

the POINTER

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AEROBICS

For about 2 years the Community exercise group has been talking about introducing step aerobics as an alternative to the regular Hi/Low impact workout which we do every Tuesday and Thursday. In October we decided to "Just Do It!" and organized a Happy Hour to enable us to raise some of the funds necessary. We considered it a very successful event as we raised \$579 and everyone seemed to have a good time. \$579 is about half of the

amount we need to purchase 15 sets of steps and application has been made to the WPCA executive to help us with the rest.

As a group that has been following the same basic format in our Hi/Low impact workouts for 10 years, we will welcome the introduction of steps which will enable us to do a safe low impact workout, with a choice of three heights to adjust the intensity. Anyone who has done a step class will tell you that it's a workout!

We will continue to do the stretching which is an important part of any workout, and to use the hand weights and the tubes.

Thanks to everyone who supported our fund raiser. We hope to introduce the steps in the New Year, can get to get back in shape.

We welcome new participants - "Step Up" with us into the New Year!

Katie Cotter

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

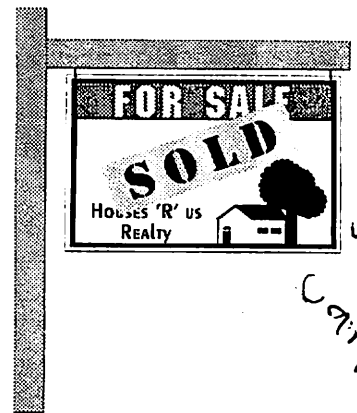
Are you a member of the Willis Point Community Association?

There was a good deal of confusion when the Willis Point Ratepayers Association was dissolved and the Willis Point Community Association was created 2 years ago. If you did not sign up on a list of members or do not have a receipt from the Willis Point Community Association then you are not registered as a member and not entitled to vote at WPCA meetings on issues affecting the community.

If you are in doubt about your membership standing or wish to become a member contact Gillian Jackson at 652-0472, it's only \$5.00.

Do join us to see what the issues affecting your community are - see the chairman's report to learn the aims of your community to make it a better place to live, continue to enjoy the Pointer publication, get to know your neighbours - join the WPCA.

See you at the next Happy Hour!



Johnson Valerius

New Members:

On Willis Point Road,
Mariann Malvel
Neil and Jean Cunningham
Victor and Pam Chang-Kue
Ursula and William Waite
Jay Rangee
Jennifer Modigliani
Maureen and Henry Deelstra

On Mark Lane,
Sheila Carnegie
Murray Jolson
Jim Scott & Carol Ann Whalley
Ewald and Gina Will
Sally and Ron McMillan

to the Point

There have been a large number of new people moving into the Point (well, large for our small community) and I would like to welcome them all. I am your new editor, and this is my first Pointer, so bear with me. Unfortunately this one is rushed as we have been away for longer than intended, as my husband, Bob, had severe back trouble and was hospitalized in Costa Rica. The next edition will have more care and attention, I promise! I would like to ask our teenagers if they would contribute some articles on why they like or don't like living at Willis Point, or what community events they enjoy and why. Just give me a call and I'll pick them up. If any children have artwork that they think is pretty good, let me print that too. I'd like to thank Bernadette Boydell and her committee for the sterling work they have all these years, producing very fine Pointers and hope I can live up to their high standards.

Gaybrielle Halsey

Community Input

There is \$18,000 in term deposit. We are looking for suggestions from the community for what purposes this money should be designated:

1. Enhancement of community, hall & grounds.
2. Emergency preparedness fund.
3. Floor resurfacing in the hall.
4. Any other suggestions?

Also, regarding the renewal of the hall sign. Have you any suggestions for a vandal resistant Hall sign?

Please fill in your suggestions on the enclosed response sheet and either drop off at the hall or mail to:

Gaybrielle Halsey
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Comments, letters and articles should be submitted to the editor at 6872 Mark Lane, V9E 2A1. Minor editorial changes may be made. Please call me if you have any questions.

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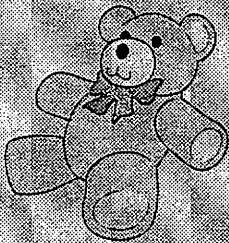
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BABY-SITTING REGISTRY

Brendan Pause, is a 12 year old who has completed the Red Cross Babysitting Course and is happy to baby sit in the Pointer Area. His phone number is 652-4076.

