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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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Our Summer issue was unfortunately delayed due to technical difficulties.

The Belcarra Barnacle is a volunteer group of residents dedicated to 'Inform and Involve'.

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Our front cover features a photograph submitted by Abby Rice.

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

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DATES FOR 2020

All public meetings will be cancelled until further notice...

Council meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Village Hall

Please check Village website for more information.

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Coffee / Tea with Mayor is cancelled until further notice.



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All applications to be completed and submitted no later than Tues Sept 8, 2020

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- Please return completed application by Tues Sept 8, 2020 deadline.

Contact and Additional information is available at:

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Belcarra Blockwatch

Submitted by Diana Drake and
Carol Drew

Boating Safety in 2020

Summer begins! Boats are in, or are about to be in, the water.

As of May 30th it is no longer necessary to reserve a time for launching a boat at Rocky Point. Anyone may use the launch after purchasing a pass (\$21.10). Those who use the facility should observe social distancing rules on the ramp and apply hand sanitizer after using the keypad on the ticket (pass) dispenser.

The RCMP also ask boaters to follow these safety Covid-19 guidelines:

- Stay in your local community.
- Keep a distance of 2 metres from other boaters at all times. This is one fishing rod length, one paddle board, or .5. of a canoe.
- Avoid beach ramps and docks if there are groups of people on them.
- Do not beach your water craft close beside another.
- Limit the number of boat passengers to family members or a few close friends.
- Don't go boating if you or someone in your group is sick.
- Plan to wear a mask at some points in your trip: i.e. filling up with gas, shopping for provisions.

- Avoid sharing your boating and/or fishing equipment.

- If your face covering becomes damp or wet be sure to replace it with a new dry one.

- Wash your hands thoroughly or use hand sanitizer after touching communal fixtures - ramp gates, fuel pumps, ticket dispensers, park washrooms.

Please remember the Big Five:

- PFDs should be worn by everyone on board, at all times.
- Have a boating license or Pleasure Craft Operator's Card (PCOC).
- Never drive a boat under the influence (BUI).
- Follow the rules of the sea and watch your speed.
- Be weather wise and let others know of your boating plans.

Have a Happy, Safe Summer!

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Editor, Belcarra Barnacle,

Re: Creation of Waterfront “Road-End Lots”

I write in response to the email notice from the Village dated May 1st, 2020, titled “Notice of Survey & Appraisal of Road Ends”. The presumptive surveying and appraisal of “road-end lots” is a perfect example of Council “putting the cart before the horse”!

First, the “road-end lots” do not exist at this point in time; the prerequisite being that the proposed “road-end lots” will have to have “title raised” in the ‘B.C. Land Registry’ which amounts to a “subdivision of land”. The ‘[Official Community Plan](#)’ (OCP) necessitates a minimum parcel size of 0.50 acre as a prerequisite for the subdivision of land — a size which is very much larger than any of the proposed “road-end lots”.

Council must amend the minimum parcel size requirement in the OCP as a prerequisite to the creation (subdivision) of “road-end lots”. That process necessitates a formal public hearing on the question before amendments can be made to the OCP bylaw. Also, the revised ‘[Regional Context Statement](#)’ in the amended OCP must be approved by the [Metro Vancouver](#) (MV) Board before the public hearing process can be initiated. Belcarra is outside of the ‘[Urban Containment Area](#)’ and the MV ‘[Regional Growth Strategy](#)’ does not support the densification of ‘Rural Areas’ such as Belcarra. It is inappropriate for Council to predetermine, or otherwise assume, the outcomes of both the ‘Metro Vancouver’ approval and municipal public hearing processes.

