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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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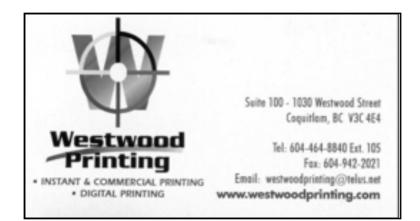
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### The Belcarra Barnacle

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### IMPORTANT DATES

### November 2022

Nov 5th	Guy Fawkes Day
Nov 6th	Daylight Savings Ends
Nov 6th	Carol Drew - Celebration of
	Lífe (Village Hall)
Nov 7th	New Council Inaugural Mtg.
Nov 8th	Full Moon
Nov 11th	Remembrance Day
Nov 14th	King Charles III Birthday
Nov 19th	Crossroads Hospice
	"Treasures of Christmas"
Nov 21st	Regular Council Meeting
Nov 23rd	New Moon

Nov 5 -11 Veteran's Week Canada History Week Nov 21-27 Nov. 26, 27. Barbara Shelly Studio Inc.



Our front cover features a photograph of a red tailed hawk submitted by Tamryn Goodes.

COVER ART

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

It is a pleasure to share them.

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### COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2022

Council meetings are currently available on Zoom.

Please check Village website for more information. 4084 Bedwell Bay Road www.belcarra.ca



Mayor's Report

Thank you to our Village. On Saturday, October 15, 2022 our Village elected a council for the next four years. It was a welcome return to an in-person All Candidates meeting, door-knocking, advance polling and election day voting without pandemic restrictions.

Once the voting concluded at 8:00pm our Village started the long-standing tradition of having candidates and their representatives observing the counting of the vote. The work done by our staff under the direction of our Chief Electoral Officer ensured confidence in the outcome for the candidates, their teams and, most importantly, for our community.

The democratic process is well-served when we have options. I want to offer my congratulations and welcome to our newly elected councillors: Joe Elworthy and Janet Ruzycki. To the re-elected council members, Carolina Clark and Liïsa Wilder, I am very Once again, we can be very proud of our Village and the larger numbers who voted, our neighbours and friends. Voting demonstrates our commitment to community engagement and to each other. On the doorsteps people were interested and appreciative that we had an election which, in the final analysis, contributed to an elected council reflective of our Village. The respectful engagement, acceptance of different views and differences speaks well for the future of our community.

I look forward to working together with our council, and all the electorate, to meet our future challenges.

My door remains open - to listen, to learn, to lead collaboratively and to move forward together.

I am so proud to be your mayor again. I humbly accept the trust you have placed in me.

With thanks,

Jamíe Ross

pleased to continue our work on behalf of Village residents. I offer my sincere thanks to Colm Cole for contesting the mayor position and to Ben Shoolestani for contesting the councillor position.





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### INVITATION TO BELCARRA RESIDENTS

INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING Monday, November 7, 2022 7:00 pm at the Village Hall 4084 Bedwell Bay Road or via Zoom https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81619560928

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Council invites Belcarra residents and property owners to attend the Inaugural Meeting of Council. The Honourable Justice Robin McQuillan will administer the Oath of Office to Members of Council and Mayor Ross will present his Inaugural Address.

All are welcome, seating is limited but you may join the meeting via Zoom. As this is a ceremonial meeting, there will be no audience participation. Please keep your camera off and participants will be muted.

Refreshments will be served following the Council meeting.



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October 24, 2022

### **NEWS RELEASE**

### Village of Belcarra announces appointment of Paula Richardson to top spot

The Village of Belcarra is pleased to announce the appointment of Paula Richardson to the position of Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), effective November 1, 2022. Paula replaces former CAO, Lorna Dysart, who retired in June.

Following Lorna's retirement, the Village began an extensive recruitment process. There was a positive response to the posting, and a number of candidates were interviewed by Council. In the end, it was determined that Paula was the most suitable candidate to fill the position.

Paula has been employed by the Village since 2016 and has worked in an administrative capacity since that time. With the retirement of the former CAO and following a brief period when the position was filled by Dennis Back on an interim basis, Council appointed Paula as Acting CAO in early July. During her time in this acting role, she has demonstrated her ability to fulfill the responsibilities of the position in a very competent and professional manner. It was the opinion of Council that Paula represented the best fit for the position given her deep understanding of local issues, and the fact that she has proven her ability to work closely with Council and the community.

Mayor Jamie Ross stated that he is pleased with the outcome of the recruitment process and satisfied that the community will be well-served. "Paula is well respected by Council and her peers and has a good rapport with members of the community," he adds.







