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Welcome to your Community Newspaper!

Thank you all for your continuing support of your local newspaper by sending us photographs and articles.

Please remember that the deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month!

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DATES FOR 2020

All meetings will be held the last Thursday of
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4084 Bedwell Bay Road

Coffee / Tea with Mayor is on Friday
afternoons and residents should call him at
604-839-5313 to book an appointment

Friday Social 9am to 3pm

IMPORTANT DATES

March 2020

Mar 1st	St. Davids Day
Mar 8th	Daylight Savings Time Spring Forward
Mar 9th	Full Moon
Mar 9th	Council Meeting @ 6.00 pm
Mar 14th	Irish Pub Night
Mar 14th - 29th	Spring Break
Mar 17th	St. Patricks Day
Mar 23rd	Council Meeting @ 7.00 pm
Mar 24th	New Moon

SAVE THE DATE

Apr 12th	Pancake Breakfast
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Minutes of meetings are posted on the
Village website providing full information
addressed including committee reports
etc.

The Barnacle will no longer include
excerpts of the Minutes.

COVER ART

Our front cover features a photograph
submitted by Joyce Evans

Do send your favourite local photos and
artwork to the Barnacle.

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Please note that all submitted photographs will
be saved & used if possible in a future issue.



TELUS investing more than \$500,000 to connect the Village of Belcarra to gigabit-enabled fibre optic network, dramatically increasing Internet speeds throughout the region

Advanced TELUS PureFibre network will connect residents and businesses directly to gigabit Internet speeds

Belcarra, B.C. – TELUS is investing more than \$500,000 to connect more than 90 per cent of homes and businesses in Belcarra directly to its fibre optic network, enhancing wireline Internet connectivity, and preparing the region for 5G technology in the years ahead. Construction on the PureFibre network is already underway, and TELUS anticipates the majority of homes and businesses will be connected by the end of the year.

“TELUS is very proud to be making this generational investment in Belcarra, providing the technology to bridge geographic and socio-economic divides and connect citizens to the people, resources and information that make their lives better,” said Darren Entwistle, President and CEO of TELUS. “Importantly, TELUS PureFibre offers the

community a globally unmatched wireline infrastructure that ensures all citizens have access to the digital tools to drive improved health, social and economic outcomes. Moreover, TELUS PureFibre enables entrepreneurs, start-ups and home-based businesses to benefit from the same Internet speeds, functionality, reliability and security that large enterprises currently enjoy. We look forward to connecting our fellow British Columbians in Belcarra and beyond to TELUS PureFibre, and supporting the community as it attracts new industries and innovators, supporting the jobs of today and those that have yet to be imagined.”

Since 2000 through 2018, TELUS has invested more than \$47 billion in technology and operations in B.C., and over the next three years through 2021, TELUS plans on investing an additional \$8 billion connecting and supporting communities at no cost to taxpayers. Since 2013, TELUS has connected 125 communities in B.C., Alberta and eastern Quebec to the TELUS PureFibre network, and will have connected more than 50 Indigenous communities in B.C. and Alberta by the end of next year.

“We are delighted with TELUS’ investment in our Village to provide residents with access to services and benefits previously unavailable; catapulting Belcarra forward into a world where early detection of fires, improved cellular coverage, super high-speed internet, home security, digital health and more will make Belcarra safer and improve our quality of life,” said Mayor Neil Belenkie.

The gigabit-enabled TELUS PureFibre network is among the most advanced communications infrastructure available in the world today, giving residents dramatically fast Internet speeds up to a gigabit, while businesses, schools, healthcare providers and other institutions can access even more speed and capacity. The TELUS PureFibre network offers equally fast upload and download speeds, which provides significant benefits for applications like video conferencing, gaming, and home security. Supported by the TELUS PureFibre network, TELUS Smart Home Security offers 24/7 real-time monitoring and smart controls to manage cameras, lock and unlock doors, remotely manage indoor and outdoor lighting and even the thermostat.

