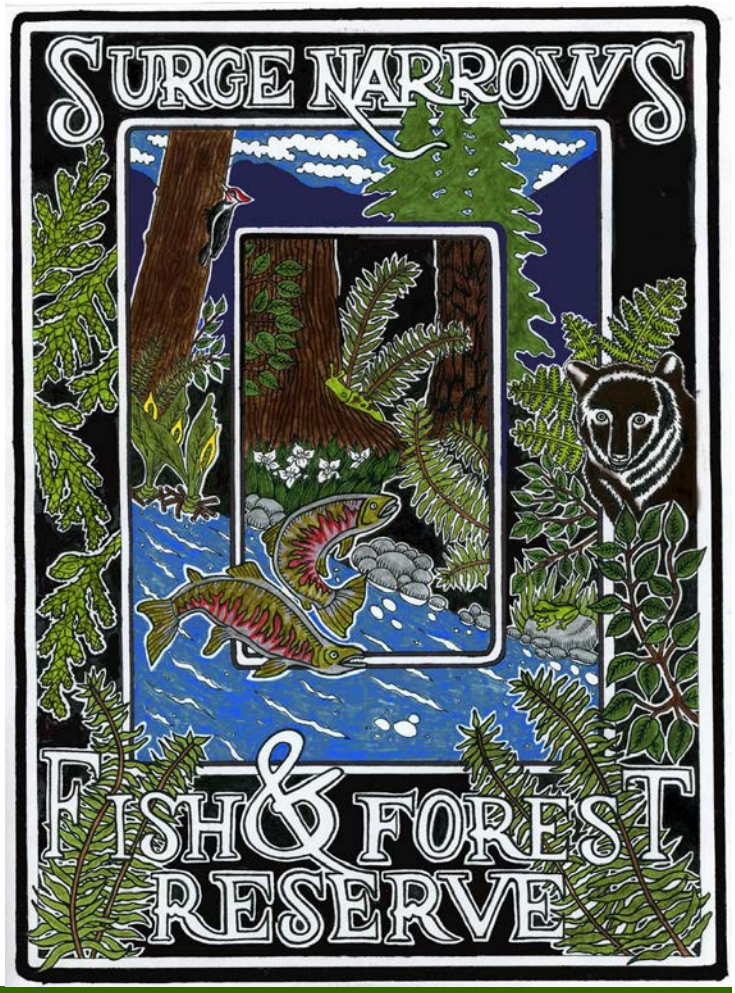
So, if you have an idea about how to raise money, the best thing you can do is make it happen. Feel free to take the initiative and run with it. If you know a company who might be willing to donate, just ask them. If you are willing to organize a dinner, just do it. If you want to write something for a magazine, go ahead. The only thing we ask is that you let Rosie know (rosie@executiveworks.org) so we can be sure no-one else is doing this and that we are not duplicating our efforts. If you need brochure, flyers, sample emails or anything else, just contact Rosie.

A big thanks to everyone for getting on board with this. Let's keep things going.

The Lot 302 Fundraising Committee

Rosie, Ralph, Roberta, Ginny, Rockford

Coming Soon… Surge Narrows Fish & Forest Reserve T-Shirts



Are you looking for that perfect holiday gift? Tired of participating in the Pre-Christmas consumer rat race? Look no further! Here's your chance to purchase a practical, attractive, high quality inexpensive gift for family and friends while supporting a great cause. For a mere $25.00 you can buy a Surge Narrows Fish & Forest Reserve T-Shirt and support the purchase of the lot 302 addition to the ecological reserve.

Monitor the community website: http://www.snca.ca/ for more information on sizes, styles and colours. T-Shirts will be available in late November. Remember, 100% of profits go directly to the Lot 302 fund raising campaign.

QUILTING FOR A CAUSE

All of us who participated enjoyed working on Eve's baby quilt (shown here). Now another quilt is in the works, as suggested by Heather Jansen and Renate Woltheus. This one will be raffled off in order to raise money for the purchase of Lot 302.

Together we'll decide on a theme (e.g. forest and sea, our favourite place in the islands, or perhaps local landmarks, as the Quadra Islanders did for the quilt pictured below). Each person will make one block.

Everyone is invited to join in, regardless of sewing ability. There will be a modest fee for fabric and batting.

Please contact Sally at sallyotg@gmail.com or 250-204-8466 if you'd like to participate.

Eve's Quilt (left)

Quadra Quilt (right)

Current Events and Notices

Medical Clinic November
Dr. Steve will be attending the clinic on November 13th and
NP Pat will be attending on November 27th.

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

November 3rd	Daylight Savings time ends – Outer islander priority ferry passes now in effect Monday & Thursday 9 AM sailing if pre-booked. For info: Ginny gvassal2@gmail.com
Wednesday November 6th 10:30-noon	Reiko's yoga moves to the Bunkhouse for one session
Friday November 8, 1 – 3 PM	Planning for the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan - Official Community Plan session (see below in yellow), & Community Mapping Intro, Bunkhouse.
Wednesday Nov 13th, Noon – 1:30 PM	Social (lunch by donation) at the Bunkhouse hosted by Lise.
Friday November 22, 11:30 AM – 1 PM	Social, hosted by Lise.
Friday November 22, 1 PM – 3 PM	Community Mapping Session #1 – "Naming is claiming", Bunkhouse
Wednesday Nov 27th, Noon – 1:30 PM	Social (lunch by donation) at the Bunkhouse hosted by Lise.
Wednesday Nov 27th, 1:30- 3 PM	Community Mapping Session #2 – "Wild Things", Bunkhouse
Friday December 6, 1 PM – 3 PM	Community Mapping Session #3 – "Important Places", Bunkhouse
November, date TBA at time of writing	Integrated Community Sustainability Planning and Official Community Plan – with senior SRD staff and the ICSP consultant, at the Bunkhouse. More information to follow
ANYTIME!	Your annual SNCA membership $10 is now due. Check the final page of this issue to see your name if you've paid.

Autumn Wildlife Report
by Salix Aneira Webb

Bear Business

Note the cub behind the mother bear!

