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### Words from the Editor:

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!

Thanks to the residents who contribute, to the residents who proofread & to all residents who read the Barnacle!

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DECEMBER 2021

Dec 3rd	New Moon
Dec 6th	Regular Council Meeting
Dec 6th	Hannukah ends
Dec 8th	Bodhi Day
Dec 11th	Carol Ships Belcarra Bay with Santa Visit
Dec 11th	Carol Ships Bedwell Bay and Farrer Cove
Dec 18th	Full Moon
Dec 21st	Winter Solstice
Dec 24th	Christmas Eve
Dec 25th	Christmas Day
Dec 26th	Boxing Day
Dec 31st	New Year's Eve



## 2022

Jan 1st	New Year's Day
Jan 2nd	Super New Moon
Jan 10th	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 17th	Full Moon
Jan 24th	Regular Council Meeting
Jan 31st	Black Moon (2nd Full Moon in a month)

## DATES FOR 2021

Council meetings are currently available on  
Zoom.

Please check Village website for more  
information.

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## COVER ART

Our front cover features a photograph  
submitted by Nora Boekhout.  
(Please see pages 16/17.)

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## Mayor's Update and Season's Greetings

Almost at the end of this year and there is much to be optimistic about.

Despite the long dry summer, we were never threatened by either fire or dry taps. Then as summer became fall, the skies opened and within a very short time rain filled all the reservoirs. Despite imperfect drainage, Belcarra roadways and paths remained usable. Many communities in our province were less fortunate. We offer condolences to those families who lost loved ones. I joined with Metro Vancouver mayors to send a letter to communities affected by the unprecedented flooding and slides, offering the support of Metro Vancouver in their recovery work.

I stand in support of our First Nations' communities who are mourning their losses and looking to move from thoughts and words, to actions and progress. And as the year ends, there are positive signs that many people have embraced reconciliation and are moving forward. There is so much more to do.

Covid-19 has changed all of us. Many have died. A Public Health Office with broad government support and concurrent vaccination has demonstrated that relief is ever closer.

And there were elections. National, provincial, and local municipal voting brought people together to exercise the right to discuss and adjust. In January, you chose me to join your Council as mayor. I remain thankful for this opportunity. I have heard many of your voices.

Some Council highlights from this year:

1. Tree Bylaw completion,
2. Water Committee recommendations and wrap-up,
3. Advancement on Strategic Planning including asset management and financial sustainability,
4. 2022-2026 Draft Financial Plan public consultation,
5. Official Community Plan process begun,
6. Multiple User Pathway planning,
7. Broad positive re-engagement with Translink and Metro Vancouver, and
8. Procedural planning to transition back to in-person/hybrid Council meetings.

I move into 2022 with much enthusiasm for continuing the work of Council and our Village.

I wish you a Happy Christmas season and a Joyful New Year.

Happy to chat.

Jamie Ross







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

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## Belcarra Blockwatch

Submitted by Diana Drake

and Carol Drew

### 'Tis the Season to Be Careful

The Christmas holiday is an amazing time of the year, full of good times and precious family moments. But it can also be a very stressful few weeks.


Busy people caught up in the hectic, pressured scheduling of the festive season are often more careless and; therefore, more vulnerable to crime. Here are some tips from the RCMP to ensure a safer celebration:

- when shopping on line, never provide personal information (birth date, social insurance number etc.) Shop only trusted sites. Those recognized, for example, as reliable by the Better Business Bureau.
- when shopping in person, keep an eye on your credit card (i.e., watch for double swiping), park in busy, well-lit areas and do not leave valuables visible in your car.
- when celebrating do not drink and drive. Always have a designated driver and always call police if you are unable to stop a person driving under the influence.
- when setting up your tree be sure that presents are not placed around it if it can be seen from outside. Keep a live tree frequently watered and keep all trees well away from sources of heat. Tree lights should be off when no one is home.


