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## WELCOME TO 2022!

It has been quite a year so far between the weather and the increasing numbers of people diagnosed with COVID-19. We are off to a rocky start. Nonetheless, the FBCA Board is moving forward with the flooring project, hosting concerts and events. We will do as much as we can to foster fun and fellowship in the community.

With that in mind, this year the Board Buzz will start each month with an excerpt from *Shingles & Shells, A History of Fanny Bay*. I thought it might be a fun way to pique your interest enough to purchase this book or get you curious enough to pull out your copy and give it a read.

***Disillusioned gold seekers who had flocked to British Columbia in 1897 with the news of the Klondike strike were among Fanny Bay's early settlers. They came from the United States, Europe, and Eastern Canada. One of them who came to find his fortune was an enterprising Englishman named Charles J. Tweedie.***

*Chapter 7—Shingles & Shells: A History of Fanny Bay.*

The end of December brought Public Health Orders (PHO) that affected the activities at the Hall. Further changes in early January have seen the return of the requirement for COVID Safety Plans. Fortunately, our Re-Start Committee has been here before and with some minor tweaking, we easily meet the Work Safe Standards. Unfortunately, for the time being Aerobics and Yoga have smaller capacity limits and this also affected concerts causing the John McLachlan Trio concert to be postponed again.

Now for some good news. We received many generous donations from the community after our plea for financial help. Because of your incredible support, (\$16,000+) we could finish phase one of the flooring project that we started many months ago. To say your generosity overwhelmed us would be an understatement. We cannot thank the community enough. Darcy Sauer made over 60 fresh holiday centerpiece arrangements using her own ribbons and decorations, which she then sold, and all the money (\$1,500) was donated to the Hall. You will also hear more about it in a separate article that

## Board Buzz

we held our first on-line 50/50 draw and quilt raffle in January, which was an overwhelming success.

More thanks to all those folks (100+) who purchased their 2022 memberships early to help support the Hall. If you have not purchased your 2022 membership yet, contact Sherry at [memberships@fannybaycommunity.com](mailto:memberships@fannybaycommunity.com) to learn how.

Thank you to Chrystal Andersson and her team of volunteers, Wendy John, Nancy Sim and Zelides Gundersen for organizing a festive and fun kids' event at the Hall in December. Thank you to the Lions for your \$100 donation for hot chocolate, cookies and popcorn. Everyone had a blast including 'Lucky The Party Pony.'

Finally, a big shout out to Harrison Walker from Baynes Sound Enterprises Ltd. for his continued carpentry work to make the flooring project a reality. And I will not try to name them all because I'm bound to forget someone but **HUGE** thanks to all the members, Directors, spouses and pickleball players for all your work behind the scenes to get things done these last few months and to all the Board Members for everything they have done above and beyond their usual roles, in order to keep the Community Hall viable throughout the ongoing COVID pandemic. We are definitely the epitome of a working board!

Looking ahead, the Board is amidst a restructure, and we are in search of new volunteers to join us. Bonnie Hoffart, our current Treasurer, is stepping down effective April 30, 2022, and we are seeking a volunteer for this position. We have several vacancies that we would like to see filled this year. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people, especially if you are new to the area. It strengthens ties to our community and can broaden your support network, exposing you to people with common interests, provide neighbourhood resources, and you can be part of fun and fulfilling activities and events. Please feel free to contact any member of the Board if you would like more information on how you can volunteer.

A warm welcome to Pratiyushi Sharma (Prat)

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**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERSONS IN TOTAL AREA OF HALL** (excluding organizers & volunteers): 90 -50% of max. capacity

**Individual Room Maximums:** Main Hall 90, Dining Room 13,  
Kitchen 4, Studio 10

*NOTE: limits dependent upon safely maintaining appropriate COVID-19 social distance*

**To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, all user/rental groups must**

-Review the FBCA COVID-19 Safety Plan posted on the FBCA website and posted in the Hall.

-Write a COVID-19 safety plan for the group, a copy of which must be given to the FBCA rental agent or an FBCA director prior to the event. The plan must include all the ways you will reduce the risk of spreading the virus at your event (e.g. all pertinent actions from the FBCA COVID-19 Safety Plan, as well as BC Provincial Health Officer orders for gatherings and of COVID-19 safe practices and compliance encouraged throughout events, and/or guidelines from viaSport).

