



THE CORDOVAN

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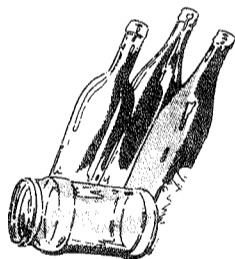
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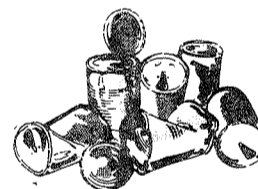
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(but you can keep it up all year round!)



How delighted I was to move to Cordova Bay a year ago and find that weekly pickup of recyclables was soon to start! Cleaning and crushing cans, rinsing bottles, saving newspaper had become a way of life and was such an easy way to do a small bit for our environment. Remember, many small bits make a HUGE bit. I also try to concentrate on buying with less packaging, turning off lights, watering only as needed and during the hours requested - the list of small practises individuals can do is lengthy and VITAL.

Did you know Saanich has a recycling committee? There are ten volunteer members and Alderman Frank Leonard is the Chairman. They meet once a month to discuss problems, concerns and new ideas. Just now they are working toward a backyard composting program, and Saanich may well be the area chosen for a pilot project.

The meetings are open, and the next one is at noon, November 7, in Committee Room 2 at Saanich Municipal Hall. Attend, discover what it's all about, and if you would like to get involved do contact Mayor Howard Sturrock. Appointments to the committee will be made in November/December.

In any case, never hesitate to give the Recycling Committee your input. You may start a whole new trend in recycling. And with questions about recycling, call the Capital Regional District Recycling Hotline - 383-2696.

Penny Furness

Penny and Ted Furness started the whole Delta recycling project in 1979, operating out of their living room. Powered by volunteers, it developed into 3 drop-off depots which are still the core for the municipal recycling system, with volunteer and handicapped staffing.

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SECOND PAGE COLUMN

News on the Pat Bay freeway project as it affects Cordova Bay is nil, although it is apparent that discussions are taking place at the provincial and municipal level. It would be more effective if talks with the community were to take place while there is still something real to be decided, but it looks as though community input will be restricted to a "choice" of "options". Translating the bafflegab, the decisions will already have been made by the time public input takes place. Ex-mayor Couvelier was talking about meetings to discuss whether the freewaying should go through at all: where is he now? It seems like a reasonable place to start.

North and south of us some planning is in progress, the results of which may make our decisions for us. A municipal liaison committee has been formed for the Phase 1 section of the freeway through Saanich: it will focus on the McKenzie intersection and the associated road system. The committee has held meetings on July 13 and August 2: the minutes of these meetings can be reviewed in the Association looseleaf at the Variety Store. North of here, the provincial Highways Department has held public information meetings to review interchange options for Keating X-Road and/or Island View Road.

Nobody seems very happy about this planning: the province prefers Island View, Central Saanich businessmen prefer Keating, and the newly-formed and (happily) outspoken Association for the Preservation of Rural Central Saanich is suggesting that the whole process slow down until the right questions are asked and answered.

PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR NEIGHBOURS

AND KEEP YOUR BURNING TO A MINIMUM

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THE FRIENDS OF MOUNT DOUGLAS PARK

On October 12 there was a well-attended meeting to set up The Friends of Mount Douglas Park Society. The objectives of The Friends are to safeguard the welfare of Mount Douglas Park, to protect its boundaries and encourage further land acquisition, to push for a long-term plan to maintain the park in a natural state, and to work with Saanich to achieve all these objectives.

A second meeting of the group has been called for

Thursday
November 23rd
7:30

Claremont School Lunchroom

to approve a constitution, elect officers, and begin to address the various issues of concern to people who value the park.

With the transfer of title to the park from Victoria to Saanich, with the continued erosion of the bluffs on which Cordova Bay Road lies, and with the need for a good and lasting relocation of Cordova Bay Road through the park, now seems a good time for such a society to form.

Plan to attend the meeting. Plan to join The Friends.

5th TSARTLIP BEAVERS AND CUBS

We had a record enrolment this year, particularly of Beavers, so we now have two Beaver Colonies with a total of 36 boys, who meet on Tuesday and Wednesday, and 23 Cubs who meet on Thursday. Our thanks go to St. David's-by-the-sea for providing us with extra hall time, to make the formation of another group possible.

The Cubs have had one overnight camp so far, and have been shrimping. The Beavers' first field trip was to Witty's Lagoon - a great place to run off steam.

