

Our Isle & Times

September 2018



NOTES FROM SUSAN: I am writing this while I listen to the heartening sound of rain on the roof. We managed to make it through an extremely dry, hot summer. In June, the Executive Committee brought a resolution to Trust Council requesting approval to write an open letter to the Prime Minister that supports the provinces action against the Trans Mountain pipeline. We approached San Juan County to join us and the letter was launched after the Court of Appeal decision was released. We had 22 Trustees sign on to the letter as well as the San Juan Councilors. I will be attending the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention in Whistler with Peter Luckham next week where we have meetings with Minister Fraser and Minister Herman, and will attend a B.C. Hydro meeting with Bowen Island representatives. Tim and I will be attending Trust Council on Keats Island the following week. We will have a Water Sustainability session at this Council. I spoke with William Shulba in Victoria recently and still hope to get him back to Lasqueti in October. I look forward to our continued work on the OCP review with our next meetings on Sept 24th.

NOTES FROM TIM: Our last regular business meeting of the term will be Mon., Sept. 24th, 11:00am, at the Health Centre, followed by a Community Information Meeting on bylaw 95 at 1:30 PM. Bylaw 95 seeks to close some loopholes in the Subdivision Regulations, and reaffirm the ten-acre minimum. Please consider attending, if you are able. By then, we will have attended our final Trust Council meeting of the term on Keats Island, and there will be no further meetings until after the election on Oct. 20th. Advance voting day is Oct.10th. Shelia Ray is our local elections official, and can provide any further information you may need about the election.

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Autumn greetings Islanders. The welcome rain is coming down as I write this Fri. Sept. 7th, ending a very hot and dry summer. Congratulations to our vigilant firefighters who kept the truck fire from spreading to our tinder dry forest last night [Sept. 6th]. If this weather sticks as forecast our fire hazard will be dropping as the rain falls. Good work one and all keeping us fire safe through the summer, those smoky weeks were grim, but thankfully all the smoke was from elsewhere.

We saw some great sunsets from Boot Point Park this August, I am very pleased with how the community has embraced our new Regional Park, and grateful we have secured at least one public beach access in perpetuity as our traditional accesses disappear one by one. Congratulations to Sam Cromarty for finishing the giant picnic table, and Gus Klein from Powell River, who brought his generator and belt sander from his boat in Scotty Bay (he was visiting the Hacketts) to add the finishing smoothing after Sam had planed it. A beautiful spot for a birthday party!

It is good to see progress at our Free Store/Recycling Centre. Today [Sept. 7th] was the day set for all contractors bidding on the project to visit the site with Mike Wall and Caleb Allen from the RD to get a full appreciation of the project. The bids should be in shortly and work should start in October with completion hopefully in December.

Caleb was to meet with Natty Violini to plan the drainage work on the Art Centre parking lot soon. All the vehicles parked there will have to move from that high side to allow ditching, notice will be posted when a date for the work is firmed up.

The last issue of *Our Isle and Times* contained Andrew Fall's announcement that he aims to replace me as Regional Director. After reading his announcement I called him up to remind him that though his area of expertise is in land use planning, the Director for Area E does not sit on the qathet RD's planning committee, or vote on planning committee motions, as the Islands Trust does Lasqueti's planning. He replied that he did understand this, but I still think he would fit better with the Trust. I enjoy being your Regional Director; for those of you who have only seen me in that role I will mention that I was with the APC from the inauguration of the Island's Trust until the early 2000's, most of that time as the chair, plus Fire Chief for 16 years. I was acclaimed last election cycle, then came the 911 controversy and the proverbial hit the fan. I found it impossible to buck the tide of NoWayism, but I would ask people to reflect on how well the EDAC committee served

our beleaguered dispatchers and our Fire Department. That's all for now, see you at the Fall Fair, Regional Director Merrick Anderson 250-333-8773

THE MEDICINE WHEEL

Nursing Clinic located at the Judith Fisher Centre
Email address: LasquetiHealthCentre@gmail.com

Nurse: Dianne McClure RN/MN

Cell: 250-240-5712 **Home:** 250-752-7419

Clinic phone (during clinic hours): 250-333-8891

Hours: Drop in Thursday from 11:00am–3:00pm

Sept/Oct. Clinic Dates:



Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Sept.				20		
				27		
Oct.				4		
				11		
				18		

This month's article will address chronic pain and possible safe self-management options for the treatment of it. It is estimated that one in five British Columbians lives with chronic pain every single day!

