

QUADRA CEDAR HILL Community Association NEWS



"Neighbours Building Community"

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GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday November 25, 2003 7:30 PM

Cedar Hill Recreation Centre

3220 Cedar Hill Road

Everyone Welcome!

Speaker ~

Mayor Frank Leonard



Current Happenings in Saanich

Bring your questions to ask the Mayor

Cloverdale Glasgow cleanup and bench dedication

An enthusiastic group of community members gathered in September to clean up Cloverdale Glasgow Park. Truckloads of invasive vegetation and leaves were hauled away. Following the dedication of the bench, donated by the QCHCA to the neighbourhood, the volunteers enjoyed a BBQ lunch.



(Back Row) Ron Otke, Steve Hliva, Ken Whitcroft, Mark Brown, Jeremy Brown, Charlotte Woeckener
(Middle Row) Vicki Sanders, Anne Bowen, Cecilia Ivatts, Megan Brown

(Front Row) Margaret Bachmann, Jim Moores, Leonna Brown

Rutledge Park Grand Opening Celebration

Meet "RUTLEY" the pink elephant in Rutledge Park.



Ken MacIntyre first
prize-winner

Vicki Sanders, QCHCA president, presenting Ken MacIntyre first prize-winner of name the pink elephant contest with a plaque from the District of Saanich. Thanks to Athletes Choice for providing prizes for all winners. Second prize-winner Aidan was for "Huphalump". Third prizewinner was Donna Wong for "Winkles". Joy den Otter was the winner of the Cedar Hill Golf door prize.

A misty morning turned into bright sunshine to set the mood for the Rutledge Park Grand Opening Celebration held on October 5th. Several hundred people turned out to enjoy this event, which was jointly hosted by Saanich Parks and the QCHCA. Children and families enjoyed hayrides around the block and many other activities. Community volunteers assisted the Lions Club in providing refreshments. Interesting displays were exhibited of native plants, the park development and history of the area. Tremendous thanks to Bill Morris, Betty Scroggs, Marie Hunt and Don MacLachlan who responded to the QCHCA call for memories from old time residents. The old pictures and stories made the Rutledge Park Celebration a memorial experience. Thanks to Saanich Parks staff, all board members and volunteers who gave their time to make this event such a rousing success! We could not do it without all of your help, energy, and enthusiasm.



Mr. and Mrs. Bill
Morris.



Sisters Kathlene Cacovic and
Betty Scroggs reminiscing about
growing up on Inverness.



Marie Hunt and
Ken Whitcroft.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Vicki Sanders

To quote Saanich News Editorial - October 29, 2003 "Apathy may kill all the hard work that has gone into building our community associations. Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association....are among the most prominent and respected in the community for good reason. For community groups to flourish,

two things have to happen. First, the average Saanich resident needs to take a more active role in shaping their neighbourhood. Second, many association members must improve how they go about making their constituents aware of their community association, how it works and how they can become involved. Otherwise, what used to be a thriving component of the municipal political process might soon become irrelevant"

We are proud of the efforts of so many hardworking community members that keep the QCHCA strong. But we encourage new people to become involved to keep the Association vibrant.

What's Happening in Our Neighbourhoods

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CEDAR HILL: Anne Bowen and Jim Moores 380-3955

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3934 Cedar Hill X Road: Proposed subdivision. Three scenarios have been proposed. Option 1 - 7 lots accessing off Cedar Hill X Road. Option 2 - 7 lots accessing off Persimmon Drive. Option 3 - divided access onto Cedar Hill X Road and Persimmon Drive. The existing house will remain. Concern over the loss of the many Garry Oaks and the problems associated with funneling the traffic onto Cedar Hill X or Persimmon have been expressed. The developer will be holding a public meeting to show the plans in the near future. The QCHCA executive suggested the plans include footprints for the new homes.

Cedar Hill Park/Golf Course: The golf course recently excavated a water storage pond and used the fill to build a berm in the wildlife area south of Kings Pond. Assurances have been given that this area would be replanted with appropriate native plants. The golf course has been requested to map out all the natural areas of the park to provide protection in future to these areas of the property.

CLOVERDALE/CORE: Laura Hliva

385-0880

3494 Bethune: The application is proceeding for the development of an 8 unit affordable housing development. Two of the units proposed are mortgage helpers.

Tattersall Streetscape: Update from Brian Butterfield. The gravel along the side of Tattersall Road has been graded so there are no more potholes. It is a nice improvement. Trees will be planted soon. Presently we are awaiting the report from the Engineering Department with respect to the open house that was held some months ago. When we get a copy of the report our committee will reconvene.

COOK/LINWOOD: Art Pollard

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QUADRA/SWAN LAKE: Charlotte Woeckener

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968 Easter: Proposal to rezone from RS-6 to RS-4 (560 sq m) to create one additional lot. Access will be on Falmouth.

COOK/TATTERSALL: Mark Brown

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REYNOLDS/QUADRA: Vicki Sanders

592-0865 vicki_sanders@telus.net

1121/1123 Reynolds Road: Initial plans are available for a proposed rezoning to commercial (3 story dental office). Plans will be on display at the general meeting. Comments welcome.

