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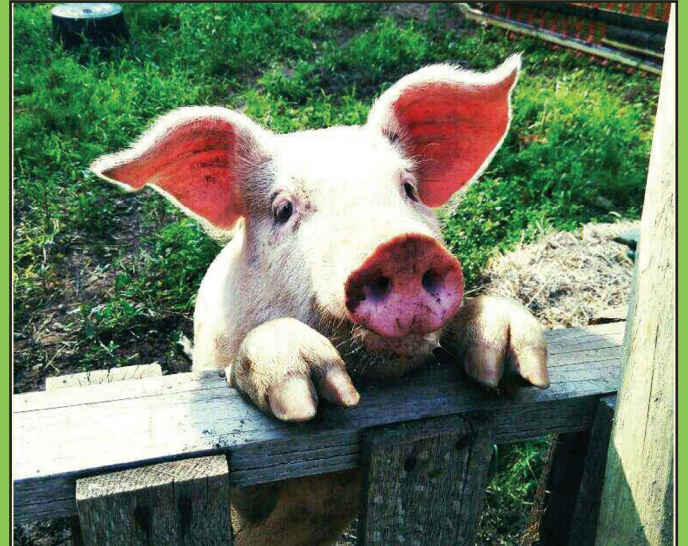
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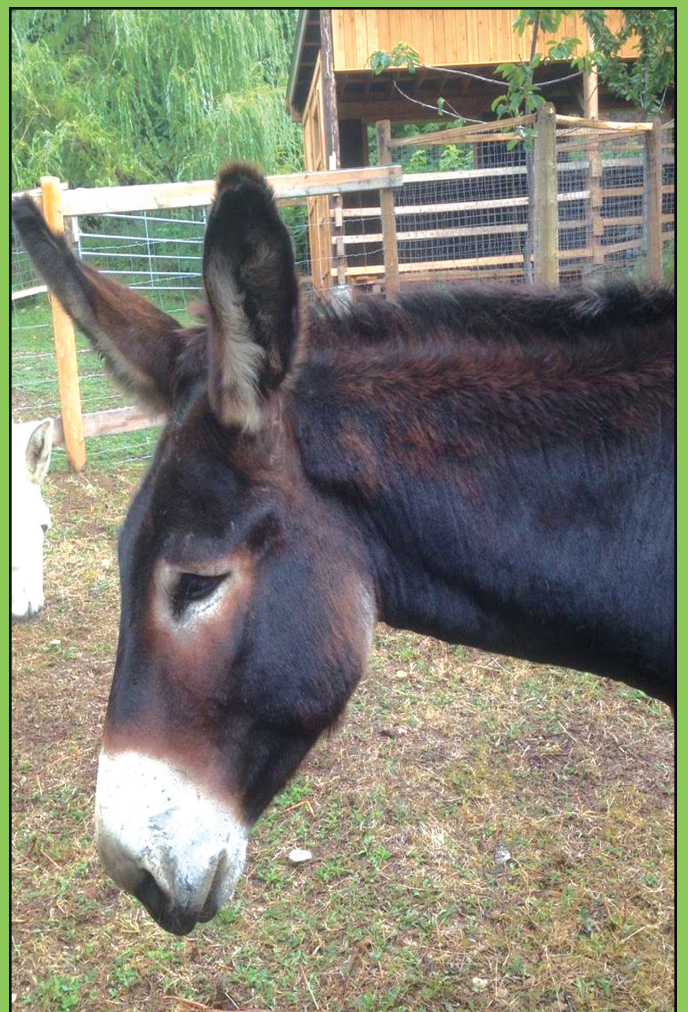
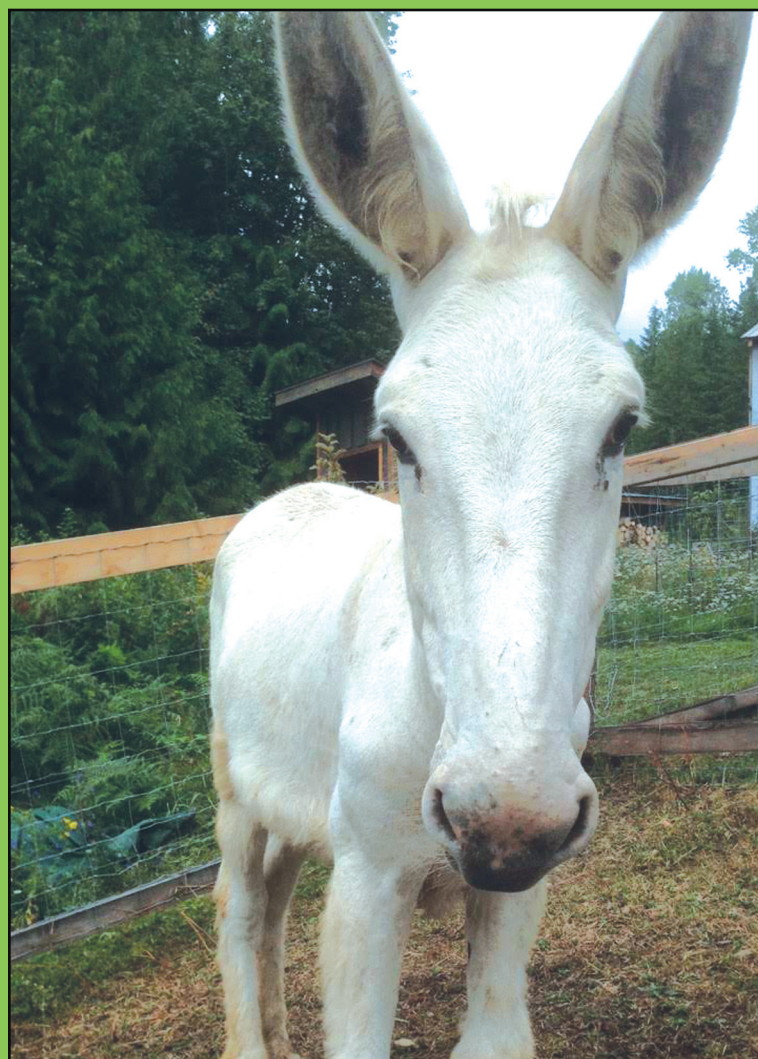
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### Who Are the Animals in Your Neighbourhood?

Happy, locally-raised pigs pose for glamour shots on Jacqueline Wedge's land in Crawford Bay, while Mauz Kroker's donkeys, Julio and Snow, enjoy the cool weather that came in late July.

*Photos by J. Wedge and M. Kroker*







# Editor's Word on the Mainstreet

by Ingrid Baetzel

On July 23, Lower Kootenay Band members voted in a referendum on the proposed incremental treaty agreement which would see a land transfer between the province, the LKB reserve lands and the RDCK. This included land in Area A at Burdens Cut. Garry Jackman submitted the results from the referendum on the surrender of Lot 68 and they are as follows:

- 164 voters were entitled to vote in the referendum.
- 33 electors actually voted.
- 30 votes were cast in favour.
- 3 votes were cast against.

As you will note below the proposed incremental treaty agreement was strongly favoured to proceed by the Lower Kootenay Band vote but they did not meet the minimum total percentage of voters required by the federal rules to make the results effective. The rules state a second vote may now be held which would only require a majority support of those who turn out.

What a time July is! It's so busy and vibrant with festivals, parties, families visiting, bustling beaches and local businesses. Congratulations to the Starbelly crew for another lovely festival. Bravo to Paul Hindson and Darryl Makk for a gut-busting comedy event. I, personally, am pleased to see the visitors to our area enjoying locally-produced festivals and events and getting a taste of the life we enjoy year round on the East Shore. There are certainly people who express their frustrations about the tourists and

would prefer that our region be left tranquil, unvisited, untouched. Most of us recognize, however, that our region has changed and the vast majority of local businesses rely heavily upon these visitors and many of these same visitors have a heart-connected respect for our region. Without their dollars and energy, we would not survive as we are. Businesses would fold, people would move away, the school would close and we would be a memory... a whisper.

As long as I've lived here (over 35 years), we have had a tourist economy. We have a stunning lake and we need to share it as much as protect it. We have families who can only remain throughout the winter without going away for work by the income they make in the warmer months. Lastly, I would remark that I truly enjoy the very infrequent privilege of getting to go somewhere else and be a visitor and the places I want to go back to are the places where I'm (at worst) left along and (at best) warmly welcomed without being shmarmy and cloying.

Thank you visitors and residents alike for being here and making this place what it is.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### THANK YOU STARBELLY JAM!

Dear Editor:

I am so moved when I see the beauty of this event... the physical beauty created by Brigitte Picard and her team, the harmonious sound environment created by Lea Belcourt, the site management by Howard Sempf, the volunteer management by Nicole Plouffe, the smooth ticket sales with Beth McLellan, the superb emceeing by Leah Wilson, Dan Siliakiewicz and others, sound by Miroslav Doval, safe security with Matt Winger, Milky Way with Ellie Reynolds and EASEY volunteers, crafts and vendor booths with Jayanti Holman, teenagers doing all kinds of jobs well, retail sales, and more, back up book-keeping with Amanda Hurland and Chris Hamilton, Hospitality with Galadriel Rael, Moon Belly stage with over-all management by Farley Cursons, Starbelly stage management by Kenji Fukushima, the fabulous musicians, children's performers and workshop leaders...and the 400 plus volunteers who back-up this most amazing crew. I may have missed out on other key figures and I apologize.

When I see this well managed, peaceful and loving festival, I feel a lot of warm fuzzies coming up. I feel so proud of you, of all of us for pulling this off now for 16 years. Without the steady work of the early founders and the continued effort of all the board members over the years, we would not be here. Gratitude for all that has been done.

Laverne Booth, Crawford Bay

### BEAUTIFUL VERSION OF SUCCESS

Dear Editor:

So here we are, another successful Starbelly Jam come and gone. As I spend the week post festival in recovery mode (long days, late nights), it's prime time to take a breath and ponder what success means. Is it measured by the dollars? Or by the chatter on Facebook? How many Band-Aids were handed out? Or perhaps by a field full of smiles, giggles, dancers, and fancy hats! No matter how you look at it, it's pretty hard to deny that hundreds of happy kids decked out in their newly crafted accessories, tons of teens romping about in their posies, parents and grandparents, singing, dancing, and eating, is some version of success. And although we may receive some negative feedback on occasion, it is much outweighed by the positive.

On that note, I'd like to point out some of our successes. Through a partnering of funding between Kokanee Springs and Starbelly Jam, we were able to offer some public education on wildfire interfacing, and at the same time, help a long time East Shore resident, Lionel Binette clear the immediate fire hazards from his property.

We strive to leave the park as spick and span as possible (and maybe even a little bit better if we can). Starbelly has brought in loads of gravel and filled pot holes in the parking lots, fixed lights and power outlets, installed gate chains to prevent people driving through the park all summer, and more.

We are proud to announce that this year's festival produced only twelve bags of garbage (this is just the three days of the event, and in relation to all the trash created while we have patrons eating, drinking, and using the park during festival hours.) The rest was turned into eight 400lb barrels of compost, three cubic meters of cardboard, and 49 bags of recyclables! We did have an additional 20 bags post fest. Most of that

garbage was from the building and dismantling of the grounds (i.e.: torn tarps, bits of PVC, broken decorations etc.), and we could probably reduce that number, if we weren't just pooped right out, and had a few more Monday volunteers to help sort it out. So considering we have several thousand patrons pass through the festival grounds, I'd say that's a success.

Besides being on the festival board, I also hold the title of hospitality manager, and spend most of the weekend attending to the performers. The overwhelming response from the performers is a positive experience of our community and event. As one performer remarked "everyone is just so happy!"

As the chair of Starbelly Jam, I am always consumed with awe when I see how a mass of dedicated community members can give birth to such a beautiful event every year. It takes hundreds of volunteers to create a safe, fun, and clean experience, and I take my hat off to every single one who dedicates their time to making this happen.

My thank you's fall short of the true gratitude felt for the precious time you all give. But once again, thank you!

Galadriel Rael, SBJ Chair

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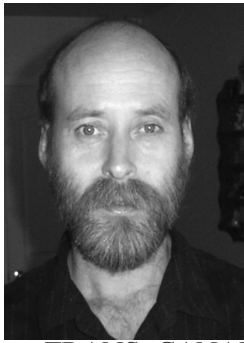
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## RDCK Area "A" Update

by Garry Jackman,  
Director - Area "A"

**TRANS CANADA TRAIL:** Over the past few months some very energetic folks have been working on our section of the Trans Canada Trail (TCT). From a 'quick fact' sheet which I recently read I noted that the TCT is currently about 80% complete at about 18,800 kilometres. The projected completed length will be 23,605 kilometres. Of the remaining gaps about 15% will be water trail and the rest on land. The objective is to complete the TCT for our 2017 Canada Day in celebration of 150 years since confederation.

If you are interested in promoting outdoor activity, economic development and tourism or simple appreciation of nature then contact the East Shore Trails and Biking Association and volunteer.

**FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH DEFINED TAXATION:** Your property taxes are split up into many 'silos' or services, ranging from very small local services to more regional services or even for services provided by the province. For some of us the lions share of property taxes is actually kept by the province to be expended on hospital infrastructure, policing, rural road maintenance and the BC assessment authority. Local services provided through the RDCK or societies vary depending on where you live. Examples of societies providing services funded in part by financial contributions derived from your property taxes would be libraries and reading centres, rural cemeteries and some community halls. At some point in the past these services would have been defined to apply to a geographic boundary and received voter assent (your collective agreement to have the costs applied to your property taxes).

Once voter assent is in place the taxation may start rolling in year after year. Each organization receiving the funds is asked to provide a minimum amount of information each year, including minutes of their annual general meeting, their financial statements and a list of current directors. These measures, while rudimentary, provide some level of assurance that the society or organization receiving the property tax monies is still maintaining some level of accountability to the residents who are taxed, that being through the process of calling the people together for the AGM and showing them who is directing the funds and how funds are being used. At the AGM the community members elect a new board which may contain some or all of the same members but which in fact is new at every AGM by virtue of the fact that none are deemed to be simply staying on for a while longer. This is parallel to the situation for myself and other elected officials. We do not state we are staying on. We indicate our desire to run again along with others and see what the voter decides. The important point is the money tends to flow year after year but how and why it is spent is up to you to a large extent based on the mandate you provide your society board at each AGM.

Some organizations have not been submitting the minimum requested information to the RDCK. Again, this is the information which provides some indication that the society is operating in a transparent and accountable manner. These societies which do not submit the information to the RDCK are not receiving the funds, some for a couple of years now. More and more we have debated at the RDCK Board whether the information to be submitted should be more detailed, with perhaps receipts or audited financial statements being required depending on the size of the financial

contribution which the society receives. We do not want to impose extra costs and work for volunteers, but we do need to see some accountability for how your property taxes are spent since we are in the middle of collecting and disbursing those taxes. Decisions on making changes to submission requirements are on hold for now.

**NEW RADIO STATION FOR CRESTON:** This is not a topic which I would normally cover except I note the degree to which local government issues receive coverage from Nelson and points west differs as opposed to the Creston area. Routinely two or three news organizations send representatives to the monthly RDCK Board meetings where they listen for items of general interest to their audience. The media reps either ask questions to the board as a whole during public time or more often request individual interviews after the meeting. Their engagement with the public does a service to the RDCK, whether highlighting controversy which requires resolution or just in providing information to the public.

Creston does provide some media coverage through the local paper but I believe the range of topics is not as broad as what some other media covers and the Creston staff are at a distinct disadvantage given the time it would take to travel to Nelson and back to listen in on meetings. There is quite a difference between reading the minutes after a meeting and sitting in on the debate, sometimes passionate, where the full range of opinions and concerns may be aired prior to the final resolution which is captured in the minutes. Media reps have sat in on some Creston Valley Services Committee meetings where sub-regional issues are discussed in public but this is only a small portion of our overall business.

The new station will provide a link to regional news as is now available through the commercial and community radio stations which can be picked up around much of the lake, but by having local Creston news and broadcasting staff they will have the capacity to dig deeper into selected issues. I look forward to the expanded conversation.

If you have questions or comments on any topic please drop a note to [gjackman@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:gjackman@rdck.bc.ca) or call me at 250-223-8463.

## Invest Kootenay Shared More Places

press release

*Invest Kootenay listings will be shared more places with new customizable widget...*

Invest Kootenay has launched a new online widget that allows its community partners to add a live feed of local business investment opportunities to their website. This also means that when business opportunity holders create a free listing at [InvestKootenay.com](http://InvestKootenay.com), their listing will automatically be displayed on multiple websites.

Anyone with a website can use the new widget to generate a live link to the Invest Kootenay website, and display thumbnails of business investment opportunities directly from the Invest Kootenay listings. Content will be automatically updated as new listings become available.

The widget can be customized for your own website to display specific opportunities from your own immediate community, or via a key word search.


Invest Kootenay is encouraging its community partners to make use of the widget and promote business investment opportunities in our region. A wide variety of opportunities are currently listed on [InvestKootenay.com](http://InvestKootenay.com), including businesses such as restaurants, hotels, industrial services, manufacturing and retail.

"We'd like to spread the word about the excellent business investment opportunities that are currently available in the Kootenays," notes Lisa Cannady, Regional Coordinator for Invest Kootenay. "The widget makes it easy to share the information and provide great content for our partners' websites at the same time."

The Invest Kootenay widget would make a great addition to websites of chambers of commerce, lenders, real estate agents, tourism organizations, economic development agencies or local governments, suggests Cannady.

Easy to install, check out the Invest Kootenay widget generator at <http://www.investkootenay.com/widget-generator/>

Invest Kootenay is a partnership of Kootenay-region communities who have joined forces to attract, retain, and expand business investment in the Kootenay region. The Invest Kootenay partnership's commitment to attracting investment has made a difference. Within the past five years, there have been 32 confirmed investments in Invest Kootenay listed opportunities, representing \$7.5M in direct investment to the region.



**RDCK AREA A**

**Advisory Planning Committee Meeting**

**Date: August 5, 2015, 7pm**  
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# August Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

On July 25, Venus turned retrograde in Virgo and it will turn direct again on September 6. Venus was only in Virgo for 1 week and on July 31 Venus re-entered Leo where it will remain until October 8! Venus turns retrograde five times over an eight year period so on average about every 19 months and one week or every 77 weeks and remains so for about six weeks. This may seem a little unusual compared to Mercury's tri-annual retrograde rhythm. Consequently, Venus Retrograde is not as well understood as that of Mercury. Similarly though, where Mercury turns retrograde in the same sign over the course of 2-3 years, Venus's repeat cycle in the same sign lasts about 100 years in 8-year intervals.

While this particular retrograde cycle largely occurs in Leo, it technically begins in Virgo, a cycle which began in 1911, thus this marks the last of the particular cycle. Venus is challenged in Virgo to let her feelings flow without the mind interfering. Historically, 2011 was a major turning point in world politics and saw the rise of international tensions beginning with the assassination of the Prime Minister of Russia. It may be said that this initiated tensions which led to WWI and some would say it was all part of a much larger agenda which emerged to become the modern era and which continues to this day.

Generally and by transit, Venus Retrograde cautions against making big expenditures and investments. The physical, materialistic and sensual side of Venus is also increased when retrograde which makes the temptation to buy stuff all the more tempting. In our consumer based culture, it may be said we live collectively in the grip of Venus Retrograde so it may not be as noticeable as it might be otherwise.

While pat interpretations are tempting, how Venus Retrograde will play out ever depends on how it is configured in one's Natal Chart and where exactly the transit occurs and what planets in the Natal Chart are influenced. As ever, with awareness we can exercise free will to maximize its potential. (Read more in my Newsletter. Sign-up is free on my website.)

## Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

You are in a playful and passionate mood. Yet you also want to get to the bottom of things in certain areas of your life. Renovations or a deep cleaning of corners, closets, garages and basements are likely. Unless you can strategize to satisfy both, you may end up feeling conflicted and moody. At deeper levels the attention is needed in your most important relationships.

## Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21)

A strong focus on home and family is occupying your thoughts and actions now. Your energy levels and confidences stand to be running high. This represents a window of opportunity to forge ahead. Be careful not to 'lord it over others' as this otherwise ideal moment may backfire as a result. Rather, focus on shining your light by acknowledging the beauty you see in the people you love.

## Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

An extra busy cycle has begun. Fortunately, it is illumined by a spirit of fun, adventure, play and creativity. This is an ideal time to socialize or to get away with family and friends. Your ambitions are running pretty high and you continue to drive to achieve a deepened sense of security, yet your focus on these is on and off. Leave it alone for now and work on letting yourself play.

## Cancer (Jun 21 – Jul 22)

Taking stock of your overall worth is a central theme now. In addition to assets and investments, the focus is upon skills and talents and your future potential. In

some respects you want to shake it up and challenge yourself to think and act in new ways. The goal is to feel confident about new possibilities and prospects. Decipher how what you have can be expressed in new arenas.

## Leo (Jul 22 – Aug 23)

Sun, Mercury, Venus and Jupiter all in your sign now will synchronize with the urge to take a few risks and to explore your options for creative self-expression. Beyond purely engaging in creative activity, your ambitions are on the rise. You want returns and you are determined to go big. Yet, in order to succeed you may have some inner work to do. Acknowledge your fear then confront it!

## Virgo (Aug 23 – Sep 22)

The urge to take some time out is likely now. Entering your studio or lab or workshop to focus on creative projects would fit the bill. Getting away for a while might also work, as long as you can have enough time and space to dream and reflect. Yet, you are also feeling a bit punchy and would like to break through any persistent, limiting beliefs. Begin by deciphering what they are.

## Libra (Sep 22 – Oct 22)

All those planets in Leo are stimulating both your core sense of individuality and your friendship network too. In good Libra fashion, the emphasis may tilt to one side then the other intermittently. Other factors emphasize a driving force to advance in your professional and/or public life. This could prove a little complicated. Amidst all the socializing, you are in an ambitious mood.

## Scorpio (Oct 22 – Nov 21)

You are in an exciting cycle. That this excitement may lean on drama and even stress is the flip side of the story. Your drive is evident but you are determined to be smooth and graceful, at least when in public view. Whether in public or even behind the scenes your power is your steady persistence to take action. Be willing to increase your scope of exposure to get the attention you desire.

## Sagittarius (Nov 21 – Dec 21)

All that Leo fire should be igniting your engines now. With your ambitions on a steady rise this is your cue to take a creative lead. The main challenge may be deciphering exactly where and how to direct your focus. You have likely been contending with a lot of scattered energies over the past few years! But a new day is dawning and it will lead you to establish a whole new foundation.

## Capricorn (Dec 21 – Jan 19)

The time is right to scout for new people and prospects. Who has the resources, talents, charisma and creative genius you need to advance to the next level? By asking this question your focus will turn to identify the people who provide the answer. Be willing to nurture associations with practical potential. Yet take your time to feel confident that their ambitions actually align with yours.

## Aquarius (Jan 19 – Feb 19)

A big wave of passion is washing in on the shores of your relationship life. This is a call to be less intellectual and to direct your focus more fully into your body. Feel your heart beating and engage with physical activity, dance, and movement and so in; tune in to your sensual side. Some measure of moderation is ever wise, especially if the pleasure comes from food and spirits. Otherwise, go big!

## Pisces (Feb 19 – Mar 20)

It is time to get to work on all those creative inspirations that have been brewing. This is a call to action. At least get started on those projects that you know are important. Focus to establish the foundation of a promising momentum. This may include simply getting organized and creating a suitable setting. Whatever initiatives you feel you need to take, do it now!

# Getting to Know You

## Mainstreet's Proust Questionnaire

Luka Baetzel



**When and where were you happiest?**  
*When I'm eating. Or when I'm with my family and friends.*

**If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be?**  
*The constant annoying voices I make.*

**What do you consider your greatest achievement?**  
*Expanding my knowledge and physical ability in soccer over the past year.*

**What is your greatest fear?**  
*Centipedes. I think the latest King Kong movie is what did it for me there.*

**If you died and came back as another person/animal/thing, what would it be and why?**  
*A pigeon. Because then I could eat free city food and not be judged for it, and fly wherever I wanted.*

**What is your most treasured possession?**  
*Food.*

**Where would you most like to live?**  
*I would like to stay somewhere local, like in the Kootenays. Then I could still see my family and I also just think that this is a really beautiful place.*

**What is your greatest regret?**  
*No rag-rets.*

**What or who is the greatest love of your life?**  
*Food.*

**Who do you most admire?**  
*My mom.*

**What is your greatest extravagance?**  
*Hair maintenance.*

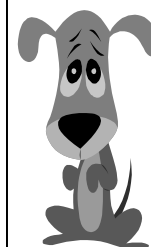
**Who, living or dead, would you want to spend the day with if you could?**  
*My Uncle Jake (I don't get to see him very often and he's funny and kind).*

**What talent/superpower/skill would you most like to have?**  
*The ability to shapeshift ... so I could become a pigeon.*

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## Hacker's Desk

by Gef Tremblay

### Deep Dreaming

Artificial intelligence has always been a hot topic, from visionary programmers to science fiction, it has been part of our world and slowly creating a new paradigm. A few weeks ago, an experiment proved that some artificial intelligence was able to be self aware. Three robots were told that they were given a silence pill and the one of them was a placebo. They were then asked "Which pill did you receive?" One robot replied "I don't know," and at the same moment realized that he was the one who received the placebo.

The AI had to first understand the concept of silence, the probability of the other robots who were also part of the experiment and also recognize his own voice, and deduct that if he can talk, he could find the solution. This is not the awakening of the machines, but simply a step toward having robots mimicking human behavior to a new degree of precision.