There have been quite a few bear sightings this fall. Clarke and Jenn have seen a big bear and a small bear a few times each, and one bear had a cub with her. There has been a bear hanging around the school pretty much all fall, knocking down some of the apple trees and leaving lots of bear patties (sometimes during school hours!). Kenny has had many bears in his orchard, and they have also frequently been at Bob's orchard eating the apples there. The bears have been seen numerous times during school runs on the road between the two orchards. My grandfather John was biking down the road coming back from Kenny's place when he encountered a bear as he sped down the Bird Cove hill. It was too late to put on the brakes so he just decided to zoom right past the bear. The bear stopped and stared in amazement, but didn't chase him. Maya has also seen a bear several times between her place and Bird Cove, and we heard the bear crashing around in the bushes behind our place several times. We went out and yelled at it, and it has not been back since then.

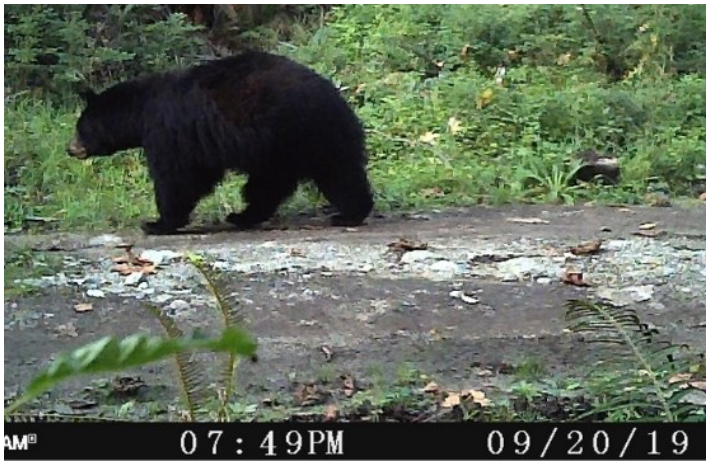
Cougar Calamities

In late September, one of Maya's youngest goats, Nellie, was attacked by a small cougar. This happened down by the stream at her property. Maya realized in time and went down to yell at the cougar and used a bear banger. It disappeared into the bushes. It must have been a young cougar because it didn't seem to know what it was doing and Nellie was hardly hurt (just a little puncture). Ralph and Lannie have been struggling with a large, healthy, probably male cougar who dug under the fence and killed all their chickens (and buried most in the chicken run) in July. It has since continued to stalk their new chickens, killing another three. Now they have to keep them locked up all the time.

Wolf Whispers

There was at least one wolf around often in the spring/summer, but there haven't been any sightings of wolves this fall that I could find out about. I'd be interested to hear about any that may have eluded me. I'd also like to hear about sightings of bears, cougars, or other interesting animals this fall that I have not yet heard about. You can email me at salixwebb@gmail.com to report sightings.

I am including some neat photos from Clark and Jenn's wildlife cam over the past year.



BOARD SHORTS: *November 2019*

(Ideally) A short update from the SNCA Board

News flash – SNCA now has a website. Check out **SNCA.ca**. This site links to GoFundMe and Facebook pages for Lot 302, DIEM, the recent issue of the Surge Currents, and the SNCA message board. Thanks to our consultant Rockworks (Rocky Royko) for pulling this together extremely quickly in support of our Lot 302 fundraising efforts.

Lot 302 – who will own? The Lot 302 Acquisition Committee, composed of Ralph and Lannie Keller, Bob Steeves, and Ginny Vassal, are tasked with addressing the property transfer, legal and ownership issues on behalf of the SNCA board.

This committee currently foresees SNCA will purchase Lot 302 from the D'Altroys; when the full $150,000 amount is raised, the property will transfer to SRD as a park. We are currently investigating The Land Conservancy and SNCA holding covenants to protect the land and forest.

Fire protection plan: at our October 23rd meeting with SuavAir, the company of forestry professionals contracted by SRD to provide the analysis and report, we learned:

The focus of the work is the human (urban) –wilderness or forest interface. This is important as BC Wildfire is not permitted to action if a house is on fire.

The plan will be presented to the community for discussion before finalized; once final, it is what will help us get significant fire preparedness and response related funding.

Although funding for this report was obtained from UCBM only for Read Island, we were able to make strong arguments to include other islands as well. Approval for this increased coverage will be considered by the SRD Board; Shaun Koopman, SRD Emergency Preparedness Co-ordinator, believes there is a very good likelihood it will be approved.

Most of the analysis will be done by combining all existing data; drone flights are not required, and might not be done much if at all. If needed, they will only be done with the permission of property owners, requested in advance.

Surge Store: we believe (we hope) we'll hear regarding the federal funding proposal by the end of the year.

Integrated Community Sustainability Planning (ICSP) : at the time of writing, senior SRD staff, the consultant Karen Johnson of Dillon Consulting, and Jim Abram are working to find a date that works for all of them to come to Surge Narrows and meet the community. It will be soon, late November or early December 2019. Come to the Friday November 8th 1 – 3 PM pre-planning meeting to discuss; Jim suggests take the time to review the current land use bylaw 1460 to understand what you do and do not want to see going forward.

https://srd.ca/building-and-planning/planning/land-use-zoning/ - see Desolation Sound rural land use bylaw #1460 (effective 1993).

On behalf of the SNCA board,
Ginny

Community Mapping Workshops

During November and December there will be three Community Mapping Workshops to assemble information for community planning. Sponsored by SNCA Community Planning & Visioning, SNFA Forest Advisory, and DIEM, the initial mapping is focussed on Read Island; however, we will also map information for other islands. *This is an ongoing project!*

Blank maps for you to mark-up will be available at the ICSP meeting Nov 8, and also at the post office. *Take one home and think-on-paper ahead of the first workshop!*

Naming is Claiming (Workshop **Friday Nov 22**, 1-3 pm)

Our first workshop will identify community knowledge and observations of

Natural Features (*including local names)* Hills, mountains, valleys, bluffs, meadows, lakes, ponds, wetlands, streams, estuaries, beaches, etc.

Natural Impacts (*e.g.*) lightning strike, rockfall, blowdown, earthquake, floodplain, etc.

Cultural and Historical Impacts will map our knowledge of Aboriginal Sites and Activities (middens, culturally modified trees, tools, clam gardens, etc.) and Settlement (roads and trails; old homesteads, early logging, etc.)

Please also be thinking about knowledge you can share to help populate our next community maps:

Wild Things (Workshop **Wednesday Nov 27**, 1-3 pm)

Rare or threatened species (see list, to be provided)

Forest types – e.g. species, age class, etc.

