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E.J. Hughes Paints Vancouver Island

Robert Amos
Author & Artist

Every four years or so, E. J. Hughes would leave his studio and devote the summer to making detailed drawings of new locations for use in future paintings. In 1986, he made day trips along the south-east coast of Vancouver Island, travelling north from Finlayson Arm as far as a place near Ladysmith which he called Evening Cove.

Hughes sent his first painting of Evening Cove to Montreal's Dominion Gallery on January 13, 1987. It was a canvas 25" by 32" (63.5 x 81.3 cm) for which he was paid \$10,000. For the back of the painting, Hughes wrote out his usual descriptive label: "At the extreme end of a long road on a peninsula east of Ladysmith, a town 17 miles north of here (Duncan), Mrs. Pat Salmon, my biographer, and I came upon this already composed and dramatic landscape while searching for suitable motifs for future landscape

paintings. I returned there several times later to sketch the scene in pencil, and write down the colours."

In his letter to the gallery Hughes went on: "The whiteness of the patch of beach on the other side of the cove is caused by thousands of tiny broken fragments of white sea-shells." Clearly, this is a shell midden. It is located in the next bay south of Kulleet Bay, home to a First Nations village for thousands of years.

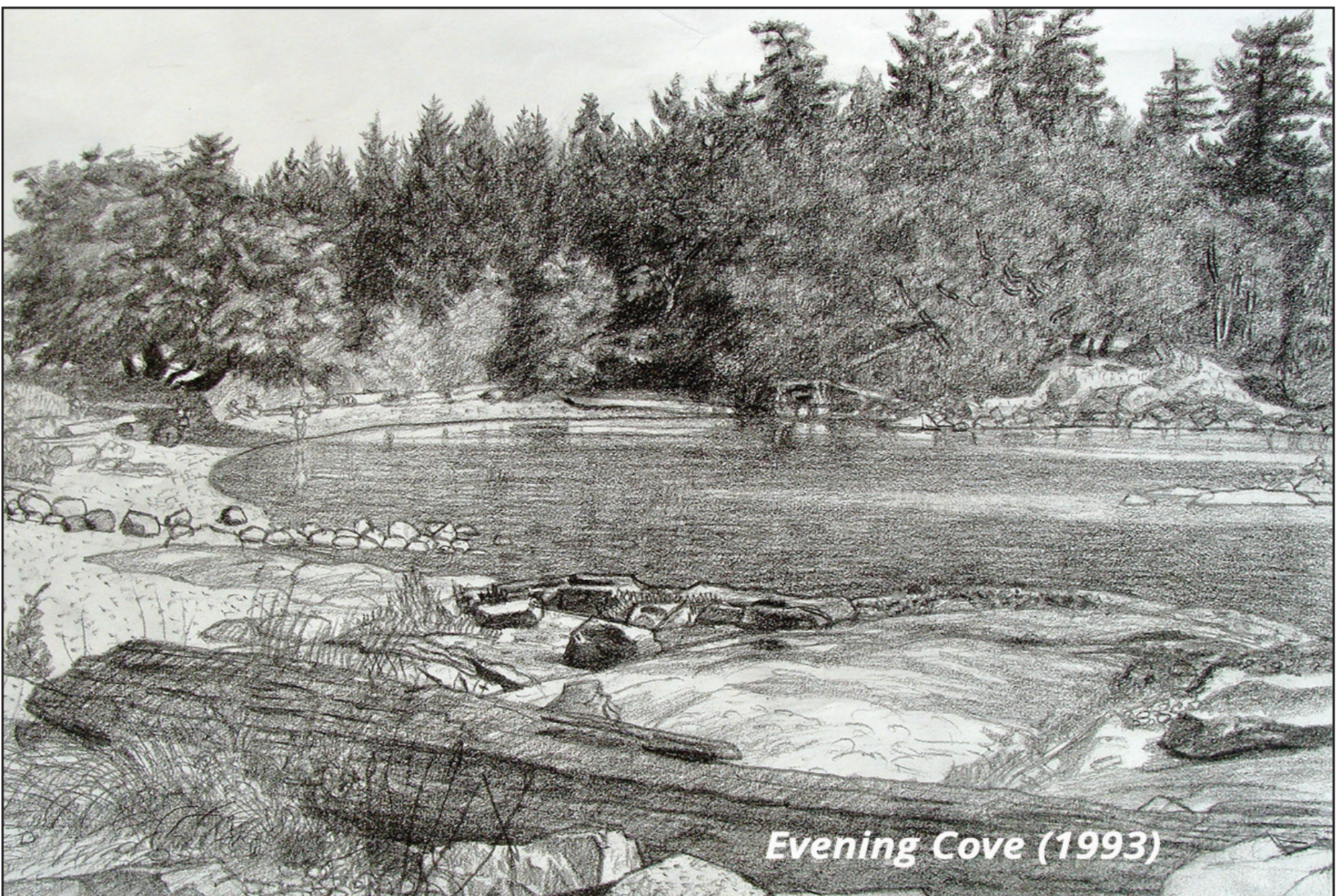
But you won't find Evening Cove on the map. Pat Salmon explained the name to me: "We found this lovely little bay, a beautiful little place. We weren't really sure what it was called until Jane (Cole) told me that it was Coffin Point. I thought: "Oh dear, dear", because as far as Hughes was concerned, if he saw the term 'coffin' he'd run away. Somewhere else I saw the name 'Evening Cove', and so I said to Ed that the bay was called Evening Cove."

