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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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Michelle Montico, Editor
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IMPORTANT DATES
NOVEMBER 2021

Nov 1	BC Hydro Planned Power Outages
Nov 4th	New Moon
Nov 4th	Diwali
Nov 5th	Guy Fawkes Night!
Nov 7th	Daylight Savings Ends
Nov 8th	Council Meeting
Nov 11th	Remembrance Day
Nov 12th	OCP Applications Due
Nov 19th	Full Moon
Nov 22nd	Council Meeting
Nov 28th	Hanukkah begins
Dec 6th	Hanukkah ends



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DATES FOR 2021

Council meetings are currently available on
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information.

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Our front cover features a photograph
submitted by Deborah Struk.

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

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Port Moody Power and Sail Squadron

Please join our virtual Remembrance Day ceremony on November 11, at 10:15 AM PST.

The ceremony will begin promptly at 10:30 AM. 🌸



VILLAGE OF BELCARRA ARCHIVES

Submitted by Ralph Drew

“These are the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council for the Village of Belcarra, held on Monday, June 22, 1992, at the municipal hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, B.C.”

“The Clerk noted that the first annual Belcarra Day was a success. The original budget of 11,000.00 was exceeded by 182.92. The Belcarra Community Association has undertaken to pay the over-budget amount.

It is also noted that Mr. Jason Strain, of Belcarra, wrote and performed a song dedicated to the day. A copy of this Belcarra song will appear in this month's Barnacle.

The Council thanked the Clerk for all the work in preparation of this event, and due to its success, it was AGREED that Belcarra Day become an annual event, on the third Sunday of June, each year.”

TUM - TA - MAHY - TUN

(THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN SHINES)

STANDING ON THE SHORE I SEE
THE FADING WAKE OF HISTORY
THE SILVER SKY UPON THE BAY
IS URGING ME TO ALWAYS STAY

IN THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN
SHINES
TUM-TA-MAHY-TUN
TUM-TA-MAHY-TUN

THERE IS A STORY THAT IS SELDOM TOLD
OF AN INDIAN VILLAGE IN A TIME OF OLD
A LEGEND OF LIFE IN A LONG AGO ERA
OF A TRIBAL PEOPLE IN A LAND THEY
CALLED BELCARRA

A TERRIBLE PLAGUE DESTROYED EVERYONE
BUT IT SPARED JUST ONE WOMAN AND HER
INFANT SON
IN A SQUOQUITH SHE WRAPPED THE CHILD
SHE CHERISHED
SHE KNEW SHE TOO WAS SOON TO PERISH
IN THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN
SHINES

AND THE SPIRIT OF PEACE CALLED HER ON
INTO THE LAND OF BEYOND

AS THE TINY BOY SLEPT ON THE GROUND
THERE CAME FROM THE FOREST A RUSTLING
SOUND
WOLVES FROM THE MOUNTAIN HAD COME
DOWN TO FEED
A SHE WOLF DISCOVERED A CHILD IN NEED
SHE CARRIED THE BOY BACK TO HER HOME
AND SHE RAISED HIM LIKE HE WAS ONE OF
HER OWN
IN THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN
SHINES

THE BOY WAS RAISED UP LIKE THE
INCOMING TIDE
HE LEARNED HOW TO HUNT WITH THE
WOLVES AT HIS SIDE
HE LEARNED HOW TO MAKE AN ARROW AND
BOW
FROM THE REMAINS OF THE VILLAGE THAT
HE'D NEVER KNOW

WITHOUT TOUCHING THE DEER HE COULD
CAUSE THEM TO FALL
THE BOY WAS THE PACK'S GREATEST
HUNTER OF ALL

AS THE YEARS PASSED HE BECAME LONELY
FOR HIS OWN KIND
THE WOLF UNDERSTOOD HE MUST LEAVE HER
BEHIND
AND THE SPIRIT OF LOVE CALLED HIM ON
AND WITH ONE LAST LOOK HE WAS GONE

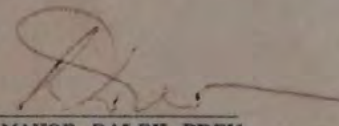
HE TRAVELLED FAR INLAND
THERE HE FOUND A TRIBE
HE FELL IN LOVE WITH A GIRL
AND RETURNED WITH A BRIDE
TO THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN
SHINES