Trees – species and size (circumference at 4 ft/120 cm from ground); also large stumps

Plants & fungi – common and not; individual occurrence and/or areas of abundance

Animals & habitats – sightings and/or trails, dens, tracks or other evidence (scratches, scat, etc.)

Birds & bats – sightings, nest sites

Insects, butterflies – species, location

Important Places (Workshop **Friday Dec 6**, 1-3 pm)

New and Current features: Current roads; Property ownership, Land use designations; Crown land licenses/tenures; Community-use sites & buildings; Public services/sites; Forestry/harvest areas; Forest-residential interface areas.

Local resources: Homesteads, houses; Water supplies; Orchards; Agricultural clearings, Emergency equipment.

Questions: Sheila email fashedo@hotmail.com; Lannie email coastmtn@island.net

Timberline Outdoor Education students visiting Surge Narrows get a tour of Judith's garden, then chop and stack firewood and do yard clean-up.

Suggestion: put the following by your telephone / VHF in preparation for fall and winter winds and seas.

HOW TO CALL FOR HELP IN AN EMERGENCY

By Telephone: Cell Phone:

911 …or….
*16 for Coast Guard

From any phone:

Joint Rescue co-ordination centre 1-250-413-8933
Courtenay (direct 911 call, brief only) 1-250-334-5901

Important: if you have Satellite or VOIP (internet) phone, DO NOT dial 911; it is normally routed to Texas, they may not understand our remote situation.

VHF: Channel 16 - call "Mayday"
Channel 12 – call for local help

Location: your GPS co-ordinates, find yours in the Surge Social or on google maps.

Spoken as follows (eg Surge Dock) 50 degrees, 13 minutes, 37.76 seconds North; 125 degrees, 6 minutes, 44.11 seconds West.

Note orange signs at all public docks in our area give GPS co-ordinates.

Thank you to Judith for researching all our GPS co-ordinates and including in the Surge Social, and to Clarke for putting together above phone contact information.

Ginny – Emergency Preparedness

FIREWOOD
MARINE SERVICES
STONEMASONRY
TREE REMOVAL
GENERAL LABOUR

HANK, AMY & MONTY

contact:
amyengstrom@live.com

The Trip of a Lifetime

Recently, Brenda Dempsey and I, along with five friends, organized a trip to Africa. Suffice to say, we were blown away to say the least. This trip was an educational adventure that exceeded all our expectations.

Although we visited Lake Nakuru National Park, Masa Mara National Reserve, Ngorongoro Crater, and Zanzibar, I wanted to bring home to the Surge Community the story of the Ol Pejeta Conservancy.

Visiting this conservancy while being a volunteer on the purchase Lot 302 fundraising committee was truly remarkable. While we look to raise funds to create a 40 acre Ecological Reserve here, it was inspiring to be on the plains of Mount Kenya witnessing the results of a 90,000 acre Not for Profit that is now converted into a national land trust.

This conservancy has given rare and endangered animals an opportunity to live in peace. They are free to move in and out of the conservancy. In particular, protection has saved the African elephant and the black rhino; so valued for ivory and rhino horn. Currently, it costs US$70 per acre to secure the region against poaching. Dogs, drones, aircraft and armed teams patrol 24/7.

Besides the massive donations to create this safe haven, the daily entrance fees (in our case $250 for the jeep and $75 each person= $1000 USD) are used for projects aimed at improving the livelihoods of the people living in neighbouring communities. At the end of 2011 the conservancy raised and dispersed over US$4 million into community programs.

The annual migration of Wildebeests is nature at its finest. Seeing these cheetahs, elephants, hippos, zebras, giraffe's, buffalo's, baboon's, monkey's co-exist without conflict due to the efforts of humankind to preserve habitat is wonderful.

Oh; but I forgot the 450 kinds of birds found no where else!

So here in our back yard it is the little community that could in action.

Think Globally- Act Locally!

Roberta (Susy) Stevenson

Regional Director's Report - October 7, 2019

Union of BC Municipalities: I attended the Annual General Meeting and Conference from September 22 through September 28th along with approximately 2,000 elected delegates, hundreds of their staff and hundreds of Ministers, Ministries and their staff at the Vancouver Convention Centre. I guess it was inevitable that I should come home with a cold!

It was one of the best conventions I have attended in many years. I managed to meet with all of the Minsters, formally, that I wanted to discuss issues with, met with their staff separately and met with most of them socially also, including the Premier. All of the issues that I wanted to bring to their attention were successfully included in the conversations and some with surprising, positive results!

Regarding the Independent Power Projects in Bute and Toba Inlets, I met with the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, the Attorney General, the Minister of Forests, Lands and Resource Operations, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, BC Hydro, and last but most important, the Premier. I also followed up with each of their staff (Deputy Ministers and Asst. Deputy Ministers) to insure that the message was received. My presentations were well received and the common feeling was that this application is not going to get approved. But we cannot let down our guard and must continue to write letters to all of the above, opposing this destructive application. Our fisheries, our heritage, our local economy and the ecology of the area will be destroyed if this is allowed to proceed. If you get the chance please read the book called "Cougar Companions" by Judith Williams. You can get it at the Library but it is heavily requested. You will be shocked at the number of pioneering families from this area that lived and died in the Bute Inlet area. As I said, this is part of our heritage and must be preserved.

I also met with our MLA and Minister of Transportation regarding our situation with regard to roads on Quadra and the North Island in general (ferries were only mentioned as an aside!). My request was for a greater share of the provincial funding for roads to be allocated to the North Island so that we can finally get many of the much-needed projects initiated in our area. The reception from Claire was positive but she has a lot of other "competition" for those same funds. I am sure she will do her best in complying after having heard from our SRD delegation.

The other important Minister I met with was Ginny Simms, Minister of Community Services who looks after our Connected Coast Initiative and is still totally supportive of bringing very high-speed internet and connectivity to our rural areas, including the outer islands (Read, etc.). I met a number of times throughout the convention with staff and others on this issue and we are moving ahead. (Note: Min. Simms is having some problems as of today and has stepped down from Cabinet. Her duties have been given to our Minister, Selina Robinson. She is on our side!)