This new fibre optic infrastructure will also be the backbone of TELUS’ wireless network, enabling more wireless capacity and faster speeds throughout the region, and lays the groundwork for 5G technologies in the years ahead. A reliable and fast wireless connection has become increasingly important as consumers use services like Babylon by TELUS Health, which is delivered through a

free smartphone app. Babylon by TELUS Health empowers British Columbians to access virtual, video doctor appointments seven days a week, including evenings, weekends, and holidays, to align with families’ busy schedules. Users can take the video appointment from the comfort of their own home or office, and have prescriptions sent to a pharmacy near them. This is a huge step forward in the evolution of how Canadians, and particularly British Columbians, currently access healthcare.

A direct connection to the TELUS PureFibre network comes at no cost to taxpayers or residents, and TELUS plans to bring this critical network infrastructure to more communities in the years ahead. Residents can expect to see TELUS trucks throughout the community as construction begins, and TELUS representatives out knocking on their door to receive permission to connect their home to the network. Once homes are connected, residents can immediately begin taking advantage of dramatically faster and symmetrical Internet speeds.

This investment is part of TELUS’ commitment to invest \$4.7 billion throughout British Columbia between 2017 and 2020, at no cost to taxpayers. For more information, please visit www.telus.com/fibre.



Port Moody mom & teenage son are
both battling cancer – and they need
your help

[Diane Strandberg](#) / [Tri-City News](#)

Heidi Hass Gable is battling cancer and her 14-year-old son Cam is fighting leukemia; she has started a GoFundMe page to help with the finances as she can't work

This photo was taken when Hass Gable was the chair of the District Parent Advisory Council for School District 43.



Heidi Hass Gable knows about challenges. In 2013, she championed parents as the chair of the District Parent Advisory council [at a time](#) when School District 43 was cutting jobs to fend off a \$12-million deficit.

Now, not only is she facing down colorectal cancer after a two-year battle with the disease, she recently learned that her son, Cam, 14, has leukemia.

Her friends, supporters and Facebook page readers are helping her get through the ordeal, Hass Gable said, as she worries about her son, her finances and her own health.

"We've dealt with this really well," Hass Gable told The Tri-City News this week.

Heidi Hass Gable, left, with her family, including Cam, centre, who has leukemia. ~



Still, the former technology consultant admits there are challenges. She hasn't been able to work for two years, is running out of RRSP funds and will need to take more time off to deal with her own and her son's illnesses.

Recently, she started a [GoFundMe page](#) to solicit donations to help pay the bills; so far, it has raised more than \$16,000 towards a \$50,000 goal.

"That's been difficult, learning how to ask for help," Hass Gable said, "I like to be the person who was helping and doing that kind of thing, and to turn around and say, 'I don't know what to do,' it's been hard."

The family, including Cam, her 21-year-old daughter and 18-year-old son, live together in the caretaker's cottage at Belcarra Regional Park, where Hass Gable opens and shuts the park and washrooms. She said living in a park is beneficial, as she can enjoy the ocean and trees by walking to the pier when the weather and her energy level cooperate.


Her Facebook community, friends and other supporters have provided Hass Gable with the strength to carry on — a surprisingly positive aspect of social media given its many negatives. But Hass Gable said it can be a relief to share with others what she's been going through. "It gives me a chance to stay in touch with people, it lets people support me, it does make a difference when people comment, touch base and help. It feels good." Hass Gable has gone through multiple rounds of chemotherapy and had surgery, but a small spot of cancer stubbornly persists in her lymph nodes, requiring more surgery.

Meanwhile, Cam, who is being homeschooled, is also undergoing chemotherapy and blood transfusions, which brought up his blood cell count, but he's not feeling great, she said.


He gets his support from his buddies — called Cam's Crew by BC Children's Hospital staff, where Cam spent three weeks in treatment — while her other kids are finding their own outlets during this trying time. Hass Gable said her eldest daughter is busy as a volunteer firefighter with the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department and her 18-year-old is active socially.

Together, everyone is managing, she said, with a little help from their friends.

"It's been really inspiring how the community comes together when you ask for help."