-Follow current BC COVID-19 rules as posted at entrance and/or in the Hall:

-Designate a lead person to ensure that:

\*attendees are reminded the event.

**\*ventilation fans are turned on at start of event & outside door(s) kept ajar to improve airflow.**

\*any touch points specific to your event are noted which will require disinfecting at the end of the event. A touch point is anything someone at the event has touched.

\*touch points are sanitized at the end of the event, in all areas your group has used, including but not limited to:

Door handles, Light switches, Hallway bench, Thermostats (Main hall & Dining Room) Stair handrail, Chairs and Tables. Any other equipment anyone in your group has handled.

**All windows/doors are closed before leaving the building.**

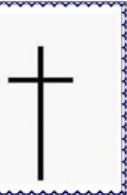
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**NOTE: If an inspection by a Medical or Environmental Health officer or other COVID-19 enforcement officer should occur during an event and any Provincial COVID-19 protocols or orders have not been met, any fines will be the responsibility of the user/rental group.**

**FBCA COVID-19 Safety Plan & Fanny Bay Community Hall COVID-19 Protocol read & understood by authorized user/rental group representative.**

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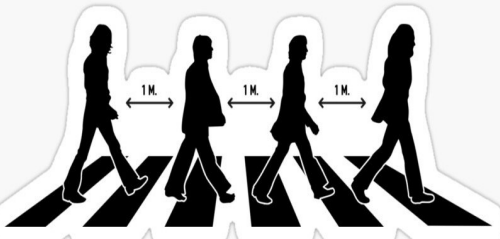


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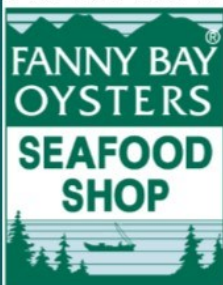
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As I draw this lengthy Board Buzz to a close, (but, in my defense, there was a lot to cover), I want to give one more shout out of thanks to Norma Shelly and Roy Shield. They stepped up and helped out our Flyer with the Flyer distribution. Each month, the Flyer is sent out via Canada Post to every address in Fanny Bay. We drop additional copies at a few other locations from Union Bay to Bowser.

Our editor, Wendy, has experienced some physical injuries lately and sadly her husband of many years, Barry Fowlie, recently passed. He was our 'jack of all trades' at the Community Hall. Barry knew every hidden light switch, every nook and cranny. Some of which I'm sure he wished he had never seen. We will all miss the gruff exterior but the mushy interior of this special man. Our sincere condolences to Wendy and her family.

Stay safe everyone and have a wonderful month of March!

by *Tammy Mercer-Gervais*

FBCA President

[president@fannybaycommunity.com](mailto:president@fannybaycommunity.com)

**M**ANY BUSINESSES OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS have suffered drastically due to the pandemic restrictions, and that is also the case for small nonprofits. Without having the fundraisers most nonprofits are accustomed to, it has been difficult to survive.

The Fanny Bay Inn is a business that has not only persevered throughout it all, but has a fundraiser that has been helping out our local non profits for five years now! The FBI's weekly Toonie Draw allows patrons of the pub to buy in with a Toonie and have a chance at the Jackpot that grows until there is a winner. Half of the proceeds are donated to a local nonprofit, and half are the winner's prize.

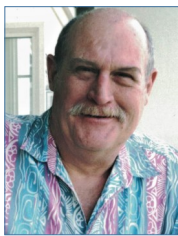
Roxanne and her staff have been doing this for five years, and have so far raised over \$40,000 for nonprofit organizations in the area. This has had such a positive impact on our local communities, especially during the financial crisis many nonprofits have experienced since the pandemic hit.

This week, the Fanny Bay Community Association was the lucky recipient of \$1500 from this fundraiser, for the continuing expenses for repairs to the Hall. On behalf of the FBCA, I would like to thank Roxanne and her amazing staff for all that they do, and in the face of adversity for giving back so much to the communities that surround them!