Second, Provincial legislation is very clear that where a municipality sells waterfront property (such as the proposed waterfront “road-end lots”) the proceeds of the sale must be placed in a separate financial reserve account that can only be used for the purchase of replacement waterfront property. An examination of the ‘[Local Government Property Ownership and Disposal](#)’ legislative requirements states the following:

“Proceeds of Sale — Local governments must place the proceeds of sales of land and improvements in a reserve fund. In most cases that reserve fund must have as its purpose the purchase of other land, improvements or other capital assets. In some cases, the proceeds must be deposited to a reserve fund with a more specific purpose. Sale of closed roads which provided access to a body of water: The proceeds of disposition [must be used for] acquiring property that will provide public access to a body of water which previously had closed access roads sold.” — See the [Community Charter, Section 188](#)

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Statements that the 'Village of Lions Bay' has sold water-front road allowance is only part of the story. Lions Bay has sold waterfront road allowance, as per the Provincial legislation, but plans to use the funds raised from the sale to purchase other lands to augment Lions Bay's waterfront park as per the legislation. Also, Lions Bay placed the proceeds from the sale of waterfront road allowance into a separate reserve account ('Land Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 532, 2017'), as required by Provincial legislation, to be used for the above stated purpose. I suggest that Council ask staff to contact the 'Village of Lions Bay' CFO and obtain written details as to exactly what they have done vis-a-vis their road-end sale and intended use of the funds raised.

Third, funds placed into a reserve account can only be utilized in accordance with the requirements of Provincial legislation (see section 189 of the 'Community Charter'). Council can only self-lend from a reserve account with the approval of the 'Minister of Municipal Affairs' accompanied by a specific bylaw that states the term of repayment and applicable interest rate. In other words, Council cannot self-lend money from a reserve account without specifying by bylaw both a reasonable term for the loan and an interest rate that reflects the current market rate.

There is no "magic loophole" to circumvent the Provincial legislation. I suggest that Council get a legal opinion and/or a written assessment from the 'Ministry of Municipal Affairs' on this important aspect of the Provincial legislation.

It will cost tens-of-thousands of dollars to create each waterfront "road-end lot" which will result in considerable wasted money given the above restrictions. It makes no sense to create and sell waterfront "road-end lots" in order to generate funds to lend back to the municipality at the current interest rate. If needed, the municipality can borrow from the 'Municipal Finance Authority' (MFA) at the current interest rate without incurring the significant added cost of creating the waterfront "road-end lots".

There is no "money tree", and there is no "free lunch".

Ralph Drew



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My Belcarra...

Submitted by Janet Ruzyski

(Editor's Note: last month's submission was inadvertently cut short, here is the last paragraph of Janet Ruzyski's article)

I believe council is trying their best to focus on the greater good and while differences in opinion are expected, in the end what's best for the community is the priority for all.

The Belcarra Barnacle would like to know how many of our residents enjoy the printed issues that are made available at the Village bus stops?

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Outsmarting the Cabbage Butterfly

Submitted by Adrienne Peacock.

I recently received this idea from a friend (Shirley Campbell of the PoCo Garden Club) and thought it was such a good idea that I would share it with those of you who grow brassicas (cabbage family - kale, Brussels sprouts, broccoli, cabbage, radish, Pac choi and cauliflower, for example). The white cabbage butterfly (*Pieris rapae*) is an annoying pest of brassicas. Apparently this butterfly is territorial, so if they see a white butterfly in the brassicas they will fly somewhere else to lay their eggs. The idea is to provide a "look alike" decoy to deter the butterflies from laying eggs on your brassicas.

The following provides instructions on how to make the butterflies. According to goodseedco.net, the key features needed for success are:

1. include the black marking of the female (two spots/upper wing vs. the male with only one spot/upper wing).
2. make the decoy slightly bigger than the real thing, a wingspan of about 2 inches is good.

It's also a good idea to craft them so that these 'fakes' can flutter in the garden like the real thing, by putting them on a wire, as described below:

1. draw or print a template on regular white paper (many templates on the internet)

2. 'seal' the butterfly so they withstand rain by running clear tape along the back and front of the paper. Packaging tape works well here because it covers a wide area in a short time

3. cut out each butterfly

4. optional: if you want to seal it again, wrap some more thin strips of tape around the straight edge of the butterflies. (they tend to curl a bit once it gets wet and this helps to protect it better from rain)

5. attach a thin wire to the back of the butterfly with a small piece of waterproof tape (like electrician's tape, duct tape, or foil metal tape)

6. wrap the other end of the wire around a piece branch, stick or bamboo branch

7. poke in the ground next to your brassicas

Tips

- add varying heights to the butterflies so they look natural
- use thin wire so the butterflies can move easily in the wind
- if needed, move the stick when the leaves start to cover the butterflies as they grow bigger

Westcoastseeds.com has a whole variety of companion plants that can enhance brassicas (and many other garden vegetables). They say all brassicas benefit from chamomile, dill, mint, rosemary, and sage and a neutral soil pH of 6.5-7.0. Onions, marigolds, and garlic are also good companions for brassicas. The white cabbage butterflies are certainly out and about now in BC. So it's worth a try.