All in all, it was an incredible opportunity to lobby the appropriate parties for all of the issues that are near and dear to our hearts and I feel it was a total success. I did not feel like I left a single meeting without positive feelings about each issue. That is not always the case! But this year it was. It was well worth the very long intensive, overlapping meetings that I had to try and keep up with. The social venues after long meeting days were no different. They were prime opportunities to talk personally with all of the people that I needed to talk to in order to get things done for our area. The social events are still work as far as I am concerned and get treated as such. The Ministers and their staff and the Premier attend most of them.

Telus meetings: I have had the pleasure of having two very high-level meetings with Telus since the buy-out of Gulf Islands Cable. We have had long conference calls that are now being attended by four of the top Telus managers and my one staff member from the SRD. We have been going over the issues of where things are headed and how we will get there. Unfortunately, Telus would like to keep the information confidential (in camera) and we have agreed to that for now. So, I cannot get into the details but I can say that things are looking very good for our area in the next year. We have another high-level conference call scheduled for Oct. 17th. Needless to say, I am looking forward to it and to maybe being able to release a bit more of the details at that time.

Ferry Advisory Committee: We are going to have a very heated and contentious FAC meeting on Cortes on Oct. 25th with a number of issues that need to be resolved. I would like to thank the members who have had their terms expire and have left our group. Their service was invaluable to our communities.
I would like to express a special thank you to our long time Chair of the FAC, Paul Ryan. He has been so incredible to work with and has served all of you very well. He was well respected by the FAC and by BCFS as well as the province wide Ferry Advisory Council Chairs Group and by the Minister. We have been through an incredible number of contentious issues over the years and many of the perks that you presently enjoy were helped along in their implementation due to Paul's tenacity.

And then there was Cannabis!: By the time you read this the SRD meeting on Cannabis will have taken place at the Community Centre on Oct. 9th in the evening. It will have been an interactive "conversation" (hopefully), so that the SRD can gather the thoughts of islanders on how we deal with any legislative initiatives that might be necessary in order to proceed with processing applications for recreational cannabis at the local government level. The SRD deals with land use regulation. This is no different then dealing with other land uses such as an auto body shop location or a gas station or any other land use location. That is all that this is about. I am not going to say too much about this at this time since I want to listen to the people at the meeting on the 9th. I asked the SRD to not proceed with any bylaws until we have had a consultation with the public about this issue. They listened and I will write more about this topic next issue after I have heard others' opinions. The discussions on Facebook have been pretty wild with some good comments sprinkled in. *End of Oct. 7 notes—to save space I have deleted JA's sign off.*

Regional Director's Report - October 21, 2019

First of all, I sure hope all of you managed to brave the weather and get out to vote on Monday (or before at advance polls)! As the wind howls and the rain pours down today, I sit and tap away at another report of all the good things going on in Area C….

School Presentation

I had the honour of being invited to present to our next generation of leaders at Quadra Elementary School on Friday (Grade 4 and 5). Sheldon Etheridge invited me to speak about Local Govt. and I appreciate the fact that he is trying to raise the consciousness of our youth regarding all levels of Govt. Congrats to Sheldon! I am going to paste in a few of his comments to me after the presentation/discussion: "I really appreciate you coming into our class today. I know that you made an impression on them and you certainly helped further their understanding of civil society and governance. They participated in the discussion with interest and I thought their questions were very on point for grade 4s and 5s! Most of the class seems very passionate about human rights, the environment and our community! I particularly enjoyed your emphasis on working collaboratively with many different community groups including environmentalists, the tourism industry, ferry users and outer islanders to get things done! … our children have a deep passion for where they live and an understanding and love for the ecology of our bioregion then it follows that they will want to live with a softer and smaller footprint through lifestyle choices. "

All in all, it was an excellent experience and an opportunity to explain what Local Govt. actually does provide to everyone's daily life.

I also had the pleasure of telling them the news that at the Union of BC Municipalities convention in Vancouver, a resolution was debated about lowering the voting age to 16. This was passed overwhelmingly, and the kids were thrilled. This has always been defeated in previous conventions. I do believe that the activism shown by youth in the past year has changed people's minds significantly. I look forward to future invitations!

I must mention at this point that one of the ideas that came out of this school presentation was a desire by the entire class to develop a bike park! This is how we ended up with a skate park! We listened to the kids! Many talented volunteers participated but they took their lead from the kids.! They told the engineer and workers what they wanted and they got a super high-class skate park that is the envy of all other areas near us! So, let's do it again, Quadra Island. One was started many years ago, but it needs work and TLC to bring it up to standard. I hear concerns from kids that "there is nothing to do on Quadra"… well let's change that! A skate park, next a bike park… (maybe a swimming pool is next!)

Ongoing Face Book conversation (repeated here for those not on FB) (The topics are somewhat random)

The following is a conversation from Face Book that included upwards of sixty people, regarding some of the development issues we are facing and many of the topics for our upcoming Integrated Community Sustainability Planning (ICSP) process. I thought there were a lot of good points made and that it might be helpful as a primer for the ICSP process meetings. Those meetings are tentatively scheduled for November 6th at the School from 6 to 8pm (not QICC) and another on November 27th at the Community Centre from 6 to 8 pm! I hope to see everyone there. This is to help provide direction for our community! Bring your thoughts and ideas!

OUTER ISLANDERS... PLEASE NOTE THAT I AM STILL WORKING ON A FULL DAY WORKSHOP AT SURGE. I will let you know ASAP!

"Please let me say at the outset, that while FB is a worthwhile medium to toss out ideas for thought, I still do not believe it is the best for a real discussion of issues. I prefer face to face, perhaps town hall meetings. The FB discussion has gotten people talking and that is very good in my opinion as there has not been enough discussion out there to date.

We are waiting for our Integrated Community Sustainability Planning (ICSP) process to address most if not all of the issues you are raising on FB.

For the newcomers to the island, I would ask that you read the OCP, the Zoning Bylaw and the Q. Cove Village Local Area Plan (LAP) (on the SRD site at srd.ca) to bring you up to speed on what is and isn't the direction of the community. These documents were the work of the community over several years and reflect their thoughts of that time.

(With reference to adding more housing to the island outside of the Q. Cove Area Plan). I will note at this point that there is a lot of misinformation being posted about not being able to subdivide large 10 acre or 5 acre lots into smaller sizes. This is just plain wrong. If a person wishes to do so, they should talk to their neighbours and get their feedback and if favourable, apply to the SRD for a rezoning. They would then go through the standard process, ending with a public hearing. If keeping the size above the 2.5 acre minimum required by Island Health, they would not run into the roadblocks regarding water and septic. So, it can be done and has been done a number of times in the past couple of years. I hope this puts that one to bed. Onward...