Call Karissa Crawley. She is 14 years old and has successfully completed her Red Cross baby sitting course and Standard First Aid. She is experienced with young and older kids. Her phone no. is 652-0360

**Call Lacey for all
your
Baby-
sitting
needs!**



Lacey is 12 years old successfully completed the Red Cross baby sitting course. She is experienced with young kids and loves children. Her number is 652-0360

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baby-sit for you!**

Call her at 652- 5478. Tanis is 14 years old and has her St. John's Baby-sitting, CPR, and Red Cross Lifesaving II certificates. She has experience minding children from babies to 10 year olds.

Saija Connor

Age: 12

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Call 652-0050

Kaily Stevens is a experienced babysitter, she is 15 and is in grade ten. She has completed a first aid and babysitting course
Phone number 652-0037

Children's Christmas Party and Pot Luck

Children's Christmas party and pot luck supper at the hall December 15 at 5:00. Santa will make an appearance after supper, with the aid of one of the fire departments big red trucks.

So fix up your specialty (to share) and bring it with your dishes up to the hall on the 15th and oh yes, don't forget the small people, as Santa will have a talk with them all. See you there.

For information phone Joan Wright at 652-3254



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Willis Point Community Update

First off, we would like to thank your past chair, Tony Boydell, and outgoing member-at-large Dean Hyland for the giving up part of their busy lives to participate in the executive function of the WPCA. A special thanks goes out to Alan Cracknell who for many years has served as the treasurer and provided an invaluable continuity to the business and activities of the association.

Congratulations to our CRD Director, Larry West who was elected to another term as our political representative. Larry is a dedicated individual who has attended every executive meeting since being elected (with the exception of illness) has kept the executive informed, and represented the community's concerns to the CRD. The election was close but when the final tally was taken, it was the Willis Point vote that carried the day. Who says our voice isn't heard.

Paul Williams has been appointed by the executive to serve as the chairperson for the next year and Denise Tregear has been appointed as Vice-Chair. This has left a vacancy for a member-at-large. If you are interested in participating and serving as a member of the executive, please contact any one of the executive. We will appoint an individual by February. It makes no difference whether you are new to the community or up to speed on the issues. It is your interest and participation that count.

Following is a summary of ongoing topics and issues:

Focus of the Executive:

- continue to be proactive in land use and enhancement of park acquisition as it affects Willis Point.

- establish with the Fire & Rec Commission a planned maintenance program for the community hall and associated land.

- continue to push for a restrictive study to enable Willis Point to be proactive and informed on all options available to us; absence of this effort will in all likelihood result in imposed political decisions upon us

- encourage and provide assistance to groups that organize activities on behalf of the community and enhance community spirit.

- increase and revitalize communications with the community in general. NOTE - there will be a Willis Point Community hall sign that will provide the ability to advertise community events and meetings etc. erected in the near future.

- carry on with the Advisory Committee which under the direction of Larry Resnick provides a valuable resource to the community. At present, they are working toward a resolution to the composting facility at the Hartland Dump which our community can endorse. The other members of this group are; Ken Ilott and Karen Dinnie-Smythe. There are other issues such as restructuring and land use which they will play a key role in.

Money Matters

One of the first duties for the newly elected treasurer, Dave Carley, is to find a way to utilize the funds accumulated by the community. He posed the question "what should be done with these funds?" It was duly noted that the \$18,000.00 (as of last executive meeting) was a definite sign of our

success. This amount has grown too large not to earmark it for a future useful purpose. The executive will continue to assist the groups who want to enhance community spirit.

Some of our recent examples of these contributions are;

- the widely attended & much awaited kids Christmas Party.

- the Halloween bonfire - which was a GREAT success this year.

- the firefighters anniversary which promises to be one of the best shin digs held at the hall.

- and one of the longest running groups in the Point, the Willis Point Aerobics Group (affectionately known as the Bend & Farts). They have been steady contributors to the revenue of the hall as well as holding their fair share of happy hours. No wonder their infamous leader looks so young!

