



the **POINTER**

September '97

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TENNIS



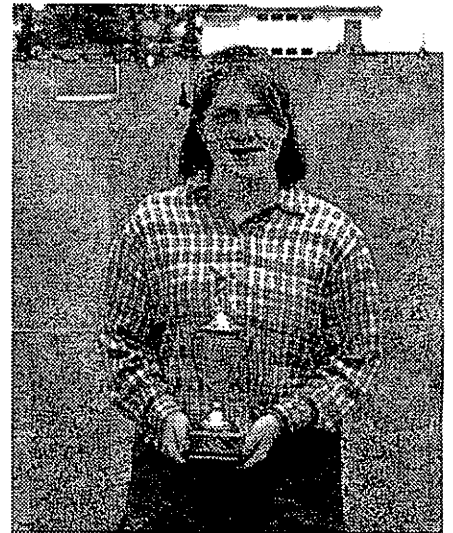
Cara Shartner won a gold medal at the B.C. Summer Games for tennis doubles.

LACROSSE



**Team Record: 32wins; 5loses; 1 tie
Matt Treager's lacrosse team won the gold medal at the Provincials in Coquitlam.**

FIELD HOCKEY



Melanie Wright's team won the City Finals for field hockey.



FIRE SERVICE

Bob Halsey, Vern McConnell and Bill Wright all received the Exemplary Service Medal from the Governor-General, for twenty years of Volunteer Fire Service.

TO THE POINT

Our rather strange summer has come to an end, but we have had a small bonus with these glorious fall days we are now experiencing. Everything looks so picturesque, I am truly appreciating our unique community landscape.

I would like to urge everybody to please make an effort to attend the A.G.M. on Oct. 6th. Our hardworking Community Association and the Fire & Rec. Commission need to have your input. If you're oldtimers, come and show your support. If you're new, come and see what we are all about and meet your neighbours. It's rather nice to have the potholes in the road fixed up ready for the winter, which as I understand it, will NOT be like last year (!), but we can expect lots of rain. Next Pointer will be out before Xmas, any contributions are gratefully received, especially from our young people.

Gaybrielle Halsey.

HILLTOPPER '97 UPDATE

I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to everyone, too many to mention, whom assisted me in co-ordinating this years Hilltopper Fun Run event.

The runners' numbers were down a bit this year, but in retrospect, the day went off without a hitch - hats off to all who attended, participated and volunteered your time, goods and services.

We all had fun and on top of it made money for our community.

T-Shirts

There are 20 T-shirts left, all size large, for \$10 each. If interested, contact me. The financial report, compiled by Dave Carley, is published for your perusal. I look forward to assisting the community further for this much needed fundraiser event.

*Hilltopper Chairperson, Bob Cattoir
Ph. # 652-9540.*

HARVEST MOON DANCE

Uwe Pause and I would like to thank all those who showed an interest in attending the Harvest Moon Dance. We apologize for having to cancel the event due to a lack of response.

A special thanks goes out to Ursula Waite who singlehandedly sold over twenty tickets outside the Point. Thanks Ursula.

We haven't lost faith and may try doing it at a later date.

Bob Cattoir

Publishers Note:

If you are submitting a large article and are working on computer if you could save it to disk and submit the disk with a hard copy, it would be much appreciated.

Either Mac or PC is Okay - We can open almost any file.

Thanks, Jason Funnell

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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.

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.

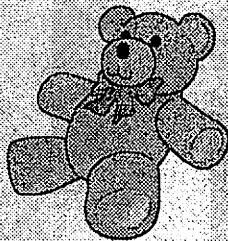
His phone number is 652-4076.

Call Karissa Crawley.