The Q. Cove Plan was a three-year process with about 20 volunteers from every sector of the community with SRD staff and two very qualified consultants. Both of them architects and designers of such plans. Consensus was reached and the planners went to work to put it all into written form. (on the SRD site at srd.ca). It then went to public meetings and eventually to a bylaw and Public Hearing where it received overwhelming support and was passed at the Board.

The intent was to look at how to add densification and, consequently, more housing to the Q. Cove area so that we would have more available and hopefully more affordable housing since the lots would be way smaller and so would the houses. This was to facilitate people that wanted to downsize, young working couples with or without kids, transient workers for our tourist industry and year-round rental housing for those that did not want or were not able to purchase housing.

Designations (in the OCP) were created that would allow for much higher density per one-acre parcel (up to 16 per acre, from memory). Zones would be created and we would have a walkable, multi-generational community that would provide for our present and future needs. People would need to apply for the correct zone for the uses that were created, but that was on a case by case basis and up to the individual.

One brave individual bit the bullet and applied for a 1.25-acre subdivision to allow for 9 units right in the Cove. The SRD backed her totally and helped her with all aspects of the process. She got her zoning and was on her way, we thought! I worked with her for over a year attending meetings on her behalf with other agencies that became involved in the process.

This is where the roadblocks got thrown up. It turns out that Island Health (IH), formerly Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA), decided to play hard ball with water provision issues and held up the subdivision and rezoning process for about a year. I am not going to even try to explain it all, but I will say it was hell for the owner, the SRD and me! A totally intransigent Provincial agency holding up local wishes! Please know that this is a Provincial roadblock, not local government nor community.

We saw more housing and job creation to boot. All sorts of good things, through the LAP. But what happened as an unintended consequence was other individuals were scared off from applying for rezoning because of the hoops the Province was going to likely put them through also. Even a two lot subdivision was discouraged due to the issue of providing a “water system”! Two lots on a well had been allowed prior to my arrival here and it worked just fine in most cases. But not anymore.

I really appreciate all of the comments that I have been reading about the need for housing. I wish I had seen more about the creation of living wage jobs! People can’t afford housing without them. This really needs to be a large part of the discussion.

I, personally, have talked to many businesses about what they might be able to do in the way of helping create apprenticeships or other ways to employ people and provide services to our islands. I have worked for 20 years on getting better connectivity to the island to allow for tele-commuting and innovative job creation. We are finally getting to that stage and hopefully will be servicing most areas by the end of 2020. This will provide Telehealth, library services and who knows what else. Taxi service has been mentioned or other forms of connecting for a ride, whatever it might be called. Good jobs will come out of this.

The original posting on the site hat started this conversation brought into it the issue of the Schellinck proposal. I must maintain an open mind, according to the Local Government Act, and therefore cannot express opinions either way on this topic. There have been lots of letters received by the SRD on the topic and I am sure it will get a good airing at the Public Hearing, when that comes to be. I have no idea when it will get to that stage, but you will be well notified. I am not ignoring this, but I am not allowed to discuss it..

I mentioned the term “supply dependence” in one posting and what that means is that we need to not just talk about self sufficiency, but also move away from supply dependence from other sources. This is being done in Nova Scotia’s Annapolis Valley with a target of a 10% reduction in the first year and 25% in the next. The theory is it will force people (gently) to create the items they need locally, hence creating new jobs and industries. Why can’t we do that here? I am keeping in touch with N.S. to see how they are doing and get any hints I can.

I want you to know that my prime focus over the past couple of years has been trying to figure out how to keep our younger people from leaving the island and that of course, means affordable, available housing and living wage jobs. I am doing all that one person can do at the Federal, Provincial and Local levels to facilitate this. Your help is needed and appreciated. Keep the discussion going and remember that the government closest to home is Local Government. My motto, "Local control and community involvement!" We can do this together. And, hey, read the Discovery Islander! I try to keep you up to date on issues and that is where I do it… not FB !!!"

So, there you have it, the beginning of a process of civil discussion on our future! May it continue!

Securing land for community use… A must read!

I would point out that there are three parcels of land that were identified in the Local Area Plan as being desirable for the community to acquire. These are all available at this time and one is imminent as a possible sale.

The one acre behind the Pharmacy and adjacent to the Seniors Housing project is up for sale. It was identified as a prime location for a community gathering place for outdoor markets, musical events, and a host of other uses. It is perfectly placed, and the SRD is interested in seeing it obtained to help fill in our plan.

The other two are the piece at the corner of Harper and Ferry Road (known as "Tony's place") and the third is the Credit Union property. The piece known as "Tony's" was designated as "park" but could have a number of uses for the community benefit.

The Credit Union property has long been sought by a number of groups including the Medical Clinic. it would be used partly as a rental to the Credit Union and partly as a rental to the Medical Clinic, thus paying for the mortgage. All that would be needed would be the down payment. It would also allow the Farmer's market the space to continue (and possibly some small affordable housing for seniors or others). Just thinking out loud, folks!

So, here is the possible want ad: "Wanted… Wealthy benefactor (s) to facilitate the purchase of prime locations within the Q. Cove Local Area Plan area. Huge benefit to be realized by your generosity to the community of Quadra Island.!" Hey, you never know unless you ask, right?

Harper Road Pathway Project

Some of you may have seen the blue flagging tape and the mowing on Harper Rd. This is the beginning of the beginning of the construction of the pathway that we have waited so long for. The SRD has finally decided to just go ahead and construct the pathway that is on their Right of Way (for the sewer line). It will start at the end by the Library and work its way along Harper as far as Heriot Bay Rd. and provide safe off-the-road passage for pedestrians and all sorts of other traffic. I am very excited about this finally happening and thank, in advance, the people that have volunteered time, equipment and materials to make it happen.

