



Sandy Hook News



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT *Sandra Sharkey*

I reported to you in Sept. that we are continuing with **Emergency Preparedness** down in the lower Hook. We have had our second meeting and set goals for each of our Response Units. We are not yet ready for a disaster but have met with our neighbours and clearly identified the training and resources that we need.

The last Newsletter asked for volunteers to hold the neighbourhood meetings for approx. 20 homes in your neighbourhood (on your street). **WE GOT NO RESPONSES.** Is that a message to say that we should forget trying to become prepared? We again request that if you wish to work with your neighbours to be prepared for a disaster, you can contact me at 885-2500 and we can discuss identifying your neighbourhood and set up the meetings. We need volunteers from all areas except Coracle Place and Coracle Drive. If I get no calls, I will assume that everyone is prepared to look after their own home and family and will cease pestering you about the issue.


If you walk in the **Heritage Forest**, you will have seen the great new directional signs installed by the Sechart Heritage Trail Committee of the S.H.C.A. Gertrude Pacific and Michael Davidson head up this committee. Another crew, led by Gray Waddell and Bob D'Arcy have been clearing trails and have done cleanup work in the "unnamed park" on Skookumchuk and Mt. Richardson and it is looking good.

NEWS FLASH.....The Carol Ships will be out again this year on Dec. 16. Crew Boat owners will be providing the boats. They will be leaving the Porpoise Bay Dock between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. and will travel up the east side of the Inlet to Twanek and then across to the west and back down to the dock. Those wishing to travel and sing with them may obtain tickets from Tale Wind Books at a cost of \$5.00 per person. It promises to be a fun time and there will be prizes for the best dressed boat and hot chocolate for all carolers. Proceeds will go to the food bank.

Just a little reminder both the Sandy Hook Road and the Porpoise Bay Road are subject to black ice conditions on some of these cold mornings so please be careful.

We wish you all

Very Happy Holiday Season and a healthy, safe and prosperous New Year.



If you are not a member please use the form below.

Membership - \$10.00 per person per calendar year
 Mail to Association Address above OR Drop in the free box at the Tot Park:

NAMES(S) _____

Mailing Address _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ OFFICE PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: *Bob D'Arcy*



Recycling Bins: You may have noticed the new recycling bin at the turnoff into the community. Your Board imposed on SCRAPs to have this put in as an experiment and it seems to be an unqualified success. We are moving ahead to get a bin for shiny paper and magazines put in as well. All this to save you a trip into town. It is on a use-it-or-lose-it basis. Your comments would be appreciated. Please, if you see the box full or messy or graffiti on it, give Bob D'Arcy a call at 885-5766.



Bulletin Boards: The first of the new bulletin boards for the community has been installed by the mailboxes at the Tot Park, Deerhorn and Skookumchuk. It is our intention to put one in at each of the mailbox locations in the community. The work should be completed in a couple of months.



Want to save a stamp when you write us? At the new bulletin board by the tot park, there is a drop box for the S.H.C.A. No stamp required. Sorry, due to the problems of pickup, we cannot consider such a box at other future bulletin board locations.



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR: *Julie Towle*

Please remember to take all the annoying junk mail home with you and put in your recycling bins rather than leave it to get blown away or soggy sitting on top of our new mailboxes.

Many have commented about how much they enjoy the Newsletter. Yes, I'm still the "Smith-Corona" lady, computers are beyond me. I put everything together. The professional, beautiful finished product that is delivered to your door is thanks to one of our new board members this year, Bob D'Arcy. Thanks Bob, you do an exceptional job for us.

I had a call from a very upset lady a couple of weeks ago. She sounded rather distraught as well as angry and asked if I could please put in a note regarding the on-going problem of barking dogs. She said one in her neighbourhood barks for hours on end, both day and night. Sometimes, she knows the neighbours are home and cannot understand how they can stand listening to it. We live in such a wonderful and serene environment. I am sure that particular dog, as well as others, can disturb many neighbours and they don't deserve it. Please be a little more considerate. On the other hand, thank you to the many dog owners who are responsible and do not subject their neighbours to steady barking.

The next Newsletter will probably be near the end of January so if you have an announcement or comment we may be able to include, please give me a call.

SANDY HOOK WEB PAGE NEWS

Up and running, for the size of our community, it seems to be getting quite a bit of activity. It is not on any search engines so all hits are pretty well local residents.

Please note it is being constantly updated so you should check back often for news and new features. We are soliciting web site addresses of residents (not commercial ones at this time), and your comments and suggestions for the site. Please use the e-mail button on the site.

New since the last newsletter:

Updated Main Page and Works In Progress

AND, remember there are all the following:

■ Maps and Guides, Archives, Projects, Information and Links - **UPDATED AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH**

We welcome your suggestions for content. Use the e-mail icon on the site. Go To: (N.B. No www.)

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INTENTIONAL LAUGH OF THIS ISSUE



This is definitely a "these times are-a-changin'" joke:

"And what would you like for Christmas this year?" a department store Santa asked the child sitting on his lap. The little girl was quite indignant.

"Didn't you receive the e-mail I sent you?"