She is 15 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!**

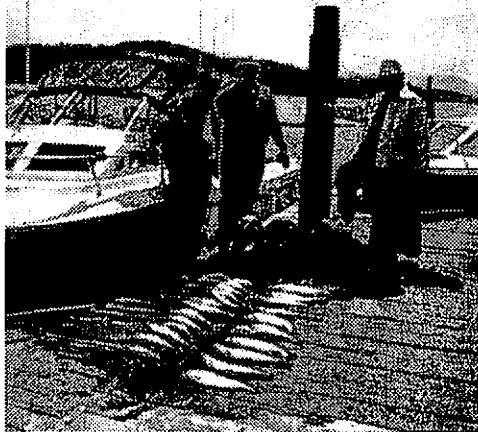


Lacey is 13 years old successfully completed the Red Cross baby sitting course. She is experienced with young kids and loves children. Her number is 652-0360

**Tanis Herriot will
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.

Quite a Catch!



HILLTOPPER CATCH

This is the result of Bill Waite's buy at the Hilltopper. Jim Scott and Carolann Whalley put on a fishing trip for three and look what they got! Way to go Skipper.

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

Saija Connor Age: 12

Experienced babysitter. Taken Babysitting Course and is able to babysit children ages 2 and up.

Call 652-0050

Need a babysitter?

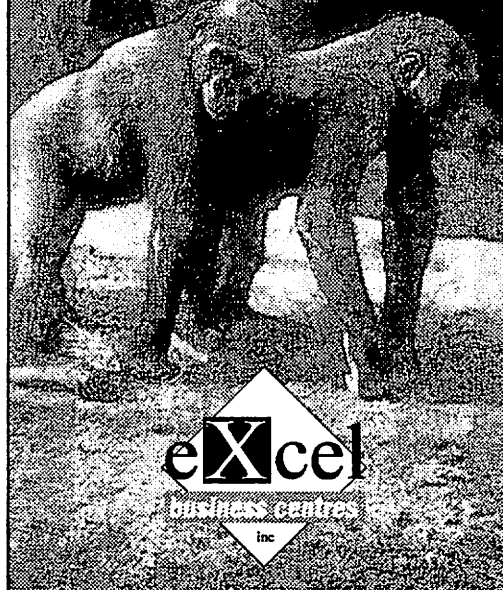
Do you need responsible and trustworthy babysitters that do safe but fun activities with your child/children? If so call Jacquelyn Parker, 15 or Jennifer Parker, 13. Both have taken First Aid, Water Safety, & Babysitting courses. Experienced with children of all ages. 652-6466

HELP!

Mariann has a child at Bayside Middle School, and is looking for someone who can help occasionally with driving.

Mariann Malvet, Ph # 544-1681

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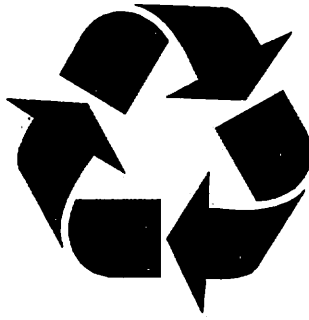
Phone: 480-1067

Recycling News

One hot Sunday afternoon in August, when there was a good low tide, Ida and I corralled a number of local children and we cleaned up the beach at Todd Inlet. There was a fair amount of broken glass, and rusty nails (from boat repair?), but most of the garbage came from the disintegrating wharf and decomposing car. Eventually that old car will be entirely gone. Now that this area is part of the Todd-Gowlland Park, we were able to have the collected garbage hauled away by the park maintenance contractor. Thanks for their good efforts to: Erin, Saija, Maja, Danielle, Kendra, Candace, Jason and Sandy.

Mixed paper. Do you know how easy it is to recycle 'mixed paper' these days? You don't even have to remove staples or envelope windows. You can recycle most kinds of household and business paper, so long as it is clean (no ice cream cartons or pizza boxes). Collect envelopes, business paper and letters, children's drawings, telephone books, catalogues, magazines, bills, junk mail, paper bags, cereal and other boxboard boxes and paper egg cartons, just to name a few. Not accepted are: carbon paper, frozen food boxes, or other coated paper products. Cardboard, milk cartons, and juice boxes, although not accepted as 'mixed paper', can be recycled separately at the depots or Hartland.