Cannabis Open House

The SRD hosted an Open House on Wednesday, October 9th at the QICC to start the conversation about Cannabis regulation possibilities. Numerous stations were set up throughout the room with staff from the SRD gathering input from the public. The gathering attracted between 30 and 50 people (hard to tell since it was a drop-in format). Each board had different aspects of the issue and people were asked to mark concurrence with a sticky dot in the appropriate boxes. It is a pretty basic way of measuring the feelings, but it was a start. The one photo posted in another Quadra publication only showed one of the boards with a segment of the topics. I am not going to make any assumptions on the topic at this point as our staff at the SRD are compiling the results of all of the boards as you read this. They will then put it together in a report to the SRD Board and we will then have a better idea of what the night provided for us in the way of input. After that report is received at the Board it will be totally public and you can see for yourselves what people had to say at the Open House.

Public Hearing date set

There will be a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 20th at 7pm at the QICC regarding an application for a dock in Open Bay. This was scheduled for earlier, but since the notice period was too short and there were a number of letters sent to the SRD, it was postponed. (go to srd.ca)

Other meetings

I will be having another high-level conference call with top Telus officials on Tuesday October 22nd. the topic is, of course, connectivity in all its forms and the content will still be confidential. I am sorry about that, but it is a condition that Telus wishes to have in place. As soon as I can divulge the info, you will hear about it.

We have a Ferry Advisory Committee meeting to be held on Cortes Island on Friday, October 25th. I'll report out on it in my next report.

On October 30th, I will be attending a Regional Marine Area Planning Committee meeting. This will involve the entire coast of BC and include stakeholders, Local Govt's., First Nations and the Province.

On November 14th and 15th I will be attending the North Vancouver Island Marine Planning Process meetings in Campbell River. This will overlap with the Comox Valley Regional Solid Waste Management meetings in Courtenay, so I will be cloning myself to be in two cities at the same time! (Attend CVWM in Courtenay and then race to CR for MaPP)

I already mentioned the dates above for the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan process meetings so mark them in your calendar…Once again, (Outer Islanders, see note above) those meetings are tentatively scheduled for November 6th at the School from 6 to 8pm (not QICC) and another on November 27th at the Community Centre from 6 to 8 pm! Other regular meetings of both Regional Districts will also be attended throughout the next weeks.

I sure hope that everyone will take the time to read this report (that took me four hours to compose…argh). There is a lot of information contained herein about topics that many of you have been wondering about. Happy reading!

So, I am sure I have taken up most of the Discovery Islander's space so I will stop here for now. Feel free to contact me between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday (please, not on weekends or holidays, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at jimabram@xplornet.ca or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0… You can read occasional updates on issues that I will post on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/JimAbram, but please do not use this medium as a way to communicate regarding SRD business. If it is important, my cell is 250-830-8005… Lots of choices.

Please do not use my residential phone number for SRD calls. All business calls should be on 285-3355. Many thanks! Emails and phone messages received over the weekend or on holidays will (hopefully!) be returned promptly on the next regular work day.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram, Director, Discovery Islands-Mainland Inlets, Area C, SRD

Alien looking life form otherwise known as "aggregated anemones". A partial view as seen on the back of Goepel Island.

Andrew Nikiforuk 20 Sep 2019 | TheTyee.ca **(forwarded by Judith Wright)**

We are protesting today out of love for our children, out of love for our community, and for all the wild things that support life.

Our challenge is a perilous one. Emissions from our energy spending have destabilized our climate. This carbon pollution is warming and acidifying the ocean, the cradle of life. Some models show carbon dioxide has a half-life of 10,000 years. That means that the climate crisis could last 10,000 years. Many of its effects are irreversible and not immediately "fixable."

There is only one solution, and it's radical and difficult: we must spend less energy.

But more than one crisis now knocks on our door. Many democracies are failing as their struggling economies increasingly serve the one per cent. Our technologies have become tools of surveillance and manipulation. Our ravenous consumption of things is driving the extinction of birds, mammals, insects and fish. And Indigenous people.

So where do we begin? Our politicians tell us that the problem is so grand that individually we can't make a difference. And then they add that we can't live without oil, and that if we don't spend or sell it, someone in China will.

And that is how the status quo breeds despair and inaction. Remember that despair and inaction have only one master: the status quo.

The first thing you can do as a citizen is ask every political candidate several questions. Do they understand the severity of the crisis? What are they proposing to do to reduce energy spending? Do they understand that reduced energy spending will radically slow down the economy? How will they help communities make tough decisions?

The next thing is vote. Vote only for those politicians or parties that acknowledge the seriousness of the emergency and its complexity.

Voting, however, is not enough. We must also focus on our local communities, because that is where we can make the greatest difference. And here we have two tasks: to prepare for the oncoming economic and political storms, and to build a hybrid economy less dependent on fossil fuels.

Islands can be leaders on both fronts. They have stronger communities, and their rural agrarian economies are not as energy intensive as other places. All change begins on the margins of civilization.

Eleven years ago, the 4,000 residents of Samsø, Denmark, were told it was impossible to go green. But they put up 21 wind turbines and solar panels and now export energy to the mainland. The island is now 100-per-cent self-sufficient and has a negative carbon dioxide footprint of minus 3.5 tonnes per resident.

The status quo told the farming community that they could never do that. But the farmers of Samsø did it, because they had the flexibility to act. They also invested in the change they wanted to see.

Twenty years ago, the 21,000 residents of the Orkneys off Scotland's coast got tired of paying high energy bills and importing fossil fuels. Today, they are at the centre of an energy revolution.

They too now export electricity to the mainland. They use electricity generated by wind turbines to power an electrolyser. The electrolyser splits water atoms into hydrogen and oxygen. The hydrogen can be stored and used as a fuel to power the local ferry.

To solve the irregular nature of wind and solar energy, the Orkneys are now developing a system called ReFLEX (responsive flexibility).

It will use community owned electric cars and Tesla batteries to store energy when it flows to be used when it is needed. And they are experimenting with tidal and wave power.

Community vision and community power fueled the changes in Samsø and the Orkneys. The model was disruptive and collaborative. Community and local businesses teamed up with green energy companies. They also treated energy spenders (or what we call consumers) as part of the solution. A registered charity, Community Energy Scotland, played a major role in the Orkneys with getting things started. We need a Community Energy Vancouver Island, and we don't have to wait for politicians to start one.

We also must be the change we want to see. Learn a practical or traditional skill. Travel less. Take a first aid course. Plant a community garden. Build your tribe. Watch over a river and its salmon. Strengthen your family. Reduce your dependence on gadgets and conveniences. Plant lots of trees. Support the creation of a Community Energy Vancouver Island charity. Prepare for a volatile economic and political future.