"It's not like I want to change the history books, but for his peace of mind it became Evening Cove - a much nicer name than Coffin Point, don't you think?"

In the spring of 1987 Hughes and Pat Salmon had a visit from Michel Moreault, who had taken over as director of the Dominion Gallery after Max Stern's death. In her diary, Pat Salmon wrote: "Moreault landed at Cassidy Airport south of Nanaimo early in the afternoon. "That must be the tiniest airport in the world," he told me. We took him to various sketching sites and the weather was perfect. The best pictures I took of that happy day are all of Evening Cove. Seeing it, Moreault realized the truth in Hughes' colours. He remarked on the whiteness of the shell beach, and the true emerald in the waters along the point. I think he was exceptionally lucky to have seen it first through the Hughes paintings."



E. J. Hughes with his painting, Evening Cove (1987).



Evening Cove (1993)

Shawnigan Focus

Shawnigan Lake Rotary EcoClub

Adopt an Area LitterHeroes for Earth Day and Beyond!

Kim Barnard
*Secretary-President
Story Gatherer*

“Why should I pick up other people’s garbage?” When debris and glass are left behind in our public spaces and habitats, it harms everyone. Wildlife of all sizes and species could ingest it, or get stuck in it, or be polluted by it.

Pets might suffer as well! Bare feet might step on it (or in it!) at our parks and beaches. If you see it, you CAN do something about it!

“LitterHeroes unite!” Just as we look to be good neighbours and friends, we can all be caring members of LitterWatch. This is a united effort to look after

the areas of Shawnigan that we frequent and enjoy, for the benefit of all. Our wish is for individuals, families, neighbourhoods and businesses to adopt an area and to let us know so that we can work together to cover our whole community. Please talk to us to get inspiration, supplies and support. It’s a super mood booster to exercise your privilege in the camaraderie of kind, Collective action.

“Thank you!” We’re so grateful for the dedicated support of our waste management providers, Fisher Rd Recycling / DL’s Bins Ltd. and P.A.N. Disposal. We also receive resources from the CVRD, plus guidance from Encon Services Inc. and our community safety partners including our Shawnigan Fire Hall volunteers. Funding support is such an encouragement, from local businesses like Unsworth Vineyards and the Island Return-It South Cowichan depot, as well as others

yet to be confirmed! We’re looking forward to featuring our growing list of Litter Heroes... thank you all!

“Join us!” We are encouraging everyone to participate in the upcoming Earth Day “Hearts in Action” Shawnigan Community Clean Up on Saturday, April 22nd from 10am-2pm!

“Be a LitterHero in your own way!” Details are posted at our website:

ShawniganRotaryEcoClub.ca

Cowichan South Arts Guild

The Art of Storytelling

Theresa Zip
*Cowichan South
Arts Guild*

A Cowichan South Arts Guild and Shawnigan Lake Museum collaboration

We had a very well attended, magical evening of storytelling in our Village, in early March. SLCC’s round room was transformed into a cozy extended living room, welcoming four professional storytellers: Respected Quw’utsn Elder Quayhwulthw (Robert

George); Actor/Educator Sylvia Swift; Community Builder Eshu Martin; and Storyteller-of-many-hats Tad Hargrave. Each highlighted a different style of storytelling, which really provided a rich sampling of the ART that telling stories IS. From the humorous interactive story told by Quayhwulthw (with masks & help from audience volunteers!) through longer philosophical stories of Eshu Martin and Tad Hargrave, to the engaging, warm storytelling style of Sylvia Swift, the audience was spellbound, transported

to different lands and times. The stories each had many layers of connection to the audience: musical, physical, ancestral wisdom, some hilarious ‘gotcha’ moments, deeper meaning to ponder, and pure escape. A delicious feast of refreshments provided by Brugos rounded out the evening.