It appears that curbside household blue box collection for Willis Point is not feasible at this time. I contacted Alpine Disposal, who provides this service for the Highlands (all the way along



Durance Road, so close!) but they said that blue box service for so few households would not pay.

However, a drop box at Willis Point might be possible. Ron's Disposal, who provides our garbage collection, would be interested in providing and servicing one or more four-bin drop boxes (newspaper, mixed paper, tins, and glass) here. I feel that a local drop box would encourage more people to recycle more goods more often, but it could also present problems with garbage dumping. Where to locate it is also a concern; the firehall is one option, but placing it in front might be unsightly, while behind will make it easier for people

to dump garbage there. I'd like your input, and there will be a questionnaire for your comments at the AGM.

I'm hoping to organize a plastics collection day sometime in the fall. At the moment, we can only recycle #1 and #2 pourable plastics (such as milk jugs) at the depots or Hartland. However, Planet Recycling, a private company, has a market for nearly all kinds of plastic. They would come to the Firehall for the day and would accept any plastic containers marked with the recycle symbol #1 - #7 (except #3). They do charge for this service, but costs could be covered by our CRD recycling grant. So start checking the bottoms of your plastics and save them for our collection day.

I will have an information display at the AGM in October, so bring your questions and ideas. If you can't make it or want to talk to me at another time, call Janet at 652-4097.

by Janet Tombu

NEW WPCA MEMBERS

Arlene Ross - Willis Point Road
Greg and Corinna Stevenson - Melody Place
Donna and John Fyfe - Mark Lane
Margaret and Tim Motz - Mark Lane
Margaret Cornell - Mark Lane

REMINDER TO ALL WILLIS POINT RESIDENTS

You have to be registered as a member of the Willis Point Community Association in order to vote on the issues - including what to do with the \$18,000 term deposit - at the upcoming Annual General meeting. Contact Gillian at 652-0472 if you would like to join (it's only \$5) or if you are not sure if your name is on the list.

Gillian Jackson
Membership Secretary

CHAIRPERSON REPORT - September, 1997

WILLIS POINT FIRE AND RECREATION COMMISSION

By the time this issue of the Pointer goes to print, the Willis Point Fire and Recreation Commission will have held two Budget Meetings. This does not mean that the public participation is finished. The Commission is under the rules set

out in the Municipal Act. The Province mandates that the Willis Point Fire and Recreation Commission, through the Capital Regional District, "cause to be prepared a provisional budget for the next year." The CRD has a time table that we as a Commission must follow. Our Provisional Budget must be in the hands of the CRD by Sept. 19th, 1997. After a Provisional Budget is passed by the CRD, fine tuning of the Budget is done. This can be done anytime after the CRD

has passed the Provisional Budget, but usually takes place early in the new year once all expenditures are in. It is at this time the Willis Point Fire and Recreation Commission will hold another Public Meeting to finalize our 1998 Budget.

I am sure everyone has seen over the last little while, the building of our new sign. It is our hope that by building a more solid sign we can reduce the continuous repairing that had gone along with the old sign. Through a combination of insurance and financial support from both the Willis Point Community Assn. and the Fire and Recreation Commission we hope we have built not only a new sign but a focal point for our community. Our thanks to Brian McCandless, Darren Pine, Don Lovo, Jim Pine, Dave Carley, Joel & Chester Cotter & Houston Signs for the tremendous work involved in such a project. Our thanks also, to Bob Wilson for coordinating the project.

For those of you that play tennis, you can thank Bob Halsey and Bob Scott for the repairs to the tennis net.

We have recently experienced some minor vandalism around the Community Hall. I ask all of you to take a look as you drive by our hall for anything suspicious and report it to the proper authorities.

We hope that, weather permitting, we will be able to paint the water tank by the Fire Hall and the play ground equipment before the winter.