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Respectfully submitted by:
Koko Carlson
Captain

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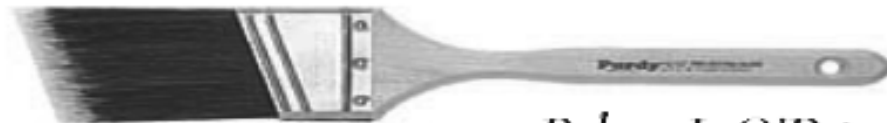
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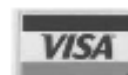
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Coyote dragging cat prompts safety warning for pet lovers

By Diane Strandberg, Tri-City News,
February 18th, 2020.

Keep your small pets indoors, BC Conservation Service warns, also advising residents of Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam and Port Moody to manage trash and other animal attractants

<https://www.tricitynews.com/news/coyote-dragging-cat-prompts-safety-warning-for-pet-lovers-1.24078836>

The rescue of a cat from the jaws of a coyote has prompted warnings to Tri-City residents to keep their small pets indoors and to remove all items that might attract the prowling critters.

Although coyotes aren't a danger to humans, they will grab small pets because they don't distinguish them from other small prey such as rats and mice, according to Austin Lord of the BC Conservation Officer Service.

"Most of the time, they're looking for small rodents, like mice, rabbits, even raccoons," said Lord, who advised residents of Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam and Port Moody to keep control of their waste and other animal attractants.

His recommendations come after a woman posted to the Port Moody Discussion Group Facebook page Monday about efforts to rescue a cat whose head was stuck in a coyote's jaws.

The incident occurred Monday morning on Ioco Road when Debra Lee was driving with her nephew. When they saw the coyote trotting along dragging the cat, the nephew jumped out of the car, startling the animal, causing it to drop the cat.

Lee stopped traffic while the cat ran under a car. The owners were eventually found but the cat had to be taken to the vet because of its injuries, and will likely lose an eye.

As it is breeding season, some coyotes may be on the move but it will be a few months before pups are born.

Lord cautions people to take the same precautions as they would to keep a bear from coming into their neighbourhood.

"We're just reminding people to manage attractants," Lord said.

He advised people to check out the Stanley Park Ecological Society, which has a lot of information about coexisting with coyotes on its website.



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Stories From The Archives — Stuck in the Mud!

Researched By: Ralph Drew, Belcarra, BC, January 2020.
Source: The Port Moody Gazette, Saturday, January 19th, 1884.

A wagon, loaded with goods for Port Moody, started out the other day [from New Westminster] to brave all the adventures on the so-called road to the [C.P.R. railway] terminus. The driver must have been a brave man, but wanting in that better part of valour called discretion. By dint of much labour and a liberal use of the whip, he accomplished about half the distance between Sapperton and Clarke's Road [along 'North Road'] when the power of horse-flesh was no longer sufficiently potent to move the wagon and the horses had to be rescued from suffocation in the mud. The cargo was subsequently carried to its destination piece-meal, the wagon remaining sunk to the hubs, to be dug-out on some future occasion. Verily, we have a valuable [Provincial] Government, and one that takes care not to trouble the Mainland with the outlay of any of its religiously collected taxes.




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Royal B.C. Museum and Archives (BCA A-04595).

Port Moody and Westminster Road (a.k.a. 'North Road'), circa 1885.



Dear friends of Mary Anne Cooper and supporters of the Port Moody documentary film project,



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Filmmaker Eva Wunderman and Project Manager Ruth Foster with Mary Anne.



With friends Elaine Golds, Helen Daniels, Ruth Foster and Zoe Royer at the Gallery Bistro.



Mary Anne with all those that attended the Mary Anne Cooper – Port Moody Film project fundraiser.

EASTER EGG HUNT

April 12th

Breakfast starts @ 9AM at the Hall
Easter Egg Hunt @ the park 11 AM sharp

& Pancake Breakfast
with Sausage
& Fruit Salad

\$5 adults
Kids eat free!
(under 10)

VILLAGE NEWS



Belcarra Barnacle gets Wild(er) in Mehico!