(Please see photographs on Page 15)

Portugal and the Pandemic

Submitted by Jo Ledingham

My much-anticipated March 2020 trip to Portugal hit a snag as Covid 19 started showing up in Northern Italy and then proceeded to spread west into Spain. Andrea, my daughter, had left mid-February and was hiking the Rota Vicentina, the spectacular route down the Portuguese coast. The plan was for us to meet in Lisbon in the first week of March and travel Portugal from south to north over four weeks.

By the time I left Belcarra, there were only three cases of the virus in Portugal: one in Lisbon and two in Porto. It didn't seem dire and we were committed to being careful. In what I believed was an overabundance of caution, I packed facemasks, anti-bacterial hand cleaner, surgical gloves, and sterilized wipes.

We met, as planned, in Lisbon, rented a car and headed south from Lisbon to Salema, a tiny fishing village at the western edge of the Algarve. Things were very relaxed there with little talk of the virus; facemasks were nowhere to be seen and no one was distancing. We did, however, wash our hands regularly.

However, as we drove north it was increasingly obvious that the virus had become an issue. Schools, universities, galleries and museums were closing in rapid succession. Shops were shuttered and eventually restaurants began closing down. Finding a meal was beginning to be a problem. Shopping for food in the public markets was risky. When our Airbnb in Porto contacted us, offering us a full refund if we would stay away, we realized how bad things really were. We headed back to Lisbon and the scramble for a flight home began.

We cancelled our return flight, scoured the internet for an earlier flight, finally found one but were turned away at the airport when it was discovered we were travelling on Canadian passports. The flight was routed through New York and the US had closed its doors. Another scramble. Finally, we flew Lisbon-Brussels-Montreal-Vancouver over two days. By this time we were wearing facemasks, washing our hands obsessively, staying away from crowds, and eventually wiping down our seats, trays, arm rests and everything we touched on the plane. We arrived home on March 21 and spent the next two weeks quarantined. Thank goodness for friends and family who shopped for groceries for us during our self-isolation.

All that aside, Andrea had a great hike and, together, we had a wonderful two weeks. We ate fresh seafood, drank cheap Portuguese wine, listened to heart-wrenching fado in a little hole-in-the-wall in Alfama, laughed ourselves silly trying to pronounce street names, learned all about cork trees, paid a small fortune for fresh asparagus (and then couldn't make the stove in our Airbnb work) and drove our rental car down cobbled streets no wider than sidewalks. We ambled through quaint little villages draped in wisteria and drank ginjinha (sour cherry liqueur) out of tiny dark chocolate cups.

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At the end we had two options: go back down to Salema and wait the virus out or make a mad dash home. Had we taken the first option, we'd probably still be there – eating, drinking, buying fish fresh off the little fishboats, beachcombing, writing postcards and, with a glass of wine in hand, watch the sun go down over the Atlantic. But we are glad to be safely back in Belcarra where, with a glass of wine in hand, we can watch the sun go down over beautiful Indian Arm.





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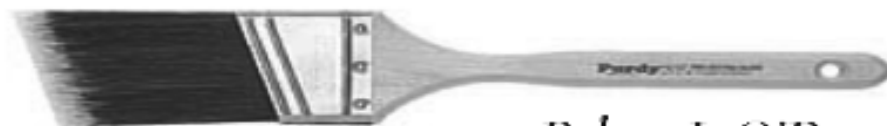
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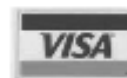
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Stories From The Archives —

Port Moody Picnic

Researched By: Ralph Drew, Belcarra, BC,
June 2020.

Source: The Port Moody Gazette, Saturday, August
23rd, 1884.