Since these monies were raised by the Community's hard work, the executive feels that at this stage we need direction and input to work towards a financial plan. What we need you to do is to get your creative juices flowing, and bring your ideas forth. Come to an executive meeting, call a member of the executive or fill out the ideas sheet supplied in The Pointer.

Community Liaison Officer - RCMP - Willis Point

Due to ongoing Vandalism, recent harassment of hall renters, concerns over the park area used as a "party place" and general policing concerns regarding Willis Point and its remoteness to the responsible agency (Sidney RCMP) the RCMP was invited to our last meeting on December 2. The results of this meeting are as follows:

- establish a dialogue between WPCA, RCMP and BC Parks on

how to deal with issues regarding usage of parks, access to park hand and how to limit inappropriate activities

- constable Jason Kerr has been tasked by the RCMP as the W.P. Community Liaison officer. He is available at 656-3931 to deal with concerns of residents. It is encouraged that residents with complaints and/or concerns of a non-emergency

nature be directed to him. He will respond to all concerns. NOTE: all emergencies must still be dealt with by the 911 system.

- the RCMP has increased patrol and their presence within the community. Within the detachment at Sidney, the Staff Sgt. has instructed his officers to patrol W.P. whenever the opportunity arises

- The RCMP encourages the reporting of all incidents of concerns to the residents of W.P. be reported immediately

The meeting with Constable Kerr was a step in the right direction. Increased dialogue with our policing agency is important. As the urban area expands, Willis Point becomes less isolated and susceptible to less desirable influences.

Ongoing Issues

Look for reports on future issues in the Pointer.

- Fama lands
- Water Quality - storm runoff
- Community Liaison with BC
- Hilltopper

As a final note, the AGM was attended by 22 people. This is not a good turn out for a community which prides itself on it's uniqueness community spirit and desire to be heard in its concerns. We have an active, dedicated executive who really needs your support. We encourage attendance at our monthly meetings and stay tuned for our drive to have one of our best turn-outs at our next Annual general meeting.

Your WPCA Executive

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Willis Point Community Association, Executive

CRD Director:	Larry West	478-5332
Chair:	Paul Williams	652-0223
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Corresponding Secretary:	Sam Young	652-3859
Membership Secretary:	Gillian Jackson	652-0472
Member-at-Large:	Ida Von Schuchman	652-0050

Executive meetings are normally held the first Monday of every month, 7:30pm at the Community Hall. Any member of the Willis Point Community Association is welcome to attend.

Other Willis Point Contacts:

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WPCA Advisory Committee:	Larry Resnick	652-8278
Fire Chief	Ian Blaney	652-????
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Trails Assessment	Gill Jackson	652-0472
	Ida Von Schuchman	652-0050

Fire Department News

As your new Fire Chief, effective October 3, 1996, I look forward to working with the Community and the now 23 member strong Fire Department.

Recently, we have welcomed 5 new members into the Department - Chris Barloe, Scott Boner, Marie Bradley, Bob Cattoir and Cameron Wright. The new members have become involved and have brought a lot of spirit, training and enthusiasm into the ranks.

Five members (Chris Barlow, Marie Bradely, Bob Cattior, art Jackson & Uwe Pause) recently attended a First Responder Level 3 Course at our neighbouring Highlands Fire Hall - a 4 day course plus written and practical exams. Also one member (Lisa Connolly) completed a 3 day plus written and practical exams Air Brake Course - a big **THANK YOU and CONGRATULATIONS** to each of you. Two members (Dean Highland and Ian Blaney Jr.) attended a 2 day Muscular Dystrophy Seminar in Richmond. The Willis Point Department has an excellent record of involvement with M.D. within the Fire Departments in Greater Victoria.

Early in November the Willis Point members assisted with the operation of the M.D. Hot Dog Booth at Goldstream Park - thank you Art, Brian, Dean, Ian & Lisa.

The Willis Point Fire Department is a totally volunteer Fire Department. We as residents should be proud and thankful to the men and women who have a great sense of desire to help neighbours in needs.

As many residents know our Willis Point Fire Department will be 20 years old this coming February. Several of the original members (still actively serving) will be in atten-

dance at a Gala 20 Year Celebration on February 1, 1997 and at that time they will be honored for their 20 years of service - something we should all be proud of. The reunion committee is headed by Ken Ilott.