Pericles, the great leader of Athens, once said that a good citizen "knows the meaning of what is sweet in life and of what is terrible, and then goes out undeterred to meet what is to come."

That is how we must live: undeterred. Protest that endures, says the social critic Wendell Berry, is "moved by a hope far more modest than that of public success: namely, the hope of preserving qualities in one's own heart and spirit that would be destroyed by acquiescence."

November

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Turns		Maximum		renverse		maximum	
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1	**0030**	0347	+9.4	16	**0002**	0308	+10.1
	0719	1034	−7.6		**0648**	1001	−7.2
FR	**1335**	1618	+5.6	SA	**1308**	1546	+5.1
VE	**1859**	2207	−5.9	SA	**1835**	2128	−6.7
2	**0115**	0438	+8.5	17	**0044**	0354	+9.9
	0816	1118	−7.0		**0738**	1041	−6.9
SA	**1439**	1716	+4.9	SU	**1405**	1643	+4.8
SA	**1956**	2308	−5.1	DI	**1930**	2224	−5.9
3	**0205**	0536	+7.5	18	**0134**	0449	+9.3
	0918	1227	−6.3		**0835**	1147	−6.7
SU	**1551**	1817	+4.4	MO	**1509**	1746	+4.7
DI	**2109**			LU	**2037**	2333	−5.1
4		0018	−4.4	19	**0232**	0553	+8.4
	0303	0642	+6.7		**0936**	1253	−6.6
MO	**1023**	1337	−5.8	TU	**1616**	1909	+5.1
LU	**1701**	1935	+4.3	MA	**2155**		
	2242						
5		0126	−4.0	20		0053	−4.9
	0413	0759	+6.2		**0340**	0705	+7.6
TU	**1126**	1445	−5.8	WE	**1039**	1400	−6.7
MA	**1802**	2049	+4.7	ME	**1719**	2019	+6.0
					2317		
6	**0005**	0242	−4.0	21		0217	−5.2
	0531	0909	+6.1		**0455**	0818	+7.3
WE	**1222**	1544	−6.2	TH	**1139**	1502	−7.0
ME	**1853**	2151	+5.5	JE	**1816**	2122	+7.1
7	**0108**	0348	−4.5	22	**0031**	0328	−5.8
	0642	1007	+6.3		**0611**	0925	+7.2
TH	**1311**	1632	−6.6	FR	**1235**	1557	−7.4
JE	**1936**	2241	+6.5	VE	**1907**	2225	+8.2
8	**0158**	0444	−5.2	23	**0133**	0430	−6.4
	0740	1057	+6.5		**0721**	1023	+7.0
FR	**1353**	1711	−6.9	SA	**1326**	1647	−7.7
VE	**2013**	2315	+7.4	SA	**1954**	2308	+9.1
9	**0239**	0525	−6.0	24	**0226**	0528	−7.2
	0827	1132	+6.6		**0821**	1118	+6.8
SA	**1429**	1745	−7.1	SU	**1414**	1731	−7.8
SA	**2046**	2359	+8.1	DI	**2039**	2355	+9.7
10	**0316**	0618	−6.8	25	**0314**	0621	−7.9
	0908	1209	+6.7		**0915**	1206	+6.6
SU	**1501**	1815	−7.1	MO	**1458**	1812	−7.8
DI	**2117**			LU	**2121**		
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	0349	0650	−7.3		**0359**	0708	−8.3
MO	**0945**	1242	+6.6	TU	**1005**	1251	+6.4
LU	**1532**	1843	−7.0	MA	**1540**	1850	−7.9
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	0527	0835	−7.6		**0610**	0920	−8.1
TH	**1137**	1420	+5.8	FR	**1229**	1505	+5.8
JE	**1711**	2006	−7.5	VE	**1749**	2053	−6.8
	2324						
15		0230	+10.0	30	**0003**	0323	+9.4
	0605	0913	−7.4		**0656**	1007	−7.8
FR	**1219**	1459	+5.5	SA	**1320**	1551	+5.5
VE	**1750**	2043	−7.2	SA	**1837**	2141	−6.1

Hole in the Wall

Turns		Maximum		renverse		maximum	
Day	Time	Time	Knots	jour	heure	heure	noeuds
1	**0041**	0352	+9.6	16	**0013**	0315	+10.4
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FR	**1347**	1625	+5.6	SA	**1320**	1555	+5.1
VE	**1905**	2212	−6.2	SA	**1842**	2134	−7.0
2	**0126**	0444	+8.6	17	**0056**	0402	+10.1
	0819	1123	−7.2		**0743**	1052	−7.1
SA	**1455**	1726	+4.8	SU	**1418**	1653	+4.7
SA	**1959**	2309	−5.4	DI	**1936**	2230	−6.3
3	**0218**	0543	+7.5	18	**0147**	0457	+9.5
	0921	1236	−6.6		**0839**	1151	−7.0
SU	**1609**	1827	+4.3	MO	**1524**	1801	+4.7
DI	**2111**			LU	**2042**	2340	−5.5
4		0025	−4.7	19	**0246**	0601	+8.6
	0317	0650	+6.6		**0939**	1258	−6.9
MO	**1026**	1347	−6.1	TU	**1632**	1906	+5.1
LU	**1719**	1944	+4.2	MA	**2159**		
	2242						
5		0133	−4.4	20		0059	−5.2
	0428	0805	+6.1		**0355**	0713	+7.8
TU	**1129**	1455	−6.0	WE	**1042**	1405	−6.9
MA	**1818**	2057	+4.7	ME	**1735**	2022	+6.0
					2321		
6	**0007**	0250	−4.5	21		0217	−5.4
	0545	0920	+6.1		**0510**	0825	+7.4
WE	**1226**	1553	−6.3	TH	**1142**	1508	−7.1
ME	**1908**	2159	+5.5	JE	**1830**	2125	+7.2
7	**0112**	0355	−4.9	22	**0035**	0325	−6.0
	0655	1015	+6.2		**0625**	0932	+7.3
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JE	**1949**	2248	+6.4	VE	**1920**	2222	+8.2
8	**0202**	0450	−5.5	23	**0138**	0433	−6.5
	0751	1102	+6.4		**0733**	1031	+7.2
FR	**1357**	1719	−6.9	SA	**1331**	1652	−7.7
VE	**2025**	2329	+7.3	SA	**2007**	2313	+9.1
9	**0244**	0537	−6.2	24	**0232**	0535	−7.1
	0838	1146	+6.6		**0833**	1123	+7.0
SA	**1434**	1752	−7.0	SU	**1418**	1735	−7.9
SA	**2058**			DI	**2050**		
10		0004	+8.1	25		0000	+9.8
	0321	0616	−6.9		**0320**	0627	−7.7
SU	**0918**	1215	+6.7	MO	**0926**	1211	+6.8
DI	**1507**	1822	−7.0	LU	**1503**	1815	−8.1
	2128				**2132**		
11		0035	+8.6	26		0042	+10.2
	0354	0656	−7.3		**0405**	0714	−8.0
MO	**0955**	1249	+6.6	TU	**1016**	1256	+6.7
LU	**1538**	1848	−7.2	MA	**1546**	1854	−8.2
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	0426	0731	−7.6		**0448**	0758	−8.1
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MA	**1610**	1914	−7.4	ME	**1628**	1933	−8.1
	2229				**2253**		
13		0132	+9.6	28		0204	+10.5
	0458	0805	−7.6		**0531**	0841	−8.1
WE	**1108**	1353	+6.1	TH	**1151**	1426	+6.2
ME	**1642**	1941	−7.7	JE	**1711**	2013	−7.7
	2301				**2333**		
14		0202	+10.1	29		0245	+10.2
	0532	0839	−7.4		**0615**	0928	−8.0
TH	**1147**	1427	+5.9	FR	**1240**	1513	+5.9
JE	**1718**	2011	−7.8	VE	**1755**	2058	−7.1
	2335						
15		0236	+10.4	30	**0013**	0328	+9.7
	0610	0917	−7.3		**0701**	1012	−7.8
FR	**1231**	1507	+5.6	SA	**1333**	1558	+5.5
VE	**1757**	2048	−7.6	SA	**1842**	2146	−6.4