Movies about AI have also been quite creative lately. Some of them exploring the relationship and emotion between human and AI (and I'm not talking about the latest *Avengers* movie here). Ex-Machina explore not only AI but the robot and the relation to the human world. In a rather poetic fashion, it paints the fine line between human and robot and how they use their emotion to deceive one another. In the movie 'Her' we see an even more intimate relationship with an AI who becomes not only an assistant, but almost a lover or partner, even though the human AI relationship is only auditory.

But artificial intelligence is not something from the future anymore. In the last few years, with the development of neural network and deep learning coupled with the exponential growth of powerful computers and computer farms (where thousands of computers are connected under the same roof) has created a fertile ground for developing new techniques and creating even more powerful AI. Interestingly one of the bigger boosts in AI development has been to use our computer graphics card instead of the main central processing unit.

The computers we are all using normally have between one and four processors (which could be sometime doubled or virtualized into more processors). When you hear about a quad core, for instance, it means that you have four processors. Your processor is the part of the computer that can make calculations, so if you ask your computer 1+1 it will send that to the CPU, and come back with the answer: 2. If you ask 1+1 four times at the same exact moment, the computer will send the request to the four processors so that it can answer you 2 2 2 2 at the same time. But what if you could have 32, 64 or thousands of processor? That has been happening more and more, by using the ever more powerful GPU or the graphic processor. Graphic cards now can house hundreds of small processors and by harnessing that power a computer can process even more data.

Artificial intelligence is generally constructed as a set of pattern matching. When it is used to find images it has to be shown millions of images and words. For other tasks like playing Chess, or playing Go, opening and closing has to be inputted into the AI. The more information that can be crammed in the better it gets,

so you understand why having a lot of processors at the same time could help create better 'neural' networks, hence better AI.

Siri, Google and most search engines use sets of AI. The more precise the search engine, the more sophisticated the AI is. Of course Google is developing quite fancy AI in the last few years. While building these AI some of the researchers wanted to know how the AI was learning, and instead of showing images to the AI and asking what that image was, they used the process in a reverse manner. They asked the AI to show them what they have gathered for one image. They realized that their AI was not showing only one image, but a piecemeal of shapes and forms that are often found for a certain object.

The researchers at Google continued the process of exploration of the AI, to comprehend how the AI is learning, by inputting an image as a source and instead of letting the AI identify the image, they asked the AI to amplify other possibility in the image. Looping that process they created what they have coined as deep dreaming. From the deep learning process, they let the AI 'dream' or somehow let the AI hallucinate what it sees into an image. They hope that this could lead to a better understanding of how deep learning of a AI works, and also see the creative potential.

I invite you to search for #deepdreaming as many geek around the world have been exploring and testing this new process.

To be able to play with the 'mind' of an AI is quite exciting. To be able to harness the dream state of the AI to be even more creative also opens door into understanding our own creativity and our own symbolic association wors. It is strangely addictive to play with such technology but I don't know where that would all lead.

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## Hidden Taxes

by David George  
**Surprise!  
Interior Health  
Debt Did Not  
Increase**

*The Walrus and the Carpenter  
Were walking close at hand;  
They wept like anything to see  
Such quantities of sand:  
'If this were only cleared away,'  
They said, 'it would be grand!'  
'If seven maids with seven mops  
Swept it for half a year,  
Do you suppose,' the Walrus said,  
'That they could get it clear?'  
'I doubt it,' said the Carpenter,  
And shed a bitter tear.*

Read 'debt' for 'sand' and you've got the point. Somehow, Interior Health has managed to not only not increase its debt for the year ending March 31, 2014 by a predicted 80 million dollars, but to sweep some of it away by around five million dollars.

How did this come about? Was it simply swept under the rug? Did pigs fly away with it? No, a rabbit was pulled out of a hat in the form of sales of portfolio investments---\$142,354,000 worth.

This means that the actual budget for the year ending March 31, 2014 was balanced. Projected budget for this current fiscal year is also balanced. Wonders may happen every day here in Wonderland!

IHA long term debt does still stand at more than a billion dollars, though, at \$1,135,174,000. One may suppose that is not too unreasonable, as the expected expenditures this fiscal year to provide health services to some 750,000 people in the area served by Interior Health will be about \$2 billions. You know: a billion here, a billion there; pretty soon it adds up to real money.

So why is Hidden Taxes looking at Interior Health again? Because by the time you read this, I should have had minor surgery, for which I had to wait more than a month. That is not really very long in the wider view of things, and most of that wait was because the specialist surgeon involved was off on three weeks much deserved holiday. One cannot expect specialists to have locums available in our corner of the province.

There were two hospitals at which the surgery could have been done. I will call them Hospitals 'A' and 'B'. Both were within relatively easy driving distance for a day surgery. How to choose?

Asking our family doctor produced a carefully worded recommendation that "better outcomes have been reported from patients having surgery at Hospital B.

Since that was consistent with what we had also heard from friends, the choice was made for B. More next month on a topic yet to be decided in the next instalment of Hidden Taxes.

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## New ESIS Board Report

by **Gabriel Dinim, Board Chair**

On behalf of the ESIS board of directors I would like to thank the past board members for their dedicated volunteer work to further the growth and evolution of ESIS.

The past board of directors initiated some important actions and we aim to bring those to a satisfactory conclusion.

To that end, we have established an excellent rapport with Bob Carter and we have his full cooperation with our goals. We and Cartergraphics aim to provide you with increased speed, capacity, and reliability at a competitive price in a transparent and accountable business framework.

We, the directors, are subscribers ourselves and customer service is a priority of the board. As with all Internet Service Providers, we aim to minimize disruptions when we change over technology or services; however, as you have just experienced with your email addresses, we still have a ways to go.

We will also direct our efforts to ensure a consistency of governance that will provide stability to ESIS subscribers.

We are working on your behalf; we have concerns, you have concerns. Please address those directly to the ESIS board at: [gdimin@theeastshore.net](mailto:gdimin@theeastshore.net) and I will relay them to the directors. Vigorously lobbying authorities or the community with your concerns, without informing us that you are doing so, and without giving us a chance to address these concerns, gives the impression that ESIS has no board of directors and that the society is out of control and yet nothing is further from the truth.

By now you may have read that we are the beneficiary of a **Connecting Canadians 150** program for funding further ESIS community network upgrades. The ESIS application for that grant (Cartergraphics applied for this and saw it through on every step to its conclusion on ESIS' behalf) became part of the Columbia Basin Trust's regional application to Industry Canada's Connecting Canadians 150 grant program. This program is the latest round of federal funding aimed at improving and expanding connectivity for rural Canadians, and its investment represents a huge opportunity to make significant advances in capacity, reliability and security for our community network.

Our community network capacity building project will run over two years, and the goal as stated by Industry Canada is to make five Mbps connectivity as widely available to households and businesses in our coverage area as possible. We're still waiting for the paperwork to be completed, but are otherwise approved and ready to get to work on this exciting new development as soon as pen is put to paper.

There will be more information available regarding the Connecting Canadian 150 award and the network capacity building project and we will keep you informed. Thanks to the federal government for their meaningful contribution to advancing rural connectivity. Many thanks are due to all the good folks at Columbia Basin Trust, Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation, and their amazing project director Paul Daniel, whose collective vision and leadership resulted in a successful regional funding application benefiting not only us, but the entire Columbia basin.

We, the board of directors of ESIS thank you for your confidence, we work to honour it.

*Please contact me with any query or comment you may have: [gdimin@theeastshore.net](mailto:gdimin@theeastshore.net).*

## JULY 1st REPORT

by **Tom Lymbery**



CANADA 150  
1867-2017

Would we have an event of this size every year if it wasn't for CELEBRATE CANADA?

Where else can you find the Many Bays Band playing at the flags for the singing of "O Canada" and continuing with

their 16 piece repertoire for two hours in the Fraser Pavilion? It was hard to take everything in with a tennis tournament underway, Nancy Galloway with helpers organizing exciting kids' games with visitors watching and enjoying galore. It's hard to sufficiently thank everyone who participated.

The Kootenay Lake Lions have taken over all the details of ordering and cooking the food from burgers and fries to ice cream and popcorn – we would be lost without them.

The Samba Band event was amazing and exciting as it wound its way through the crowd, even though it was the hottest First of July ever. Kids everywhere with a great turnout of adults a well. Many such as Gladys and Jack Tod came from Fruitvale as they do every year, both enjoying the event and meeting old friends.

We expected and planned a larger fireworks display this year, coinciding with the 50th anniversary of our maple leaf flag thanks to a larger donation from CELEBRATE CANADA as well as generous contributions from local businesses, and the expertise in setting these off from the Riondel Fire Department.

However we were stymied at the last minute by the total ban on fireworks of any description by BC Forest Service. We tried to find a loophole as these are always set to explode over non flammable Kootenay Lake but this was disallowed.

CELEBRATE CANADA has agreed that we can store the fireworks we had already purchased for July 1st in 2016 on condition that we don't apply for Fireworks Funding for 2016. We offered to refund to local donators but none has asked for their refund.

We were able to post notices in both French and English, also acknowledging Celebrate Canada's contribution, thanks to Andre Laporte.

This was the first time in 35 years that we were not able to launch fireworks from the airstrip – lets hope it's the only time.

### CONTRACT PERSON AVAILABLE

#### Bluebell Manor

#### Bookkeeper/Administrator



The Bluebell Manor Society is seeking a contractor to provide bookkeeping, financial, clerical and administrative services to the Bluebell Manor in Riondel.

Remuneration to be negotiated.

**For specific responsibilities or further information, contact Leslie Hamblin-Cobb at 250.225.3359.**

Please submit resumes by August 15, 2015 to:

**Bluebell Manor Society**

**Box 144**

**Riondel, BC V0B 2B0**

## Get the Training You Need for the Job You Want

**CBT press release**

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Basin residents who are unemployed or underemployed may access funding of up to \$800. The funding can be used to pay all or a portion of course fees for short-term training. If you have received this funding in the past and it's more than five years ago you may be eligible for this funding again. Contact your local Work BC Employment Service Centre (and satellite offices) to discuss your eligibility.

"By pursuing this funding, it showed my potential employer that I took the initiative to seek education in the areas where I was lacking experience," said bursary recipient Lisa Voigt, who used the funding to take short-term courses in graphic design. "I got the job that I wanted, and my employer was able to spend less time training me. Now that I'm gaining valuable experience with these design tools, I'll be able to apply for higher paying jobs in the future."

"Over 7,500 residents have used the funding in the last 10 years," said Lisa Kilpatrick, Senior Manager, Delivery of Benefits, Columbia Basin Trust. "We know that residents are looking for support to gain the skills they need to get the job they want. It's easy to apply and applications are accepted year-round. I encourage individuals to get in touch with their local Work BC office and start the conversation."

The program is administered and managed by College of the Rockies; however, Basin residents can access the program at a Work BC Employment Service Centres (and satellite offices) located nearest them. For program information and employment service centre locations, visit [cbt.org/trainingfee2015](http://cbt.org/trainingfee2015).

Columbia Basin Trust supports efforts to deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the residents of the Columbia Basin. To learn more about the Trust's programs and initiatives, visit [cbt.org](http://cbt.org) or call 1.800.505.8998.

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## Bluebell Manor is Looking for Volunteers

submitted by Leslie Hamblin-Cobb

The Bluebell Manor Society is looking for people on the East Shore who may be interested in serving on our Board of Directors. We're also looking for someone with financial and clerical experience to fill a paid administrative position.

The Bluebell Manor is a 5-unit, government subsidized residence for seniors which is located at the south end of Riondel as you enter the town. Each apartment contains a living area, kitchen, bathroom, one bedroom and storage area. There is a common meeting area with a full kitchen and shared laundry facilities.

The Manor was originally spearheaded by the East Shore Lion's Club in partnership with BC Housing and was opened for occupancy in 1988. It's been a great asset for the town of Riondel and the residents of the Eastshore. Since 1988, a good number of older residents have been able to continue living on the Eastshore when they no longer were able to care for their larger properties.

Over the past few years, we've completed a number of upgrades and renovations on the Manor. We implemented a multi-year landscaping project which has added to the attractiveness of the property and increased privacy for the residents. Two of the five apartments have been renovated with a fresh paint job, new trim and updated flooring. Curtains have been replaced with window blinds. Exterior railings and trim have been replaced and freshly stained. And, two years ago we re-roofed the entire building.

The Bluebell Manor Society is currently in a contractual relationship with BC Housing to operate and manage the Manor and we receive approximately \$25,000 in funding from BC Housing each year. The rest of our funds come from rent received from residents and miscellaneous income such as laundry revenue. Our greatest challenge at this time is preparing for 2023 when our contract with BC Housing expires and the Manor is required to be self-sufficient. We're currently working toward that goal by developing a set of achievable strategic and operational plans.

We have a great working relationship with BC Housing. They've been very helpful with the operation of the Manor and we're looking forward to working with them to develop our plan toward 2023 and self-sufficiency. Also, our Board of Directors works very well as a team. However, we do have a few directors thinking about moving on to other things, and our administrative person is wanting to give more time to the strategic planning exercise.