Special thanks must be extended to Past Chief Vernon McConnell and Past Deputy Chiefs Brian McCandless and Ken Ilott who served in these positions during the last four years. The accomplishments made during that period included the purchase of a new major fire truck, installation of a 20,000 gallon water storage tank on site and the implementation of a First Responder Program through the B.C. Justice Institute - thank you Vern, Brian and Ken - job well done and appreciated.

The new officers of the department:

Deputy Chief Bill Wright
(Equipment/Supplies/Hall)

Captain Dean Hyland (Training)

Captain Darren Pine
(Operations & Special Projects)

Captain Neil Tregear (Vehicle
Maintenance/Readiness & Safety)

Lieutenant Kathy Crawley

Lieutenant Ian Blaney Jr.

I would like to remind residents of the following important issues:

- Ensure your household Smoke Alarms are operational test them regularly.
- Have approved fire extinguishers in your homes secured in designated locations
- Ensure your house numbers are clearly visible from the road especially at night.
- Use extensive caution while driving on the roads allow extra time and be prepared for winter conditions.

- When you encounter an EMERGENCY CALL 911 that is the correct and helpful thing to do, when someone needs help.

- Fire Permits are required - available at the Fire Hall Wednesday evenings

Last year we handled 15 emergency calls at Willis Point - 8 fire and 7 medical - these figures are consistent with these of 1995

I am very proud indeed of our Fire Department and of the men and women who serve. These people are quick to donate their precious time for the betterment of our unique community.

W. Ian Blaney
Fire Chief, 652-2677

We hosted a Fire Hall Open House October 13 - complete with visiting vintage fire trucks, displays, demonstrations and great buffet breakfast enjoyed by all - thank you Chef Dean and all the helpers, including Lacey and Karissa Crawley.

October 31 saw another Halloween Party sponsored by the Fire Department - the bonfire was a blaze and everyone enjoyed the fireworks donated by many local residents - a sincere thank you.

FIRE FIGHTER NEWS

After the long hot summer with many fire calls to the beaches and bush of Willis Point and with the onset of rainy season. We can now get back on to training. Speaking of training, we would like to congratulate Uwe Pause, Art Jackson, Bob Cattoir, Chris Barlow, and Marie Bradley on taking their First Responder Level 3 training with the Highlands Fire Department. While we are at it congratulations to Lisa Connoly for taking her Air Brake Endorsement.

You may have noticed a new name in the previous paragraph, that of Chris is our latest member, Welcome Chris.

The department has had it's annual meeting and election of officers. The membership would like to congratulate the new chief W. Ian Blaney, Deputy Chief Bill Wright, Officer Darren Pine and a new lieutenant Ian Blaney Jr.. To the outgoing chief and officers thank you very much for your dedication and time. Only you know how much extra time and energy you have put into your positions. The new officers are just now finding out what they let themselves into.

The department is busy getting set up for our 20th anniversary in February 1997, so if you have any little stories or photos. You could tell or loan please contact me (Bill Wright) at home 652-3254 or work 952-4425. It doesn't matter how trivial you think it is may help trigger another story. So get out the photo albums and the old thinking cap.

We have been requested to help Santa get to the Christmas party December 15, so be assured he will be there.

A few of the members have been out touring around the community with members selling hot dogs at Goldstream in aid of the muscular Dystrophy patients, Ian Blaney Jr. and Dean Hyland went to Vancouver for the Muscular Dystrophy Convention, Bill Wright went out to Langford for the Vancouver Island volunteer fire fighters annual meeting. The new chief has been out running his little buns off to meetings all over town, trying to get up to speed on the chief's position, and change over responsibilities.

Bill Wright

Christmas Tree Safety



With Christmas close at hand please be extra careful with your tree and decorations. We only want to see the light from your decorations not from your house. Please be careful.



Ken Ilott

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Annual General Meeting

Present: Chair - Tony Boydell
Executive - P. Williams, D. Tregear,
D. Hyland, D. Carley, G. Jackson,
I. von Schuckmann, Lois Lovo.
General Membership - 22
Guest- Director Larry West

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:45.