- when decorating, consider all lit candles a fire hazard and do not leave them unattended. Use ladders with caution and check all strings of lights, both indoor and outdoor, for excessive wear before installing.
- when cleaning, up do not leave boxes that advertise new electronics outside your home. Remove a live tree before it dries out - usually after 3-4 weeks inside.
- when driving, watch the weather reports, know road conditions and give yourself plenty of extra time. Always wear a seatbelt and pull over when using GPS and/or your phone.
- when travelling, do not advertise your plans on social media. Ensure your house is locked and monitored, either by a neighbour, friend or electronic device. Have someone pick up your mail.


Wishing everyone a very Merry, very safe Christmas and New Year!

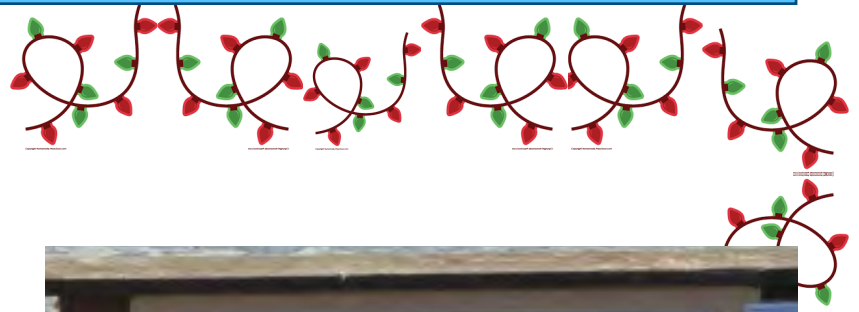




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## **VILLAGE OF BELCARRA**

### **Snow and Ice Removal Information**

### **From Public Works**

### **Winter 2021 & 2022**



#### **Frequently Asked Questions during a snow event in Belcarra**

##### **When will my street be plowed?**

During a snow event, Village roads are plowed according to a priority system aimed at supporting the greater public safety and public transportation access.

Priority 1 – maintain accessibility for emergency vehicles and transit vehicles on collector, arterial and emergency and bus routes that connect major sections of the community.

Priority 2 – maintain safe travel routes and accessibility for vehicles on non-arterial and collector routes. Clearing these routes may be advanced or delayed depending on the weather event intensity, severity or duration.

Priority 3 – maintain safe travel routes and accessibility for vehicles on all remaining routes. Clearing these routes may be advanced or delayed depending on the weather event intensity, severity or duration.



**Why did the plow fill my driveway with snow?**  
Our plows are set to push snow to the right to remove it from the roadway. The best way you can ensure that snow doesn't get pushed back onto your driveway by the plow is to pile snow on the right side of the driveway (when facing the street) when shovelling.

(Please note that when an approaching snowplow is coming toward you, it is advisable to move yourself as far away from the road as possible. The driver may not see you and the snow is blowing.)

**Why can't I just shovel snow onto the road for the plow to pick it up?**

Shovelling snow onto the road contributes to unsafe driving and walking conditions and increases the cost of providing winter road maintenance. If you shovel your snow into the roadway, you may be subject to a fine under the Village Parking Regulation Bylaw No. 518 Section 53, Snow Removal.

“ (a) No person shall deposit, pile, or spread snow or ice cleaned from roofs, parking lots, or garages or any other surface or property, on any highway, boulevard, or other public place, except the place designated by authorized Public Works staff.

(b) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as prohibiting the Village from plowing snow to the property line of any highway or from removing such plowed snow.”



Why hasn't the Village plowed my street?  
The Village only plows where safe to do so. Illegally parked vehicles on the side of roads and road ends create a hazard and they will not be plowed until it is safe to do so.

Why hasn't my road been salted yet? It's very icy!

All roads are salted according to the same priority route system as plowing. However, it is also possible that if there was any rain or wet snow, the brine mixture may have washed away. You may report an area of concern by using our emergency line.

Why hasn't the Village cleared the catch basin in front of my home? It is covered in snow!

During a snow event, the main focus of the Public Works staff is plowing the roads. If it is safe to do so, it is recommended that you clear the catch basin in front of your home to help prevent flooding when the snow melts.

Does the Village plow, white line to white line?