In addition, the storytelling theme, which stretched over 3 days, included a delightful StoryTheatre production for families on Saturday afternoon - (1002 Nights, by Izad Etemadi), and a Dragon Puppet- making Workshop for youth filling

a rainy Sunday afternoon. All events were free to the public, with workshops, just the annual membership (the best local bargain at \$15 for individuals or \$20 for families).

Feedback has been so positive that we may need to make this more than just an annual event - stay posted. Feel free to volunteer to



Photo by Aaron McMillan

get involved! Contact: hello@cowichansouthartsguild.com.

South Cowichan Library

Monica Finn

Family Storytime happens every Monday at 10:30am (except for April 10). If the day is sunny, you may find the songs and stories in the Mill Bay Centre playground!

The Inspired by Reading Book Club is open to anyone interested in reading and sharing inspired conversation. Hosted by the Cowichan South Arts Guild Book, the book club chooses books based on creating and sustaining a hopeful and compassionate environment for all. The April meeting is Monday, April 17, at 6:30pm. The book is The Most Precious Substance on Earth which the library has as a book, eBook, and downloadable audiobook.

LEGO® Club meets every Tuesday, 2-5pm. We provide the LEGO (and Duplo) and you supply the imagination. Come ready to build! This is a free, drop-in event.

Conversational Spanish: drop in, to practice Spanish in a casual setting each Monday at 6:30pm and chat en español en la biblioteca! Beginners welcome. Because we’re closed on April 10, the

group is meeting on Tuesday, April 11.

The Intermediate Chess Club meets every Wednesday for matches from 12:30-4pm.

The South Cowichan library has public computers for use when we’re open as well as a printer/scanner and a copier. Printing costs \$.25/page and scanning is free.

If you know a local who is unable to come into the library due to illness or injury, please let them know about the Home Delivery service for users of the South Cowichan library. Staff collect books, audiobooks, and DVDs and a volunteer delivers them all to the door at the start of each month. Please call the library to find out more.

The South Cowichan Library in the Mill Bay Centre is open:

10am - 8pm, Monday and Tuesday

10am - 5pm, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

Find out more at virl.bc.ca and at www.facebook.com/VIRLSouthCowichan

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Everyone Can Be a LitterHero!
You’re invited to

JOIN US for the Community Clean Up Day!



**Saturday, April 22
10am to 2pm**

**Register at the Event Tents at the SLCC
by Dougan Park**

- or -

Pre-Register Your Clean Up Zone Online!

Details at our website! www.ShawniganRotaryEcoClub.ca

Follow the Focus on Facebook

Food choices create food systems

Jared Qwustenuxun Williams, (he/him)
Writer & Educator

I've talked extensively on how when we eat Salish smoked salmon, we support the food system that created it. Basically, the greater the demand for Salish smoked salmon the more resources its food system gets to produce it...in the end, the bigger and more dynamic its food system can become. These Indigenous food systems support Indigenous languages, technologies, harvesting protocols, teachings, and culture. Most of the time that's where my story ends.

But there is another side to the story. One, I guess, I always felt was implied. Maybe, just for fun, I'll make it clearer.

When we eat food from fast food chains, the

demand for fast food grows. Now there are five Tim Hortons in Duncan. But I ain't here to hate on Tim's, it's just a relevant example. Providing food to businesses like Tim's are companies like Sysco, GFS, and other wholesalers. These are underpinned further by big food suppliers who are at near food monopoly levels. Grocery stores, restaurants, and fast-food places almost exclusively get their food from these suppliers. Sadly, when I look at this western food system, I see so much pain and exploitation. The way plants and animals are treated. The way entire countries are treated. The way human beings are treated. Everywhere I look in capitalist food I see suffering.