Ian Blaney the agenda be accepted, seconded by Dean Hyland - Carried
The Chairman read the minutes of the 1995 as prepared by the Secretary.
Vern McConnell moved they be accepted as read, seconded Bill Wright - Carried.

Chairman's Report

Tony described to the membership the reasons for the formation of our new Advisory Committee. They will present a detailed report later in the meeting. He welcomed the two new members present and went on to state that it had been a busy year for the Executive trying to keep on top of the changes going on. Some of the things encountered this year were the suggestions that restructuring would be taking place and looking into what would be best for our area in this regard. Fama had done some testing that had made quite a mess of the area. They had however, decided that they would need to have a water and sewer infrastructure in place before developing the area. They were supposed to be back to us in June with a plan but nothing seen as yet. It appears that they will agree to supply us with water & sewage in return support for greater density. He reminded everyone that he had only taken on the chairmanship of our Executive for one year when Denise had stepped down at the last AGM. Re the dumping of garbage, we have had good support from the By-Law

Enforcement people and have even been able to track down some of the culprits and make them responsible for the cleanup. If you see anyone in the act of throwing out garbage, take note of the license number and phone the CRD. As regards vandalism in the area, there have been several cars damaged over the last year and the recent incidence of signs etc. being cut down. The Chairman thanked Ida von Schuckmann, Gillian Jackson and Dave Carley for stepping into the positions left vacant through resignations. He made a particular point of thanking Alan Cracknell for keeping our books and looking after our money so efficiently for the last several years.

Director's Report-

Larry West thanked everyone for their good many wishes when he was ill and thanked Paul for stepping in to assisting him during that time. Regarding restructuring -the Ministry had dropped the ball on this and did not get things into place for this to go ahead at this time. At the last minute they had tried to push through an amalgamation of Langford and Sooke but this had arrived too late to be considered at the meeting of the Board. Sooke is looking into incorporation - if this goes ahead it will reduce the numbers left which would give those remaining a much smaller voice, so it is vital that we make some decisions regarding our future before they are made for us. He will assist us to get any funds available to study this. Mill Bay, Shawnigan Lake and Cobble Hill are also looking into incorporation. Larry advised that he would be running for the Director's position in the upcoming elections. Water Survey - there is \$18,000. available to explore the possibility of water available in the vicinity of the hall. If there is a reasonable amount, it would be much less costly than wells

in the Durrance Lake area pumping the water up over the hill. Hopefully a geo-physical study will pinpoint at least one new well in the hall area which could be used to refill our storage tank, water the playground etc. Mutual Aid Agreement - there is some hang-up over the liability problems but they are still working on them. Fama - nothing happening in the immediate future.

Library - we were too late to get into the City of Victoria System last year but we should be able to be included this year.

Treasurer's Report-

Dave Carley clarified the report as printed in the Pointer. Our present total net worth is \$28,272.92 with \$18,000. in a 30 day term deposit. With interest so low he suggests we look into something more worthwhile. Dave moved the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented, seconded by Ken Leighton - Carried. Membership - Gillian Jackson, who took over after Connie's resignation advised that we have 11 new members - 180 total. There is still some confusion over the changes that took place last year that Gill will try and get straightened out. Bill Wright moved this report be accepted, seconded by Dianne Twamley - Carried.

Fire Dept. Report -

Ian Blaney, the incoming Chief advised that, as in the past, our Fire Dept. remains very active and dedicated. There were 7 first responder and 8 fire calls over the last year. Many members have just renewed their first responder credentials and some of the newer members will be taking their air brake course. We presently have 18 members and 5 new recruits. Bill Wright is Deputy Chief, Dean Hyland and Darren Pine are Captains in charge of training and

special events respectively. Neil Tregear is in charge of vehicle readiness and safety. Ian further advised that there were two problems - there is very light coverage during the day and at present the trucks have to be filled from jerry cans, neither efficient nor safe. He reminded us that the number to call in an emergency is 911 - this starts the proper chain of events. Vern McConnell was saluted for his 4 years as Chief. Tony thanked Ian for his report and noted that the Fire and Recreation Commission's report was not available. Ian finished his report by reminding us that this February would be the 20th anniversary of the Fire Dept. and they hoped to have a special event to mark the occasion.

