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Cordova Bay Association for Community Affairs



Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, April 23
7:00 p.m.

CB 55 Plus Centre in the
Cordova Bay Elementary School

Program

7:00 p.m. - Public meeting - address by
Dr. Trevor Hancock, School of Public
Health and Social Policy at the University
of Victoria, founder of the global
Healthy Cities and Communities
movement. Questions to follow

7:30 p.m. - Refreshments

8:00 p.m. - Annual General Meeting

AGM Agenda

- ▶ Annual financial report 2013
- ▶ Appointment of auditor for 2014
- ▶ President and Committee Chair reports
- ▶ Election of new board members
(nominations may be made from the floor)
- ▶ New business
- ▶ Adjournment

Put it on your calendar!

Come out and support your neighbourhood
association!

New Garbage Service Set to Start

By Roger Stonebanks, Cordova Bay Resident

The District of Saanich plans to start its new garbage collection service at the beginning of April. As The Cordovan went to press in late February, April remained the target start date. By now the new bins should have been delivered to everyone.

What you need to know:

1. Kitchen scraps must be separated from the rest of the garbage. The scraps go into one bin. The rest goes into the other bin.
2. You will have to take both bins to the street on collection day unless you have “mobility challenges” and have made arrangements with The District of Saanich. After the garbage is collected, you must bring the bins back onto your property. There is no more sideyard/backyard pickup by the garbage collector under the new system.



There's a lot more to know and here's how to find out:

- If you have a computer - go to www.saanich.ca/services/garbage/greenergarbagecollection.html - any questions/concerns/comments should be directed to - greenergarbage@saanich.ca
- If you don't have a computer - telephone The District of Saanich at 250-475-5533 for information.

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President's corner

By Anthony Minniti, CBA President



The CBA has been very busy this past year. The highlights include the 10th annual Cordova Bay Day, completion of the improvements at Pat Bay and Sayward, and a very active development review process. I would like to call

attention to some issues that you might not be aware of:

1. Saanich has been reviewing the Local Area Plan (LAP) renewal process. The CBA is providing ongoing comments to Saanich.
2. Saanich is studying legalizing secondary suites North of McKenzie. The CBA will be providing comments in the coming months.
3. A new building is going into Mattick's Farm. Construction may commence this spring. The CBA reviewed the development plans this past year.
4. Trio lands has a potential new owner. The CBA is awaiting the formal announcement. Members of the community at large who are interested in participating in a working committee on Trio lands redevelopment can email any CBA board members to express their interest.

I encourage CBA members and the community as a whole to attend our events or meetings to get a flavor of community affairs.

Following our AGM we will have a new board. I would like to thank all our Board of Directors for their dedicated work this past year. I would like to welcome any new community members standing for the board. Aaron and Lori are moving from Cordova Bay. I would like to acknowledge their committed service to our community. I look forward to seeing you all at our AGM.



CBA membership

By Randy Otto, Membership Chair



Membership in the Cordova Bay Community Association is \$5 a year. These funds are given back to the community as grants that allow for improvements around

Cordova Bay such as signs and benches.

The ongoing efforts of the board to increase our membership are meeting with success as we reached 670 members at the end of 2013. We will reach our goal of 1000 members in 3 ways: having 100% of our members renewing their memberships, increasing spousal memberships, and encouraging members to get their neighbours to join up. The municipality of Saanich pays attention to our healthy and active membership, giving us influence within the larger community.

It is renewal time so please renew if your membership is due and thank-you for supporting the association. Any questions about our association or membership may be directed to Randy Otto at cbamail@shaw.ca.

Changes Proposed for Cordova Bay

By Roger Stonebanks, Cordova Bay Resident

There are nine development proposals for Cordova Bay marked "pending" before the District of Saanich for consideration and decision. If you are interested in what may happen to your neighbourhood - here's where to find information and provide your input:

First, details of these proposals are summarized on the District of Saanich website

(www.saanich.ca).

Click on "Doing Business" and then click on "Active Planning Applications" and then click on "Cordova Bay." This information is also summarized on the Cordova Bay Association for Community Affairs website (www.cbasn.com) under "Rezoning."