## BARRY LYN FOWLIE 1943 - 2022

FBCA Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Director



When you take on this volunteer position you'll never know what you'll be asked to do. Fix a leaky faucet help with the dishwasher, light the propane stove before an

event, climb through a hole in the kitchen floor to turn water fountain tap on/off or climb into a hole in the studio and help (Ron O) blow insulation or build stage risers to give our concerts a professional edge.

You might even get a panicky call from the O.A.P. right in the middle of a busy Christmas craft show because suddenly, there is no hot water!

Barry liked being a part of his community. He

often lingered after a concert to stack chairs. In true 'Barry' style he was happiest working alone. Even if it was mounting the large movie screen on our stage.

Please make donations to a homeless organization.

<http://www.yatesmemorial.ca/obituary/Barry-Fowlie>

(Live Music cont'd from pg 10)

Your health and safety is important to us. All patrons and performers must be double vaccinated and current COVID protocols will be in place including the wearing of masks. We look forward to seeing you at these top events.

### SAVE THESE DATES FOR UPCOMING CONCERTS

**Saturday April 30, 7pm Sweet Alibi** "known for their soulful 3-part harmonies, West Coast Music Award Winners, folk-roots-pop infused music"

**Sunday May 15, 7pm Red Dirt Skinkers** "The Pink Floyd of Folk Music, multi-award winning duo blend exceptional harmonies with their musicianship"

**Friday June 3, 7pm John McLachlan Trio with Marc Atkinson & Scott White : Early Morning Rain, the songs of Gordon Lightfoot,** "a wander through the wonderfully crafted songs of one of Canada's greatest songwriters".

by *Alaine & Bill French*  
Concert Coordinators



## HAS IT REALLY BEEN A YEAR

since our last AGM? It must have been, given everything we've done since then! Roger Chayer's President's Report at the AGM covered the highlights. Sadly, this will be his last report as he is stepping down as President. Thankfully, he plans to be involved in other ways. So, while BWS will miss his leadership, we will still benefit from his skills and wisdom.

### Highlights from the President's Report:

"The year 2021 continued to be difficult as COVID-19 dominated the headlines. Undeterred, the Beaufort Watershed Stewards' Board members and the numerous volunteers steadfastly continued the important work of collecting information and advocating for our watersheds. All our core activities achieved major milestones again this year.

\* Data gathering has expanded dramatically. The stream monitoring program doubled in size. We now have two teams, regularly monitoring eleven streams. This means even more data for the BC Surface Water Monitoring database.

The stream flow measurement program expanded as well, adding two new gauging stations. The groundwater level monitoring program continues, with improved monitors and plans for adding more wells. A major step was made towards the mapping of local aquifers after a BWS-initiated collaboration with the University of Victoria.

- This year saw the publication of a Hydrological Health Report Card for four of our watersheds which was well received by the community at large.
- Advocacy is a major tenet of the Beaufort Watershed Stewards. This year BWS is working with other interested parties towards creation of a Waterloo Old Growth Management Area.

\*Community Outreach remains an important focus as we establish partnerships with other groups in the stewardship community such as the Comox Valley Conservation Partnership, Our Water BC, and the Canadian Freshwater Alliance to

name a few. In the time of COVID, events are difficult to organize but, following all required protocols, BWS, in a show of support for organizations in our community, participated in the Fanny Bay Market. On Earth Day, BWS sponsored a very informative and well attended Forest Walk. Community Outreach also means getting the word out there. The BWS website, Facebook and the Fanny Bay Flyer continue to be the mainstay delivery systems to disseminate the fountain of information we have for the public.

\* No organization can be successful without taking care of day-to-day affairs. BWS continues to be diligent on the administrative side of things. This year we achieved several goals one of which was obtaining charitable status. Fundraising this year reached new heights enabling the purchase of new equipment and maintaining a healthy bottom line. We have been approved for a grant from West Coast Environmental Law to formalize our data agreements. As well, this year, we formed a Safety Committee to ensure volunteers are properly trained and supported for their work in the field. We continue to increase our membership and track our volunteer hours.

In conclusion, this year the Beaufort Watershed Stewards have established themselves as a respected organization and partner in the watershed stewardship community. This is the result of the commitment, perseverance, imagination, and camaraderie of this group of volunteers."