STANDING ON THE SHORE THEY'D SEE
THEIR PEOPLE'S FADING HISTORY
THE SILVER SKY UPON THE BAY
WAS URGING THEM TO ALWAYS STAY
IN THE FAIR LAND ON WHICH THE SUN
SHINES

AND THE SPIRIT OF LOVE CALLED THEM ON
INTO THE LAND OF BEYOND

WORDS AND MUSIC BY:
JASON STRAIN

DEDICATED TO THE VILLAGE OF BELCARRA
THIS 14TH DAY OF JUNE 1992


MAYOR RALPH DREW

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Belcarra Blockwatch

Submitted by Diana Drake
and Carol Drew

The increasing slowdowns and bottlenecks in supply chains around the world are leading many consumers to begin their Christmas gift shopping early this year - whether at retail stores or, as is now happening more frequently, online.

(Interesting fact: Covid 19 has dramatically changed how Canadians shop. Online purchases more than doubled in the first year of the pandemic. We are now doing at least 10% of all our shopping via e-commerce. A notable increase.)

So, as a sooner than usual holiday shopping season approaches, the RCMP are once again cautioning people about online theft. Common sense, along with the following guidelines and tips, will help protect new (and practised) e-commerce consumers:

- never use a credit card to buy anything online that doesn't have secure sockets layer (SSL). The site will start with HTTPS not just HTTP. An icon of a lock will appear just to the left of the URL.
- do not share personal data (ie. birthday date, Social Security #). These, plus your credit card number, can be used by scammers to steal your identity.
- create strong passwords and change them often.

- check your credit card statements regularly especially during the holiday season.
- only use a credit card for purchases NOT your debit card.
- use trusted, well known sites (Amazon). Every major retail outlet has an online store. Watch for misspellings and sites using a different top-level domain (eg .net instead of .com).
- if you are shopping using a public hot spot (not advisable), use only known networks (ie: Starbucks)
- if entering your credit card number and 3 digit security number on screen in a public space, watch for over the shoulder snoopers.
- when it comes to the purchase of a gift card stick to the source. Do not use gift card "exchanges" or "auction sites". Better yet. go to the retail outlet and get an actual physical card.
- if you're wary of a site, perform due diligence. The Better Business Bureau has an online directory and scam tracker. Yelp and Google are full of retail reviews. If in doubt check, check, check.
- if you have nothing else, make sure you have a concrete address and telephone number for the seller. And for easier follow up, shop domestically (not internationally) as much as possible.
- And lastly, always remember the old adage: if it 'looks too good to be true', it probably is.

The Story of the Poppy

The poppy flower only grows in the absence of other flowers and only in ground that has been churned. In perhaps the best known poem of World War I, when Dr. John McCrae observed poppies growing between the crosses on the soldiers' graves, it inspired him to write the poem *In Flanders Fields*. The poppy has since become known as "The Flower of Remembrance" and is worn in memory of our veterans.

"They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in
the morning.

We will remember them."

(recited as part of the ritual for Remembrance Day)

Laurence Binyon (1869 – 1943)

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Stories From The Archives

Barnet Mill Destroyed By Fire


Researched By: Ralph Drew, Belcarra, BC, August 2021.

Source: Vancouver Province,
Thursday, May 6th, 1909, page 1.

Large Damage by Blaze Which Early Today [Thursday, May 6th, 1909] Wiped-Out Big Plant of 'North Pacific Lumber Company'.

One of the most spectacular fires of a year occurred late last night and early this morning when the main mill of 'North Pacific Lumber Company' at 'Barnet' was destroyed. The property is one of the largest in the vicinity of Vancouver. It is situated eight miles [12.8 km] up the inlet from the eastern boundary of Vancouver.