There are ways to get out of it. Things like supporting local food

suppliers, turning lawns into gardens, and raising animals are all great ways if you have enough land or money to make the choice. But, at city levels, where people have no land and limited income, a food system needs to be outsourced and sustainable.

Looking at Salmon Management on our coasts I can tell you this food system isn't sustainable. Considering that we live in a place where people thrived for countless generations using old aquaculture and permaculture practices. We have more people now, sure, but there is no reason that Indigenous food systems can't scale up.

The other side of my Salish smoked salmon story is that, alongside the energy revolution that is taking place, we



need a food revolution. We could do so much to fight climate change and restore the ecosystem if we reinvested in Indigenous food systems around the globe.

Elders say food is medicine. Maybe our food systems can be the medicine the earth needs to heal.

The picture is of my dinner plate, showing that we are all in this together. I don't eat 100% Indigenous foods. I don't have a magic bullet solution. I know that restoring these food systems will take work. I just think it might be a worthy endeavour for the benefit of generations to come.

Director's Report

Spring has Sprung!

Sierra Acton
CVRD Director for Shawnigan Lake

As the days get longer and warmer it is finally time to do some spring cleaning. To start the garage sale trend, The Shawnigan Lake Community Centre kicks off Spring with one the first Garage Sales of the season. By the time you read this publication I hope you are enjoying your new thrifty find from that sale. The Cowichan Lake community Centre is having one as well on May 13th, if you missed ours. In addition, there's always a big neighbourhood sale in the Beach Estates. Watch Facebook for details.

The new Rail with Trail Gateway Park (the lot recently acquired at the bottom of the Community Centre's driveway) is having some beauty work done. The grassy area is getting graded and cleaned up for a picnic area. Closer to the trail, the community can expect the Artistic bicycle racks and benches installation for rest spots along the trail. This project was spearheaded by The Shawnigan Residents Association. They acquired \$25,000 in grant funding to help

carry out this small part of the community's vision from the Think Shawnigan Plan.

The CVRD is still working on the new proposed bylaws that will greatly reduce the restrictions on suites and carriage houses in Area B. Stay tuned for the public hearing and sign up for notices at <https://www.cvr.ca/list.aspx>

To celebrate Earth Day, I will be right there along with you and Eco Rotary for the earth day clean up on April 22nd. I hope to see you there.

With the power of social media, the topic of accessibility and sidewalks in the village is dominating the conversation about potential local improvements. Solving these issues was envisioned in the Think Shawnigan Plan. It is clear that this is still an important community goal that needs to be further discussed. Stay tuned!

As always, if you are interested in this or any other community issues, please reach out and let's discuss.

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Shawnigan Lake Easter Eggstravaganza '23 EASTER SUNDAY



April 9 - Noon to 3
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Dr. Seuss

Shawnigan Basin Society

What’s shaking at the Shawnigan Basin Society?

Shirely Astleford

The most common question we hear from community is...what does the Society do?

Here are some examples:

- CVRD advisory panel: participating in CTAG (Community Technical Advisory Group), SSLWMP (South Sector Liquid Waste Management Plan), DW&WMP (Drinking Water and Watershed Management Planning)
- Fundraising / Grant

Writing Committee

- Invasive Plant Management Program
- Monitoring and Testing Team
- Native Plant Enhancement Program
- Public Outreach, Education and Engagement Program
- Riparian Area and Foreshore Protection Program
- Resource and Development Program (forestry, dumping,

- building)
- Technical Advisory/ Reporting Team

If you want to know more about who we are, what we do and why, join in on one of our general meetings or follow us on Facebook to check out our monthly Director profiles.

<https://www.facebook.com/shawniganbasinsociety>

Interested in volunteering? Send us an email for more information.

General Meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month from 7-9pm at our volunteer centre in the village.

Upcoming events - Visit our website for updates.

shawniganbasinsociety.org/

March 22, 2023 - World Water Day

April 13 7-9pm - Forestry Forum - Indigenous Perspectives Mill Bay Hall

April 22 - Saturday - Earth Day – Shawnigan Lake Rotary EcoClub

Community Clean up

May 06 - Forestry Tour with Mosaic - *tba

May 22 - World Biodiversity Day

May 26/27 - Paddle A Thon with St Johns Academy

June - Island Return It Charity Of The Month

June - Indigenous Plant

Medicine Walk - *tba

June 05 - World Environment Day

June 30th - Friday 2pm-5pm Q’ushin’tul Ancestors

Walk: Walking Together on the Creation Story

Pathway from T’sou-ke to Swuq’us *tba

July - Raffle draw date - *tba

August/September - Community Picnic to celebrate 10 years of watershed stewardship

with The Shawnigan Basin Society

Sept - Indigenous Plant Medicine Walk - *tba

Sept 23 - BC Rivers Day

* event details to be announced when the details are confirmed.