We are already busy planning our annual Christmas Tree Sale at the Cordova Bay Plaza, so please think of your local Boy Scouts when it's time to go shopping for your tree in December. This year we will also have holly for sale, and some live Christmas trees which are being provided through the "Gifts for Gaia" programme. For those residents who are concerned about buying cut trees, we'd like to let you know that the 5th Tsartlip tree farm is under hydro transmission lines, so the trees are all destined to be cut down in time as they become too tall, and of course we plant seedlings for future years.

The first annual Regional Apple Day was a great success, and our thanks go to you once again for your kind support.

CORDOVAN SURVEY - NOVEMBER, 1989

On the first page of this newsletter, you will see that there is a workshop advertised to discuss community concerns for a better neighbourhood. Saanich is sponsoring this workshop, as part of its commitment to the Healthy 2000 concept. It wants to know what we feel needs doing to make living in our community a satisfactory and healthy (in every way) experience.

We should all turn out to the workshop - after all, it isn't all that often that our municipality seriously asks us what we want. Whether you do or not, take the trouble to think about this question and answer it:

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS NEEDED IN CORDOVA BAY TO MAKE LIVING HERE A SATISFACTORY AND HEALTHY EXPERIENCE?

Return your completed questionnaire to the box behind the post office in the Variety Store (marked Cordova Bay Survey) or mail or deliver to
5037 Wesley Road

KIWANIS NEWS

The Kiwanis Club will again be selling their "KIWANIS" packaged Christmas (fruit) Cakes.

The COMBO \$10.00
[a package of two 1 lb. cakes]
The RING \$12.00
[a 2-3/4 lb. boxed cake]
The RING including a special
cardboard mailer \$15.00

Cakes may be ordered through a Kiwanian in your area, or from Dave Osborne at the Cordova Bay Hardware, 658-8021

NOTE: ** The Club will also be selling poinsettias the 3rd weekend before Christmas in front of Cordova Bay Hardware.

On September 27, at the Seaview Restaurant, Lloyd Eisenman, Lt. Governor for District 17, installed the new executive of our club:

President - John Holt
Vice President - Al Willmann
Secretary - Roald Feness
Treasurer - Peter Darroch

The club had a good year 1988-89, and have several exciting projects for the Cordova Bay area. If you are interested in Kiwanis and its functions and purpose, contact one of the above.

* NOTE *

The Association has a looseleaf binder by the photocopier in the Variety store, containing various documents you may wish to see - the Association constitution, the Local Area Plan, the traffic study, and so on. Take a look at it, and if there are other things you think should be there, call Kay Porter at 658-5792.

MEMBERSHIPS

The membership drive is going well, and we wish to thank all our canvassers for their time and care. If a canvasser has not yet visited you, look forward to it. Or mail your membership in to Edwin Hipsey, using the form on the back page of the Cordovan.

There are still a few routes for which we don't yet have a canvasser. If you value the work the Cordova Bay Association does for you and the community, and if you can spare the time, please call Edwin at 658-8283 and arrange to canvass:

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PLANNING UPDATE

[This will be a regular column in The Cordovan from now on. It is written by the chairman of the Planning Committee of the Association, Tony Pugh. Call him at 658-5775 for more detailed information on planning concerns]

For those who have a copy of the LOCAL AREA PLAN, now is the time to dust it off and make changes. At a public hearing on September 26, Alderman Murray Coell made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ray Williams, "that Map 9 - Traffic Circulation of the Cordova Bay Local Area Plan be amended to show Walema Avenue as a through street to Santa Clara Avenue." The motion was passed by council, with Aldermen Block, Garrison and Mika voting against changing the Local Area Plan.

On the public works front, funding for several projects has been approved by council:

- a. The installation of shoreline protection at the Cordova Bay Sewage Lift Station (down on the beach);
- b. Installation of drains and catchbasins on Lochside Drive between Haliburton and Claremont Avenues.
- c. Installation of instream control structures and a silting basin in Doumac Ravine Park, as well as an upgrade of the outfall, which is under-capacity.
- d. An upgrade of the concrete drainage channel on Abbey Road.

Waterworks improvements that will be taking place in the near future are the installation of a 12" watermain on Lochside Drive between 5025 and 5068, and the installation of a pressure reducing station at 4964 Lochside.

So if you see Saanich employees digging up the roads in your part of the community, chances are they're working on one of these projects.

SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

[This column will be a regular part of The Cordovan from now on, written by Erica Pugh, chairman of the Social Services Committee of the Cordova Bay Association. Her number is 658-5775]

THE RELAY STATION

- * is a job information bank for young people in Cordova Bay.
- * it got off to a good start last month, with several jobs undertaken and completed by young and willing teenagers in our community.
- ** RESIDENTS:
 - *Do you have odd jobs that need to be done around your house or garden?
 - *Do you need help to get those jobs done?
 - *Do you know there are teenagers in the community who are willing to work at odd jobs to earn some spending money?
 - *Call THE RELAY STATION and ask for Erica 658-5775. between 4 and 6 pm only, please.
- ** ATTENTION: TEENAGERS WHO LIVE IN CORDOVA BAY
 - *Willing to work?
 - *Looking for odd jobs in our community?
 - *Need some spending money?
 - *Register your name and phone number with THE RELAY STATION. Call ERICA 658-5775, between 4 and 6 pm only, please.