Advisory Committee

This new committee consists of the Chair, Larry Resnick and members Karen Dinnie-Smythe and Ken Ilott. They have been focusing primarily on the problem of the recycling facility and Larry was pleased to report that we no longer have to worry about Envirowaste. We were very fortunate in that the CRD agreed that there had not been enough environmental study or public input into this before Saanich went ahead to try and rezone the area. Envirowaste have consistently had a great deal of trouble with both leachate and odour and will close down their Abbotsford facility. Larry was able to be a member of the committee struck by Saanich to look into this whole composting matter and a \$20,000 grant was made available to study the various methods presently available. With this group he visited the mainland (where they found the Envirowaste facility a complete disaster) and Peel County, Ontario where they are using the closed-box Herhof method - large concrete boxes that produce no smell, no leachate and a very saleable product

after a short curing period outside of the box. Most of the sites in Europe are the closed type. is Also available is a Canadian built Wright System, also a closed box. This system has a 14 day cycle with a further 2 months curing. All the temperatures, moisture etc. inside the boxes are controlled by computer.

The closed systems appear to be no more costly than the open method and can be installed almost anywhere. J.C. Environmental who are the agents for Herhof in Canada and who set up the Peel operation have agreed to take over Envirowaste's contract and provide guarantees in every aspect of the facility. Composting presently being done at Hartland is pretty primitive - 6 months to cycle the waste. Larry was told by the manager of Hartland that they do not get complaints about the smell. It appears that we are all just putting up with it and Larry urged us all to phone when it was noticeable and make them more responsive to the public. Larry was impressed with the way Saanich Council handled the whole matter and also allowed him to be on the committee although not a resident of their area. He presented the following resolution for our approval:

We, the members of the Willis Point Community Association,

- 1) would not find it acceptable for the CRD to award the composting contract at the Hartland Landfill to any company that has a history of failing to comply with the rules, regulations or requirements of the Ministry of the Environment.
- 2) would not find it acceptable to put in place at the Hartland Landfill any composting technology which has the potential for polluting either the water we use or the air we breath.
- 3) strongly urge that all feasible avenues for decentralizing composting operations in the CRD, including placing a small composting

facility at or near the proposed new liquid waste management plant, be fully explored.

Finally, 4) we ask for the formation of a citizens group, including a member from our Association, to provide continuing liaison between the public and those responsible for the operation of the CRD's waste management facilities.

This resolution was moved by Larry Resnick, seconded by Dave Carley - Carried unanimously. A letter will be sent to Larry West advising that this resolution was passed unanimously and asking him to pass on our feelings in this matter in the strongest possible way to the authorities concerned. The community thanked Larry Resnick, Larry West and Tony Boydell for the time and effort put in to block Envirowaste.

The Hilltopper

An article was printed in the Pointer about the changes taking place regarding this event and the new leadership we require. Halseys and Scotts are more than willing to help but want others to spearhead the project. It has always been a much needed money-maker but now we may need to make some changes. If we do not have the money to make the \$4000 payment it will be apportioned on our tax bills. The mortgage is repaid, but there are some other things that need attention around the hall. There was considerable discussion about what should be changed, what should stay, should we try to make the race a bigger part of the day or discontinue it because of the other sanctioned races held the same day - should the date be changed. The Chair asked for a show of hands to see if the members were interested in continuing the event in some form. Everyone agreed it was an important part of our community and we did not want it lost. **Bob Cattoir** volunteered to work on the new version, as

did new residents **Ursula Waite** and **Patrick Chenier** (who has experience with races). Tony reminded them that things had to get underway in January or February at the latest.