Chronic pain can be classified in many ways, however, the two main categories are chronic pain that is associated with a chronic disease, and idiopathic chronic pain. Idiopathic means there is no known cause for the pain. Chronic pain is most often defined as pain lasting more than three to six months, which is beyond the normal time for healing and recovery. Chronic pain, unlike acute pain, can vary considerably in its intensity, and it is often unpredictable. Some days the pain can be mild, other days intense. It can be felt in one area of the body or in multiple areas of the body.

The symptoms of chronic pain can create a vicious cycle of additional symptoms such as fatigue, depression, difficult emotions, tense muscles, restricted movement as well as ineffective breathing, stress and anxiety. The quality of life of the person suffering from chronic pain as well as that of their family and friends can be greatly affected.

In order to self-manage chronic pain it is important to know how to find help when you need it. In seeking help you are no longer a victim of your pain but a good self-manager of it. Looking for help is not always easy. Most people might start by asking family or friends. The first step for the person dealing with chronic pain is to define the problem and then decide what you want or need to manage the problem and then start looking for resources and contact organizations that might deal with similar issues. There may be free workshops or online programs that may suit your needs.

The following are a few resources that I am aware of: Pain BC is a non-profit organization that is made up of people in pain, health care providers as well as industry leaders that

provide tools, support as well as education for people living with pain as well as for their friends and family. Their website is www.painbc.ca

The University of Victoria's Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health provides free workshops that run in various island communities. They can be contacted by going to www.selfmanagementbc.ca or calling 1-866-902-3767.

Other pain resources on the web include:

American Chronic Pain Association: theacpa.org

American Pain society: www.americanpainsociety.org

Arthritis Foundation: www.arthritis.org

Arthritis Society: www.arthritis.ca

Canadian Pain Coalition: www.canadianpaincoalition.ca

Chronic Pain Association of Canada: chronicpaincanada.com

National Centre for Complementary and Alternative Medicine: www.nccam.nih.gov

Pain is real. What may have helped at one time may not be helping now. Self-management doesn't replace physical therapies, medication or psychological support, but getting involved in self-management can help and have a big impact on the quality of life of individuals suffering from chronic pain. Hope this helps...even a bit...♥ Dianne

RETIREMENT

The nomination period is in full swing for the Islands Trust and Regional Director positions. I will not be seeking another term as your Islands Trustee. I very much appreciate the support I have received from you over the past ten years that I attempted to represent your views and concerns. I have experienced many interesting ideas and events that I will carry with me through the next phase of my life. Thanks to a great community
–Susan Morrison

FERRY NEWS

Summer is now over. Large freight orders are best on the 9:45 departure from French Creek. If you have freight shipped on the ferry, please have the freight payment paid upon arrival. We are having issues with freight being picked up and not paid for. If this continues there will be NO freight shipped C.O.D. For freight orders and ferry information, please call the ship's cell, 250-927-0431. Do NOT call the ferry crew's personal cell numbers. Thank you in advance for your co-operation,

Captain Allan Knapp & crew, Centurion VII

THANK YOU FROM LIAS

The Directors of LIAS would like to personally thank the tax payers of electoral area E for their taxes which have gone to our Grant in Aid of \$2500 to upgrade the community website lasqueti.ca. These upgrades will cost at least \$10,000.00 and benefit all of us in the Community as well as our off Island neighbours, families and friends who use it.

–Submitted by Kay Compston

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE JUDITH FISHER CENTRE?

Sept. 2nd was a beautiful day for the opening of the garden. After many years of planning, designing, preparing, planting, weeding, building and weeding some more the overall effect is amazing. The garden is open to the public and you can come by anytime to walk the pathways and enjoy the sights and sounds (of water gurgling through the fountain). Best of all we received a \$500 donation towards the gazebo building project. Just need \$4,500 more to get started. Already I can hear the sounds of the music festival.

September is the time for one more public information meeting on the proposed tax requisition. As before it will be held at the Community Hall on Sept. 22nd, 2018 beginning at 1:30pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

The next membership meeting of the Last Resort Society will be held on Wednesday, Sept 12th beginning at 5:00pm at the Health Centre.

—Melinda Auerbach, Administrator, 250-333-8891

Email: healthcentre@lasqueti.ca

<http://facebook.com/Lasqueti-Last-Resort-Society>

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE ARTS CENTRE?

What a wonderful summer we've had in and around the Arts Centre! A variety of art shows, yoga classes, art picnic, life drawing, Saturday markets; people playing, creating, sharing, connecting. Many thanks to all who have been part of this ongoing celebration of community and creativity!