If you think you might be interested in joining the Bluebell Manor Society, please come and meet us at an open house at the Manor on Saturday August 8 from 2 pm -4 pm or call Leslie Hamblin-Cobb at 250-225-3359 for further information.



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## Fire Smart Community Workshop

by East Shore Learning Hub

Around 20 residents took advantage of the Wildland Urban Interface Assessment and Mitigation workshops offered in June and July thanks to funding through RDCK Area A.

Don Boyle is the happy fellow who won the crew for a day (see photo). Don commented on the workshop, "The assessment tools were excellent and I found it really useful to go to several properties and try the tools that reinforced the fire smart principles. I have a lot of trees down from the recent winds on Pilot Bay and am really pleased to get the crew in to help me out."


Karin Scarth of Yasodhara Ashram says, "The workshop made me feel optimistic about our ability to protect the property. We can take preventative measures ourselves. The instructor Don Mortimer was very knowledgeable and involved in his subject."

"It's all about the embers or firebrands that precede the fire," says Margaret Crossley of Boswell. "If you have any kind of a rated roof (not cedar shingles), do the work to keep all surfaces clean, keep firewood and other combustibles 30 feet from the house, encourage deciduous trees. More than 80% of houses will survive a wildfire."

"Communities can be designated a Fire Smart Community if they have an existing board, or form a board, get an assessment of your area and do the mitigation work. If you are interested in pursuing this, please contact me and we can set you up" says Laverne Booth, manager of the Trails and Fire Safety on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake. Email eslearningplace@gmail.com or call 250-227-9218 ext. 5518.



The Trails and Fire Safety crew on the S100/185 training in Riondel. Crew members are Micheal White, Brian Turner, Louis Basil and Simon Gagne. Crew supervisors are Farley Cursons, Sandy Oates and Klaus Plaumann.



**RDCK AREA A**

**Advisory Planning Committee Meeting**

**Date: August 5, 2015, 7pm**  
**Location: Gray Creek Hall**  
**Meeting open to the public.**



## Accounts of the Martin Mars

**Colin Johnston, Gray Creek:** On July 18 while sailing south along the west (quiet) side of the lake near the Rhinoceros nav. light I sighted an active forest fire on a ridge above Destiny Bay. A little later I began to hear a noise like a diesel locomotive. But it did not seem to come from the west side railway. As it got louder I sighted a large aircraft heading north along the East Shore.

I recognized it immediately from photos as the Martin Mars water bomber. I watched it do a wide 180 near East Shore Cottages and then it flew south right over top of me. With a wing span of 200ft,61m (same as a Boeing 747) and 4 3000HP engines driving 16'8" props it was impressive and noisy.

After this initial reconnaissance, it turned north again, touched down and took on its first water load. After touchdown it revved those mighty engines to maintain 70kn, about 140km/hr as it takes on water and finally lifts off with its 27,300 litres of water, about equivalent to 300 people averaging 90kg. It also carries about 2700 litres of foam concentrate, enough for about 21 drops.

Flying north, it climbed ever so gradually, did a wide 180 over the mouth of Crawford Bay and roared almost over me heading south for about 10-15 km to gain sufficient height. Then it turned east across the lake and lined up for its first water drop, maybe with foam, which I could clearly see as a large white cloud settling on the fire.

After this first drop the pilot and crew of three changed the flight plan to reduce the loaded airborne distance. They flew north round the hill above Lakeview and turned south to touchdown between Lakeview and East Shore Cottages before making a south loading pass pretty much in front of East Shore with a roar that reportedly awoke the squirrel that was napping on our front deck rail. The East Shore folks had a great view and Leone Lund took some neat video. But they could not of course see it action the fire while I on the other side of the lake nearly opposite Mountain Shores could see all. The revised flight plan achieved a 20 minute return period, and I watched about six runs over three hours, although Nelson media reported 9. It was quite the spectacle that I may never see in closeup again..

This floatplane, Hawaii Mars 2, built about 1945, is based in Port Alberni on Sproat Lake and can only land on a very few of BC's lakes as it needs a lot of space to load, climb out, and turn, so Kootenay Lake being long is perfect for the climb and in this case was wide enough to allow an 180 degree turn before the final approach to the fire. Several websites provide information on the history of this and sister aircraft but it is now the only one in service as a water bomber.



**Tom Lymbery, Gray Creek:** We watched the four engined Martin Mars water bomber turning over Gray Creek on its way to scoop up a load of water to dump on the Akokli Creek forest fire on July 18.

This fire was phoned in by Frances Roback on her way back from Creston – she was impressed by the questions asked as to exactly where the smoke was and “what colour is the smoke.” A photo was taken by Daniel Wensink from the store parking lot. Daniel plans to be a pilot and is taking flying lessons.

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## Ways to Visit Yasodhara Ashram

submitted by Terry Taylor-Topp

Holidayers and local residents are welcome to visit Yasodhara Ashram this summer. Come view a beautiful gallery of 18 unique art items in Mandala House. Local artisans donated the items for an Online Art Auction, with proceeds supporting the rebuilding of the Temple of Light which burned one year ago. Hours are 8:30 am to 6 pm for the gallery and the



bookstore/giftshop. The art display is also part of the East Shore artwalk, Kootenay Lake Art Connections 2015. Or bid online at [yasodhara.org/auction](http://yasodhara.org/auction).

The Ashram is located at 527 Walker's Landing Road, near the Kootenay Bay ferry.

Day visitors are welcome at the Ashram year-round. Spend time in our bookstore/giftshop, tour the beautiful grounds, organic gardens and beaches, and visit the transitional Temple and prayer rooms. Stay for lunch!

We also invite neighbours and visitors to register for a short day or overnight program -- Taste of the Ashram. Join us for a yoga class, lunch and guided

## Tom Sez

When the Martin Mars water-bomber was attacking the Akokli Creek fire on July 18 it came low turning over Gray Creek then dropping to lake level to pick up water. It was able to make the trip and drop every 20 minutes, and did this nine times.

Does either the Osprey or Balfour have lifejackets for dogs? With today's media attention on dogs I'm sure this is important.

Our antique glass topped gas pump hasn't been sold. It's away being refurbished. Have you ever been to Gasoline Alley in Calgary's Heritage Park to see over 50 different old time pumps?

Please read my article about why it so much more important to move the western ferry dock to Queens Bay instead of trying for a replacement for the Balfour ferry.

Will the Riondel Fire Department carry a Pet Oxygen Mask? The Langley Fire Dept recently saved a dog overcome by smoke in a house fire with one of these..

How many life-jackets does the Osprey have? The new 80 car Columbia on the Galena Bay to Shelter Bay run only has 149. A deckhand showed me the storage and told me the quantity.

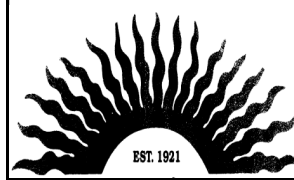
Roadside flowers – we are so fortunate that the lovely blue chicory is persistent enough to survive roadside mowing and salting.

KOKANEE MOUNTAIN ZIPLINE is a new sign you will see on the North Shore. It may seem

tour of the grounds, including an overview of our environmental initiatives and gardens. Available August 1 & 22 and September 5.

For more information, contact Yasodhara Ashram at 250.227.9224, 1.800.661.8711 or [info@yasodhara.org](mailto:info@yasodhara.org). Visit our website at [yasodhara.org](http://yasodhara.org).

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## Gray Creek Pass Report

by Tom Lymbery

The 6800 foot summit is most impressive – please stop there to take a look on your next trip – the road drops away to the east and the west. Some travelers take advantage of this in unusual ways – such as three golfers seeing how far they could use their clubs to send balls down the eastern side.

Recently I found the summit littered with 12 gauge shotgun shells. Were these sent overhead or towards Cranbrook? When picking up the rubbish in a fire pit I found the empty box of 100 shotgun shells! I took a Trans Canada Trail couple to the top as their cycles were heavily loaded and they were running behind schedule. Thanks to Ian Oliver who had let us know they were coming.

expensive for a three hour session and tour but you should really try it. Look at [zipkokanee.com](http://zipkokanee.com) to book.

You will have seen new signs along the roads WEST KOOTE ROUTE. This is innovative advertising for our best part of the world - see [www.westkootroute.ca](http://www.westkootroute.ca)

I have an outdoor thermometer in a shady spot on our back porch which up to press time tells me that the hottest so far was 100 F - also the coldest last winter was 9 F.

During this busy summer I was pleased to see the Osprey return to the Balfour dock to load a logging truck and a large motorhome. This makes good sense to take those that take up much space on the Balfour.

Telemarketers are getting more innovative. If you have call display you may find a supposedly local number 250-227-1539 which of course is fake.

We are most fortunate that the occasional dribbles of rain we have had are just enough to keep the forest growing. Those solid fir logs coming out of Birkbeck Creek are something we will always need. I am disappointed to see some loads of pecker pole cedar going to Porcupine Mill in Salmo. If these could have been let to grow another 15 years they would more than double in size.

Thank you Ingrid for negotiating with Jason Assbell to sometimes have movies at the Civic Theatre start in time for people to catch the 9.40 ferry. Just think... if they move the terminal to Queens Bay the last trip would be at 10pm.



# New Guidebook for Managing Bats in Buildings

press release by Kootenay Community Bat Project

Summer is the season when property owners notice bats in their buildings. They may find guano on the deck, hear bats in the walls, or smell a build-up of guano. The Kootenay Community Bat Project, funded by the Columbia Basin Trust, has received numerous calls with these issues. In many cases, landowners are happy to leave bats where they are. However, for landowners who would like to have bats move out of their buildings, a new resource guide is available.

"We pleased to announce the publication of this booklet which we developed in partnership with the BC Community Bat Program" says Juliet Craig, Coordinator for the Kootenay Community Bat Project. "Although we try to visit as many properties with bats as we can during the summer, we can't always get to everyone. This new booklet, funded by the Columbia Basin Trust, Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation, and Habitat Stewardship Program, provides step-by-step information to landowners dealing with bat issues.

Under the BC Wildlife Act it is illegal to exterminate or harm bats. In order to "get rid of bats", the best strategy is to wait until they have left the building and seal up all the entry and exit points. However, in summer months, bat pups can become trapped inside.

"The conservation of bats in BC has always been important since over half of the species in this province are considered at risk" says Craig. "However, the Little Brown Myotis which is a common species in buildings has just been listed as Federally Endangered which means that managing bats in buildings in a sensitive manner is more important than ever."

In general, bats in the Kootenays leave buildings in the late summer or early fall. They use fall roost sites where they mate and then go into mines or caves to hibernate. Although there is a possibility that bats can use buildings over the winter, it is unusual.

"There are several approaches to managing bats in buildings" continues Craig. Some landowners don't mind having bats and simply leave them be or clean up the guano once a year. Others want to ensure that the bats are no longer able to use the building. We have developed a Seven Step guide to assist landowners with these issues."

One of the most important strategies in excluding bats from a building is to install a bat-house nearby. These wooden boxes comprised of various chambers provide the bats with an alternative habitat. They are less likely to be persistent in entering their old roost site in a building if they have somewhere else to roost.

To find out more and download the "Seven Steps to Managing Bats in Buildings" booklet, visit [www.bcbats.ca](http://www.bcbats.ca). To contact the Kootenay Community Bat Project, call 1-855-9BC-BATS ext. 14 or visit [www.kootenaybats.com](http://www.kootenaybats.com).



## Tom's Corner by Tom Lymbery The Queens Bay Ferry Dock

**Which is more important? Move the ferry landing to Queens Bay - or replace the Balfour ferry?**

I firmly believe that the answer is the simplest and fastest - MOVE THE LANDING TO QUEENS BAY.

This would give us hourly service and the *Balfour* would only be a standby auxiliary, not pushed to carry full loads through the summer, but only used on scheduled runs when the *Osprey* is tied up for maintenance.

Hourly service would put us 40 minutes closer to the hospital. Ambulance and emergency service would improve so much. As well, for 10 months of the year, it would do away with the metric schedule that challenges people to add one hundred minutes in their heads.

In 2012 Highways did a survey of three alternate sites, as the existing Balfour dock is hazardous, requiring an awkward turn when arriving as well as departing, plus the dock needs upgrading. The limited clearance for the *Osprey* during early spring's low water levels could easily damage the propellers or even the hull. The fishing boats which clutter the narrows and sometimes expect the ferry to go around them are a considerable hazard.

Quite a few people are more concerned about the possible danger to people if there is an accident on the *Balfour*, since it could be difficult for many to get out of their cars because they are parked closely together. In the 84 years that BC has been operating the Kootenay Lake ferry service there has never been an accident of any significance. Prior to the openings of the Rogers Pass and Creston - Salmo routes, you should have seen how tightly the cars were packed. Bumpers were touching bumpers and you often had to get out through a window to exit your vehicle. I can remember being the last car on the *Balfour* once with the back of my car hanging out, so much so that the crew used a rope because the usual chain wouldn't connect. No accidents or emergencies in all those trips.