*by Roger Chayer*

### SAVE THE DATE!

BWS is hosting an interactive *free* presentation at the Fanny Bay Hall on Harvesting in Watersheds, including a "Health Report Card" for four watersheds. The event will take place at **7 pm to 9 pm on Thurs. April 21st**

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*by Mike Mesford*



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for years to come. By serving on the Board, we have a better understanding of the issues that face our community. Board members come from different backgrounds with diverse points of view, but all have one thing in common - to determine what is best for the Ships Point community in a cooperative and respectful way. Special skills or background knowledge are not required. The only



requirements are an interest in learning new things, respect for the opinions of others and a willingness to discuss issues with the goal of determining what's best for the community. Each individual brings a unique perspective and adds to our collective knowledge base. Try it, it's fun! For more information and a nomination form, please see [spid.ca](http://spid.ca) or call the SPID office at **250-335-0551**. Parcel Tax and Water Tolls: The 2022 SPID parcel tax and water tolls invoices were mailed out at the end of January. Please keep an eye on the mail so you don't miss yours. If you do not receive your invoice, please contact the SPID office at [shipspt1@shaw.ca](mailto:shipspt1@shaw.ca). Payments are due at the office by **March 31, 2022**, in the form of cheque (postdated OK), money order, certified cheque, bank draft and e-transfer. To send an e-transfer: **1.** Add SPID as a recipient to your bank/credit union account **2.** Email payment to [admin@spid.ca](mailto:admin@spid.ca). (No password required; SPID is set up for automatic deposit) **3.** In the message box, enter your Roll #, Invoice #, or street address. Payments received after March 31<sup>st</sup> will incur 15% late fees.

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One of my favorite times of the year is when the seed catalogues fill the mailbox and planning begins! What was learned, what can be improved, and what new ideas do I want to explore this year?! Through evaluating the previous year, I am able to grow, set goals and improve strategies for this year.

I remember the first time I heard the concept “the more that you change and alter the land, the more work you will have in the future”. Simple words, but they resonated as we clear land and plant lawns that need mowing, we build garden beds that need weeding, and we take down natural trees and foliage to plant flowers which need lots of love and care.

It seems every time we take away what naturally grows to plant what we want, we create more chores and maintenance. So how do we get the best of both worlds – less work with the plants we want?

You may have heard the term “Permaculture”, or perhaps you are well versed with its principles. I am trying to absorb as much as I can about some of the concepts and apply them to my own garden. Permaculture can be used in everything from a container to a garden bed to a field to a forest. I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you, the 12 Principles of Permaculture as expressed by David Holmgren.

These principles are thought-provoking concepts that when all are taken into account, we begin to grow and live with the natural world, as opposed to constantly fighting with nature “taking over” our spaces. These principles can be used in all aspects of our lives

**1. Observe and Interact** - By taking the time to observe nature, we can design solutions to our individual situations. It is actually advised to not make any permanent structures on a new-to-you property until after a minimum of one year of

observation to know where the water flows, the path of the sun, rainfall amounts, the variety of different soils in different areas and the various microclimates in the area. By observing closely, and acting in response, we reduce the need to redo, or fix things in the future.

**2. Catch and Store Energy** - When systems like rainwater collection are developed to collect resources while they are abundant, we will have a surplus when needed.

**3. Obtain a Yield** - Ensure that all of your efforts pay off in useful rewards for any project. For example, if you are growing food, hopefully you grow enough to feed your family and maybe you can produce enough to sell or give away!

**4. Apply Self-Regulation and Accept Feedback** - Try to be open-minded always, and receive feedback constructively. Self-evaluate to identify things that could be improved and learn from your mistakes.

**5. Use and Value Renewable Resources and Services** - Control over nature through excessive use of resources is both wasteful and expensive. Utilize what nature provides to try to minimize your impact.

A great example is to have meetings outside in the air under the shade of a tree, instead of in a building with the air conditioning cranked.

**6. Produce No Waste** - Think of everything that is considered waste, instead as opportunities and resources. Our society somewhere along the line turned into buy more, spend more, but there once was a time when things were appreciated, fixed and reused. Being frugal was an admirable trait that our landfills need us to return to! Use, Reuse

**7. Design From Patterns to Details** - By taking a step back and observing, we can identify patterns in nature which can be replicated in our designs.