"Twelve boat loads of 'Port Moodians' spent the day at a shady nook in the narrows below Bonson's on Tuesday last [August 19th, 1884]. ['Bonson's Hotel' was located on the east side of North Road at Burrard Inlet.] It was the largest and most successful picnic ever held in this city [Port Moody], and everyone present contributed their quota toward the day's enjoyment. The ride home in the cool of the evening was very pleasant, and the flotilla of twelve boats loaded with excursionists gave the bay a very animated appearance. The ample provision of good things to eat and drink provided by the ladies, left nothing to be desired, and the occasional tune from Sam Cormier's violin gave variety to the entertainment. The days proceedings closed with a social dance at Capt. Clarke's residence, which was kept-up until "the wee sma' hours ayont the twal", and was enjoyed by a large number of both sexes. Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. J. S. Fraser and Mrs. Norman Fraser are entitled to the honour of getting-up the picnic, and its primary object was to furnish a good time to all and to promote that good fellowship and sociability for which the Port Moody people are already noted."



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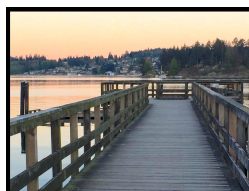


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A beautiful little Western Tanager that has been visiting us the last few weeks. Alas, he has a spot of suet on his beak.
Submitted by Adrienne Peacock



Submitted by Deborah Struk



Cabbage Butterfly, (from Page 9)
Submitted by Adrienne Peacock.

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QUIPS & QUOTES

Submitted by Barbara Shelly

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Joyce Carol Oates

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‘Just a Taste’:

Recipes from Belcarra Pantries

Submitted by Carol Drew

Like many of you, I am spending 99% of my time at
home.

My biggest adventure these days is going grocery
shopping.

Preceding my shopping excursion, I spend time
looking through a treasure trove of favourite recipes.

I will be posting scanned copies of these recipes with
smudges , drips, and notes — as you will
see, some of the recipes look like they came from
the “Dead Sea Scrolls”.

‘Just a Taste’ will be a regular Barnacle Column, so I
ask all of you If you have favourite recipes you
would like to share please scan and send them to me
at cedrew@shaw.ca

GARDEN CLUB

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CRAB CORNER

Submitted by Dave Warren

This year 2020 has been very challenging for most folks including CRAB directors and other volunteers. CRAB has been unable to host or sponsor usual events as the tradition Easter Pancake Breakfast, Children's Easter Candy Egg Hunt at park and a ST Patrick's adult celebration, or assist at Belcarra Days, due to the current medical crisis. It is hoped by early fall the annual Picnic in the Park and the AGM can be offered if some modifications are considered to maintain social distancing. Possibly these events will be combined at the park or another venue as a resident's large driveway. Unfortunately the concern about a second wave or relapse of the corona virus in the later fall could prevent any physical social events.

At Easter CRAB conducted a children's driveway and paper colouring contest that was forwarded to judges and spectators via the internet. Now the directors are scratching their heads to design a virtual experience event. We could benefit from the assistance of youth or anyone who is more skilled than us to help set up and execute a virtual opportunity for villagers especially teens to enjoy. Prizes are dependent upon revenue from amount of recyclable beverage containers collected at WARD and the number of CRAB membership renewals.

CRAB is always seeking new directors and other volunteers to develop programs and events for our Belcarra community. Now might be the time for you to put your name forward to have a say about the future of family and adult socials and children's events. CRAB would appreciate any assistance designing and delivering programs for the unprecedented new normal.

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!



Jo Lexington and Andrea at the Praça do Comércio, Lisbon, Portugal
(see page 10)

Crows

Submitted by Diana Drake



As is the case for almost everyone, the restrictions of the last few months have altered many of our normal routines. In particular, our morning coffee 'out', has morphed into a coffee brewed at home and a trip to Town Centre Park (surprisingly empty) where we can sip, talk and walk the dachshund.

Over the weeks, this change has led to 'social distancing' with an amazing avian pair, Laurel and Hardy Corvid. They are an extremely bright and interesting couple who have quickly become our new 'best friends.'

Harvey is almost always there to greet us on arrival now and never fails to recognize the car (and us) whenever we play the "find the Volt" parking game. Somewhat scruffy in his grooming, and sporting a few extra ounces - due in no small part to the muffins and cheese he panhandles from us - he is nevertheless very handsome.

In the summer sunshine his feathers have an iridescent purple-black sheen. His eyes are bright, intelligent and assessing.