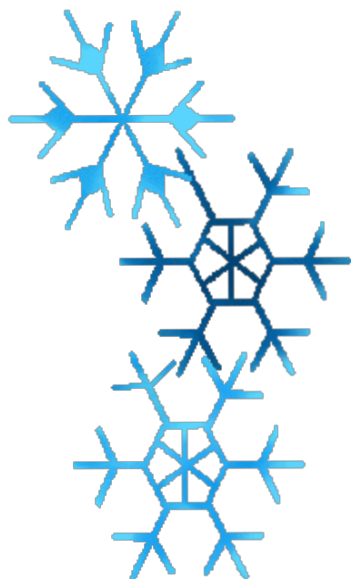
Yes, wherever possible, the Public Works staff will attempt to plow white line to white line or curb to curb. If residents can park their vehicles in their driveways during snow events, this will help to ensure that our plows can clear curb to curb.

What if I have a medical emergency and can't get out of my house?

If you have a medical emergency, please call 911. Emergency services will coordinate with the Village, if required.

What if I have a regular medical condition and I need to be able to get out of my house in order to receive treatment or medical attention?

We sympathize with your situation. However, the Village must prioritize resources through the community in order to serve the needs of the greater community. We recommend you plan ahead, as much as possible.



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## Stories From The Archives

## A Great Scheme – A Canal from Port Moody to Pitt River

Vancouver Daily World, Editorial, Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 1891, page 2.

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

“In the Spring of 1889, the announcement was made in these columns [the ‘Vancouver Daily World’ newspaper] that a company was being formed in this city, the object of which was to construct a canal from the head of Port Moody to the Pitt River, connecting the salt water of Burrard Inlet with the fresh waters of the Pitt and Fraser Rivers. The distance according to the reports of the engineers who have made a preliminary exploration of the projected line, is less than 3½ miles [5.6 km] to tide water in the Inlet from the banks of the Pitt River, and a little over four miles [6.4 km] to those of the Fraser, an entrance to which will be made by the first named stream a short distance below the railway bridge.”

“The engineers pronounce the scheme a perfectly feasible one, the greatest difficulty being the Coquitlam River, which at the Junction [the CPR mainline junction with the spur line to New Westminster] is divided into two streams, but a short distance above the railway bridge it is one. In summer, except when a freshet prevails, it is not a large stream, but in the Fall and Spring it is a vast as well as a turbulent body of water. Modern engineering, however, provided the cash is forthcoming, can overcome almost any difficulty, imaginary or actual.”

“The first company, in consequence of the temporary absence and subsequent death of one of its most active members — the late Dr. Whetham [Alderman, City of Vancouver] — dropped the matter for a time, and then finally.”

“Realizing the importance of the scheme to our trade and the immense advantage it would confer upon this city and its great harbour, heavy capitalists residing at a distance as well as in our own city have taken hold of the enterprise with such a determination that its success is practically assured. Already the necessary legislation to be asked for in Victoria and Ottawa is in course of preparation, and the surveyor’s plans will shortly be completed for submission to the ‘House of Assembly’ and ‘Dominion Parliament’.

“The turning of the Pitt River into Burrard Inlet will necessarily make it more or less a fresh water body, completely baffling the dreaded toredo [a wormlike marine mollusk which can drill into wood causing substantial damage] and making Vancouver’s harbour peerless as a stream in which the mercantile as well as the naval marine of the world can ride in safety from either storm or tide, and at the same time cleanse their sides and bottoms of barnacles. Then indeed will Burrard Inlet become a much greater favourite than it is at present with seafaring men, and the British Admiralty as a port for its floating fortresses.”



"To and from this harbour will river craft ply direct with the ports and places of call above New Westminster, with which City of Vancouver will then divide the trade of the district bordering upon the river, which to us at present is practically a dead letter, as little or none of it comes to Vancouver. In this respect alone, the importance of the scheme is paramount."

"To our agricultural friends in the territory certain to be benefited by the completion of the enterprise, it means a nearer and a better market for their products than they now enjoy, and a consequent larger amount of traffic with this city and its tradesmen, whose field of operations will be vastly enlarged by fresh outlets and connection with a desirable class of people of which at present they know very little."