Shawnigan Weather - March 2023 Report

Stats courtesy of UVic Weather Network, Environment Canada and Weather Underground

Reported by Grant Treloar

	March Normal	Cigarmaker's Bay		Butler Road		Discovery School		Museum		Elford Road	
		2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Average High	10.4	9.0	10.2	9.9	11.1	10.1	11.1	10.1	10.9	9.5	10.4
Average Low	1.7	0.5	2.8	-0.7	1.4	0.4	2.9	1.0	3.3	0.4	2.7
Extreme High	22.2	16.9	15.0	16.1	15.6	17.4	15.2	17.5	14.7	16.5	14.5
Extreme Low	-11.7	-2.3	-2.6	-2.6	-2.4	-2.7	-3.7	-2.1	-2.0	-2.5	-2.5
Precipitation	119.2	130.7	130.3	120.4	116.8	99.1	102.3	90.2	86.4	94.0	98.8
Days w precip	19	19	22	19	21	20	26	21	22	20	23
Year Precip	469.2	421.0	427.7	386.6	401.8	320.5	373.4	311.1	336.5	322.0	381.2
Precip since Oct 1	1003.9	959.1	1077.2	889.7	1204.8	725.3	1174.2	715.3	1060.4	749.0	1155.4
Rank since 1914: 42 nd coldest, 45 th driest											
Lake Temperature Lake level change Surface Elevation		Mar 5		Mar 12		19		Mar 26			
		3"		3"		6"		5"			
		+4cm		+6cm		+11cm		+4cm			
		116.33		116.39		116.51		116.55			

March 2023 was 1° cooler and 25% drier than normal.

On the 4th, 8cm of snow fell on top of the 15cm still on the ground from the end of February.

Then on the 24th a slushy mixtured appeared again! A quick changeover provided the warmest day of the year so far on the 29th. Our “wet season” (starting October 1) has been very dry so far with only 65% of normal precipitation.



St. John’s Academy Spotlight



Visit our website for additional information:
www.stjohnsacademy.ca



St. John’s Football Academy

“St. John's Academy wants to create a safe and supportive environment where players can demonstrate their abilities while adapting to a unique coaching philosophy.”

St. John’s Academy is excited to announce the St. John’s Football Academy for the 2023-2024 school year. The academy’s inaugural class will be comprised of Grade 9 and 10 male students, who will spend the first three hours of each school day practicing at Pacific’s Island Training Centre, followed by academic classes back on campus at St. John’s Academy in Shawnigan Lake. Additional training will be offered to the student athletes in the early evenings. The academy will be offered to this group of students as they continue on through high school, adding academy grades each academic year, with plans to expand to female students in the future.



A must see performance!

St. John’s Academy Shawnigan Lake is proud to present our inaugural, annual school musical. The cast of 60+ students in grades 4-11 bring this magical tale to life. It’s the perfect show for audiences of all ages.

Based on the 2018 Broadway musical, Frozen JR. brings Elsa, Anna, and the magical land of Arendelle to life. The show features memorable songs from the animated film, plus five new



songs written for the Broadway production. It’s a story of true love and acceptance between sisters and expands upon the emotional relationship and journey between Princesses Anna and Elsa. When faced with danger, the two discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. Frozen JR. is sure to thaw even the coldest heart.



Mark your calendars.

Registration is open for the 2023-2024 academic school year. We have openings in a number of our grades and look forward to receiving your application.

- **April 21 & 22** – Frozen JR. performance, Cowichan Theatre
- **May 27** – Annual Fun Fair + Paddle-a-thon on campus at St. John’s Academy
- **June 23** – last day of school
- **August 26** - stop by our booth at the annual Cobble Hill Fair
- **August 31** – new student orientation day

For further information on our school, please visit our website, or feel free to contact:

Jenny Boomer, Director of Local Admissions
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“Education is the most powerful tool which you can use to change the world.” ~ Nelson Mandela

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 134

Gloria Solley
Malahat Legion Branch 134

The Malahat Legion Branch 134 would like to send belated happy birthday wishes to Jim Silvester, RCNVR WWII Veteran, who celebrated his 100th birthday on April 7th.