BARNACLE TRAVELS!

The Belcarra Barnacle invites you to take your local newspaper with you when you travel, send us a photograph of yourself holding a copy of The Belcarra Barnacle and we'll publish your photograph!

Back by popular demand is Henry's Outdoor BBQ Chicken

We have a handful of tickets available for the upcoming **Kiss Me I'm Irish Pub Night** on March 14th. As this is a pre-purchased event, we do expect another sell-out. If you have not purchased/reserved a plate, please send an email to crab4084@gmail.com.

MENU:

BBQ chicken (vegetarian option: roasted veggie curry pot pie with puff pastry), coleslaw salad, dinner buns, assorted delicious desserts, Guinness draft, beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages available for purchase.

GAMES! MUSIC DOOR PRIZES

The traditional Tootie Toss continues ... 1.14L bottles to be won including the infamous Grey Goose ooooooh, 50/50 draw! Raffle prizes! Food, fun, and wait ... more fun!!

AND WAIT ... THERE'S MORE!

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WEATHER REPORT:

Sunny & 80 ok so maybe that is wishful thinking but it is supposed to be a clear night, +3 to -6.

We look forward to hosting another successful event!

Your friendly C.R.A.B.

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Believe it or not, it's been almost a year of filming interviews and scenes around Port Moody. Some of the locations include Rocky Point, the Station Museum, The Gallery Bistro, the Ioco Church, the Ioco town site, Fire Hall #1, the Club, and Mary Anne's house. Mary Anne has even been out on the inlet in a skiff for a segment that considers future development and includes great views of the cedar mill, the mudflats and the north shore. She has provided energetic and thoughtful commentaries that reveal a forward-thinking, independent and many-faceted woman. We've interviewed local historians and sourced archival photographs to help us portray early Port Moody and its growth. A Tsleil-Waututh elder will also contribute comments to the film. We now hold a rich collection of professional footage.

Director Eva Wunderman is working with our editor to weave together the interlocking stories of Mary Anne and the City of Port Moody, then and now. Thank you all for the trust and the generous support that has propelled the project forward to this point. We consider each of you as valued partners in this unique local initiative. We are working to create a product that will illuminate not only Port Moody's history but its warm heart and strong community fibre. Thank you for your patience as we continue the editing and fundraising work necessary to bring this film to a point where it can be shared with you. Sincerely,

Ruth Foster, Project Manager Eva Wunderman, Director

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CRAB CORNER

Submitted by Dave Warren

Hopefully folks who are Irish at least once a year have ordered tickets for the Saint Patrick's gala evening Saturday March 14th at Ye Olde Village Tavern. There may be a couple of leftovers or cancelations but hurry before the elves enforce a maximum quota. Remember to wear something green to placate the elves and avoid their spells. If you are feeling a bit guilty of leaving the wee kids at home while you are dining and dancing a jig then mark your calendar to bring them to CRAB's annual family event the Easter Sunday pancake breakfast.

This year Easter Sunday falls on 12th April and again the Village Hall institute will magically be converted into a Village Bistro. The menu includes not only pancakes and sausages with condiments but a scrumptious fresh fruit salad, juice and coffee for only five dollars. Polite children under ten escorted by adults are admitted free. The Bistro is open only from 9AM until about 10:30AM. We do not want to rush you from enjoying your breakfast just insure your kids get to the park in time for the CRAB 11 o'clock Easter egg candy hunt. Volunteers are always welcome to assist at either event.

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Belcarra Blessings

Deborah Struk

'Enjoy living in Belcarra; paradise this side of paradise'

March, marching on! Yikes February where did you go? Hello longer days, warmer temps, and Spring bulbs!

So very much to be thankful for. I am most thankful for family close by, especially our precious granddaughter. Babies bring so much joy. Precious Harper is just 8 weeks and has started laughing. Laughter is good for the soul and so often life throws curve balls that rob us of joy.

Proverbs 17:22

A joyful heart is good medicine,
but a broken spirit drains one's
strength.