Altogether he is a responsible and thoughtful bird. Whenever any of his many demanding, and in his opinion, shiftless relations show up he furiously chases them away. But whenever Ms. Corvid appears he always defers to her, letting her secure a sizeable portion of the rain of cheese for herself. Laurel is svelte, more cautious than Hardy but equally bright. Between them they never fail to impress.

Not only does Hardy know the approximate time of our arrival, he knows the shape and colour of the car. He always waits politely until the window is lowered and then says hello. With his head slightly to one side, and one bright eye appraising all possibilities, he makes a low rrrrr rrrrr sound, with a slight upward note at the end like a question. He carefully eats one or two (or three) bits of food, then filling his beak to capacity, flies away to set up several caches. These are in the grass around the trunks of nearby trees. Once placed, he covers his treasure with sticks, bits of bark and tufts of greenery. Then back he comes, ever hopeful of more.

Harvey is a crow and along with the stellar jays and ravens we see everywhere in Belcarra, he is a Corvid of the family Corvidae. These are remarkable birds and give the lie to the derogatory descriptor, "bird-brain." Behind that raucous 'caw, caw, caw', the discordant note that so often rakes through the melodies of the 'dawn chorus', is an inventive, imaginative mind.

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A crow's brain is structured differently to a human's, but it is capable of many, once thought uniquely human, abilities. Hardy and Laurel have the capacity to form memories and through the process we call dreaming, to fine tune those memories "for future purposes". Such purposes include solving complex problems and imitating (not rote mimicking)human language. Simply put, Hardy and Laurel are capable of conscious thought. (For evidence of this google Betty, the tool wielding, wire bending New Caledonian crow). They exercise reasoned action and, in this way, think like we do. No wonder we find their antics both irritating and engaging!

And, before we somewhat grudgingly accept Harvey and Laurel, the 'common crow', into our rarified brainiacs club, we should also know that their brains do easily what ours only manage to do at a rudimentary level: they create new neurons even as aging adults.

This means that, in their case, the saying: "You can't teach an old dog, new tricks", most definitely does not apply!

Laurel and Hardy discussing strategy.

If wanting to know more, an excellent read is:

"Gifts of the Crow - How Perception, Emotion, And Thought Allow Smart Birds to Behave Like Humans" by J. Marzluff PhD and Tony Angel

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Belcarra Blessings

Deborah Struk

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

Wonderful, beloved Belcarra and each of you, I sincerely hope all are doing well and haven't gone too stir crazy while #Stayinplace and now the world is reopening. At heart, I am an introvert. I love connecting with people but need my 'me time'. This much me time has been a bit much so I can not imagine how it's been for those of you who thrive being with others. This has been hard for many. Bravo, to each of you for trying your best, so as to help #flattenthecurve. Thank you to all of those who have reached out to help around.

With regards to people and connections CRAB would love some friendly, enthusiastic residents to help kickstart our Board as we plan events in the future, or even 'safe' community ideas now.

Please let our president, Dave Warren or any other board member know or hop onto Facebook Belcarra Together. Does anyone have any awesome virtual or otherwise safe means of connecting villagers during these unprecedented times? Feel free to share your ideas.

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/876337389482080/>

There has been much good come out of the orders. Many families have reconnected.

Closets have been cleaned. Cool projects have been started and finished! (Loved the seahorse garden Diana).




Send in your photos. Also, please share your stories with The Barnacle.


The best to you all. Health and safety.

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Lost and Found?

On August 14, 2020 we were out for a drive when I saw an absolutely beautiful hedge of hydrangeas, absolutely beautiful and I wanted a picture (Nobody would know where I took the picture because I was up close to the flowers to get the center design of it.) of them.

Getting out of the car I failed to remember that in the rush of leaving the house I grabbed my pair of earrings and put them in my lap once in the car.

When I went to take the picture they fell to the ground once out of the car. My husband moved the car, so, I didn't see them on the ground.

Once home I noticed that I wasn't wearing the earrings but by that time it was dark out. When my son came home from work we all went there with flashlights but we didn't see them. I cried on the way home because the smaller pair were an anniversary gift from my husband.

The next day (Friday) as soon as I woke we were down there looking. In the first 20 or minutes I found one of the little pair. It was in the middle of the road. I was hopeful that I'd find its mate but I didn't.