Finally, if there is anything we as a Commission can do or if there is something you would like to do for the community, please call us.

Respectfully submitted
Brian Dallin
Chair, Willis Point Fire and Recreation Commission

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Willis Point Community Association, Executive

CRD Director:	Larry West	478-5332
Chair:	Paul Williams	652-0223
Vice Chair:	Dentse Tregear	652-6893
Treasurer:	Dave Carley	652-3207
Recording Secretary:	Lois Lovo	652-9612
Corresponding Secretary:	Sam Young	652-3859
Membership Secretary:	Gillian Jackson	652-0472
Member-at-Large:	Ida Von Schuchman	652-0050

Please phone any of the above people to determine when the monthly meetings are held. Any member of the Willis Point Community Association is welcome to attend.

Other Willis Point Contacts:

Aerobics Instructor:	Katie Cotter	652-2039
WPCA Advisory Committee:	Larry Resnick	652-8278
Fire Chief	Ian Blaney	652-2677
Fire Committee/Recreation Commission - Chair:	Brian Dallin	652-7630
Hall Custodian:	Sydney Bonner	652-1588
Pointer Editor:	Gaybrielle Halsey	652-4195
Pointer Publisher:	Jason Funnell	479-5672
Commonwealth Nature Legacy Park Committee Chair	Sam Young	652-3859
Trails Assessment	Gill Jackson	652-0472
	Ida Von Schuchman	652-0050
Saanich Inlet Study	Patricia Sloan	652-0226

From The WPCA

Executive:

It's fall once again (where did the summer go?) and time for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of your Community Association. The Willis Point Fire Committee and Recreation Commission jointly hold their AGM at this time. These two groups play a vital role in all matters affecting our unique community.

The members of both groups are YOUR elected representatives and deal with issues such as taxation, political matters, advisors to the Regional District Director, fundraising, Fire Department, hall and ground maintenance, land use issues, and they liaise with external agencies such as RCMP, CRD Administration, CRD Parks, BC Parks, JJM Road Maintenance, BC Hydro, Greater Victoria Library Board, etc. A strong turnout at the AGM will ensure that the opinions and wishes of the community are heard and represented by your elected groups.

An agenda for the AGM of October 6, 1997 is provided with the "Pointer". For any additions or questions regarding the agenda, please contact Lois Lovo 652-9612 WPCA, or Lisa Connolly 652-3770 Fire and Rec.

We wish, at this time, to extend our appreciation to nonelected volunteers in our community who deserve special recognition:

Janet Tombu - Recycle Co-ordinator

Willis Point Volunteer Firefighters

Bob Cattoir, Ursula Waite, Uwe Pause - Hilltopper Organizers

Larry Resnick, Ken Ilott, Karen

Dinnie-Smythe - Advisory Committee to the WPCA Executive

The Pointer Staff

Many thanks to all of you for stepping forward, for your participation and effort on behalf of the community.

It has been another interesting and productive year at the Point. Your continuing support will help guide the new executive in the coming year.

See you at the AGM.

Paul Williams

AGENDA

WILLIS POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Minutes of AGM (WPCA) Oct. 1, 1996
3. Chairpersons Report
4. CRD Directors Report (Larry West)
5. Treasurers Report
6. Membership Report
7. Advisory Committee Report (Local Area Plan)
8. Elections : Chair - one year
Vice-Chair - two year
Corresponding Sect. - two year
Member at Large - two year
9. New Business
10. Adjournment

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WILLIS POINT FIRE COMMITTEE & RECREATION COMMISSION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
4. Chairpersons Report
5. Fire Chief's Report
6. CRD Directors Report
7. Election of Commission Members
8. New Business
9. Next Meeting
10. Adjournment

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The winter of 1998 will soon be upon us - and I'm sure each of us can recall the events of last winter with record breaking power outages, rainfall, snow and other winter conditions.