Forbes magazine printed an awesome article on the benefits of laughter. <https://www.forbes.com/sites/daviddisalvo/2017/06/05/six-science-based-reasons-why-laughter-is-the-best-medicine/#2902f9897f04>

With the horrid virus being rampant we need to take due diligence for cleanliness. Viruses apparently survive better in cooler temps, unlike bacteria. They survive longer on hard surfaces, such as pin pads, telephones, door handles etc. Getting in the habit of avoiding using your bare hands touching surfaces, keeping hands clean, covering your coughs and sneezes (NOT with your bare hands) and avoiding crowds are all helpful.

Many blessings be upon you and yours.
Find the things that make you laugh.

Peace and grace until next month.

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7. Ask drivers to slow down in wooded sections, keeping a sharp eye out, so they may yield to animals their right-of-way.
8. Get professional help when trying to rescue an injured animal.
9. Keep pet dogs and cats under control so they will not chase wild animals.
10. Prevent pollution of the environment by doing without poison sprays, refusing to throw trash into streams, and speaking out to remind others.
11. Insist that wildlife refuges be “places where animals are safe and protected” – not shooting galleries!
12. Hunt with a camera – as YOU would like to be hunted.

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Underwater Alphabet

Fun factoids about local marine wildlife, one letter at a time.

Written by Isabelle Côté, Belcarra's Professor of Marine Ecology

X is for... nothing that I've ever seen in

Indian Arm or Burrard Inlet. Oh dear! Instead, here is dubious poetry about some of the X-traordinary encounters I've had underwater in our ocean backyard.

I spied a bobtail squid along Cosy Cove
On the flat, featureless bottom where I dove.

Cute as a button, eight arms awaving,
Flashing colours, communicating.

Near Croker Island once seastars had died,
I saw thousands of urchins, all side by side,

Feasting on algae and munching away,
Happy that they were no longer the prey.

One day on a wreck I came face to face
With a huge lingcod in need of some space.
He looked grumpy, doing what he does best:
Chasing me away from his very full nest.

Near the power plant, on a rocky wall,
I spied four lithoid crabs, out for a crawl,
Built like Hummers and covered in spines,
Orange and blue marine porcupines.

At Tupper Rock, a pinnacle rising up high
Lived a Red Irish Lord with a wonky eye.

That fish was there, dive after dive,
Nestled in a crag, nearly blind but alive.

Behind Jug Island, on a fine sunny day
I saw a new fish that I knew right away.
T'was a midshipman, all covered with dots
That had come from the deep to that shallow spot.

In Bedwell Bay, just in front of my home,
I spotted on eelgrass some jelly-like domes:
Hooded nudibranchs are like alien ghosts,
But my favourite mollusks of all on this coast.

My oddest encounter in the Arm and Inlet
Was something that I will never forget:
A floating elk, dead as a doornail
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What we are looking for:

- Minimum of 3 bedrooms, a garage and a (fenced) yard.
- Desired rent range = \$2300-2600
- A minimum 1 year lease would be preferred.

We have several excellent references of previous landlords.

We are a very tidy family and I always keep our house in perfect condition. I could take on all the small maintenance around the house or possibly do the entire property management if desired.

Feel free to check with our references to verify.

Neil & Nadine

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Oops! Bought the wrong product for my deck!

3 gallons of BEHR Premium Waterproofing Stain and Sealer – Taupe

1 gallon BEHR Premium etc. Moss Green, total: \$275, asking \$80

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- Vivitar Flash model 283 with camera fitting
- Shutter releases, miscellaneous items
- Instruction booklets
- Professional lined aluminum carry case
- \$3750.

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Daffodils

'I wander'd lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales
and hills," When all at once I saw
a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;'

By William Wordsworth (1770-1850).

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"Are you one of those residents who have yet to visit the new Village website online? You really should! Section 5.1 from Council Minutes dated February 10th 2020."



To: Mayor and Council
February 18, 2020
From: Sherry Chisholm

Recently Jim Chisholm received a notice titled VOLUNTEER POSITIONS FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS with regard to a five person committee for the OCP committee.