It would take only two years to build a new dock at Queens Bay but at least six years to design and build a replacement for the *Balfour*. We are most unlikely to get both a new dock and a new ferry (especially one we don't really need), so we must press for the Queens Bay option.

*MV Columbia* is the new 80 car ferry running on Highway 23 between Galena Bay and Shelter Bay handling the service which two smaller ferries had trouble keeping up with. We are fortunate to have the classic and comfortable *Osprey*. Walk on the *Columbia* and there is no accommodation except the washroom. It does have an ingenious evacuation system - you put on your lifejacket and jump in slides that will take you down to water level, somewhat similar to aircraft slides. Even the Harrop ferry has a boat but the *Columbia* only has inflatables.

Of the three possible dock sites at Queens Bay, the preferred one is next to Highway 31 where it starts to climb. This would not require property purchases as the optional sites would. There would be considerable fill required but nothing like that at Tsawwassen for the coastal ferries. The 2012 report cites the main disadvantage as a somewhat sharp turn for trucks to gain the highway. The other is an unknown - a possibility of wind problems at the new dock. When the ferry

moved from Gray Creek to Kootenay Bay in 1947 they said the same thing, but wind has never proved troublesome at Kootenay Bay.

But what about the businesses at Balfour? Businesses can weather these changes as Gray Creek had to do in 1947 when all ferry business moved to Kootenay Bay. More drastic was the opening of the Rogers Pass in July 1962 when it appeared they had fenced our highway. Lake resorts were much more dependent on highway traffic in the years before Kokanee Springs brought great golfers. The opening of the Creston-Salmo road in October 1963 brought an end to 31 years of daily Greyhound service up our lake, along with Creston people who were recommending the new road. Our Resorts Association managed to staff a second information booth close to the junction to counteract the Creston booth's efforts.

Reading Garry Jackman's article in the July *Mainstreet*, I thought, "Please, Garry, let highways worry about the *MV Balfour* - Queens Bay is the solution that we must push for. The dedicated crews on the ferries will continue to care for us

as they have for the past 84 years."

Please see Greg Nesteroff's article, "Kootenay Lake ferry study identified top Queens Bay terminal site," on the *Nelson Star* website, posted Nov 14, 2014. The link to Greg's very informative article is: [www.nelsonstar.com/news/282655691.html](http://www.nelsonstar.com/news/282655691.html)



**Photo: The MV Osprey 2000 enters the West Arm from the main lake, headed for the Balfour ferry terminal. Photo courtesy of Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.**



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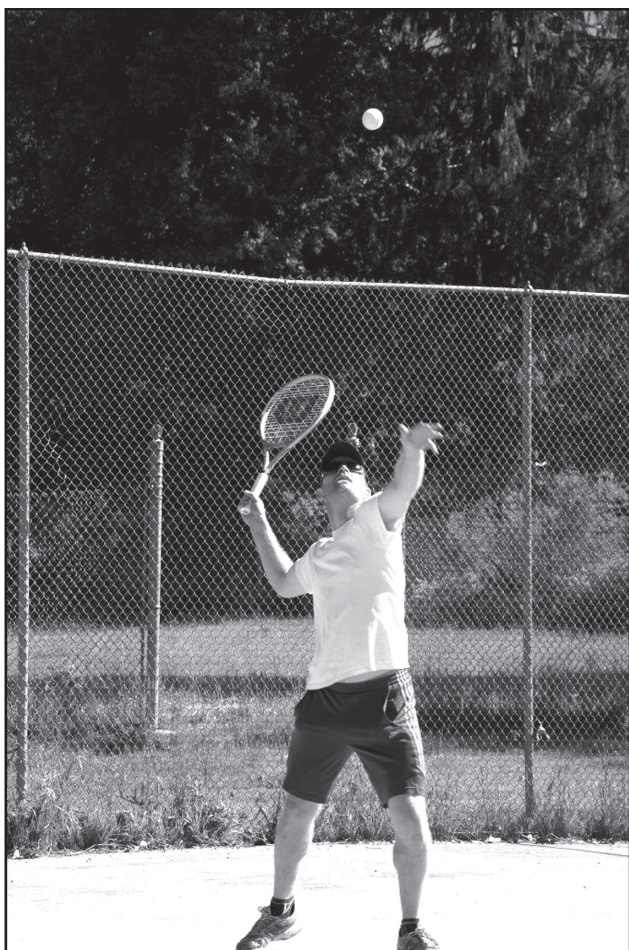
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## pebbles by Wendy Scott Distortion

A month ago I spoke with a friend who is not only blind, but has Parkinsons disease. That is difficult enough, but not the full extent of her problems.

Vivid visual hallucinations distort her blind world in a most disturbing way.

Her blindness was sudden and recent. She's not had long enough to discover what should be normal for a blind person; instead she must keep track of every detail – and remember somehow, in her blackness, the time of day and the hour. For a person who always kept a notepad at the ready, the learning curve is steep and troubling.

We met, my friend and I, in high school and we spent a good chunk of our teen years keeping track of moments, days, weekends and outlandish plans that seldom (thank goodness) came into play. I wonder now how many of those moments are still there in her memory cache and how many have become muddled with the non-events. And will her life become even more bizarre.

If she is taken to an evening beach, will the moonbeams still cross the water directly to her feet even though her mind only sees scrambled scraps; will rainbows describe an arc across her sky; will the sun still set in a fury of deep red shards; will it rise again – at all? How will she know that the day has begun? How will she know the darkness is only hers and not her world's final Armageddon?

I toss a pebble in a pond and watch the ripples expand, crisscross and multiply; similar, I think, to memories and the occasional intrusion of a dream and its momentary confusion with reality. For most, the confusion is brief and often laughable. I remember – years ago – relating an incident to my mother and her saying to me, "Oh that breaks a dream". And the dream-story would be told and, I'm sure, embellished somewhat, but we both knew the difference between that dream and the reality of our kitchen, our thoughts, our conversation.

I've known my friend since high-school. We spent many weekends and holidays together on the Sunshine Coast – two ferry rides from Horseshoe Bay. I remember the excursions, the adventures, and some of the off-beat, spur of the moment decisions that were not always wise, or indeed, safe. But, as most girls in their teens often do, we built elaborate safeguards which included pseudonyms – just to make sure we were anonymous to the strangers of the day. Did we think ahead? Of course not. The teen years, for the most part, are day to day occasions; I don't think we ever had to explain our dual/multiple identities. Nor did we ever fear that our days would dissolve into a tumble of bewilderment.

I can recall these days and even though I may confuse one with another, I have no problem with their reality. For my friend there is no distinction between true memory and the distortion that now rules her life. In fact she can not be sure that any recollection is real.

It is often a relief for us if a name can be discovered for a health issue as that should pave the way to treatment and recovery. Even though my friend's doctors have found that her illness is Charles Bonnett syndrome, they are also aware that the syndrome has been a mystery since its discovery in the late 1700's. It will often manifest in a person with severe loss of vision who is otherwise mentally healthy. There is no treatment and, in four hundred years, there has been no cure. My friend must endure this disturbing and sometimes terrifying condition.

She has been told to try blinking her sightless eyes many times in succession to at least slow the flickering aberrations. Her only other option is to assure herself that these images and the commands that come with them must be ignored and branded as – what they indeed are – hallucinations.

My wish, my prayer would be that her delusions will ease and her mirage of blackness will hold again a peaceful softness of clouds, the glitter of sunlight on water, a reflection of moonbeams, and both ends of a miraculous double rainbow.

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## Riondel Community Library

by Muriel Crowe

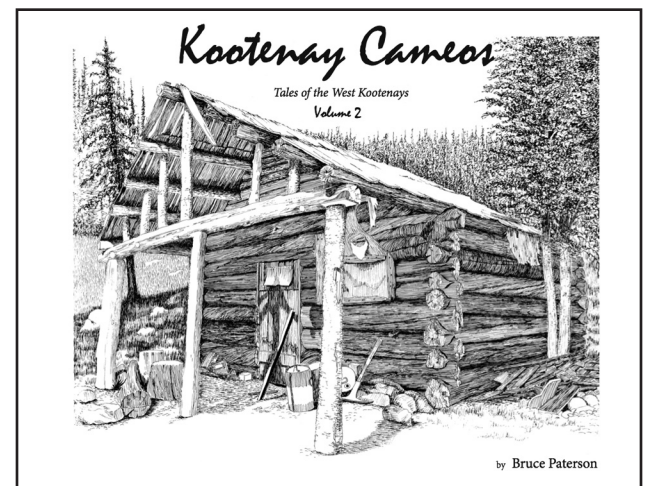
This has been an ideal summer for reading as it is really too hot most afternoons to do anything more strenuous than turning pages. Exceptions to this of course are evident to those who love swimming or just being in the water. I am told that the lake is already warm and I am almost tempted to dig out that old suit and jump in. I just need to put the latest book aside and brave the heat for a few minutes. Maybe tomorrow I'll do that.

We are getting ready for the annual book sale which will be over by the time you read this. We hope to clear a large portion of our stock as most is new to us this year. Gleaners received many boxes of books after our last sale and we are happy to donate books to any charity or institution that wants them. If you are aware of such institutions please let us know. We dream of expanding our space and these funds will go to new shelving for that space or other furnishings that we may need.

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## Book Review

by Tom Lymbery



KOOTENAY CAMEOS - Tales of the West Kootenay, Volume 2, by Bruce Paterson, self published, 45 pages, \$19.95

Bruce was a teacher at Crawford Bay School for eight years and did a series of pen and India ink sketches for the Kootenay Review, the paper that preceded Mainstreet.

He published Volume 1 in 2014 and its immediate popularity has encouraged him to continue. These are extremely detailed sketches using a very fine nib as his introduction explains. Earlier he taught near the Yukon border. There aren't many places with schools but it can't have been Atlin or some of the gold rush era buildings and artifacts would be in his work.

The Thomas Wall mining cabin high above Mountain Shores is featured on the cover and comes with the story of Wall and his mining efforts at high elevation. Each carefully chosen sketch is accompanied by a full page with the history of the building or structure. He sketched these in the 1990s so some have changed and some have disappeared.

This volume has 21 lovingly detailed drawings along with carefully researched descriptions. The SS Kuskanook was the fastest of the Kootenay Lake stern-wheelers but one detail I can't see is proof of her prowess – the set of antlers that she had won, atop her wheelhouse. You can see that she had the largest wheelhouse of those on our lake – amazingly this has survived and is now being refurbished by Michael Cone at his home on the North Shore.

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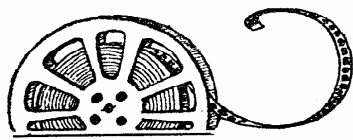
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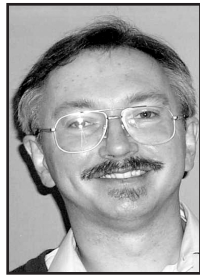
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## Seldom Scene

by Gerald Panio



My interest in Japanese anime started over twenty-five years ago, when I purchased a couple of surely-illegal, Japanese-language-only VHS tapes of Hayao Miyazaki's *Castle in the Sky* and Daisuke Nishio's *Crying Freeman 1 & 2* in a hole-in-the-wall comic book store in Spokane. For someone whose only experience of animated films was Disney, Looney Tunes, and Saturday morning television cartoons, my mind was blown. At least three of my Seldom Scene columns have spotlighted Japanese animation. For years, I kept tabs on the anime scene through frequent purchases of the now-defunct *Anime Insider* magazine and occasional movie rentals from Reo's Videos in Nelson (they once had a whole room devoted to anime). Nowadays, I still make the occasional anime DVD purchase at HMV, London Drugs or, in the U.S., Hastings Entertainment. A relatively new magazine, *Otaku USA*, is readily available in local stores and has an excellent website for all things anime, manga, and J-pop. My most recent anime purchase, and the subject of this month's column, was the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition of Katsuhiro Ôtomo's *Akira* (1988).

I remember watching *Akira* many years ago, and simply being overwhelmed. I couldn't process it. Even with two additional viewings for this column, I haven't quite got my head around the ending. You might think that SF animation done over a quarter century ago might seem somewhat quaint by the measure of current CGI standards, but you'd be wrong. Watching *Akira* after seeing a movie like Josh Whedon's *The Avengers: Age of Ultron* only confirms why *Akira* has maintained its position as one of the best anime films ever made.

Putting *Akira* and *Avengers* side by side also reveals what I'd call a significant convergence between comic books and movies. When *Akira* was first released, it was still impossible to recreate its kind of storyline using live action and computer graphics. But as the capabilities of the latter have grown exponentially, so has the demand for apocalyptic comic-based films featuring the X-Men, the Avengers, the Fantastic Four, Spiderman, Batman, and Superman. Technology now literally makes dreams (and nightmares) come true. Animation will never lose its power to enchant and awe, but it is no longer the only medium capable of bringing comic books fully to life on the screen. If someone finally succeeds in making us believe in a live-action Doctor Strange the convergence will be complete.