Jim served on the HMCS Malaspina and HMCS Quesnel, seeing service in the Pacific and Atlantic operational theatres. We would also like to send belated birthday wishes to Albert Middleton who celebrated his 108th

birthday at the Broadmead Veterans Memorial Lodge in Victoria. The Wounded Warriors arrived at the Legion on March 4th, a little later than planned due to the worst weather in 10 years of their run. They were all wet and very tired, but they continued and finished up on March 5th in Victoria. We are pleased to report that the Malahat Legion and friends raised \$10,264.80. Thank you everyone for your support of this very worthwhile event.

We welcome Doug Freberg, our new Entertainment Chair. Want to know what is happening at the Malahat Legion? Doug is already hard at work, and we have the following spring and summer dates in the planning stage:

Fridays and Saturdays our 'Galley' and the bar is open. Check out our monthly calendars available at the Legion or check our website www.malahatlegion.ca

Sunday, April 16th
1:00 pm - General



Meeting will be followed by our Lapel Pin Award Ceremony. This year we have 48 members who are eligible. We will be recognizing members who reached their 5th, 10th, and up years of service with the appropriate lapel pin. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

For more information about our up-coming events, or to make a reservation, please check our website <https://malahatlegion.ca> and click on events.

Friday, April 21st -
8 oz Strip Loin Steak
Dinner with garlic bread, baked potato and coleslaw followed by free Music Bingo. (The dinner is almost sold out, but you are still welcome to come to the Music Bingo if you miss out the dinner.)

Friday, May 26th
Ukrainian Relief Dinner
Fundraiser. \$25.00

5:00–7:00 pm
Dinner
Perogies, cabbage rolls, sausages

7:00 – 9:00 pm
Kinda Ceili Band from Nanaimo



Tickets will be available starting April 23rd. We will be donating \$10.00 on every ticket sold. We will be holding a variety of other fundraising items during the evening.

Saturday, June 3rd
10:00 – 1:30 pm -
Flea Market Tailgate
Fundraiser for Tour de Rock 2023. Enforcement and emergency services personnel cycle 14 days and 1200 km across Vancouver Island raising money for cancer.

Saturday, June 17th
The annual Walter Hall Community Fishing Derby.
There will be a few changes this year. Fishing

and weigh-in will be held in Shawnigan Lake until 1:30 pm. Refreshments and awards will follow at the Malahat Legion starting at 2:00 pm.

Thursday, July 1st
8:30–11:00 am
Annual Canada Day Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Malahat Legion and the Lion's Club. 1:00–4:00 everyone is invited to return to the Malahat Legion for free Canada Day Cake and enjoy live music by the Turnip the Beet, South Cowichan's music jam.

Don't forget that we are continuing our bottle drives. Our meat draw is held every Saturday from 3:00–5:00 pm. The meat is from Thrifty's and all proceeds go directly back into community non-profit organizations.

In order to put on these events, volunteers are needed. If you can spare any time you could help with meat draws; in the kitchen; set up, clear dishes during dinners and/or help behind the bar on busy nights. Help with the bottle drives or any other fund raisers is also needed. Please sign up in the Legion.

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The Focus team encourages community members to submit editorial content, including letters; articles of local interest, bouquets you would like to offer to people; things that strike you as funny; challenges you want our civic leaders to consider; and/or ideas that would better our community. Letters to the Editor must be accompanied by the author's full name, address and phone number, but the contact information, other than the name, will not be published. Letters should be limited to 300 words and we reserve the right to edit for brevity or to refuse inappropriate or abusive language. Letters should attack issues - not individuals or groups.