One of the points for applicants to consider is 'BE ABLE TO THINK OBJECTIVELY WHAT IS BEST FOR THE VILLAGE OF BELCARRA RESIDENTS'.

Recently at a council meeting in February it seemed to me that there was a conflict over the discussions held regarding short term rental. At least that was my personal perception as a councilor discussed and voted on the rules for the B&B or short term rentals. How can you be objective if you plan to operate a B and B or Short term rental?

After watching the video of the last council meeting I see, once again, what seems to me to be a conflict of interest from a councilor that has stated that the road end by their residence should not be sold for various personal reasons. To me this makes a personal conflict. How can you possibly make an unbiased decision when you are on record protesting a road end sale near your property?

Now that the Village accountant and Chief administrative Officer have studied our Village financial status it has been made clear

that we must get our financial house in order. We need millions and the only way to do that is land sales (road ends). That means road ends MUST be sold as they are the ONLY source of enough funds to clear our water debt, re-establish our reserve funds, install an additional water reservoir, fix our roads and provide the funds necessary for the new fire hall. We are in a VERY PRECARIOUS FINANCIAL POSITION.

We MUST sell as many road ends as needed to get our Villages financial needs taken care of and get a stable financial position taken care of AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. We will not need to sell all the road ends.

At the last council meeting three of our councilors voted against selling more than three road ends.

WHY would any councilor limit the sale to three road ends if more are needed? How does that serve our Village? It will take more than three road end sales to get us on secure financial ground. We have numerous road ends and we do not need to sell many but we need to sell enough to take care of our IMMEDIATE AND URGENT NEEDS.

We are a small Village and it is difficult to not, at some time, have a personal conflict, however, for the sake of the perception of self interest I think councilors should step away from the table so as not to appear to be showing self interest.

REMEMBER TO THINK OBJECTIVELY WHAT IS BEST FOR THE VILLAGE OF BELCARRA RESIDENTS.