(Living Wild - The Principles - cont'd on pg 10)

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## LIVE MUSIC IN MARCH AT FANNY BAY HALL

In the month of March we are excited to present the first 2 concerts our 2022 season.

After their memorable concert in Fanny Bay in November 2016, **The Montreal Guitare Trio** is finally back on the island! The MG3 concert will be on Saturday March 5, for a 3:00 pm matinee.

Described by the CBC as the "hottest" guitar ensemble in Canada, MG3 has quickly established itself as a force to be reckoned with, as well as an interactive force in various musical forms. For over 20 years, the trio's virtuosity, rigour, creativity and impressive stage presence - where humour and interacting with the public go hand in hand - have been winning over audiences around the world. The trio, composed of guitarists Marc Morin, Glenn Lévesque and Sébastien Dufour, has given hundreds of concerts in some of the most prestigious venues across North America, Europe, New Zealand and Australia. For the very first time, the MG3 will present a vibrant tribute to the music of Ennio Morricone, their most beloved composer.

Friday March 25 at 7:00 pm, we have pure genuine talent with **Christine Tassan et les Imposteures**. With a decade and a half of bringing their special blend of Gypsy jazz and revisited cover songs, Christine Tassan et les Imposteures have made a name for themselves on the music scene. The latest show of these four exquisitely talented musicians brings together some of the best works by Django Reinhardt, Félix Leclerc and American swing composers.

With a singular mix of virtuosity, daring and humour, the string band draws inspiration from one artist's poetry and the other's swing to weave a rich new musical universe. They've expanded their

concept to the wonderful swing music of some contemporary friends of Django and Félix. Lead guitarist Christine Tassan, violinist Martine Gaumond, double bassist Blanche Bailargeon, and rhythm guitarist Jeff Moseley revisit hit songs created by George Gershwin, Louis Prima or Charlie Chaplin and blend them nicely with Django's beautiful melodies.

Save these dates: **Saturday March 5th, 3pm Matinee for the MG3 and Friday March 25th, 7pm for Christine Tassan et les Imposteures.**

Tickets can be purchased online [fannybayhall.ticket.ca](https://fannybayhall.ticket.ca) \$33. OR in person \$30 cash at Weinberg's Good Food- Buckley Bay, Laughing Oyster Books- Courtenay, Salish Sea Market-Bowser

You can preview MG3 on Youtube:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ppUY\\_aGfpcg&t=2s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ppUY_aGfpcg&t=2s) and Christine Tassan et les Imposteures on [Christine Tassan et Les Imposteures - Sing, sing, sing/Douce ambiance - YouTube](#)

(Live Music continued on page 3)

(Living Wild - The Principals- cont'd from page 8)

A spiral garden is based off of the pattern of the galaxy and utilizes a 40' bed of growing area in a 1m high by 2m in diameter garden!

**8. Integrate Rather Than Segregate** - Nothing is more productive than two or more systems working together. For example, chickens eat garden scraps, resulting in eggs and/or meat, manure for gardens and they keep pests away.

**9. Use Small and Slow Solutions** - Slow integration of actions based on observations will be more achievable and resilient, and any mistakes will be of minimal impact with small changes.

**10. Use and Value Diversity** - Diversity adds stability to any system. In the garden, if you mix your plants up in a polyculture design as opposed to monoculture, a particular pest will get confused and will be challenged to find the one plant it wants in amongst many other plants it doesn't like.

**11. Use Edges and Value the Marginal** - The edges of fields or ponds, or where the grass meets the forest are the most active areas with creatures and soils from two or more ecosystems. By utilizing and expanding the edges, you create more overlap and thus increase the biodiversity of an area.

**12. Creatively Use and Respond to Change** - We can prepare for inevitable change by carefully observing and intervening accordingly. By planting more groundcover crops, you can hold in the moisture when the heat hits this summer.

As you scan your seed catalogues this Spring, or gaze upon your front lawn, think of the 12 Principles of Permaculture and perhaps you will plan a new garden bed with mixed veggies instead of rows, or reuse some of your recyclables for seedling pots, or turn some of your lawn into a pollinator garden resulting in less mowing or maybe you will finally make that rainwater harvesting system you're been thinking about for years.