Traffic:

Safer City:

Yellow signs sprung up like spring flowers in September to welcome the children back to school. The "Please Slow Down Signs" were effective in making drivers aware of speeding on residential streets.



Seen on Reynolds Road. Drivers slowed down to read this creative change to a Safer City Slow Down sign.

Drivers, are you using the headlights at dawn and dusk (or better yet, all day)? And have you checked your headlights and signal lights lately? Let us try to avoid accidents.

Block Watch

Patti and Art Pollard 361-3747 partpoll@shaw.ca

The QCHCA is divided into three Blockwatch areas, Quadra, Lakehill, and Cloverdale. A coordinator represents each area. Art and Patti are the Quadra Area coordinators. Robert 380-3509 and Lynda Mazerolle 380-3510 are coordinators for Lakehill. Each area is divided into neighbourhoods represented by Block watch captains and co-captains. To become a block watch neighbourhood contact Karen Wallis, Saanich Block Watch office, 475-4365, blockwatchspd@gov.saanich.bc.ca.

Welcome to the Neighbourhood

by Joy den Otter; block captain Union Street.

Just a reminder for our NEW NEIGHBOURS who are reading this for the first time or thereabouts. The Block Watch is in most of your areas and in my area in particular there have been a lot of changes with new neighbours moving in. Please respond to the Block Watch Captain who is calling and leaving you information. We do not know your name and your phone number yet. In some cases, this has been requested in your mailbox a couple of times and no reaction.

Blockwatch helps you by having neighbours watching out for neighbours, so please respond. It also helps you to get to know your new neighbours. Welcome to the neighbourhood.

Car Security Tip by Vicki Sanders

What an indignity to find the door lock pried open and the ignition ripped out of my vehicle. Although Jeep Grand Cherokees are a favourite for would be thief's they were unsuccessful in stealing my vehicle over the Halloween weekend. Of four car thefts, ICBC reported mine was the only car not stolen. The vehicle has a passive immobilizer installed which automatically sets itself when you leave the vehicle. It cuts off power to parts of the vehicle's ignition system so it cannot be started. ICBC will give a \$100 rebate toward the deductible for the claim for damage if the car could not be stolen because of the immobilizer. Consider this a good investment towards your cars security.

SEEN IN PASSING

- Ned Hanning enjoying an afternoon walk. Brent, Alise Schellenberg and children participating in the Rutledge Park Opening Event. Nick Crisp and family having dinner at the Cedar Hill Golf Course.

Neighbourhood Notes

Library Board

In July I was honoured to be appointed a Saanich representative to the Greater Victoria Library Board due to a resignation from the current board. I bring to this position a strong love for libraries and some expertise (having served on two different library boards and being an East Kootenays representative to the B.C. Library Trustees' Association). Interestingly enough, both boards that I served on had major expansions during my tenure and I have landed in the midst of another prospective expansion. My sleepy summer was suddenly changed to a frenetic round of meetings with facts, figures, surmises and dreams. It is so exciting to be a part of this project and to see so many diverse communities working toward a common goal..."to deliver the best library service in the country every day. To lead in borrowing, opening hours and resources. To improve the level of funding to achieve these goals." And I will strive diligently to represent you, the citizens of Saanich, as a part of a new, innovative, and cooperative library that will reflect on us all well. If you wish to contact me so I can bring your input forward, please call 920-7666 or e-mail me at tsare@shaw.ca. I will keep you apprised of future developments in upcoming newsletters. Thanks for your support. Sincerely, Charlotte Woeckener.

GOBID Auction - www.gobid.ca

Every month GOBID on line auction supports a charity. The entire month of November will benefit Victoria Women's Transition House, Women's Shelter Program. Just in time for Christmas! Browse items, and bid on those things that interest you. Shop from the comfort of your own home! Hundreds of amazing gifts to be had at fantastic prices. Find a bargain and support a charity today!

Luther Court Volunteer Program

We are seeking volunteers to work in many areas at Luther Court. If you enjoy working with seniors and have a few hours to spare each week, we would love to hear from you. Contact Dixie Pearce at 477-7241, ext. 28.

Environment

Ken Whitcroft 383-7567 enviro.man@telus.net

On October 6th the Bowker Creek Watershed Management plan went back to Oak Bay council and was fully endorsed. The plan now has full endorsement by all three municipalities. The plan will go back to the CRD's environmental committee to get the green light to hire the implementation coordinator in 2004. This will get the plan rolling into the future.

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Newsletter Correction: Apologizes to the Inverness entry that was omitted from the list of Naturescape Challenge entries published in the September - October QCHCA newsletter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Become an assistant to an Area Director, contributor of articles to the newsletter, fold newsletters, deliver newsletters, phone volunteers, recruit newsletter delivery volunteers.

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A reminder that memberships expire Dec. 31.

"Renew now so you won't forget!"

QCHCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Postal Code _____ TEL _____

EMAIL _____

- Membership is \$5 per person per year.
- Please fill out this form and send along with payment to:
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- I can help with newsletters - phone/fold/deliver - circle one



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What is happening in the community?

Keep informed about happenings in your neighbourhood. Please send your email address to vicki_sanders@telus.net.

The QCHCA meets the fourth Tuesday of January, March, May, September and November 7:30 at the Cedar Hill Recreation Centre.