I'll explain what I admire about the artistry of *Akira* in a moment. First, however, a brief plot outline. The setting is a post-nuclear-holocaust Tokyo, AD 2033. Neo-Tokyo has been rebuilt on an even more outrageous scale next to the crumbling industrial wasteland of the old, ruined city. The geo-political situation is at a crisis point—student riots, economic riots, moral decadence, messianic cults, biker gangs, terrorist bombings, dysfunctional public institutions, endemic corruption, and the threat of a military coup.

*Akira's* protagonists are Tetsuo and Kaneda, members of a Vocational School (!) biker gang at high-speed war with the rival Clowns. Mayhem on

freeways and downtown streets ensues. In the course of the encounter that opens the film, Tetsuo is critically injured when he swerves to avoid an eerie child-man (who seems to be the victim of some kind of accelerated aging process). Both the "child" and Tetsuo are whisked away by the military and taken to a secret base inside the vast crater epicenter (and perhaps the cause) of World War III. Tetsuo then becomes an unwilling part of an experiment to harness ultimate human psionic energy potential, a step towards a new level in human evolution. A grotesque onsite "kindergarten" houses three "methusalized" children who are failed prototypes of the experiment. Naturally, just as soon as someone notices that Tetsuo's development is progressing exponentially and suggests "Maybe we shouldn't touch that power..." all hell breaks loose. In a tragic irony, this kid who's always resented being second-fiddle to Kaneda and chafing under his protection, completely loses control the moment he's powerful enough to stand up for himself.

As revealed by the credits at the end of the film, a staggering number of artists were involved with this production. It shows. The cityscapes are incredibly detailed. Everything from a Dubai-on-steroids über-metropolis of coruscating skyscrapers, to gigantic subterranean power stations, to an Olympic stadium



built atop a massive secret research laboratory, to film-noirish alleys & bars. There's also a cyberpunk look that harks back to Ridley Scott's seminal *Blade Runner* (1982), and some creepy fusions of techno and organic forms that pay homage of H.R. Geiger's work on the *Alien* films. To fully convey the sense that this is a civilization in decay,

surfaces are covered in graffiti shouting messages like "Smash the Strike!" and the streets are covered with the detritus of increasingly violent confrontations.

The images of destruction—buildings, bridges, machinery, bodies—reach an intensity that even Marvel hasn't been able to match onscreen. This is George Miller's *Mad Max* narratives taken out of the empty Australian outback and played out full-bore in the heart of the world's densest metropolis

Another striking visual element, common to much of the best anime, is surrealism in the best this-is-meant-to-disturb-you tradition of Luis Bunuel, Salvador Dali & André Breton. There's one nightmare sequence which pretty much guarantees you'll never look at

stuffed animals in the same way again. . The usual wry *New York Times* notice for *Akira* might say something like "Warning: Excessive violence and stuffed animals, sometimes together."

I'd also have to say that this is the most creatively-lit animated film I've ever seen. Normally one doesn't particularly think of lighting and cinematography in reference to animation, but *Akira* pays remarkable attention to the interplay of light, darkness, and shadow.

The impact of both the cityscapes and the apocalyptic violence wreaked upon them are further amplified by a remarkable musical score. A Symphony for Annihilation. The composer was Shôji Yamashiro, leader of Seinoh Yamashiro Gumi. His music for *Akira* makes use of Taiko drums, Bulgarian themes, a rich selection of Balinese traditional bamboo percussion instruments, synclaviars, a 500-voice choir ("the ultimate spiritual instrument"), and all the computer-assisted music editing technology available in the late 1980s.

Certainly much of the richness of *Akira* must be credited to the hard work of director Katsuhiro Ôtomo. *Akira* is based on his own manga series, serialized from 1982 until 1990. Now collected in book form, the 6-volume comic is well over 2000 pages in length. That's a lot of visuals to reference. In addition, Ôtomo did some 2000 pages of preparatory notes and sketches for the film itself. In an interview, he described what a joy it was—after the solitary work of the manga series—to have the chance to work with dozens of people who loved to draw as much as he did. When asked about his cinematic influences, Ôtomo credited *Bonnie and Clyde*, *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*, and *Easy Rider*.

A few years ago, a book came out with the memorable title, *If You Meet the Buddha on the Road, Kill Him*. I think that the idea was that at some point in one's life one had to cease being a follower and find one's True Self. But *Akira* takes the directive literally, with consequences more eschatological than psychological. A re-boot of the Big Bang is a stiff price to pay for hubris.

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## The Great Plains Come To Harrison Memorial Church

by Deberah Shears

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Come and enjoy a heartwarming show filled with music, merriment and mayhem as Saskia and Darrel, known as Great Plains, deliver a fun blend of folk music. Great Plains is a veteran touring act with an easy crowd-friendly style that endears them to any audience. This is true Canadiana - songs about prairie elevators, bluebirds, war brides, Louis Riel and patchwork quilts. A touch of Celtic, bluegrass and lots of engaging stories wrapped around beautiful melodies.

Saskia and Darrel Delaronde play guitar, bass, mandolin and other folk instruments while they sing in beautiful harmony. They have toured extensively with Gary Fjellgard for the last 10 years and have received award-winning attention in Europe, the USA and Canada. Don't miss what is bound to be another great concert.

This concert has been supported by the Wedgwood Inn B & B. Admission is by donation and complimentary refreshments will be served during the intermission. Children quietly seated are welcome to attend.

## Notes from the Circle

by Fran O'Rourke

Although the Circle of Friends is having a quieter year than last year, for Wallace Adkins Day, July 4, the place was bustling. Kids and parents, visitors and locals really enjoyed the variety of activities. It was a lovely sunny day, and hot! Everyone was grateful for the sun shelter, umbrellas, mister and free cold drinks, but by lunch time, the lake was calling and at the close of the event, only a few adults remained to put the finishing touches on the Wallace-esque banners that now grace the deck of the shop.

We have to thank several people: Melody Arnold and Laura Hobbs who designed the banner, Shirley Wyngaard who shared in supervising the young artists, and Anthony Arnold who brought his violin and provided lively background music. And special thanks to the Rec #9 Commission for providing the funds that made the event possible.

The next event coming up at the Circle is the Riondel Daze Chair Painting Contest (with support from Rec #9) 11:00 to 2:00 on the Saturday. It is another free event and open to all ages. Chairs, equipment, and materials will be available, but you are welcome to bring your own. There will be snacks and drinks for participants and a prize for the under 16 and over 16 categories. After the judging, prizes will be awarded and chairs will be auctioned off in the Riondel Community Centre at 3:00 in conjunction with the Seniors Ice Cream Social.

Thanks to a grant from the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance, on August 22 we will be hosting a free concert, Music in the Meadow, with a tea and country fete theme. There will be prizes for the woman and man (not necessarily a couple) with the most impressive hats. Get out your ribbons and bows and join us. Labour Day weekend, we will hold another musical event and a series of demonstrations from some of our participating artisans. Look for our posters or check us out on Facebook or web page on [www.riondel.ca](http://www.riondel.ca). Or just come by the shop, 235 Fowler St. in Riondel, and get details about our events over a cup of coffee and goodie. You will enjoy the visit!

## Kootenay Lake Art Connection Update

by Geri Gomola

The June 25 opening and juried art show was held at the Wynnwood Cellar Estate Winery again this year and was a successful evening. The Black Salt did a fine job of the appetizers, the artist's paintings were all impressive, the company was great and the wine was excellent. What more could you want?

Sandy Kunze's painting was picked by the judge to be a favorite and Jacqueline Wedge's painting was picked as the people's choice painting, as everyone voted on their favorite painting. Six other paintings were picked to stay in the tasting room over the summer. Please stop by and peruse the work. You will be pleasantly surprised. The Riondel Art Club also had an opening at Bob's Bar and Grill. Great food, the afternoon was excellent, and the artist's work was well worth the trip.

At this point I would like to mention that I will not be co-coordinating the Art Connection next year. Anyone interested should contact Lillianne Dejonghe at 250-2279652 or Greg Blackwell with Community Connections. Lillianne was a great help this year and definitely has the concept down but would not consider coordinating the Art Connection on her own. It would be an excellent chance for someone to meet fellow artists and business members of the community. I would like to take the time to thank Lillianne and Val van der Poel as well as Karen Arrowsmith, for their support this year.

Most of us found the month of July pretty slow compared to past years. A few businesses said they were doing just fine and that is great. A lot of Albertans are staying home with the collapse of the oil prices and precarious job prospects. The economy is less than perfect and forest fires in the province also deterred travel in the early part of the summer. On the positive side, the dollar being down to 77 cents US, at the time of writing, would certainly be an incentive for our Americans neighbours to cross the border and we have already seen quite a few tourists from the south. The Art Connection, after all, is a pleasant diversion from all the complicating factors of life. It is time to get out and enjoy all the new work that has been created in the twenty eight venues from Wynndel to Riondel. I am forecasting that it will be a busier August.

The brochure claimed that Jenny Steenkamp had been a nurse for 21 years and that turned out to be Shelley Lamb's profession. Jenny was kind enough to find humour in the comment. Jenny is from South Africa and has been teaching art in Creston for over twenty years. Jenny's work is in the front office of Kokanee Chalets along with Sharman Harwood's work.

As far as I know most other notations were correct. We did have to abridge some of the artist's statements and some of the translations from 150 words to the proposed mandatory forty words may have missed the point the artist was trying to make. A great way to correct that is to stop by the galleries and studios and have that conversation with them. Most artists love to talk about their work and if you have any questions about the meaning of it just ask. You may be completely surprised at the meaning of the piece. If I have the time to interact with the public I find it a rewarding experience. When people come to see my work and I discuss a piece, I find that this is the final step in the process and is such a rewarding experience for both of us. Art is nothing without the viewer. Even if you can't afford the piece most artists are just as happy to have someone understand and admire what they are trying to accomplish. If you are truly in love with it they may look at taking payments for it or trading for something of equal value. It never hurts to ask. The smaller galleries are less busy and may have more time for you so don't forget them.

Yasodhara Ashram's participation in Art Connections is unique this year. Their gallery of 18 art and craft items includes pieces by six Connections members. All of the pieces were donated by local and Ashram artisans for their first-ever online art auction [yasodhara.org/auction](http://yasodhara.org/auction). The items can be viewed in person at the Ashram in Mandala House atrium or seen online for easy bidding. ([yasodhara.org/auction](http://yasodhara.org/auction)). All funds raised by August 31 will go toward rebuilding the Temple of Light, which burned in June 2014.

Support your local Ambulance Society - for every 2016 Kootenay Lake Calendar by Leone's Photo Creations, \$1.00 will be donated to the Riondel Ambulance Society. Calendars are currently available at: Faeries Landing Art Market, Kootenay Bay; Circle of Friends, Riondel; Merv Robertson's Art Gallery, Crawford Bay; Creston Chamber of Commerce and online at [www.leonesphotocreations.com](http://www.leonesphotocreations.com).

If you have not picked up your brochure and checked out the 28 venues and galleries it is time to do so. You can get in on one of the two \$200 gift vouchers if you have thirteen signatures at the back of the brochure. The last \$200 can be used for any art or artisan work in any of our member venues or galleries by any of our members. The art work must be purchased by September 5 and should already be created.

I would like to thank Warren Clark for his great work designing the brochure. I would like to thank the artists that were kind enough to create the work that was put in the venues as well as the venues for supporting art in the Kootenays. I would also like to thank our sponsors, Gary Jackman and the RDCK, Columbia Basin trust fund, Creston Art Council, Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce and Greg Blackwell with SKLCCS. I would like to thank the *Creston Advance* and I love Creston for the free advertising they have given us and the *Mainstreet* for accepting my submissions informing you of accomplishments and giving discounted advertisements. Thank you to anyone that I may have missed and I hope to see you in my gallery (Emerald East Cliff) sometime this summer.

## COMMUNITY HEROES

a Mainstreet Feature

*Who have you seen doing great things? Who gives back to their community with a full heart? Who deserves a nod? Send the name of the person (people) you'd like to recognize and a brief description of why you think they hold the esteemed title of... Community Hero!*

**Kathy and Liz Donnison and Joe Bechal:** For keeping the Crawford Bay Sunday Markets happening for six years.

**Paul Hindson:** For lots of community spirit on several non-profit boards and for organizing the Kootenay Gutbuster festival here locally to keep those tourists coming to visit!

**Starbelly Jam Society and Todd Veri of MiCrobz Bacterial Solutions:** For putting on a festival that produced only 12 bags of garbage on the festival grounds in the three days of the fest plus eight 400 lb drums of compostable material, 49 bags of recycling and 3 cubic meters of cardboard!

**Great community minded businesses/organizations like Yashodhara Ashram and Kokanee Springs Resort:** For continuing to give back to the community in such important ways. For example, donating proceeds from fundraisers and continuing to sponsor important and worthwhile causes like the CBESS Hot Lunch Program!