Everything is interconnected, and one action will have several reactions in various ways so move slowly, but observantly, and remember the 12 Principles!

by Angela Hicke – Van Isle Wild

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To: Fanny Bay Residents

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*Sincerely, Michael J B Smith*

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## SHIPS POINT LAUNCH

### Skating on the Canal

One morning in late January, a surprise rainfall filled the ditches to capacity. A few days later a drop in the temperature turned our humble ditches into the Rideau Canal! The freeze was hard enough that even a dog could stand on it without cracking the ice. Stanley pounced on it with all fours and yipped with excitement. What is this?

Some evenings Stanley likes to see a movie, so he'll find a porch or bench that's in line with a big screen TV. The winter games were on, and Stanley was fascinated with the ice-skating competitions. He had been munching on popcorn, but when he saw a skater leap from the ice and spin mid-air his jaw dropped, and the bag of popcorn fell to the deck. He knew in an instant that ice skating was his destiny and that he would be a champion.

At the very back of our property, there is an old outhouse. We meant to tear it down, but it's well out of sight and almost overgrown with shrubs. It doubles as a storage locker for Stanley. We just peek in once in a while and let him be.

Late that night, we heard some rustling in the outhouse and saw the flicker of a headlamp. Stanley was in there, and he must have been digging out his ice skates. The next morning, just after sunrise, Stanley stood at the top of the hill, strapped on the skates and his webcam helmet. With absolute confidence, he stepped on the ice. The skates went out from under him, and he found himself rocketing down the canal on his back. It wasn't quite what he expected, but undeterred, he went back to the beginning of the run and sized up the ice.

He remembered the grace and ease with which the champion skaters seemed to effortlessly glide and re-set his ability meter from amateur to expert. He stretched his furry arms out sideways, and let one skate slip along the ice, followed by the second stroke, as smooth as the pros. A driveway

crossed the canal, posing a problem. No problem. He sailed over the road and dropped onto the next stretch of the canal. All the way down Ships Point Road he performed world-class leaps, and mid-air spins until he finally ran out of frozen ditch.

Exhilarated, Stanley made his way back uphill and through the bushes to his storage locker. We heard the skates and helmet clunk down and then he was off again.

As custodians of the outhouse, we feel responsible to check that all is in order there. Okay, we pinched the webcam and put it up on the big screen TV. What we saw was not exactly what Stanley thought he looked like. There seemed to be a lot of branches, open sky and furry arms, frantic lashing, and yelps. We howled at the footage.

Have you ever heard a dog laugh; I mean really laugh? We heard something outside the window. There he was, sitting on the picnic table and nearly rolling off the edge. Stanley is a mutt, and not an Olympic contender, but in our eyes, a champion anyway.

*by Dianne Volrich*



### OAP REPORT

## IT HAS BEEN A QUIET FEW MONTHS

at the OAP but with Spring just around the corner we are hoping to be able to schedule a few events. Everyone is anxious to get together again and hopefully we can make that happen.

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of our fellow member, Barry Fowlie. Our deepest sympathies are extended to his wife Wendy and their family.

On a less somber note, how about a little quiz?

WHO AM I?? (See answer somewhere in the Flyer)

I am an actress and Dame of stage and film.

I was married to Beverly Cross until his death.

I have been nominated for 6 Oscars and 17 Baftas

I am Professor McGonagall in Harry Potter

I am a Dowager Countess in Downton Abbey.

Happy February Birthday to : Karen Hutchings, Edith Walters, Linda Tournemille, Mike Robson, Prue Robson.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY TO ALL!!

*by Linda Tournemille*

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**JUST AS EVERY SALMON STARTS AS AN EGG,**  
 our work with them at FBSES starts with salmon eggs. To get them, and raise them, we start at the beginning with a process we call 'brood take.' Skipping over the slow parts, like all the work, and the tedious stuff, like the reasons and rules under which we labour, the results are where the fun is. Here we are in 2022 in the February sunshine. We have 50,000 happy little salmon eggs thriving in our incubation trays since we wrapped up on November 24, 2021.