"We are aware that already some in our own midst turn-up their noses at the mention of the scheme, claiming it to be Utopian and impossible of being completed. This was the cry when the Welland Canal was first mooted. So it was with the Canadian Pacific Railway and the many other great enterprising schemes launched upon the world in connection with bridges, viaducts, tunnels, etc. Even the tramway to New Westminster which, after encountering the most virulent and unwarranted opposition from a self-constituted coterie, is now in successful operation, was pooh-pooed and sneered at, yet behold the benefit it has already conferred and that without costing our citizens a solitary cent."

"The men who have the new scheme in hand have yet to learn the meaning of the word fail. They, of course, expect the hostility of New Westminster, but those competent to give an opinion aver that the diverting of the Pitt River into Burrard Inlet will not affect the volume of water in the Fraser River or in the least interfere with navigation above and below that city. But of this more hereafter."

After Note: Between 1893 and 1896 there was an economic depression throughout North America — equivalent to the economic depression of the 1930s — that deeply affected every sector of the economy. That economic depression precluded potential investment in such a major infrastructure project as the proposed canal from Port Moody to Pitt River.

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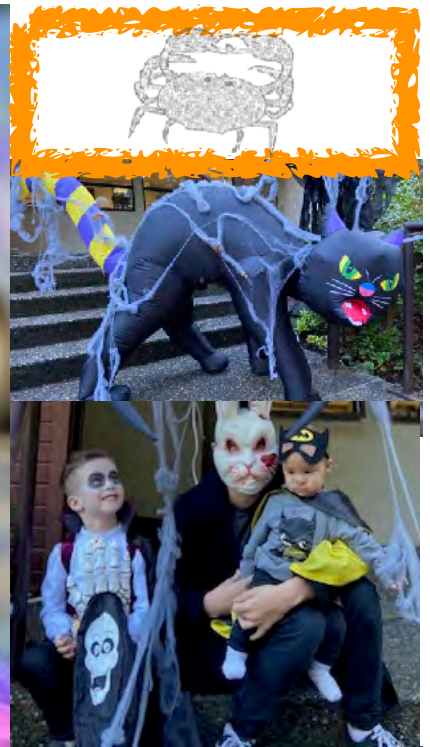
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## VILLAGE NEWS

### Quips & Quotes

Submitted by Barbara Shelly

"... art imparts a sense, from first to last, of being in the middle of a process that doesn't evolve but that spreads, delta-like, from a mysterious headwater."

Matisse, "The Blue Water" 1911

### BELCARRA GARDEN CLUB

Submitted by Les Bramley

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## CRAB

Submitted by Dave Warren

In 2020 the COVID Grinch prevented Santa's annual armada's visit to Belcarra. Fortunately this year, 2021, CRAB is again co-hosting with the Port Moody Power Squadron and affiliates on a Santa Parade at Belcarra Park. On the evening of December 11th come to the Park to sit on Ole Saint Nick's lap and sign his big book. Children, grandchildren, and youthful hearts are welcome to enjoy some Christmas-spirited moments with Santa.

Courtesy of CRAB, a special hot chocolate will be offered to all attendees. Parking is limited to Midden and Bedwell Bay Road. No vehicles are permitted in the park and no washroom facilities will be available. The event will be approximately one hour in length.



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## Belcarra Blessings

Deborah Struk

'Hope', is that not what Christmas is about?

I know a lot of people are wondering how can we have hope in this crazy world? I called the School Board Office the other day and was surprised the message no longer mentions the covid crisis but instead: emergency or inclement weather updates! From one fear to another. O vey! We need not live in fear.

The angels spoke on that first 'Christmas' over 2,000 years ago. Was it a freezing cold night, or a balmy warm evening, I do not know. For many of us we will see and hear this in our minds from A Charlie Brown Christmas. We must not miss that Linus drops his security blanket as he makes the declaration.



"Fear not, for behold, I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you: you will find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly hosts praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and goodwill towards all."