February 2020 Tide Tables

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High	Phase	Sunrise	Sunset
Sun 01		3:44 AM 2.90 m	9:21 AM 4.19 m	5:00 PM 1.58 m			6:52 AM	5:55 PM
Mon 02	12:04 AM 3.73 m	4:41 AM 3.21 m	9:46 AM 4.07 m	5:51 PM 1.48 m		First Quarter	6:50 AM	5:57 PM
Tue 03	1:46 AM 3.88 m	6:00 AM 3.42 m	10:25 AM 3.96 m	6:53 PM 1.37 m			6:48 AM	5:58 PM
Wed 04	2:58 AM 4.08 m	7:32 AM 3.48 m	11:27 AM 3.89 m	8:03 PM 1.20 m			6:46 AM	6:00 PM
Thu 05	3:51 AM 4.26 m	8:47 AM 3.40 m	12:45 PM 3.90 m	9:09 PM 0.99 m			6:44 AM	6:01 PM
Fri 06	4:36 AM 4.39 m	9:45 AM 3.25 m	2:10 PM 3.98 m	10:07 PM 0.77 m			6:42 AM	6:03 PM
Sat 07	5:16 AM 4.50 m	10:36 AM 3.03 m	3:32 PM 4.12 m	10:58 PM 0.62 m			6:40 AM	6:05 PM
Sun 08	6:52 AM 4.57 m	12:24 PM 2.76 m	5:41 PM 4.25 m				7:38 AM	7:06 PM
Mon 09		12:44 AM 0.59 m	7:26 AM 4.64 m	1:12 PM 2.43 m	6:41 PM 4.31 m	Full Moon	7:36 AM	7:08 PM
Tue 10		1:27 AM 0.73 m	7:59 AM 4.70 m	1:59 PM 2.06 m	7:38 PM 4.31 m		7:34 AM	7:09 PM
Wed 11		2:09 AM 1.03 m	8:30 AM 4.73 m	2:46 PM 1.69 m	8:34 PM 4.25 m		7:31 AM	7:11 PM
Thu 12		2:50 AM 1.45 m	9:01 AM 4.71 m	3:34 PM 1.36 m	9:33 PM 4.16 m		7:29 AM	7:13 PM
Fri 13		3:33 AM 1.94 m	9:32 AM 4.62 m	4:22 PM 1.13 m	10:37 PM 4.09 m		7:27 AM	7:14 PM
Sat 14		4:19 AM 2.43 m	10:03 AM 4.45 m	5:11 PM 1.03 m	11:53 PM 4.07 m		7:25 AM	7:16 PM
Sun 15		5:15 AM 2.88 m	10:36 AM 4.21 m	6:04 PM 1.04 m			7:23 AM	7:17 PM
Mon 16	1:21 AM 4.13 m	6:26 AM 3.19 m	11:14 AM 3.94 m	7:03 PM 1.14 m		Last Quarter	7:21 AM	7:19 PM
Tue 17	2:41 AM 4.26 m	8:00 AM 3.31 m	12:06 PM 3.68 m	8:08 PM 1.25 m			7:19 AM	7:20 PM
Wed 18	3:46 AM 4.38 m	9:34 AM 3.21 m	1:33 PM 3.49 m	9:16 PM 1.33 m			7:17 AM	7:22 PM
Thu 19	4:40 AM 4.47 m	10:38 AM 3.01 m	3:15 PM 3.47 m	10:19 PM 1.35 m			7:15 AM	7:24 PM
Fri 20	5:25 AM 4.50 m	11:22 AM 2.81 m	4:25 PM 3.58 m	11:13 PM 1.35 m			7:12 AM	7:25 PM
Sat 21	6:04 AM 4.48 m	11:59 AM 2.61 m	5:18 PM 3.71 m	11:57 PM 1.37 m			7:10 AM	7:26 PM
Sun 22	6:38 AM 4.43 m	12:34 PM 2.40 m	6:04 PM 3.82 m				7:08 AM	7:28 PM
Mon 23		12:35 AM 1.46 m	7:06 AM 4.37 m	1:09 PM 2.18 m	6:47 PM 3.89 m		7:06 AM	7:30 PM
Tue 24		1:08 AM 1.61 m	7:30 AM 4.31 m	1:43 PM 1.94 m	7:28 PM 3.92 m	New Moon	7:04 AM	7:31 PM
Wed 25		1:38 AM 1.82 m	7:49 AM 4.26 m	2:16 PM 1.72 m	8:10 PM 3.94 m		7:02 AM	7:33 PM
Thu 26		2:07 AM 2.06 m	8:05 AM 4.22 m	2:49 PM 1.52 m	8:53 PM 3.94 m		7:00 AM	7:34 PM
Fri 27		2:37 AM 2.32 m	8:20 AM 4.17 m	3:21 PM 1.37 m	9:39 PM 3.95 m		6:57 AM	7:36 PM
Sat 28		3:10 AM 2.59 m	8:37 AM 4.10 m	3:54 PM 1.27 m	10:29 PM 3.97 m		6:55 AM	7:37 PM
Sun 29		3:49 AM 2.84 m	8:53 AM 4.00 m	4:28 PM 1.22 m	11:27 PM 3.99 m		6:53 AM	7:39 PM
Mon 30		4:36 AM 3.07 m	9:10 AM 3.90 m	5:08 PM 1.21 m			6:51 AM	7:40 PM
Tue 31	12:38 AM 4.02 m	5:36 AM 3.25 m	9:39 AM 3.77 m	5:57 PM 1.22 m			6:49 AM	7:42 PM

A man with a wide, enthusiastic smile is wearing a green sweater over a white shirt and a dark bow tie. He is holding a tall glass of green beer with a thick head of white foam. The background is a light blue-grey with several semi-transparent circles in white, grey, and gold. The text 'PUB NIGHT' is overlaid on the left side, with '14 MAR' in a green box above the 'N'.

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BIG
NIGHT

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BBQ CHICKEN
DINNER &
A DRINK

Come in search of the (toonie toss)
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