It was at 11:30 pm that the blaze was first noticed by the watchman. How it started, no one appears to know, but by the time any water was being thrown on the fire nearly the whole portion of the structure was so well afire that there was no chance of saving it. Requests for help were sent to Vancouver and a couple of fire engines were sent-out on a flatcar. These rendered some assistance in keeping the fire confined to the main mill, and a large number of workmen were kept busy in making a successful fight to save the dry kilns and piles of lumber. A great deal of dry lumber, however, was stored under the main mill, but this was, of course, burned. Four boxcars owned by the 'Canadian Pacific Railway' were consumed.



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The total damage was officially estimated to be in the vicinity of \$350,000 [about \$10,000,000 today]. The property was owned by MacLaren interests of Ottawa. Mr. H. DePencier of Mount Pleasant had been manager for a number of years. The mill had the largest planing machinery in the world. The plant will probably be immediately rebuilt, though a decision regarding this matter lies with the eastern directorate.



'North Pacific Lumber Company' burning at Barnet,
May 6th, 1909.



Submitted by Megan Shelly

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VILLAGE NEWS



VILLAGE OF BELCARRA RESIDENT PROPERTY ADDRESS DISPLAY



The Village of Belcarra has been asked to communicate with residents the importance of having a clearly displayed property address at street level.

A visible property address is very important for emergency responders to locate addresses in a timely manner when responding to emergency calls.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Lorna Dysart
Chief Administrative Officer

Quips & Quotes

Submitted by Barbara Shelly

"A Pyrrhic victory is one where you win, but the cost of winning is so high that it would've been better if you'd never bothered with the war in the first place."

Black Swan Green by David Mitchell, p. 115



BELCARRA GARDEN CLUB

Submitted by Les Bramley

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Belcarra Blessings

Deborah Struk

Hello November!

Haven't the fall colours been spectacular? Could it be to help brighten our spirits before all the winter drab hits? Such a contrast to years previous when summer would come and go; this year was almost a never ending summer, and suddenly Fall is upon us. The weather may be wintry when this issue comes out. Time simply goes way too fast.

It truly was a great summer with opportunities to get outside. I think we are all so VERY thankful there were no fires. Whew! Another shout out to our always faithful, ever ready SVFD! Thank you to all the men and women who selflessly give of their time and talent. We honour you!

Over the years there has been talk about the lack of housing for our Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department volunteers. It continues to be an issue of concern. Here is hoping our new OCP gets some creative ideas for helping with this issue so all of our dedicated volunteers are able to stay in Belcarra.

Looking ahead to winter; perhaps more dreaded lockdowns and most certainly inclement weather. Please everyone stay safe and healthy. Reach out to neighbours. Check out Belcarra Together on Facebook, there are neighbours willing to reach out and help. It is a blessing to live in a Village where kindness plays a part. I am ever thankful for friendly and creative neighbours who work hard to facilitate moving forward.

Most of my generation and those younger, have not had to endure war, famine or other severe trials in Canada. A favourite verse of mine is "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor be afraid." From John 14:27.

Be blessed and let's always be Belcarra Together, between the forest and the sea.



Kid's Space

WHAT HAPPENED?



Submitted by Megan Shelly



Cheeky Monkee
Submitted by Deborah Struk



This notice is for those who travel in open waters (hopefully it does not come up Burrard Inlet). This beluga has been separated from its pod and they do not know why it is appearing where it has. If, anyone spots it please immediately contact as per info below.

orcانetwork.org is the website.

Submitted by Deborah Struk

Beluga - For a chronology of the beluga's visit to Puget Sound, along with educational links and supporting material, see our Orca Network Website.

****IF YOU SEE THE BELUGA, PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPORT SIGHTINGS!** Reports as close to real-time as possible will assist NOAA Fisheries West Coast Marine Mammal Stranding Network and other researchers and experts track the movements of this whale and continue their efforts to collect photos, sound recordings, etc., that will possibly help in identifying to which population this beluga belongs and possibly find a match to a known whale.

Report sightings to Orca Network's Whale Sighting Network at (360) 331-3543 or toll-free at (866) ORCANET (672-2638); Email info@orcانetwork.org and cc' alisa@orcانetwork.org; and/or call NOAA West Coast Region Stranding Hotline: 1-866-767-6114. PLEASE INCLUDE: date & time - location of beluga - direction of travel, and any photos and/or videos (taken ethically and while observing minimum legal approach distance). Please Be Whale Wise & give this whale space! If you are on the water and encounter the beluga, you must, by law, maintain at least 100 yards distance when operating any type of vessel/ watercraft.