That passage is from St. Luke 2:9-14.

For those interested here is the link for that little clip. I could not find the show in it's entirety, but if you google or duckduckgo long enough it may show up.

[https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=rsoA\\_lfxdWc](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=rsoA_lfxdWc)

Jesus is known as, the 'Prince of Peace'. Many different faiths acknowledge that. My sincere hope is His peace be real to you this season and into 2022.

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December and into 2022.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I'm sad to convey that Belcarra has lost another one of its loving residents. My Mum, Margaret Schulz, passed away at our family home on Tuesday November 16, 2021. She was going to celebrate her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 29.

When we moved into our Belcarra home on November 30, 2002, it was with the plan that Mum would someday leave her beautiful home on Lake Osoyoos to live with us. She spent that Christmas with us, headed home, immediately sold her house, and moved to Belcarra the next fall in 2003! Wow! That's falling in love! As wonderful as her home on the lake was, Mum was a "West Coast girl" at heart. She loved Belcarra from the start and constantly marvelled at the tall trees, paralleling them to her beloved grandson's tall skyscrapers in Downtown Vancouver. There was no doubt which she thought was the winner! "Do people in Vancouver even know there is a place as wonderful as this?" she would often say. She loved reading our Belcarra Barnacle and even wrote an article in April 2008 about the Seniors Society at Glen Pine Pavilion. She was 100% in agreement the year our Village sign proclaimed us to be "the best place in the best place on earth"! Rainy days were declared as "That's what keeps BC green" and sunny days were triumphed with "Look at that beautiful blue sky!"

In her first years here, Mum loved to walk our dog (at that time, a little white Bichon Frise named Dexter) to the Belcarra Picnic area. 2016 was a rough year in that we nearly lost Mum twice within 2 months: first to a heart attack (resulting in a Pace Maker) and then to a series of strokes. We were so grateful to find the Aging My Way Home Care as Mum needed 24/7 support after that. (We highly recommend them as a support line that really ends up being part of the family.) In the last few years, she loved nothing better than a car ride along Tum Tumay Whueton Drive to watch all the happy families and children at play in the picnic area. Seeing the little ones gave her the most pleasure, and she delighted in saying, "Why walk when you can run!" Too bad she had not been graced with any "great grandkids".

Mum had always been a "working mother" and I grew up in a "ladies' household" comprised of my mother, my grandmother, and myself. Her second marriage came about when she was teaching Legal Stenography at Burnaby Vocational. She put so much love and effort into her students! (She still received newsy letters every Christmas from a favorite student!) Mum was also instrumental in helping her new husband, Erich, write and publish very successful "Heavy Duty Diesel Mechanics" textbooks. That took a lot of stressful brainwork, as you can imagine! Sadly, Erich passed away shortly after they retired to Osoyoos.



Mum then devoted herself to visiting aging neighbours in the local Osoyoos Care Home. Whenever she visited us (at that time, in Coquitlam) she was well-known by my school colleagues as my “Grade 2 teacher helper”, ready to color, cut, and glue those myriad of student resources, happy to dig out weeds in our school garden, and even willing to clean the art easel paint brushes. Mum’s younger brother, Patrick, did eventually move to Osoyoos as well, but he too, sadly, passed away within a few years. Mum ended up as the last of 7 siblings.

Mum will be so deeply missed. She was a lovely, gracious lady with an underlying British politeness and a wee bit of the Irish sense of humour. No matter what the physical challenges threw at her, she remained busy every moment of the day. I was so very blessed to have enjoyed the most wonderfully memorable of afternoons with her that last day. Mum and I enjoyed a delightful outing complete with a lovely time just sitting watching the water view and all the happy families at Rocky Point Park where I was treated to Mum singing part of the Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah song: “Oh what a beautiful day! I’ve got a wonderful feeling, everything’s going my way!” We also took her favourite drive through our local White Pine Park to see the little waterfall and check out who was hiking along the beach. Finally, we had a stop at the neighbour’s driveway to wave at his giant blowup Santa. Her face was completely lit up with joy as she waved to Bill (or was it Santa?).