## Riondel Golf

by Glen Kinder

The 51st Annual Fathers' Day Men's Tournament was held June 21. Forty-four (44) players completed 18 holes in almost perfect weather conditions. Brett VanRuyskensvelde of Creston (formerly of Crawford Bay), was our tournament champion this year, with a gross score of 71. First flight winner, with a 72, **Mark Easton** of Crawford Bay. Overall low net winner was Spud Myer with a net 61. Those without a handicap are scored under the mysterious Callaway Scoring system. First place in the Callaway group was Brian Bishop (Bub) from Creston and a member of our Men's club.

There was a lot of great food (and drinks) for breakfast, lunch and dinner. (sausage rolls, bunwiches, steak, salad and cake)

These events don't go without the efforts of many volunteers. As tournament chair I would like to thank these folks: Lynne Cranna for organizing the food, scoring, and taking pictures; Arny Ames – beverages and meat cutting; Mary-Lou Lang and Jacquie Wallace – food prep and registration; Don Howie – scoring, course set-up and horse race (with Nando); Nancy Schmaus – securing the \$10,000 prize for a hole-in-one and spotting all day; Fran Kinder & Sherrie Sutcliffe – food prep and clean-up; Vic Johnson - #6 spotter; and Kathy Turner our clubhouse manager who helps everyone.

Pretty well everyone won a prize thanks to the generous donations of local businesses and golf courses in our region.

### A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT TO THE FOLLOWING WHO CONTRIBUTED PRIZES FOR THIS EVENT

- Kootenay Insurance Services for providing the \$10,000 hole-in-one prize.
- Barefoot Handweaving
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- North Woven Broom
- Nakusp Golf Course
- Kootenay Forge
- Creston Golf Course
- Newkey's Pub
- Valleyview Golf Course
- Sunnywoods Farm
- Balfour Golf Course
- Bob's Bar - Riondel
- Extra Foods - Creston
- Crawford Bay Market
- Castlegar Golf Club
- Nelson & District Credit Union
- Birchbank Golf Course
- Gray Creek Store
- Kokanee Springs Golf Course
- Home Hardware - Creston
- Redstone Resort
- Comfort Welding
- Kaslo Golf Course
- Bocalino's Resort - Kootenay Bay
- Colour Your World - Nelson
- Riondel Store
- Pyramid Builders - Creston
- Sunset Seeds – Creston
- Hi-Tec Seals – Jim Bond
- Don Howie
- Tom Wells – wood bowls - Creston

The course was in pristine condition, thanks to the hard work of Lee Martin and his crew.

Next: the 'Bluebell Ladies Tournament' on August 5 (a Wednesday).

## Another Great Year For CBT

press release

*\$22 million in programs and services delivered to the Basin over 2014/15*

Columbia Basin) – As it approaches its 20th anniversary, Columbia Basin Trust is pleased to announce 2014/15 was another year of strong support to the area it serves in the Columbia Basin. Over the year the organization delivered nearly \$22 million in programs and services to communities and residents,

\$17 million in new loans to Basin businesses and earned revenues of over \$29 million.

The Trust works to strengthen the region's social, economic and environmental well-being. In 2014/15, activities included establishing a new resource to support sports and physical activity, helping Junior Achievement expand into the Basin so youth can learn about entrepreneurship, renewing the Trust's Social Strategic Plan and continuing to create a regional open-access broadband network.

The main way the Trust supports these activities is by investing in power projects. All power projects performed well over the year, and brought in revenues of over \$22 million (out of total revenues of \$29 million). In spring 2015 Waneta Expansion began operating, which will positively impact future revenues. The Trust also invests in market securities (stocks and bonds) and local real estate, and provides loans to Basin-based businesses.

"Because of the strong performance of our investments, our revenues were higher than anticipated, which means we were able to offer more programs and services to Basin residents," said Neil Muth, Columbia Basin Trust President and Chief Executive Officer. "Moving into the future, we look forward to having even greater impact on well-being in the region."

A major emphasis over the year involved engaging with residents to ask what's important to them and how the Trust should focus its efforts. About 3,000 people provided input that will help the Trust make decisions, set priorities and manage how it provides programs and services to the region.

Read more about the Trust's performance in its 2014/15 Annual Service Plan Report at [cbt.org/annualreport](http://cbt.org/annualreport). For stories and photos of some of the projects it has supported, look for the magazine Your Trust (formerly Report to Residents) in your mailbox this fall.

Columbia Basin Trust supports efforts to deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the residents of the Columbia Basin. To learn more about the Trust's programs and initiatives, visit [cbt.org](http://cbt.org) or call 1.800.505.8998.

## RDCK Hires Firm to Manage Pool Renos

press release

The RDCK will enter into a contract with Unitech Construction Management Ltd. to manage all construction services related to Nelson and District Community Complex upgrades, the RDCK announced today.

Three short-listed construction management firms submitted proposals in June and the RDCK's project evaluation committee interviewed each proponent on July 7. Unitech scored highest in the combined categories of experience, skill and price. On July 16th, the RDCK board approved hiring the Delta-based company.

"Our evaluation committee and the RDCK Board unanimously endorsed the selection of Unitech Construction Management Ltd.," said Joe Chirico, General Manager of Community Services and one of five members on the RDCK evaluation committee. "This company has plenty of experience managing complex aquatic centre projects and we're all keen to get to work with them right away."

Unitech's first task is to complete a value engineering process. In this process, each aspect of the project is examined in detail to develop strategies to complete all work in the most cost effective manner possible, and to develop a project schedule to accomplish this.

Once the value engineering process is completed, the Nelson and District Recreation Commission will review results and announce a new project schedule. Unitech will then hire construction trades to complete each distinct aspect of the project and renovations will be underway.

The pool will remain open for July and into August.

"We're another crucial step closer to swimming in a better pool," said Ramona Faust, chair of the Nelson and District Recreation Commission. "This step might well be the most important one in the project because it means we've hired an experienced and skilled group of construction managers who will refine the project and track and report on every dollar spent so the RDCK can deliver an affordable, improved facility to our community to enjoy for many years to come."

Repairs to the aquatic centre will include new mechanical systems, electrical panels and equipment, a relocated lifeguard station, new sauna, pool decks, tiles and new water proofing membranes.

The RDCK board approved a \$4.92 million budget with borrowing not to exceed \$4.5 million for all renovations, which will take about eight months to complete.

The RDCK will continue to provide regular project updates.

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# STARBELLY JAM 2015



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## Kootenay Gut Buster Delivers the Laughs

a Mainstreet report - photo by Ingrid Baetzel



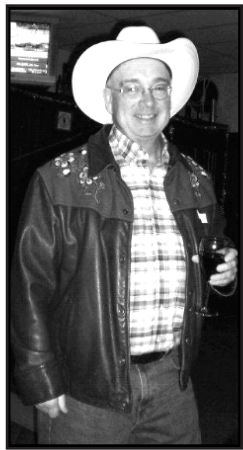
On July 24/25, KGB brought some outstanding comedy to the East Shore yet again with fun performances by several very talented comedians. The KGB always donates a chunk of their proceeds to the CBESS Hot Lunch Program and hope that more East Shore residents take time to take in the show next year. Thanks to Daryl Makk (far left), James Moore (far right) and Paul Hindson (centre) for continuing to bring this hilarious comedians “vacation” to the East Shore and enriching our lives with laughter. Noted crowd favourites this year were Kerry Unger (headliner for Saturday - second from left), Damonde Tschritter (headliner for Friday - not pictured), Sean Lecomber (not pictured) and emcee Ken Valgardson (second from right).





## Notice of Passing

**Douglas Edward Bothamley**  
**July 6, 1948—July 6, 2015**



Douglas Edward Bothamley, 67, of Riondel BC, passed away peacefully at home on July 6, 2015.

Doug is survived by his wife Nancy of 29 years, his daughter Kelly (Steve), stepson Mike (Andrea), stepdaughter Karmen (Gordon), his beloved doge Queenie, grandchildren Jordan, Brandon, Aubrey, Averai, Annika and Wyatt along with his siblings Maureen (Jim), Barney (Shelli), Charlotte (Brian), Albert (Malena), and Brian (Tiffany).

Doug was also cherished by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, cousins and many, many friends. Doug was a loving father, husband, grandfather, brother and uncle as well as a friend to all.

Doug was born in Creston BC. He made his big move north to Yellowknife in 1972 where he lived until retirement in 2003. Doug was an athlete, coach, mentor and friend. His love of fastball, curling and golf was passed on through his children, grandchildren and all who knew him.

A celebration of life will be held at 1pm on Sunday August 2, 2015 at Doug's beach (1901 North Road), Riondel BC.

Friends wishing to make a memorial contribution, please send to:

In Memory of Doug Bothamley, c/o Yellowknife Community Foundation, Box 1620, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2P2

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## Notice of Passing

**Lyle Oliver**  
**April 1923 – June 2015**

OLIVER, LYLE T: Born at Briercree, Saskatchewan April 8, 1923, passed away June 10, 2015. In 1928 his parents moved to Gray Creek, B.C. a small community on the east shores of Kootenay Lake. In 1941 they moved to Calgary as the war had started and there was more employment. His older brother Floyd joined the army and Lyle joined the RCAF as an aero mechanic. He was stationed at Vulcan Ab., Pearce Ab., and Skipiton on Swales, Yorkshire, England. He returned from overseas in 1944. He lived at Cultus Lake and Yale B.C. In November 1949 he moved to Penticton, as the Hope-Princeton had just opened. He got employment as a driver with Greyhound in 1950. In 1954 he married Margaret Estock. In 1959 they built a home on the West Bench. Margaret predeceased him in 2002. Lyle lived there until 2009, when he moved to the Hamlets in Penticton. He would like to congratulate the wonderful staff who treats everyone so well. He would also like to thank four people who have made life easier for him: Dick and Marie Parker and Bill and Louise Chapman. No service by request.

Lyle and his brother Floyd attended school in Gray Creek. They lived across Oliver Creek from George Oliver, Johnny Oliver's dad. Their family home was at 15148 Oliver Road, now the Fred Schutter's.

## Notice of Passing

**Bruce Edward Kinder**  
**December 1919 – June 2015**



Bruce passed away after a long and happy life. He is predeceased by his wife Audrey, brother Roger, daughter Sylvia Kaminsky and son in law Greg Kaminsky.

Bruce is survived by his wife Brenda, son Danny, grandson Drew (Carla) Kaminsky, granddaughter Shauna (Scott) Dillard, great grandchildren Austin and Tyler Dillard, sisters Maddie Howatt and Marney Malin.

Bruce lived a full and happy life and made friends and memories along the way, from his career in the Armed Services to his retirement and the cruises which he enjoyed immensely.

We have been honoured to share our lives with him. Bruce was a fifty year member of the Royal Canadian Legion, zone chairman of the BC Senior's Games and long-time member of the Chemainus Seniors Centre.

Bruce Kinder was the uncle of Glen Kinder. Bruce lived in Boswell with his wife Audrey for about 20 years. (1969 - 1989) They sold their place to Warren and Emily Clark before moving to Chemainus. He was known for his endless flea market with the often humorous sign sitting on the edge of the highway. Bruce contributed greatly to the community and was the go-to guy whenever one needed a part or help with fixing something. He was a huge supporter and volunteer for the Boswell Emergency Group.

Condolences may be offered at telfordn@shaw.ca

## Notice of Passing

**Raymond Percy McGregor**  
**July 15, 1936 – May 20, 2015**

Percy McGregor grew up and attended school in Crawford Bay. His parents, Ruth and Ray had a thriving farm where the airstrip is today. Both he and his sister Rose became excellent badminton players winning events in Creston and in Nelson. They laid the groundwork for the Crawford Bay School's many badminton championships.

Percy McGregor was a Red McGregor as there was an unrelated family group known as the Black McGregors in Crawford Bay. Was this related to hair colour or more likely a way to prevent mixing up the two McGregor families?

Percy loved hunting and this started when he was given a double barrel cork gun at age two, and he was still hunting 76 years later. His name was entered twice in the Boone and Crockett record book. He also ran his trapline for over 40 years.

He and Roy Koch operated the Destiny Bay Store for a time where it is today after the earlier store on the lakeside became a restaurant. Most of Percy's working life was in the logging industry.

Percy was pre-deceased by his parents Ruth and Ray and his sister Rose Dortman.

Percy leaves so many happy memories with the love of his life, April.

Over forty of Percy's friends attended a come and go tea at the Boswell Hall on June 27, 2015.

## Notice of Passing

**Schweitzer, Dorothy Anne**

Dorothy Anne Schweitzer was born May 9, 1944 to George and Gwen Jameson in Crawford Bay, B.C. Anne was the youngest child in her family. Anne's brothers are William, Reg, and Syd and her sisters are Ivy and Ruth.

Anne loved Crawford Bay and enjoyed ice skating, swimming and fishing as she was growing up. Anne enjoyed school and had many good friends. She graduated from Crawford Bay School in June 1963. Anne married Arnold Schweitzer on August 26, 1972. They made their home in Blewett just outside of Nelson, BC. They had a small farm and enjoyed raising chickens, turkeys and cows.