The next day I went again and after going over the area for over 3 hours I found the second little one. I think the world heard me scream, I found it!!!

On Sunday I took a small rake and looked in the raspberry bushes because on the day that I lost them there was a lot of crows and there was a tiny black squirrel right where the earrings would've dropped.

It was really hot the day that I lost them and I figured that if the crows came down grabbed him and then tried to eat them thinking that it was food or something that the gold would've burnt them because it was so hot laying in the sun and then they would've dropped the earring or earrings.

I did an experiment and threw on the ground were the rocks were, an earring that I had that was the same size as the gold hoops, to see if I'd be able to see it and I could.

The only thing I can think of is if someone found them and that's why I couldn't find them.

I'd really appreciate, if somehow you can put my earrings in the lost and found section of your paper if you have one or even just a note in the classified section.

Thank you and have a great September!

Pam Schultz

crazy-bout-pink@hotmail.com



Kid'z Space

The Earth Smiles in Flowers

by Nora Boekhout



Despite the rather "soggy doggy" weather we have been experiencing this Spring... and now Summer... there have also been opportunities (short) to work away at our (rather wet) gardens! On the other hand, I also had the chance to update my website and finally include a section for "Gardening with children"!

Gardening with children can be a most enjoyable and educational activity. It can sometimes end up as a "garden disaster", so it's wise to plan ahead! There are some excellent websites to help "first-timer" parents get started and experienced gardeners find some new tips and tricks. Here is the link to my webpage on this subject:

http://www.teacherwebshelf.com/naturesclassroom/gardening_with_children/gardening_with_children.html

One particularly good weblink is to kidsgardening.org.

There are SO MANY free, and fully explained, activities and lessons on this website! There are gardening basics, scientific information, bird and insect links, social studies themes, grade level lesson plans, arts 'n crafts, and more!

Keisha in between the raindrops on Canada Day 2010!

Here's a special one that will definitely interest you if you have this problem... engaging reluctant gardeners!

<https://kidsgardening.org/garden-how-to-engaging-reluctant-gardeners/>

I hope that you get the chance to check out some of the other links that I have collected by visiting my webpage.

Happy Gardening!

PS. You might be interested in reading some of my past "Garden Blogs", which note the various speakers at my two garden clubs. (Look for the "Blog" heading.)

<https://pocogardenclub.wordpress.com/>

<http://www.bcfuchsiasociety.com/>



Nora B. -Blog Editor

"The Earth smiles in flowers"
Ralph Waldo Emerson



HOMEMADE MOSQUITO TRAP:

Submitted by Carol Drew.

Items needed:

1 cup of water
1/4 cup of brown sugar
1 gram of yeast
12-litre bottle

HOW:

1. Cut the plastic bottle in half.
2. Mix brown sugar with hot water. Let cool. When cold, pour in the bottom half of the bottle.
3. Add the yeast. No need to mix. It creates carbon dioxide, which attracts mosquitoes.
4. Place the funnel part, upside down, into the other half of the bottle, taping them together if desired.
5. Wrap the bottle with something black, leaving the top uncovered, and place it outside in an area away from your normal gathering area. (Mosquitoes are also drawn to the colour black.)

Change the solution every 2 weeks for continuous control.

Deborah Struk has kindly provided the Belcarra Barnacle with a 4 page PDF all about bats,

Send us an email and we'll forward a copy to you.

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After reading the Belcarra Barnacle's June 2020 newspaper I felt compelled to email my thoughts.

While reading Ralph Drew's letter to the editor regarding Belcarra's Grant Application For An Additional Water Tank he states "Belcarra's application for \$3 million dollars is a very large "ask" by a very small municipality whose mayor has a very poor relationship with the B.C. Provincial government!"

First of all, I did not think it was necessary for Mr. Drew to say " whose mayor has a very poor relationship with the B.C. Provincial government!". It is very negative and accomplishes nothing.

Secondly, while Lions Bay's "ask" regarding the water storage facilities is considerably less than Belcarra's "ask" I feel there is nothing wrong with aiming big as you can always negotiate. Sometimes when you ask you get what you want. Lions Bay is the same community that "asked" to be removed from the Speculation Tax and the answer was yes. Unfortunately, Belcarra "did not ask" before Mayor Belenkie was voted in so he had a very hard uphill battle to try and get Belcarra removed from the same tax.