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Pacific FC and St. John’s Academy Launch Youth Soccer

By Pacific Football Club and St. John’s Academy
Langford, BC
March 1, 2023

Pacific Football Club (PFC) and St. John’s Academy (SJA) announced a new partnership that will see the Canadian Premier League (CPL) club and the Shawnigan Lake-based independent school launch a youth soccer academy, The Football Academy, complete with coaching by Jamar Dixon, a retired Canadian professional soccer player and now the Manager of Football and Player Development for the Canadian Premier League club Pacific FC

located in Langford.
“The objective of The Football Academy is to develop complete soccer players by focusing on specific fundamentals of the game such as team morale and culture, mental and physical aspects of the game, as well as technical and tactical awareness,” said Jamar Dixon, Academy Director.
“St. John’s Academy wants to create a safe and supportive environment where players can demonstrate their abilities while adapting to a unique coaching philosophy.”
The academy’s inaugural class will be comprised

of Grade 9 and 10 male students, who will spend the first three hours of each school day practicing at Pacific’s Island Training Centre, followed by academic classes back on campus. Additional training will be offered to the student athletes in the early evenings. The academy will be offered to this group of students as they continue on through high school, adding academy grades each academic year, with plans to expand to female students in the future.

“Our goal is to provide students in the program with world-class learning and character development through education and soccer and to help them reach their highest potential as athletes, students, and citizens,” said Kimberly Edgson, a member of SJA’s Senior Educational Leadership Team.

“Vancouver Island is a hub for soccer, and we are creating an opportunity for our students to immerse themselves in the game while getting a top-notch education.”

Pacific FC has a robust youth program operating out of the Island Training Centre called the Vancouver Island Wave Program. Dixon has extensive experience coaching in that program along with other past

and current Pacific FC players. Dixon’s coaching prowess includes winning the 2022 BC SPL Championship with the 2008 boys Wave team.

Stay tuned to pacificfc.ca and follow the club on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook for the latest news.

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About Pacific Football Club
Founded in 2018, Pacific Football Club brings professional football

to Vancouver Island. Playing out of Starlight Stadium in Langford, the club provides an outlet for Canadian soccer players to compete at the professional level of the sport on home soil through the Canadian Premier League.

About St John’s Academy
St. John’s Academy Shawnigan Lake offers an academically rigorous and transformational learning program for tomorrow’s leaders in a caring and supportive environment. The holistic programs develop a sense of adventure and an appreciation of nature and the Arts, enabling students to make positive contributions to local and global communities through responsible and principled action.

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March 2023 Report

Department Members Attended 24 Incidents in March

- Wednesday, Mar 1 – Chimney Fire on Baldy Mountain Rd
- Wednesday, Mar 1 - 1st Responder off Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Friday, Mar 3 - 1st Responder off Elford Rd
- Saturday, Mar 4 – Hydro Lines on Merridale Rd
- Tuesday, Mar 7 – Burning Complaint on Cameron-Taggart Rd
- Wednesday, Mar 8 - 1st Responder off Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Thursday, Mar 9 - 1st Responder off Renfrew Rd
- Friday, Mar 10 - 1st Responder off Jersey Rd
- Friday, Mar 10 - 1st Responder off Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Saturday, Mar 19 - 1st Responder off Shawnigan-Mill Bay Rd
- Tuesday, Mar 21 - 1st Responder off Gibbs Rd
- Tuesday, Mar 21 – MVI on Renfrew Rd & W Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Tuesday, Mar 21 – MVI on Renfrew Rd
- Wednesday, Mar 22 – Hazmat on Wallbank Rd
- Wednesday, Mar 22 – Alarms Activated on Wellwood Rd
- Thursday, Mar 23 - 1st Responder off W Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Thursday, Mar 23 – Alarms Activated on Shawnigan-Mill Bay Rd
- Friday, Mar 24 - 1st Responder off Fernridge Dr
- Saturday, Mar 25 – Assistance on Worthington Rd
- Saturday, Mar 25 – MVI on Cliffside Rd & Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Sunday, Mar 26 – Hazmat on Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Sunday, Mar 26 - 1st Responder off W Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Monday, Mar 27 - 1st Responder off Shawnigan Lake Rd
- Monday, Mar 27 - 1st Responder off Sooke Lake Rd

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- **Shawnigan Lake Community Association (SLCA)**
Contact: bburr@shaw.ca
- **Shawnigan Basin Society**
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- **Royal Canadian Legion Malahat District Branch 134**
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Contact: hello@cowichansouthartsguild.com (web): cowichansouthartsguild.com
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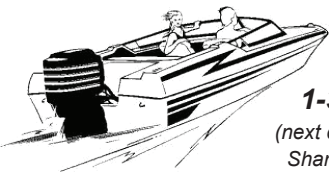
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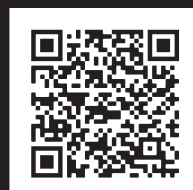
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