To get here, we welcomed 401 spawners; 117 males, 82 females, and 142 'jacks' into our brood pens. Jacks are the Coho fishermen call 'shakers' and nature produces a lot of them. Two years old and from a different spawning year, they are there to add genetic variety. We used three for their milt or sperm, the others went back into Rosewall in our new system of handling excess spawners. Which of course we're going to tell you about. Of the 117 males, only 12 were wild unclipped fish. Six wild and 76 hatchery females returned, of which we used 42, including all the wild ones. The hatchery fish are ours, clipped and released as smolts in spring 2020.

Then, while we were all busy with you-know-what during 2020 and 2021, they were out in the Pacific growing big and strong, playing salmon games. And looking forward to getting back to Rosewall Creek. Because we get so many more than we can use, we return fish to the creek, but have always wanted a better way to handle them. This year may have seen us get it right. We want the fish to spawn naturally and on that point, they are certainly with us and salmon behavior helps us help them.

Once you can put a salmon into a confined, dark space, it settles down and conserves its strength. We use this behavior to 'bag' our salmon into specially made zippered fabric tubes, put those into our new open top water tank trailer, move the trailer to the creek's edge - or as close as we can get - and transfer the tubes again, this time out of the tank and into the creek, and unzip it. The salmon uses that strength it saved to vanish into Rosewall and, we all hope, do its thing. A lot more work than it sounds, but better than we

were doing. Our efforts to reduce Bacterial Kidney Disease in our salmon meant we destroyed five sets of fertilized eggs this year after testing showed them positive for BKD. We can all remember when positivity was a good thing, can't we?



The death of Douglas 'Doug' Mole in Cumberland, December 2, 2021 at the age of 85, leads us to recall his contributions to the Fanny Bay Salmonid Enhancement Society. Doug was a long-time member of FBSES and served on its board of directors as well as its President for two terms, 2004 to 2006. He remained active until going into care in 2015. As President, Doug was involved in major projects enhancing salmon habitat on Wilfred, Cook and Chef creeks. A Ships Point resident and member of its fire department, OAP organization and enthusiastic fisherman, he is remembered today by many current and former FBSES members whom he recruited. Frank Lines recalls Doug enlisting him and being "very passionate and involved" and a hands-on leader. "We spent a lot of time at Wilfred Creek hatchery pulling beaver dams apart" to allow fish passage. Bill French remembers Doug as "a mechanical genius who built solutions that emphasized function over form" and a faithful member of the Ships Point Fire Department. Dick Walter is one of many who recall his devotion to



Larry Kimura, left, and Barry Seeley load tubes of excess spawners into tank trailer for return to Rosewall Creek.

the small and remote hatchery, which always required attention because of water supply and operation problems, as well as his wine-making skills and generosity with it in the community.

Roy Shields,

who describes himself and Doug as 'buddies for twenty years,' remembers fishing trips, fire department callouts, Doug's guitar playing and "dedication to Fanny Bay Salmonid Enhancement, especially Wilfred Creek." Doug was predeceased by his wife Sophie in 2011. They had been residents of Fanny Bay since 1994 and are survived by their blended families and grandchildren in BC and Alberta.



Detail of a memorial bench built by Helmuth Geiger at Wilfred Creek Hatchery and Doug Mole on a work site in 2006.

by Dave Sands

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 saga of what workers, and volunteers, uncovered as we pre-  
 pared to replace the kitchen floor. It began when we moved  
 the old fridge...

But now, thanks to the enormous efforts of our amazing  
 volunteers who moved everything several times from the  
 kitchen to the dining room and the entryway and back... and  
 we mean everything, from soup ladles to dishes to our huge  
 stove... and those hardworking volunteers who cleaned every-  
 thing, from shelves to teapots... now the floors are finished  
 and everything is back where it should be. We also send a  
 huge thanks to Cathy, who painted, and Randy, who used his  
 electrician's skills.

A huge thanks to our many volunteers, we could not have  
 done it without you:. A very special thanks to Brad Shuya,  
 architect, who has been the project manager for this renova-  
 tion and has put in countless hours, and to Harrison Walker,  
 our carpenter/builder who repaired what was broken, pre-  
 pared the floors and did countless other jobs besides.

Of course, a warm thanks to all of you who donated so gen-  
 erously financially, so that this project could continue to its  
 completion.

And finally, a special thanks to Alaine French and Suzanne  
 Murray, who were the "Floor Committee" and liaison with the  
 Board, for communicating with everyone involved so that the  
 right hand always knew what the left hand was doing.