Peter and I especially want to thank our own Belcarra Fire Department. How very lucky we are to have dedicated volunteers who give up their spare time to train, to practice, and then to drop everything in their own lives to assist in a crisis. Their professionalism, combined with compassion, was undeniable and we are so very, very grateful. Thank you as well to the wonderful paramedics from New Westminster who never gave up hope. An incredibly empathetic paramedic, who had recently lost her own mother, guided me through the mysterious legalities as I sat there in a virtual stupor after Mum passed. Finally, thanks to the kind-hearted advanced paramedic who had to come from Langley when the Vancouver detachment was bogged down in traffic. Peter and I are so very grateful for all these wonderful people who guided us through a most traumatic time. Thank you to all of you, and additionally, to all the kind neighbours who so quickly sent heartfelt condolences and oh so many exquisite flowers.

Nora Boekhout



## Kid's Space



### Christmas Ships Schedule

Dec 3rd	Ioco Shoreline & Dollarton
Dec 4th	Rocky Point Pier
Dec 10th	Deep Cove
Dec 11th	Belcarra Bay Light Show & Santa ashore at Belcarra Public Dock
Dec 17th	Farrer Cove & Bedwell Bay
Dec 18th	Woodlands & Brighton Beach



Submitted by Megan Shelly







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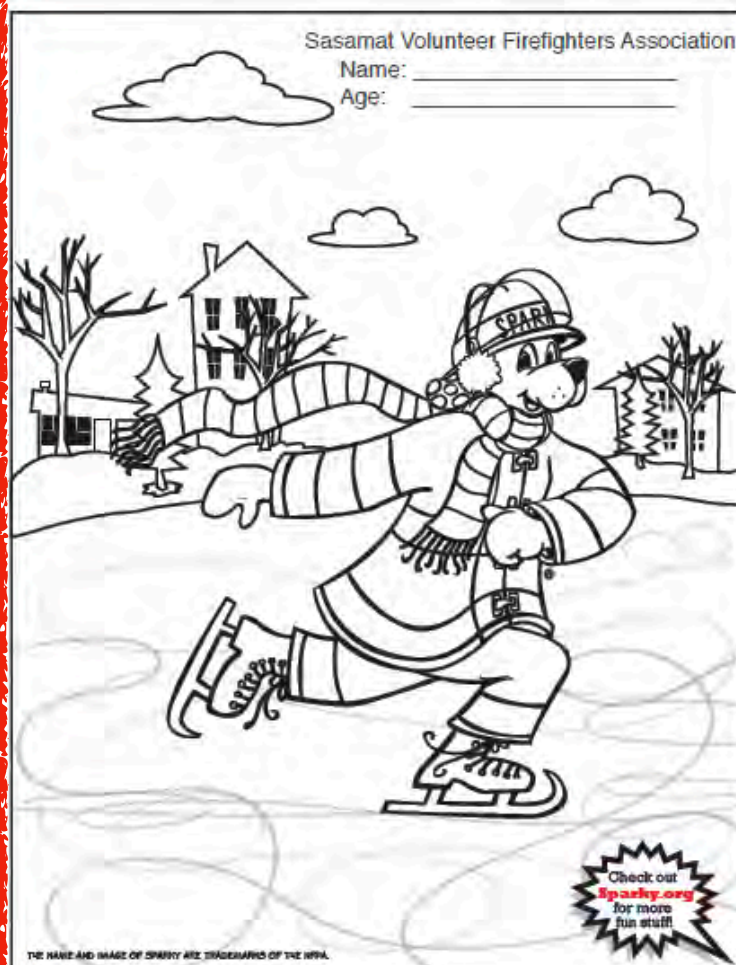
This holiday season the Sasamat Volunteer Firefighters Association (SVFA) is having a colouring contest!

### Rules:

Please print off a colouring page of your choice and colour it in. The pages can be found by following this link to our website <https://svfd.ca/>

Scan and email (or take a picture and email) your drawing to [reply2svfa@gmail.com](mailto:reply2svfa@gmail.com) by December 10th!