All residents are advised to be personally prepared:

- have adequate supplies of food, water and medical supplies in your homes.
- have flashlights, spare batteries and a battery powered radio in a designated place.
- have a safe alternate heat source.
- have your wood stoves and chimneys cleaned/checked annually.
- all emergency generating systems must be connected in an approved and safe manner.
- keep in touch with your immediate neighbors in the event of extreme conditions.
- keep away from downed power lines.
- allow extra travelling time when driving during winter conditions - be prepared with snow tires and chains - keep roads clear for emergency vehicles.
- smoke alarms should be checked regularly in addition to the hard wired alarms, it's advisable to have additional battery powered alarms in high hazard areas due to our frequent power outages.
- install fire extinguishers in high hazard areas and check frequently.
- discuss safety issues with children and other family members.

Enclosed is a notice from the B.C. Forest Service which is of particular interest and importance to areas like Willis Point - please read the

material and be guided by the professional advice given - the winter months are the time to prepare.

The weather experts indicate that the warming trend "El Nino" will give us a warm and dry winter and possibly this could lead up to a very dry summer (1998), of course this could be of particular concern to our "forested community" (classified by the B.C. Forest Service as Extreme).

The concrete curbing (no-posts) and the lockable/removable posts (bollards) have been installed at the north and south ends of Mark Lane. They are positioned to allow access to emergency vehicles and parks vehicles only. As you remember from previous pointers, this action was taken to deal with people lighting fires well down the ends of Mark Lane. The Department of Highways are to provide adequate signage in the area within the next couple of weeks.

If you notice a vehicle blocking the access of emergency vehicles, a vehicle parked in front of the bollard or blocking a legal driveway - the Sidney RCMP should be contacted - telephone 656-3931 or in an emergency call 911. Street addresses/numbers must be clearly visible at the roadside - this is

a requirement under C.R.D. bylaw and it is extremely important during an emergency response.

The Fire Department and its members are a very important part of our isolated community and it is important that residents recognize the tremendous effort and involvement of those individuals that make up its ranks.

The Department requires committed individuals to come forward and become a part of the Willis Point Volunteer Fire Department. Individuals must reside within the Willis Point Fire Protection District, be physically fit, capable of carrying out fire fighting and 1st responder duties, attend weekly fire practice and courses comprising of 100 to 200 hours per year.

Individuals interest in joining a fine community spirited group - please give me a call. Yours truly,

Willis Point Volunteer Fire Department

W. Ian Blaney, Fire Chief

380-1777 work
652-2677 residence

Please remember: Fire permits are required year round Available - Wednesday Evening at the fire hall - 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.



Piano lessons for young children

Kendra Tombu

652-4097

Willis Point

Hilltopper 1997

	<u>1997</u>		<u>1996</u>	
Bake Sale				
Revenue	319.80	319.80	186.75	186.75
Auction				
Revenue	4577.00		3215.00	
Expenses				
credit card charges	<u>44.55</u>		<u>22.27</u>	
	44.55	4532.45	22.27	3192.73
Pop & Ice Cream				
Revenue	239.25		232.00	
Surplus Sales	69.24			130.38
Expenses				
ice cream	22.78		33.88	
pop/juice	89.48		145.77	
chips	68.53		69.59	
candy	20.70		24.90	
ice	6.50		4.00	
cones	donated		4.28	
coffee	6.00		7.47	
cream/sugar	18.82		9.10	
cups/napkins	15.81			
freezies	<u>9.62</u>			
	258.24	50.25	298.99	63.39
Kids Games				
Revenue	50.00			
Expenses				
prizes	<u>143.67</u>			
	143.67	(93.67)		
Bar				
Revenue	1045.30		1037.50	
Surplus Sales	228.23			170.30
Expenses				
keg beer	267.30		318.00	
canned beer	345.60		223.00	
n/a beer	4.30			
cider	95.50		56.50	
cooler	64.40		57.15	
wine	61.90		14.25	
dispenser	35.00		30.00	
beer cups	28.30		67.62	
ice	12.50		20.00	
licence	<u>114.65</u>		<u>60.38</u>	
	1029.45	244.08	846.90	360.90