Belcarra Blockwatch

Submitted by Diana Drake

### Power outages:

As our recent weeks of wonderful summer-like weather give way to the cold, wet days of late fall, windstorms and power outages are probably not far behind. Particularly as this year's drought (coupled with widespread insect infestations) has led to the weakening of many trees.

If there is a power failure:

- Check first to see if your neighbours' power is still on. If not, notify B.C. Hydro.

- Turn off all tools, appliances and electronic equipment and turn all thermostats down to minimum. This will prevent both damage to sensitive devices as well as the possibility of fire when power is suddenly restored. (It also makes the 'restart' easier when there is less drain on the system.)

- Turn off all lights except one - this last light will alert you to the restoration of power.

- Do not open your freezer or fridge unless absolutely necessary. A full freezer will keep food frozen for 24-36 hours if the door remains closed.

- Do not use charcoal or gas barbecues, camping heating equipment, or home generators indoors. They give off carbon monoxide which can be deadly.

- If using candles, never leave them unattended.

And, finally, here are five power outage 'tricks':

- Strap an LED head lamp (or flashlight) so that it shines into a 4 litre jug of water. The water will amplify the light to create a lantern that can illuminate an entire room. Place the jug in front of a mirror for even greater amplification.

- Light the pointy end of a crayon. Once the fire reaches the paper, stick the crayon in its own wax on a china saucer or plate. One crayon can last a couple of hours. (Never leave unattended)

- Bring solar powered walkway or garden lights indoors.

- To lengthen the life of your iPhone battery put it on low battery mode, close unused apps, put phone on airplane mode. If your phone and backup chargers are out of battery, connect to a lap top that has a battery.

- If you run out of AA batteries for flashlights, you can convert AAA batteries using a ball of foil. Place the ball between the AAA's battery's negative end and the device, thus completing the circuit.



### Obituary - Carol Elaíne Drew (née Low)



Drew, Carol Elaíne (née Low), born 6th September 1948 in New Westminster, passed away peacefully on 5th October 2022 at 74 years of age. Predeceased by her parents Thomas Junior Low and Frances Muriel Low (née Taylor). Carol is survived, and will be greatly missed, by her sister Pamela Graham (née Low), her husband of 53 years Ralph Edward Drew, her daughter Ryan Barbara Drew, and her three grandsons: Devon, Gavin and Joseph. Carol will also be missed by the extended Drew and Low families as well as her many friends. Carol loved Belcarra and asked that her ashes be spread on Bedwell Bay in front of her home of 48 years. In lieu of flowers, Carol also asked a donation be made in her name to a favourite charity. A "Celebration of Life" will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday, November 6th, at the Village Hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, B.C.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

BY Port Moody Power Squadron

Please join us for a heartfelt Remembrance Day ceremony to honour the soldiers and veterans who fought for our freedom. Ceremony at Belcarra Public Dock.

In 2020 and 2021, we broadcast virtual Remembrance Day ceremonies, and are thankful we can get together in person again, this year.



Music begins at 9:30 AM Ceremony begins 10:35 AM Two minutes silence 11:00 AM

Lunch to follow at pavilion, Lunch will be by donation, \$5 suggested, for chili and a hotdog with coffee.

### Stories From The Archives

### A Hiking Trip To Lake Beautiful

Source: Vancouver Weekly News-Advertiser, Wednesday, July 24th, 1889, page 8. Researched By: Ralph Drew, Belcarra, B.C., September 2022.

"Five young men from the C,P.R. offices — viz. F. & J. Schofield, J. Bonltbee, J. Miller and J. Brown - had a thrilling experience in a trip they accomplished to Lake Beautiful [Lake Buntzen] and back. On Saturday [July 20th, 1889], they went to Port Moody [from Vancouver], from there to Tiffin's Mill [at Mossom Creek] and then struck through to Lake Beautiful, to which there is no regular trail. They arrived at their intended destination all right, but in returning lost their way and were about 24 hours in their endeavours to find the right way back, during which time they were without provisions and almost continually on the tramp. A party went in search of them but they arrived back in Port Moody in time to render an exploration unnecessary. The boys came home on the [C.P.R.] 'Pacific Express' all sound, but very tired and hungry and their wearing apparel a good deal worse for wear."









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### VILLAGE NEWS



### CRAB CORNER

Thanks to CRAB's volunteers - Bruce and Diana Drake, Sue Brain and Liisa Wilder - for the Hallowe'en display and treat bags!

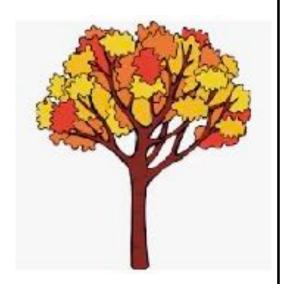
Other CRAB notes...