MONDAY NIGHTS CHESS CLUB

Cordova Bay Chess Club meets weekly, from 7 to 10 pm at Claremont High School on Wesley Road.

A game of chess can be challenging, relaxing, and an enjoyable pastime.

If you are an interested player or interested in learning, drop in and see us. New members of all ages welcome.

For more information, call LYNN STRINGER 658-5207, or ERICA EVANS-PUGH 658-5775.

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There will be a sale of Christmas cards and tags, B.C. Artist (including two Youth Design winners from the Lower Island) and British designs, as well as crafts from Third World countries, at the home of

Willa Burke
4797 Timber Place
(off Cordova Bay Road)

on
Thursday, 7 - 9 pm, Nov. 9
Friday, 10 - noon, Nov. 10

B.C. Artist design cards are on sale now at the Country Goose and Gallery stores at Mattick's, and in various locations throughout Greater Victoria.

For further information, please call 658-5338. Thank you.

CORDOVA BAY HIKERS

We leave from Cordova Bay Village parking lot each Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m., rain or shine. For further information, telephone Vera or Cam Innes at 658-8846.

- Nov. 8 Goldstream Park (salmon run)
- 15 Horticultural Centre/
Observatory Hill
- 22 Cordova Bay
- 29 Cuthbert Holmes/Colquitz
- Dec. 6 Clover Point/Government
House Grounds
- 13 Swan Lake/Christmas Hill
- Jan. 3 UVic jogging trail/ Mt.
Tolmie
- 10 Beacon Hill Park
- 17 Thetis Lake/Mill Hill
- 24 Fort Rodd/Esquimalt Lagoon
- 31 Willows Beach/Uplands Park

CORDOVA BAY PRESCHOOL

Cordova Bay Preschool is a non-profit, parent-owned co-operative preschool which has been an important part of this community for the past forty years.

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attends council and other relevant municipal meetings to monitor all issues of concern to the community, and to put the community position to the mayor and aldermen when required;



provides information and assistance to community residents with problems or questions about changes in local planning and, through two trained referral agents, information for residents on personal and family concerns;



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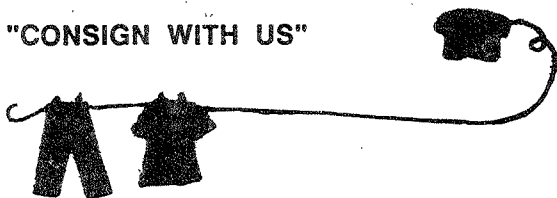
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

The possibility of Cordova Bay having a new Community Centre is almost a reality. The Kiwanis Club of Cordova Bay met with Saanich officials recently to discuss the likelihood of a new community centre and came away with a very encouraging and positive feeling. We are now in the planning stages and would like to have some input from the various community groups.

Our ideas for a Community Centre include a kitchen for catering, an auditorium for dances, town meetings, etc., a few small meeting rooms, washrooms, etc. We want this facility to be a multi-use complex, not necessarily a sports centre.

Anyone with concerns, needs or ideas, please contact Dave Osborne at Cordova Bay Hardware, 658-8021 during the day, or 477-0246 at home during the evenings.

Come on, Cordova Bay, please help the Kiwanis Club fulfill their motto: "We Build."

Yours sincerely,

David Osborne
Committee Chairman,
Kiwanis Club of Cordova Bay,
5128 Cordova Bay Road,
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Dear Editor:

The time has come, after 10-1/2 years at the Cordova Bay Hardware Store, for Dave and Frances to take a break. Effective January 1, 1990, the Hardware Store will be under new ownership. We would like to introduce to all our friends and customers the new owners - Eldred and Marcia Young-Thompson, who are emigrating from South Africa. Frances and I feel we are leaving our business in very good hands, and ask you to welcome and support the Young-Thompsons in the future as you have us in the past.

Naturally, we won't leave the store without some emotion, as we've met many friends over the years, solved your "hardware problems" and watched your kids mature from buying nuts and bolts for their bikes to buying nuts and bolts for their cars.

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SEALAKE DISTRICT GIRL GUIDES

Guiding is alive and well and bursting at the seams in Cordova Bay. At the moment, we have 1 Sparks unit, 2 Brownie units, 1 Guide unit and 1 Pathfinder unit.