There will be 3 winners chosen at random in the age groups of 5 years and under, 6-9 years old, and 10-13 years old. There will also be a 4th winner of the best colouring overall chosen by our firefighters!



Sasamat Volunteer Firefighters Association

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## An Opportunity in Democracy

In the late 18th century, as part of the global adjustments for power between, among others, Britain and France; and what became the American War of Independence, the principle of "no taxation without representation" was established. Not only was the principle of representation established but, equally important, so too, was the principle that taxation should be justified to those that bear the burden of paying.

Belcarra Council met on November 8th and received a five year tax plan from their financial consultant. This plan covers the period from 2022 to 2026.

The presentation was very clear on some important points:

1. Our Village is not broke.
2. Our Village has a Potable Water System debt that is not in arrears. This debt has a planned retirement in place.
3. Our Village has made reasonable budget accommodation for staffing, expected repairs, and maintenance of existing assets/ infrastructure.
4. Our Village has not detailed any projects that may require large capital outlay.
5. Our Village will have at the end of this 5 year plan, if it is accepted by Council, cash reserves of at least an additional \$2.1 million.

6. Our Villagers will pay annual property taxes, if this plan is accepted by Council, that will be about 50% higher at the end of the 5 yr interval than at the beginning.

The financial planning document presented a five year plan for gathering a lot of money. The average Belcarra household will be asked to pay more than \$8,000 in excess of predicted and expected expenses. The five year planning document builds to at least a \$4.2 million cash surplus, for which there is no specified purpose.

In the years following the successful separation of the American Colonies from England, deliberative assemblies in democratic jurisdictions everywhere have applied the principle that the explanation for taxation precedes taxation itself. Most legislators have come to recognize that clear and convincing guiding principle that they must offer tax payers some certainty on how they plan to spend the taxes that they say they need.

Belcarra Council met on November 22nd to further consider this taxation plan and some adjustments were made. If Villagers have questions needing answers or goals needing explanations, there is plenty of opportunity to bring those forward.

Klaus Bever

The Draft 2022-2026 Financial Plan is available on the Village website in the information package to the Council meeting of November 8.



## Easy Rum Balls

Submitted by Sandra Rietchel (from a Taste of Home)

### Ingredients

- 2-1/2 cups crushed vanilla wafers (about 75 wafers)
- 1 cup ground pecans
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons baking cocoa
- 1/4 cup rum
- 3 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons water
- Additional confectioners' sugar or crushed vanilla wafers

### Directions

- 1. Mix together wafer crumbs, pecans, confectioners' sugar and cocoa. Combine rum, honey and water; stir into crumb mixture. Shape into 1-in. balls. Roll in additional confectioners' sugar or wafer crumbs. Store in an airtight container.



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## Greetings Friends and Neighbours of Belcarra!

My daughter Megan is undergoing the major miracle in today's restoration practice, the dental implant, but for Megan, the cost is 25% of her annual salary.

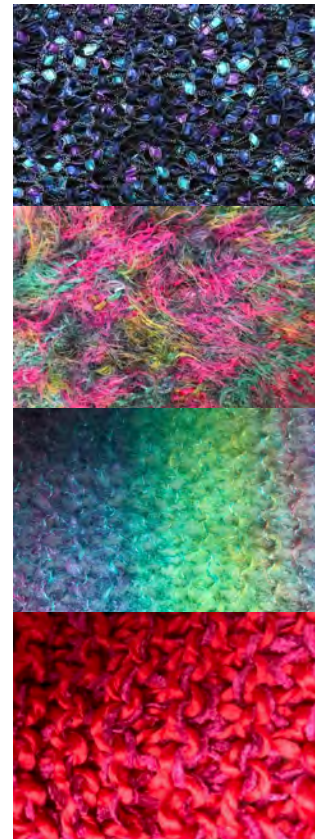
For that reason, I am dedicating my annual Seasonal Studio Sales to Megan's personal account.

Please come by to enjoy a glass of wine and a stunning collection of knitted yarns and specialty fibres.

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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](mailto: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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