Pub nite is postponed. It will be rescheduled for the spring (date still to be determined).

Tentative date for CRAB Annual General Meeting is Thursday Dec 1st. The final date will be confirmed by CRAB in an email to residents.

Resident Directory - Please provide your new or updated contact information to <u>CRAB4084@gmail.com</u> to be included in the 2023 Village of Belcarra Resident Directory.







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Belcarra Blessings Deborah Struk Lay aside arms Put aside grievances Have no favouritism Love one another

Life is short and many are falling. I mentioned this last month, and that was before 3 more people I know passed, too many people are dying and that means many more of us here are grieving. It weighs on my heart knowing that so many here in our tiny Village are feeling lonelier. Hopefully, those who have suffered the loss of a loved one have neighbours nearby who can be there for them in times of need. Is it time to start a group or club for the widows, widowers and those who just feel disconnected? Feel free to email me your thoughts. pilgrimsinthisland@yahoo.com (DOT COM Not ca)



Can we talk? Can we be open? Can we be here for each other? Are each of us ready for our own departure from this earth?

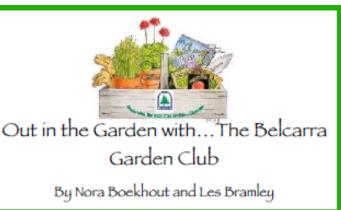
Here's hoping the weather cooperates for the Remembrance Day ceremony at Belcarra Park. The Port Moody Power and Sail Squadron ALWAYS put on a spectacular and impactful ceremony. It all starts at 10:30 am. We hope to see you there.

Let's talk about all the blessings that we are so thankful for, right here in our Village. I love to see the towhees, robins and other forest birds happily gathering and flying about now that the very hot days are done. Our mountain ash has been a feast for so many birds. It is a delightful sight to watch as they gather. Has anyone noticed how huge the acorns were this year? The fresh, pure white snowfall on the local mountains exudes peace and purity and, for some, the giddy anticipation of snow sports. How about the longer growing season? It is into the third week of October and so many colourful flowers are still thriving! I feel guilty thinking that any day I'll have to completely cut back my fuchsia and bring it inside. My beautiful dahlias, courtesy of bulbs from the Fentons, have never been SO prolífic.

The peace of the Lord be near to you all. Draw near to God and He will draw near to

you. You are loved and you are valuable.





October marked our final meeting for the season, and we celebrated by sharing seeds, plants, and cuttings! Let's prep those gardens for the fall and make plans for Spring 2023! Hope you join us!



Another kudos... some more Belcarrians sent in photos for our Canada Year of the Garden! Check them out online! http://tinyurl.com/rwcf9b85

Les is ever the "go-getter" in our group, and he was inspired to do some investigating about our precious Cedar. He had several people ask him if they are dtreesying because they look so brown with all those seeds. They have been stressed by our long dry spell; let's hope they recover soon.

Here are a few facts on this wonderful tree.

Díd you know that the western red cedar was proclaimed the official tree of B.C. in 1988? It actually is not a true cedar but a woody member of the cypress family. The Latín "arbor-vítae" translates to "tree of lífe". B.C has the world's largest supply of standing red cedars. It is one of the most valuable commercial tree species in B.C. It generates over \$1 billion in economic activity annually and provides 1900 jobs. Although it has probably been in the Northwest for 50 million years, this species only became widespread in B.C. 4 to 5 thousand years ago, says Richard Hebda of the University of Victoria.

The cedar became the tree of choice to our indigenous people about 3 thousand years ago. Indígenous terms of affection include "grandmother cedar" and "long life maker." It was easier to work with (than Sitka Spruce) and offered them wood for homes, totem poles, canoes, paddles, nets to hooks, lures and fishing floats. Cedar's soft inner bark supplied clothing when woven into tunics, mats, blankets and could be shredded to make fluffy towels, diapers and sanitary pads. The vine like appendages that swoop down from the branches were twisted into ropes so strong they could haul 40-tonne whales! The roots were coiled into baskets tight enough to boil water on hot rocks. The green leaves that look like scaly braids were used for calcium rich medicine.

Pollen cones on western red cedars grow most heavily on the branches of the tree that are exposed to direct sunlight. Seed bearing cones grow on lateral spray branches typically near the middle of the branch. Each seed cone contains between eight and fourteen seeds. The seeds themselves range in size from 4 to 7.5 millimetres and are usually reddish brown.

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The "seed fall" for these trees is typically October/November so we are about to see millions of them soon in Belcarra!