THANK YOU ALL

**BE PREPARED**

We live in a beautiful community, surrounded by all  
 the splendours of nature. Most of us are in awe, some take it  
 for granted. *Are all of us prepared for a disaster?*

A reminder to most and a caution to our new neighbors, it  
 is best to be ready for any major emergencies.

In this article I will present a few generalizations along with  
 a government website that will help you and your family get  
 through whatever comes your way.

We live in a rural community; get to know your neighbors.  
 In an extreme emergency, help may not come our way for  
 more than a few days. We'll have to rely on each other.

Secondly, make sure you have enough supplies to last at  
 least three days. This includes drinking water, food for both  
 your family and your pets, along with any required prescrip-  
 tions. The website below will indicate what items should be  
 included for an emergency.

Know that our community is fortunate to have two Volun-  
 teer fire departments. They will be there for the community,  
 providing whatever assistance possible.

For information you can visit the following website:  
**[gov.ca/Prepared](http://gov.ca/Prepared)** BC. Once there I would suggest Public Emer-  
 gency preparation and recovery **[gov.bc.ca](http://gov.bc.ca)**

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**Feb 9th, 2022 Covid Protocols for the Bowser Legion**

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with all COVID protocols in place,  
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Our hours of operation will be Fridays and Saturdays only until  
 further notice 4:00 – 10:00 p.m.

The kitchen will be open both nights. Please see on our Web page  
[rcl211.org](http://rcl211.org) for Friday and Saturday menus.

**Ongoing Events**

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**Meat Draws Friday -5pm, Saturday - 4:30 pm**

**Members, Guests, and Prospective members welcome**

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Facebook: Events-at-the-Bowser-Legion-br211-99556487/

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### The purposes of the Association are:

(a) To maintain and manage a community hall, grounds, and outdoor amenities, for use by the residents of Fanny Bay and surrounding areas.

(b) To provide and support programs, events, activities, and communications to benefit the community as a whole.

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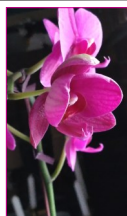
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Aerobics, Low Impact Suzanne FB Hall	Monday & Thursday .....	9 am - 10 am
Baynes Sound Garden Club - OAP Hall	Thursday .....	7 pm first week
Baynes Sound Lions - OAP Hall	Monday .....	7 pm third week
Caregiver Support Group - OAP Hall	Wednesday .....	10 am first week
FBCA Board Meeting - Fanny Bay Hall	Thursday ...starting Feb 24/22	7 pm fourth week
FBSES - Rosewall Ck Hatchery Berray Rd	Wednesday & Saturday ..	9 am - 12 noon
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Pickleball - Fanny Bay Hall	Wednesday .....	10 am - 12 Noon, 3 pm - 5 pm
Pickleball - Fanny Bay Hall	Thursday .....	5 pm - 8 pm
Pickleball - Fanny Bay Hall	Friday .....	10 am - 1 pm, 2 pm - 4 pm
Pickleball - Fanny Bay Hall	Saturday .....	1 pm - 3 pm
Pickleball - Fanny Bay Hall	Sunday .....	10 am - 1 pm
Ships Point Improvement Dist.	Wednesday.....	time varies, second week of month

## Coming Attractions

Black Cat Movie Night - JoJo Rabbit	Saturday, Feb 26th, 7:30pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
MG3 Montreal Guitar Trio	Saturday, March 3rd, 3pm Matinee	Fanny Bay Community Hall
Black Cat Movie Night - Kingpin	Saturday, March 12th, 7:30pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
Christine Tassan et les Imposteures	Friday, March 25th, 7pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
2022 SPID Parcel Tax & Water Tolls	Thursday, March 31st, 2022	SPID Office, Vivian Way
Harvesting in Watersheds, FREE	Thursday April 21st, 7 - 9pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
Sweet Alibi	Saturday April 30, 7pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
Red Dirt Skinners	Sunday May 15, 7pm	Fanny Bay Community Hall
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I am grateful to the FBCA Board for acknowledging Barry  
on the Hall notice board. Initially, I drew back at the openness,  
then beamed with pride.*

Wendy Keating