If you want more information than you see posted, here's where you go: (1) approach the applicant and ask questions; (2) contact Saanich Planning Department (Chuck Bell - chuck.bell@saanich.ca - is the planner responsible for Cordova Bay); (3) contact the CBA Board of Directors - Arran McLellan (arranmclellan@gmail.com) is the planning chair and Ed Boomars (lboomars@telus.net) is the alternate.

Every proposal for rezoning/subdivision requires approval by Saanich council and there will be public input via council's Committee of the Whole and a public hearing. You can communicate your opinions to Mayor and Council in person at the committee of the whole meeting and at the public hearing, or in writing to Mayor and Council at the Saanich Municipal Hall (postal address -- 770 Vernon Avenue, Victoria, BC V8X 2W7) - the email address is clerksec@saanich.ca - and of course, let the CBA know your thoughts (postal address -- P.O. Box 41003, 5166 Cordova Bay Road, Victoria, BC V8Y 0A3).

Meanwhile: There has been a change in the proposal by the Cordova Bay Community Club for a new badminton building at the west end of Sutcliffe Road where the club has asked Saanich council to rezone the property to P-4 from RS-18. The club had originally proposed a new eight-court badminton facility and demolition of its three-court building.



The revised proposal is to retain the existing building and to add a four-court new structure.

And: The 26-acre Trio Ready Mix property (on the corner of Cordova Bay Road and Fowler Road) has been offered for sale with an asking price of \$11.5 million. The property is destined for residential development. Check the CBA website (www.cbasn.com) under "News" for the background.

Looking for Volunteers

Your CBA is a volunteer organization that works hard to represent you and the



community as a whole in matters of zoning, traffic, and development. Presently we are seeking help from interested individuals in two areas:

Firstly, to assist in the planning of our annual **Cordova Bay Day** in June. This will be our 11th year holding this celebratory event on the Cordova Bay Road strip. This year our goal is to involve more groups and merchants in the community by encouraging them to host their own "special event" to accompany ours. Our mandate is to get neighbours together and celebrate living in one of the finest communities in the world. A few hours of volunteer help from a few individuals will be a great asset in continuing this tradition.

If you or anyone you may know are interested in this or other areas of our association and would like more information please contact:

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- Larry Gontovnik: larrygontovnick@shaw.ca
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250-479-3220

The CBA Board of Directors works diligently offering their time and energy. We are thankful to the people who help create and support our programs and quality of service. Helping can be your way of giving back to the community.

Cordova Bay Heritage Properties

By Chris Harbord, Cordova Bay Resident

Cordova Bay is home to 15 properties on the District of Saanich's Heritage Register. The Heritage Register is a historical reference for future generations that identifies structures for which their heritage merit should play a role in decision making.

There are two levels of heritage property protection - Registered or Designated. Registered sites or buildings have been identified as having heritage value and significance to the community but are not protected by a Heritage Designation Bylaw whereas designated heritage sites or buildings are protected under the bylaw. Saanich council must authorize any alteration to designated heritage sites or buildings through a Heritage Alteration Permit.

All of the 15 properties in Cordova Bay are designated as Registered Heritage Sites:

5213 Pat Bay Hwy	5259 Pat Bay Hwy
5182 Cordova Bay Rd	5161 Agate Lane
5165 Cordova Bay Rd	6187 Hunt Rd
5117 Cordova Bay Rd	5871 Old East Rd
5109 Cordova Bay Rd	5465 Alderley Rd
5146 Santa Clara Ave	5412 Alderley Rd
5094 Santa Clara Ave	5454 Fowler Rd
944 Walema Ave	

The District of Saanich says that the inclusion of a building in the Heritage Register:

- does not impose restrictions on the use of the building,
- does not impose restrictions on the right of the owner,
- should not affect the value,
- should not restrict the sale of the property, and
- does not permit the public to trespass to view the building.