A Western Red Cedar on Vancouver Island, known as the Cheewhat Giant, is the largest known tree in Canada. It was discovered in the Pacific Rim Park in 1988 and is estimated to be over 1500 years old! "WOW!" It is 55.5m (182ft) high and 6.1m (20ft) around. The volume of the trunk is 449m3 (15,900 cu ft). It is the second largest Western Red Cedar in the world; the largest is on the Olympic Peninsula. Many communities and organizations are looking to protect our precious old growth forests. The Ancient Forest Alliance and the Canadian Forest Service are working with our indigenous people, the government, and industry to make our forests sustainable. For example, in July the Kanaka Bar Band (a Nlaka'pamux First Nation) located south of Lytton, announced their vision to protect a total of about 35,000 hectares of some of the most bio diverse old growth in B.C. "Awesome!"

Let's protect these magnificent giving trees for future generations. Happy Gardening! Les Links and article available on our webpage: http://tinyurl.com/rwcf9b85



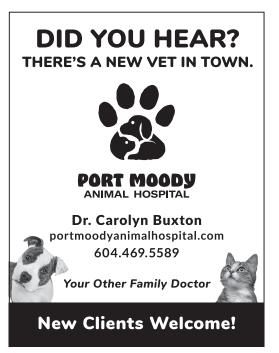
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### Things you can do for Remembrance Day From CBC Kids website:

Wear a poppy. You'll usually see a lot of people wearing poppies for about two weeks leading up to Remembrance Day. This is to show that they remember and support Canadian troops and veterans. The tradition of the poppy goes back to the First World War. Many battles took place in areas where poppies grow.

Pause for a moment of sílence. At 11:00 a.m. on November 11th, we pause for two minutes to honour and remember those who have served and continue to serve during wars, conflicts and peacekeeping missions.





Send a letter or postcard. You can write to members and veterans of the Armed Forces and thank them for their service through the Postcards for Peace e-card activity. You can send one to a veteran, or those still serving, from the Veterans Affairs Canada website.

Take part in the Royal Canadian Legion's annual literacy and poster contest. School-aged children across Canada can submit a poster, poem or short story. Maybe your school will participate?

Read! There are so many books that you can read about Remembrance Day.



### Congratulations to Belcarra Author, Díana J. Drake! By Nora Boekhout

This month, Drake released Ren's Treasure, a fictional tale — geared to readers ages nine to 13 — that includes themes of loss and First Nations culture.

Check the Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Tricity News for a featured article!

https://www.tricitynews.com/local-arts/ belcarra-author-to-sign-copies-of-newkids-book-in-coquitlam-on-friday-6012886

We were delighted to chat with Diana at her book signing and I can hardly wait to read my copy!



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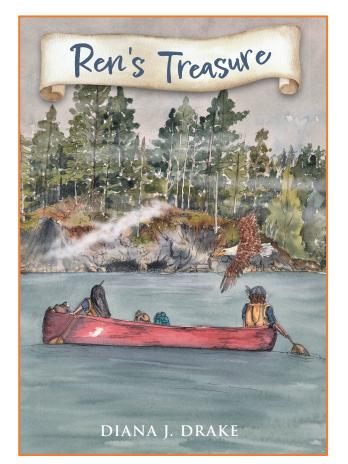
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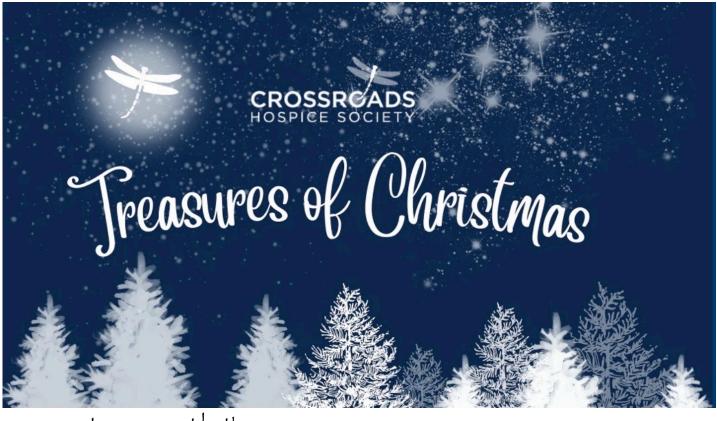
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### In -person at last!

After two virtual events, we are excited to finally invite you back in-person to this year's Treasures of Christmas! On Saturday, November 19th at 6:00pm, join us at the Executive Plaza Hotel Coquitlam to witness first-hand the meaningful impact Crossroads has on our patients, clients, and their loved ones.

Treasures of Christmas is the signature fundraising event for Crossroads Hospice Society. The evening will feature a cocktail reception and include a festive mix of heartwarming Crossroads stories, exciting entertainment, extensive online silent auction, and raffles!

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