HOW YOU CAN HELP SOUTHERN RESIDENT ORCAS AND SALMON

- **Report whale sightings to 866-ORCANET or info@orcانetwork.org.** Reports are shared with researchers and agencies, providing valuable data.
- **Drive less - ride your bike, carpool, or take public transit.** A recent study shows that chemicals in tires are lethal to salmon.
- **Clean a beach, river, or stream.**
- **Limit your use of chemicals and plastics.**
- **Purchase Salmon Safe products.** salmonsafe.org
- **Protect shoreline habitat for forage fish.** shorelinefriendly.org
- **Support salmon and orca conservation organizations.**
- **Donate to Orca Network's education and advocacy efforts**
- **Spread the word!**





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Submitted by Sandra Reitchel

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- 1 ½ c very ripe bananas (hand mash with fork or potato masher for right consistency)
- 1 ¾ c all-purpose flour
- ¼ tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- ¼ tsp. baking powder
- ¼ tsp. cinnamon
- ½ c chocolate chips or walnuts

Preheat oven to 350 F. Spray coat a 9 x 5 inch pan with a non-stick spray.

In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugars. Stir in the eggs, vanilla, buttermilk, and bananas, blending well. Fold in the flour, salt, baking soda, baking powder, cinnamon and chocolate chips.

Spoon mixture into the loaf pan.

Bake 55 to 60 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the centre comes out clean.

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DOWN BY THE BAY

Submitted by Clive Evans

What have you seen in your garden lately?

Apart from the cedar scales all over the place there is not a lot of colour to be seen. The conical Hydrangea is still a picture of pink / red blooms and the Sedum Autumn Joy also have a nice pink blush to them. One standard Rose bud is also defying the weather. The last of the Kiwi vine leaves are falling in pink and gold and we now look forward to the changing colours of the Virginia creeper.

Read an article in the newspaper that it is good to let the fallen leaves stay on your garden as this provides food for insects and birds. That is one job off my list.

I am always amazed at the foliage of the Lenten Roses (Hellebores) that appear to stay green the whole year and still produce plenty of flowers as early as February.

Another long lasting producer are my raspberries still showing new fruit today.

With this streak of wet weather I have held off golfing and should be pruning and putting the Geraniums back in the sun room. Well maybe when the rain stops although I have always been frugal with watering when the plants are indoors in the belief that they do not like too much moisture but they seem to like the current rain river.

We have been sprinkling bird seed on our deck handrail and enjoy watching our feathered friends to-ing and fro-ing. Steller's Jays are currently the dominant number but they can't keep the Blackcap Chickadees, Dark Eye Juncos and House Finches from having their fill. Sure the Crows muscle in now and again causing the Spotted Towhees and Song Sparrows to run for cover. Recently we had the chance to spot a Short Eared Owl and a Marsh Hawk come by and an absent friend, a Bald Eagle, was seen at its favourite perch down by the bay this morning.



After a three-and-a-half year struggle, Metro Vancouver Regional District Parks has successfully terminated the lease on all the Belcarra South cottages. For me, it has been a 57-year relationship with Belcarra and my cottage beginning in 1964 when my family began leasing from the private owner prior to Metro's expropriation in 1971. I have lived on my own in Mayo Point Lodge – named by the builder Judge Bole early in the 20th century – year 'round since 1978. It's heartbreaking to consider leaving the cottage and the Village.

I am looking for a house – or an above-ground suite with lots of light – so I can remain in the Village. Please let me know if you have a place or know of one coming up. My deadline for moving out is March 1, 2022.

Jo Ledingham

joledingham@telus.net

Holiday Shopping at the Studio

Well! Here we are in limbo ... to shop or not to shop...

Barbara Shelly's studio is full of hand knit scarves of all descriptions at splendid prices, as well as one-off jewelry pieces.

No gala opening is on the books, but folks who'd like to see what's new are welcome to drop in, with just a phone call to make sure I'm home, and a mask.

There's always time to chat over a glass of wine, and reminisce.

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