Any emails I have sent to Mayor Belenkie have been answered quickly regardless of time of day. I find him to be very hard working, extremely diligent, pleasant, positive and respectful of others.

While some people are mostly out to benefit themselves he has shown that he is committed to helping make all of the Belcarra community a better place to live in.

I also note Sherry Chisholm's letter to the editor in the same Belcarra Barnacle newspaper where she points out that her husband and her have NOT spread false rumours or misleading information. Spreading false rumours or misleading information only makes for a toxic environment. I'm sure none of us want that so let's make sure our facts are correct and we work towards making Belcarra a great community that we can all enjoy.

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Please email

shannonrosser3@gmail.com or

phone 604-842-6046 if you can think of anything.

Thanks for your help.

Shannon & Victor



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My printer has given up the ghost and I have all colour cartridges some part used and a full slate and more unused. The printer was a Brother MFC 465CN and the ink cartridges are MIB-LC51C, M, Y AND BK

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JUST A TASTE FROM THE PANTRY OF JUDY EVANS

Submitted by Carol Drew

HOT CRAB DIP - the crab flavour really comes through!

1 c cream cheese

½ c mayonnaise

½ c grated cheddar cheese

¼ c chopped green onion and/or red onion

1½ tsp finely chopped garlic

½ - ¾ c of shelled crab

Chopped red pepper (for colour) - optional

1 tbsp lemon or lime juice

Dash of Tabasco sauce

Dash of Worcester sauce

Mix all ingredients together, place in an oven proof casserole dish.

Bake in 350F - preheated oven for 20 minutes or until dip bubbles through

Serve with baguette(s), or bite size cubes of sour dough bread..



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| Tue 01 | | 12:30 AM 2.89 m | 5:51 AM 4.07 m | 12:47 PM 1.01 m | 7:31 PM 4.53 m | Full Moon | 6:28 AM | 7:53 PM |
| Wed 02 | | 1:11 AM 2.71 m | 6:37 AM 4.11 m | 1:24 PM 1.14 m | 8:02 PM 4.49 m | | 6:29 AM | 7:50 PM |
| Thu 03 | | 1:50 AM 2.52 m | 7:20 AM 4.10 m | 1:57 PM 1.34 m | 8:28 PM 4.45 m | | 6:31 AM | 7:48 PM |
| Fri 04 | | 2:29 AM 2.32 m | 8:03 AM 4.04 m | 2:26 PM 1.61 m | 8:50 PM 4.41 m | | 6:32 AM | 7:46 PM |
| Sat 05 | | 3:06 AM 2.11 m | 8:46 AM 3.95 m | 2:54 PM 1.92 m | 9:08 PM 4.35 m | | 6:34 AM | 7:44 PM |
| Sun 06 | | 3:43 AM 1.93 m | 9:32 AM 3.87 m | 3:22 PM 2.25 m | 9:24 PM 4.28 m | | 6:35 AM | 7:42 PM |
| Mon 07 | | 4:19 AM 1.79 m | 10:23 AM 3.81 m | 3:54 PM 2.58 m | 9:42 PM 4.18 m | | 6:37 AM | 7:40 PM |
| Tue 08 | | 4:56 AM 1.69 m | 11:22 AM 3.77 m | 4:34 PM 2.89 m | 10:01 PM 4.07 m | | 6:38 AM | 7:38 PM |
| Wed 09 | | 5:37 AM 1.63 m | 12:40 PM 3.79 m | 5:27 PM 3.17 m | 10:26 PM 3.94 m | | 6:40 AM | 7:35 PM |
| Thu 10 | | 6:25 AM 1.58 m | 2:15 PM 3.88 m | 6:40 PM 3.36 m | 11:04 PM 3.83 m | Last Quarter | 6:41 AM | 7:33 PM |
| Fri 11 | | 7:26 AM 1.53 m | 3:30 PM 4.03 m | 8:10 PM 3.41 m | | | 6:42 AM | 7:31 PM |
| Sat 12 | 12:07 AM 3.76 m | 8:36 AM 1.41 m | 4:26 PM 4.17 m | 9:27 PM 3.34 m | | | 6:44 AM | 7:29 PM |
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