They had currently made their home in Salmo, BC. Anne worked as a long term care aide at Willowhaven and then as a LPN at Mount Saint Francis Hospital for more than 25 years. She was loved by co workers and patients she cared for. Anne loved to care for people and at work she personalized this. Anne was a devoted mother to Anita and Eric. As a family, they enjoyed many camping trips and travelling to visit friends and family in BC, Alberta, and Spokane. Anne loved to cook, bake and have people over for dinner. Anne loved celebrating holidays and she was quick to invite people to join in who may not have family to be with. The kitchen table was often crowded with people but there was always room for one more.

Anne was an active and committed member at Bethel Christian Center in Nelson. She was a board member, helped with the youth group, and helped in the kitchen. She loved serving and caring for her church family. Her faith in Jesus was a vital part of her life. Her faith was seen in the gracious way she cared for so many people.

Anne was predeceased by her father, George Jameson; her mother, Gwen Dobie, her brothers William and Syd Jameson, and her sister, Ivy Jameson. Anne is survived by her husband Arnold Schweitzer, her children Eric (Charity) Schweitzer, Anita (Andrew) Thompson, Bob Schweitzer (Allison Hutchinson), Grant (Cindy) Schweitzer and Lorrina Paul; her brother, Reg (Sharon) Jameson, sister Ruth (Jack) Hacking and sister in laws, Helen Jameson and Ellen Jameson. She had 11 grandchildren and many loved nieces, nephews and families that she loved like family.

A memorial service is planned for Sunday, July 12, 2015 at Bethel Christian Center, 623 Gordon Road in Nelson, B.C at 2:00 pm. Pastor Ken Keber officiating. Refreshments following the service.

## Notice of Passing

**Ralph Louis Schelle**  
**October 25, 1925 – June 22 2015**

Ralph passed away June 22, 2015 in Creston, BC at the age of 89.

He was born in Cranbrook to Maurice and Ruth Schelle on October 25, 1925. Ralph married Marilyn Avery on June 29, 1954 in Creston, BC

He worked for Teck Cominco in Trail, Riondel and then at Fording Coal in Elkford. He worked on the construction of the power line to Kimberley over the Gray Creek Pass in 1951-52 and donated his photos of that project to the Gray Creek Historical Society.

Ralph retired to Balfour in 1986 where he lived with his wife Marilyn until September of 2012 when they moved to Creston. He was an active member of many fish and wildlife clubs and the conservation and protection of the wilderness, especially his beloved Kootenay Lake.

Ralph is predeceased by his wife Marilyn Ruth and his mother Alice Ruth Schelle. He will be dearly missed by his daughters Cimone Schelle and Laurie Schelle.

A Celebration of Life will be held in July or August 2015 at Kootenay Lake once a site and date is selected. Friends wishing to make a memorial contribution may do so to the BC Wildlife Federation, 101 -30160 Norland Ave, Burnaby BC V5B 3A6.



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# BULLETIN BOARD

## Community Notices, Thank You's, Not-For-Profit Announcements (all not related to business), Church Calendar & Meeting Places - free on the Bulletin Board.

### CHILD HEALTH CLINIC, ADULT IMMUNIZATIONS, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Will be at the East Shore Health Centre monthly.  
For information, call Creston Health Unit at 250-428-3873.

### EAST SHORE HEALTH CENTRE Call 227-9006

\*See calendar for doctor days\* - Doctor hours are from  
9:30am to 4:30 pm. Please call 227-9006.  
Interior Health Authority, Community Care Nursing  
and Home Support Services - 250-352-1433.

### PHYSICIAN COVERAGE FOR Aug 2015

Note: Call to cancel if you can not make your  
appointment. We always have a wait list for  
patients needing to get an appointment.

No Doctor Days Submitted for August... sorry

Please Note: Lab hours 7:30 - 10:30 am, Weds

Call to make appointments at 227-9006

on doctor days and Thursday morning.

Tues, Weds & Thurs (8:30 to 12:30)

Phone: 250-227-9006 Fax : 250-227-9017

### BOSWELL HALL HAPPENINGS

Yoga: Thursdays, 9:30-11:00 am.

Merilyn Arms 250-223-8058

Tone & Trim Fitness: Mondays & Fridays 9am

Darlene Knudson 250-223-8005

### BOSWELL HALL SPECIAL EVENTS

AUGUST - Crime Watch Fundraiser Dinner:

August 15, 6pm. Herve Blezy: 250.276.4282

### OPEN WRITING GROUP

Open Writing Group at the Crawford Bay School Library, 4-  
6pm - cookies & tea provided. \$3 drop-in. Dates: August 31  
and Sept 28.

### URGENTLY SEEKING

Volunteers to help judge and convene categories for the Fall Fair  
(particularly in photography). Can you help us out? We need help  
with set up and take down as well as several other areas. Please  
contact Nancy at 250.227.9233

### BELLY FULL O' THANKS

The Starbelly Jam Board of Directors and Executive Staff would  
like to express our heartfelt gratitude and best wishes to the many  
staff and volunteers who made this years event so amazing. Its  
the talent and energy of all of you (400+) that truly creates the  
magic that the festival is known for. Thank you!!!

## The MAINSTREET-

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## REPORT A WILDFIRE

\*5555 on a cell or 1.800.663.5555

Wildfire Information Line

1.888.3FOREST

Burn Registration Line

1.888.797.1717

Southeast Fire Information Officer

1.250.365.4014

Visit [www.bcwildfire.ca](http://www.bcwildfire.ca)

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### KOOTENAY LAKE FERRY YEAR ROUND SCHEDULE

#### Summer Schedule in effect

Vessel Name	Balfour	Terminal	Kootenay Bay	Terminal
	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter
Osprey 2000	6:30 am	6:30 am	7:10 am	7:10 am
Osprey 2000	8:10 am	8:10 am	9:00 am	9:00 am
Osprey 2000	9:50 am	9:50 am	10:40 am	10:40 am
MV Balfour	10:40 am		11:30 am	
Osprey 2000	11:30 am	11:30 am	12:20 pm	12:20 pm
MV Balfour	12:20 pm		1:10 pm	
Osprey 2000	1:10 pm	1:10 pm	2:00 pm	2:00 pm
MV Balfour	2:00 pm		2:50 pm	
Osprey 2000	2:50 pm	2:50 pm	3:40 pm	3:40 pm
MV Balfour	3:40 pm		4:30 pm	
Osprey 2000	4:30 pm	4:30 pm	5:20 pm	5:20 pm
MV Balfour	5:20 pm		6:10 pm	
Osprey 2000	6:10 pm	6:10 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm
Osprey 2000	7:50 pm	7:50 pm	8:40 pm	8:40 pm
Osprey 2000	9:40 pm	9:40 pm	10:20 pm	10:20 pm

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### RIONDEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

#### AUGUST 2015 SCHEDULE

Aug 2: Jim Hearne, 11am

Music: Marie Gale

Aug 9: Derrick Smith, 1pm

Music: Marie Gale

Aug 16: Ramona Dannhauer, 1pm

Music: Richard and Ramona

Aug 23: John Ruder, 10am

Music: Marie Gale

Aug 30: Brenda Panio, 11am

Music: Marie Gale

Please check [www.riondel.ca](http://www.riondel.ca) for changes Info at 250-225-3381

### CHRIST CHURCH & EAST SHORE CONGREGATIONS ST. ANSELM'S CHURCH BOSWELL (Anglican)

For information call Christ Church Creston 428-4248

No services at the present time. Contact Christ  
Church Creston for info - 250.428.4248

### HARRISON MEM. COMM. CHURCH, ANGLICAN

Crawford Creek Rd., Crawford Bay Everyone Welcome!

No services at present time.

For info, please contact Karen Gilbert: 227-8914

### KOOTENAY LAKE COMMUNITY CHURCH

A Lighthouse on the East Shore

Come & join us Sundays at 10 am.

Coffee fellowship after the service.

Pastors Richard and Ramona Dannhauer

16190 Hwy 3A, Crawford Bay 250.227.9444

### YASODHARA ASHRAM

Satsang (non-denominational, "in the company of the wise"),  
each evening 8pm. Everyone welcome, 250.227.9224

### MOST HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH, RIONDEL

Reverend Thomas Kakkaniyil Phone: 428-2300 Fax: 428-4811

Sunday Mass at 2:00 pm

1st Sunday of the month, Fellowship Sunday.

### THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

1520 Campbell Avenue, Riondel, B.C.

Meetings begin at 10 am, every Sunday. Info call, 250-227-9522

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH SERVICES

Held in the Anglican Church, 8151 Busk Rd, Balfour

Sundays, 9:30 am - All welcome For info, call: 250.229.5237

*Next Deadline: Aug 26 2015*

## MEETING PLACES

LIONS CLUB - meets at the Kootenay Lake Community  
Church - 16190 Highway 3A, Crawford Bay.

Meeting Times: 7 pm.

Second and Fourth Tuesday of the Month

For More info call Lion Mike Jeffery - 250-227-6807 or Lion David  
George at 250-227-9550 or Lion Jim at 250-227-9622.

TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly: meets every Monday morning  
at 8:30 am in the Kootenay Lake Community Church basement.

Call Myrna for more info: 227-9420

### PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(PAC) Meetings held at 7 pm at the Crawford Bay School  
on (usually) the second or third Monday of the month. (or Tues)  
Call Ingrid to be put on the agenda - 250.227.9246

Next PAC Meeting:

September 2015

August 2015 Mainstreet 19



August 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Riondel Library Book Sale, Riondel Library, 10-3
2 Riondel Library Book Sale, Riondel Library, 10-3 Sunday Market, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-1:30	3 Yoga w/ Melina, GC Hall, 7-8:30pm Yoga w/ Melina, Rio Campgmd, 9:30-11am TOPS, KLCC, 8:30am	4	5 RDCK Adv. Planning Meeting, GC Hall, 7pm Yoga w/ Melina, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-11am Bingo, Rio CC, 6:30pm	6 Yoga w/ Melina Bos Hall, 9:30-11 Many Bays Practice, 7pm	7 Matt Dufus, Newkeys	8 Bluebell Manor Open House, Riondel, 2-4pm
9 Sunday Market, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-1:30	10 Yoga w/ Melina, Rio Campgmd, 9:30-11am Yoga w/ Melina, GC Hall, 7-8:30pm TOPS, KLCC, 8:30am	11 Creston Vet Clinic, CB Motel Lions Mtng, 7 pm	12 Yoga w/ Melina, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-11am Bingo, Rio CC, 6:30pm	13 Yoga w/ Melina Bos Hall, 9:30-11 Many Bays Practice, 7pm	14	15
16 Sunday Market, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-1:30	17 Yoga w/ Melina, Rio Campgmd, 9:30-11am Yoga w/ Melina, GC Hall, 7-8:30pm TOPS, KLCC, 8:30am	18	19 Yoga w/ Melina, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-11am Bingo, Rio CC, 6:30pm	20 Yoga w/ Melina Bos Hall, 9:30-11 Many Bays Practice, 7pm	21 Great Plains, Harrison Mem. Church, 7pm	22
23/30 Sunday Market, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-1:30 Thai Massage Retreat, Studio Ponnuki (30)	24/31 Yoga w/ Melina, Rio Campgmd, 9:30-11am (not on 31) Yoga w/ Melina, GC Hall, 7-8:30pm TOPS, KLCC, 8:30am	25	26 Yoga w/ Melina, CB Park Pavilion, 9:30-11am Bingo, Rio CC, 6:30pm	27 Yoga w/ Melina Bos Hall, 9:30-11 Many Bays Practice, 7pm	28 Thai Massage Retreat, Studio Ponnuki	29 Full Moon Thai Massage Retreat, Studio Ponnuki

**CRAWFORD BAY SUNDAY MARKET**

9:30-1:30pm, Crawford Bay Park Pavilion  
(New vendors welcome)  
Produce, Jewelry, Clothing, Soaps, Candles and so much more!

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Camping Supplies  
Ice - Fireworks

Summer Hours  
Mon. - Sat. 8am to 8pm  
Sun. 9am to 5pm  
250-225-3214


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Boswell Hall	9	RVFD 7
Classified Ads	18	Sapphire Hair Salon 10
Community Futures	12	Studio Ponnuki 5
Crawford Bay Hall & Parks	11	Sunnywoods 7
Crawford Bay Market	11	Sunset Seed 8
Crawford Bay Sunday Market	10,20	Turlock Electrical 10
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**Library Hours:**  
East Shore Reading Ctr:  
Tues & Sat: 12-3  
Thurs: 7-9 pm  
Riondel Library:  
Mon: 2-4 pm,  
Weds: 6-8 pm  
Tues, Thurs, Sat:  
10am-12:30pm

**Transfer Station Hours**

CRAWFORD BAY:  
Sun, Tues & Thurs  
9am - 3pm

BOSWELL:  
Weds/Sat 11am-3pm



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Community Nursing: 352-1433 Hospice: 227-9006  
Mammography Screening: 354-6721 Baby Clinics: 428-3873  
Physiotherapy: 227-9155 Massage Therapy: 227-6877  
For more on facility, call Kathy Smith, 227-9006