Thanks are due to The Cordovan for publishing our plea for leaders for the Guide unit in its last issue. Two people answered, and as a result the Guide unit started functioning in mid-October.

We should like to recognize and thank all our leaders who volunteer so much of their time and energy to Guiding. All of them are local residents, except for the Pathfinder leader who travels in from Langford - there's dedication for you! Thanks are also due to the parents who form the executive of the Local Association. Your support is needed and appreciated by the leaders.

Unfortunately our last Local Association meeting was very poorly attended, with the result that some subjects that needed parent input could not be fully discussed. If your daughter is involved in Guiding then you are too, and your participation is vital. The Guiding Movement is run by and relies on volunteers: without them it could not exist.

Some of the activities in which the various units are involved are:

- * 1st Cordova Bay Brownies - taking Hallowe'en goodie bags, which they have decorated, to the children in Queen Alexandra Hospital on Oct. 30.
- * 2nd Cordova Bay Brownies - carrying out an ongoing conservation project cleaning up Cordova Bay Beach.
- * 1st Cordova Bay Guides - only just underway with 17 new girls and 4 experienced Guides registered.
- * Pathfinders - all the girls helped with a recent clean-up project at Kingswood Camp.

Watch out for girls from all the units delivering telephone books at the end of the year.

CORDOVA BAY SOFTBALL NEWS

Thank You

On behalf of the 1989 executive and committee heads I would like to thank all coaches, managers, umpires, parents, honorary members friends, and most of all the players for making this a successful year.

Our Players

This year we had approximately 285 ball players from 5 to 18 years of age, and we hope that the club keeps growing.

Midget Boys National

Due to some dedicated people of Cordova Bay Softball, we helped make the Nationals a memorable time. Thanks to all our coaches and kids who came and watched some excellent ball. Mark Ardiel was Bat Boy for the Nova Scotia team, the Club sponsor; Cy Snow was Team New Brunswick's Bat Boy and Paul Gardner was Victoria Money Mart's Bat Boy. Dave Kitching and Colin McMillan were Ball Boys. All the kids had a super week.

We Hosted

Some terrific tournaments and playoffs, such as the Steve Quan Tournament, 6 teams, won by Cordova Bay Squirt Boys; the B.C. Summer Games Playdowns (Midget Girls), won by Nanaimo Robin Donuts, 2nd - the Cordova Bay Steelers; Intermediate Playoffs, 9 teams Pee Wee C Boys, won by View Royal, 2nd - Cordova Bay Boys; Bantam "C" Girls won by Esquimalt, 3rd - Cordova Bay Girls, and the Midget "C" Girls won by View Royal; the Bantam "A" Boys Invitational, 10 teams, won by Campbell River, 2nd - Cordova Bay Raiders; July 21, 22, 23, the Bantam "A" Boys Provincial Championships, 12 teams, won by Campbell River, 2nd Abbotsford Conair, 3rd North Delta Bears and 4th Cordova Bay Raiders.

Other Teams Achievements:

Mite "B" Girls won gold at their playoffs.
Squirt "B" Boys came 4th in their Provincial Championships at Langford.
Squirt "B" Girls were 2nd in their playoffs.
Midget "B" Girls won gold at their Provincial Championships at Abbotsford.
Pee Wee "A" Boys were 3rd in their Provincial Championships at Abbotsford.

The Annual General Meeting was held September 21, 1989, and this is the new slate of officers:

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| President: | Gary Ardiel |
| Vice President: | Dave Gans |
| Past President: | Fran Savage |
| Sec'y Treasurer: | Grant Kitching |
| Directors: | Mark Snow Marty Gardner |
| T-Ball Rep. | Ian Bailey |
| Coaches Rep. | Warren Burns |
| Umpire Rep. | Bob Hammer |

Committee Appointments:

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| Concession: | Marg Moore, Fran Savage |
| Registration: | Donna Pawluk |
| Umpire Allocator: | Pat Leonard |
| Fields: | Mark Snow |
| Uniforms: | Pat Leonard |
| Equipment: | Elroy Fimrite |

As this was my last year as president, I would like to say a personal thanks to the executive, coaches and managers over the past three years. It's been great working with you all, and I hope for continued success. Good Luck, and hope to see you all at Lochside in the spring!

Fran Savage
Past President.

GOALS

G(irls) O(n) A L(osing) S(treak)
meet each Tuesday morning, 9:45-
11:00, at Cordova Bay United
Church, Claremont Avenue. New
members are welcome.

PATHWAYS CENTRE

Pathways still needs volunteers,
especially drivers, gardeners,
musicians and craftspeople. Call
Pat McCullagh, 658-5414 between
9 and 4.