The District of Saanich's web site has detailed information on local heritage properties at www.saanich.ca/discover/artsheritagearc/heritage/index.html

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The board has designed magnets to display proudly on our vehicles or fridges. They are available free of charge while quantities last at Cordova Bay Scotiabank, Cordova Bay Tru Value, the Super Duper Dollar Store in Cordova Bay Plaza, and Adrienne's Tea Garden at Mattick's Farm.

Wills, Estate and Succession Act

By John Jordan, Cordova Bay Resident



On March 31, 2014, the Wills, Estate and Succession Act (WESA) repeals and brings together the current Wills Act, the Estate Administration Act, the Probate Recognition Act and the Wills variation Act. It also amends dozens of other provincial statutes, including the Survivorship

and Presumption of Death Act.

WESA's goal is to make wills, estates and succession legislation in British Columbia easier to access, use and understand. It contains principles guiding wills, estates and succession law now found in the common law. One can expect a great deal of uncertainty for the foreseeable future on how WESA will affect estate plans.

The following is a brief summary of WESA's more notable changes in the law in this area and should not be taken as specific legal advice.

Wills

- A will is no longer revoked by a subsequent marriage.
- A court has greater power to ensure that a deceased person's testamentary document (this could be a handwritten note, an email, notes in the lawyer's file) will be respected, even if it does not strictly meet the requirements of a will.
- If the validity of a will is challenged on the grounds of undue influence, the onus now is on the recipient of the gift to disprove that the gift in the will was not obtained through undue influence.
- A gift to a brother, sister or other descendant of the deceased who dies before the deceased, now goes to the remaining beneficiaries in proportion to their interest.

Survivorship Property Rights

- For gifts in a will, a beneficiary who does not survive the will maker (the deceased) by five days is considered to have died BEFORE the deceased will maker.
- Where persons who own property jointly together, die in a common disaster, their rights to property will be determined as if each person survived the other - each joint tenant is considered to have owned the joint property as tenants in common.
- Where a beneficiary in a will dies in a common disaster with the deceased the condition for the beneficiary to take the gift in the deceased's will is considered to have occurred.

Dying Without A Will

WESA brings a major change to how intestate estates will be distributed. Currently, the intestate's estate passes to the closest kin. The new distribution scheme is Parentelic. This means that where the deceased has no spouse or issue, the estate passes to the parents of the deceased and their descendants (the

deceased's siblings, nieces and nephews...). The descendants of the nearest common ancestor of the deceased take from the deceased's estate before descendants of a more remote ancestor. If the deceased dies leaving a spouse and children, the spouse is entitled to the first \$300,000 of the deceased's estate, if the deceased and the spouse shared the same children. This amount is reduced to \$150,000 if the deceased's children are from another relationship.



Nominations Notice

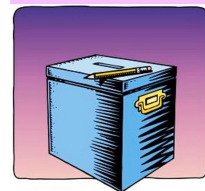
There are six positions to be filled on the Board of Directors for a two year term at the upcoming AGM.

The following six people are currently nominated and have agreed to let their name stand for re-election:

Anthony Minniti
Pablo Miranda
Larry Gontovnick
Sylvia Burkhardt
Barb Lucas

In accordance with the Cordova Bay Association for Community Affairs bylaws section 4.4, the Nominating Committee for 2014 has been appointed and consists of the following members:

- Ed Boomars, Chair 250-881-8124 lboomars@telus.net
- Gloria Wills, Member at Large 250-686-1364 gloria.wills@maximuscanada.ca
- Terri Otto, Member at Large 250-658-9537 totto@shaw.ca



Any nominees wishing to run for election must firstly be a member in good standing of the Cordova Bay Association for Community Affairs.

Nominations may also be made from the floor of the Annual General Meeting by any two members in good standing

provided that nominees are members of the society and state their willingness to stand for election.

Please contact the Chair of the Nominations Committee if you are interested or to present nominees for the Board of Directors of the Cordova Bay Association for Community Affairs.

The Cordovan receives submissions from residents and members. The content is not officially endorsed by the CBA board prior to publication.

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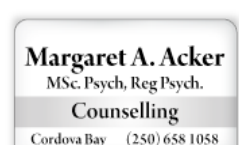
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