Campbell River

Day	Time	Metres	Feet	jour	heure	mètres	pieds
1	0127	**1.0**	3.3	16	0039	**0.9**	3.0
	0844	**4.2**	13.8		0829	**4.2**	13.8
FR	1512	**3.4**	11.2	SA	1414	**3.6**	11.8
VE	1835	**3.7**	12.1	SA	1746	**3.8**	12.5
2	0209	**1.1**	3.6	17	0121	**0.9**	3.0
	0943	**4.2**	13.8		0922	**4.3**	14.1
SA	1645	**3.4**	11.2	SU	1559	**3.5**	11.5
SA	1914	**3.5**	11.5	DI	1831	**3.7**	12.1
3	0257	**1.3**	4.3	18	0209	**1.1**	3.6
	1043	**4.2**	13.8		1016	**4.3**	14.1
SU	1853	**3.2**	10.5	MO	1745	**3.4**	11.2
DI	2009	**3.2**	10.5	LU	1935	**3.4**	11.2
4	0351	**1.6**	5.2	19	0304	**1.3**	4.3
	1139	**4.1**	13.5		1108	**4.3**	14.1
MO	2002	**3.0**	9.8	TU	1854	**3.1**	10.2
LU	2204	**3.0**	9.8	MA	2111	**3.2**	10.5
5	0451	**1.8**	5.9	20	0404	**1.5**	4.9
	1226	**4.1**	13.5		1156	**4.4**	14.4
TU	2037	**2.8**	9.2	WE	1943	**2.7**	8.9
MA	2349	**3.0**	9.8	ME	2310	**3.1**	10.2
6	0551	**2.0**	6.6	21	0506	**1.8**	5.9
	1306	**4.1**	13.5		1238	**4.4**	14.4
WE	2108	**2.5**	8.2	TH	2027	**2.3**	7.5
ME				JE			
7	0110	**3.1**	10.2	22	0047	**3.2**	10.5
	0645	**2.2**	7.2		0605	**2.1**	6.9
TH	1341	**4.1**	13.5	FR	1315	**4.4**	14.4
JE	2136	**2.3**	7.5	VE	2109	**1.9**	6.2
8	0213	**3.3**	10.8	23	0202	**3.5**	11.5
	0733	**2.4**	7.9		0659	**2.4**	7.9
FR	1412	**4.1**	13.5	SA	1351	**4.4**	14.4
VE	2202	**2.1**	6.9	SA	2149	**1.5**	4.9
9	0304	**3.5**	11.5	24	0308	**3.7**	12.1
	0816	**2.6**	8.5		0747	**2.7**	8.9
SA	1442	**4.1**	13.5	SU	1425	**4.5**	14.8
SA	2226	**1.9**	6.2	DI	2227	**1.2**	3.9
10	0350	**3.6**	11.8	25	0408	**4.0**	13.1
	0854	**2.7**	8.9		0834	**3.0**	9.8
SU	1507	**4.0**	13.1	MO	1459	**4.4**	14.4
DI	2244	**1.7**	5.6	LU	2302	**0.9**	3.0
11	0435	**3.8**	12.5	26	0504	**4.1**	13.5
	0929	**2.9**	9.5		0922	**3.3**	10.8
MO	1528	**4.0**	13.1	TU	1533	**4.4**	14.4
LU	2238	**1.4**	4.6	MA	2334	**0.7**	2.3
12	0519	**3.9**	12.8	27	0556	**4.3**	14.1
	1001	**3.1**	10.2		1112	**3.5**	11.5
TU	1547	**4.0**	13.1	WE	1609	**4.3**	14.1
MA	2256	**1.2**	3.9	ME	2359	**0.7**	2.3
13	0604	**4.1**	13.5	28	0646	**4.4**	14.4
	1034	**3.3**	10.8		1310	**3.6**	11.8
WE	1609	**4.1**	13.5	TH	1645	**4.1**	13.5
ME	2326	**1.1**	3.6	JE			
14	0651	**4.1**	13.5	29	0022	**0.7**	2.3
	1112	**3.4**	11.2		0734	**4.4**	14.4
TH	1636	**4.0**	13.1	FR	1409	**3.6**	11.8
JE				VE	1721	**3.9**	12.8
15	0000	**0.9**	3.0	30	0054	**0.9**	3.0
	0739	**4.2**	13.8		0821	**4.4**	14.4
FR	1208	**3.5**	11.5	SA	1519	**3.5**	11.5
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