Elections

Denise Tregear took charge of our elections. Sam Young - nominated for Corresponding Secretary - Elected by Acclamation Gill Jackson - nom. for Member-at-Large (Membership) - Elected by acclamation Ida von Schuckmann - nominated for Member-at-Large - Elected by acclamation Lois Lovo- nominated for Recording Secretary - Elected by acclamation Dave Carley - nominated for Treasurer - Elected by acclamation There were no nominations for the position of Chairman. Paul Williams, Vice Chair will take over the position until someone can be found to take this on. Paul thanked the outgoing Executive member, Dean Hyland and Tony Boydell for all of their work

New Business

Our Firefighters hope to celebrate their 20th anniversary with a formal dinner and dance to be held in February. Long service medals will be awarded and there will be a number of invited guests (approx. 20). They are requesting \$1800 from the WPCA to help fund this affair, the CRD may also be asked to assist. It was pointed out that the firefighters work long and hard for the community, taking many courses etc. to keep up their skills and perhaps we should repay them by helping with this event. After considerable discussion Bob Cattoir moved that we give the two thirds of the amount they feel they require, seconded by Bill Wright. After calling the question and further discussion, Ken Leighton moved an amendment to the motion in the effect that we give them the

full \$1800. requested. Bob Cattoir withdrew his motion. Ken's amendment was presented as the new motion, seconded by Bill Wright- Carried

The Pointer -Bernadette Boydell is stepping down as Editor of the Pointer. She rose to tell us how much she had enjoyed doing it over the years and how much easier it was now that Jason Funnell was doing so much of the computer and technical work required- layout etc. She pointed out that there was always lots of help but it required one person to be responsible. The members thanked her for all her efforts over the years.

Gabrielle volunteered to help keep the Pointer going, as did Gill Jackson.

Bill Wright advised that he had left several copies of his extensive history of the Willis Point around for mem-

bers to have a look. He would like people to read them and give him any suggestions or additions they might have.

The Fire and Recreation Commission meeting would obviously not be taking place.

Bob Wilson and Vern McConnell are interested in running for positions on the commission. Dianne Twamley offered to put her name forward if required. Paul urged them to increase their 2 or 3 meetings per year schedule to include one meeting just to discuss hall maintenance. Paul will be in touch with Gary Butchart regarding these matters.

Paul advised the membership of his many contributions and thanked Larry West for all the work he has done for our community during his last term and wished him the very best of luck in the upcoming elections.

Dean moved the meeting be adjourned.

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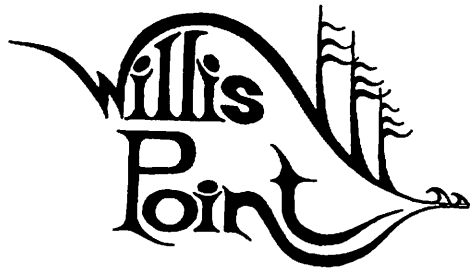
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Just a Note...

Willis Point is a wonderful place for families to live and this includes our beloved pets. Over the past few months a couple of playful dogs have been causing problems at the school bus stops. The problems range from bloody scratches on the smaller children due to happy jumping dogs, through to cars swerving due to road bound dogs. Note, these swerving cars have on three separate occasions only just missed the waiting school kids.

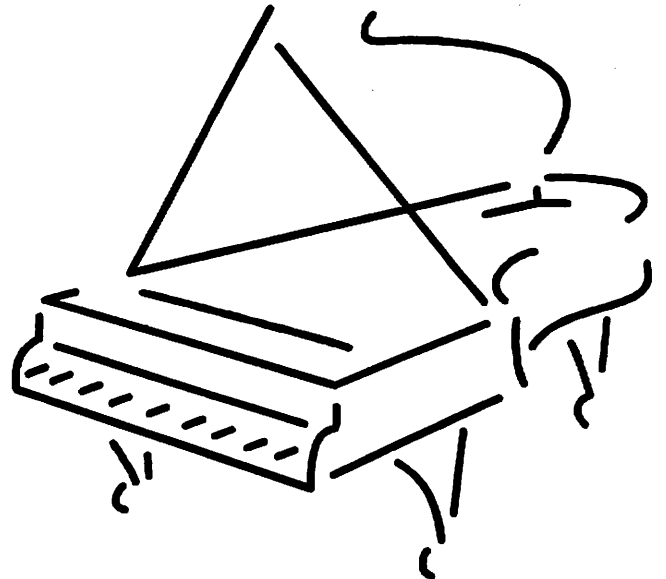
We all love the rural life out here, but sometimes we have to be reminded that not everyone enjoys free spirited dogs. Especially those children that must wait by the bus stop and endure these dogs friendly greetings and those who must try to avoid driving into them on the road.

Just a note from a couple of concerned mothers.



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