Food				
Revenue	602.40		571.28	
Surplus Sales	21.95		20.20	
Expenses				
weiners	25.55		23.50	
smokeys	27.95		27.40	
beef patties	63.60		78.00	
veg patties	33.65		31.35	
fries	n/c McCains			
onion rings	13.05		21.45	
lettuce/tom./onion	n/c general fr.			
cooking oil	21.20			
cheese slices	12.28			
buns	52.15		59.88	
relish	5.12		8.99	
dressing	3.79		9.88	
catsup			8.58	
mustard	2.99		9.17	
dills	3.98		6.99	
plates, etc.	4.09		90.18	
propane	<u>00.00</u>		<u>13.50</u>	
	269.40	354.95	426.27	165.21
Race				
Revenue	1345.00		1766.00	
Donations			210.00	
Surplus Sales	400.00			
Expenses				
prizes	200.00		210.00	
printing	118.00		148.00	
photo album	43.75			
art supplies	100.00		160.00	
race entry & sanction	103.00			
watch batteries			19.38	
blank cartridges	5.65			
ribbons/medals	316.46		5.16	
T-Shirts	1613.88		1254.00	
chalk	5.78		12.53	
caps	68.30			
fruit	39.00			
race number pins	<u>34.20</u>		<u>00.00</u>	
	2647.83	(902.83)	1810.07	165.93
Shrimp Shack				
Revenue	145.50	<u>145.50</u>	00.00	<u>00.00</u>
		4650.53		4134.91
hall rental		<u>60.00</u>		<u>60.00</u>
		<u>4590.53</u>		<u>4074.91</u>






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THE BEST OF STITCH

It seems incredible that since our last issue of the Pointer, summer, possibly the shortest on record, has been and gone and we are once again rushing downhill towards Christmas with a brief stop-over for Thanksgiving. Fall for me is my favourite time of year; there is such an overwhelming sense of the change in seasons with early morning mists, heavy dew, cooler morning temperatures warming up during the day and once the sun goes down, a return to those cool temperatures, early sunsets and the smell of woodsmoke in the air.

There is also a feeling of sadness that yet another year has almost passed and for our group this year, an era of Stitch is also passing as one of our

founding group, Kay Davidson and her husband, Sandy, move to Courtenay. Kay and Sandy have lived out here since 1976 and Kay has been a loyal member of the Stitch group since it formed in 1979. Kay was an enthusiastic walker as she and Beth Twamley for many years, joined the dog-walkers, Joan Wright and me, Brandy and Freckles (the dogs!) on our morning constitutionals. However, while the dog owners invariably gave up upon reaching their driveway, Kay would continue on with Beth to her home and then return on her own. Kay's marvelous sense of humour and pertinent comments often caused great hilarity at our meetings and her corn muffins and special desserts when it was her turn for hostess, will be fondly remembered by us all.

Kay truly is one of "The Best of

Stitch" and we will miss her but this is not good-bye - only au revoir - until we meet again. Courtenay is not that far away!

We wish Kay and Sandy every blessing as they turn the page to the next chapter in their life and send with them our love and lasting friendship.

From all of us in Stitch.

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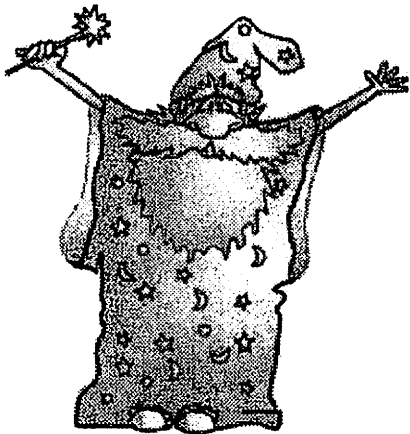
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