ARTS CENTRE USE & RENTAL

Our gallery exists primarily as a space for local artists to share their work: visual, musical, literary, film, and small performance. In addition, the gallery is available to rent for classes, talks, private sessions, and workshops.

The studio is a space where visual artists can actively work, in a one-time or ongoing way. It is available for classes, groups, and workshops that involve artists working.

To rent either space please contact Valeria: 250-333-8691, 250-240-0866, or valeriapainting@gmail.com

Rent is \$3hour or 10% of any money made. Exhibiting artists pay 10% of sales. For any questions or concerns about the use of either space, please contact Sue Wheeler 250-333-8785 or sue@lasqueti.ca

A complete copy of the Arts Council's policy regarding use and rental of the building will be posted on the bulletin board outside the gallery.

OPEN STUDIO WEDNESDAYS

The studio will be open most Wednesdays from 1:00-5:00pm starting Sept. 26th. This is an all ages, unstructured art-making event, different every week depending on who shows up and what we want to make. Bring your own project or I'll dig something up out of my bottomless pit of art supplies.

LIFE DRAWING

Every Tuesday 7:00-9:00pm, \$5. No experience necessary. This is a great way to stretch your art muscles in a supportive, peaceful environment. If you are interested in modelling, please call Sophia 250-333-8623, or talk to Tony.

MORE ART SHOWS!

Let's keep the gallery alive with art throughout the year, starting with a multi-artist show beginning late September. If you are interested in participating and I haven't called you yet, please get in touch!

If you have ideas, desires, inspiration regarding winter shows, talk to me and I will help make it happen.

Here's to a creative harvest season!

With gratitude, Valeria

PS: please drop in the gallery before Sept. 23rd and check out the current show 'In The Land of the Monster Eaters', strange new works by Valeria and Karla. The gallery will be open Mondays and Wednesdays Noon-4:00pm, and Fridays 1:00-4:00pm. —Valeria 250-333-8691, 250-240-0866, valeriapainting@gmail.com



LASQUETI ISLAND COMES TOGETHER FOR SALISH VIEW

What started out as an intriguing idea raised at a spring board meeting evolved into a magical evening of fantastic food, fun and fairies at the Lasqueti Island Nature Conservancy's Midsummer Night fundraiser for the Salish View conservation project. Last Aug. 25th the Lasqueti community came together with over 30 volunteers helping create a unique evening, more than 25 kind donors providing art, crafts, and skills for the auction, and over 50 guests expressing boundless generosity! After the dinner and auction the crowd of Lasquetians danced to the lively sounds of the Gerry Barnham Trio. One guest said "It felt like a family party...". Everyone had a good time, and for a good cause. By the time all the accounting was done LINC had raised over \$20,000! Thank-you Lasqueti for supporting the Salish View project.

With the generous donations from the auction LINC and the Islands Trust Conservancy have now raised over \$157,000 towards our goal of \$250,000. We only have until Dec. 21st to raise the remaining \$93,000. Donations and pledges are still urgently needed.

Donations can be made by cash or cheque mailed directly to LINC, address below or through the Islands Trust Conservancy (or direct e-transfer (linc@lasqueti.ca); or through Canada Helps. LINC's webpage has further information and a list of the generous volunteers and auction item donors.

Pledges for over \$250 and more can be made to fund the project as well. Pledges will be called in mid-November

2018. Guided hikes to the property are available through 250-333-8754. For further information, email linc@lasqueti.ca.

We happen to live on a beautiful island with a lot of special people who put in a lot of time and effort to keep this place alive. The generosity of the Lasqueti community is inspiring. As one of our guests said, it “gives us hope for the future - and you can’t do much better than that.”

Lasqueti Island Nature Conservancy LINC
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<https://lasqueti.ca/LINC> (250) 333-8754 linc@lasqueti.ca
– LINC

LASQUETI LOCAL TRUSTEE ELECTION

I would like to serve our island and our community as one of your locally elected trustees for the upcoming four-year term, and request that you consider casting your vote for me.

I have lived on Lasqueti since 1974 and have been active in the community in many roles. I served as one of our local trustees from 2011 to 2014. My intention is to try to emphasize protection and preservation of our valuable island resources- forests, water, soil and varied ways of life and community- through education and voluntary compliance with best practices, and to work actively with community members to come to - or at least towards - understanding and agreement about the issues we address in our Community Plan and our Land Use Bylaw.

Please email, phone or talk to me if you have questions or concerns.

I hope there will be enough candidates so we have an election. If you are eligible to, please plan to vote. There will be advance polls and mail-in ballots, as well as the general election day of Oct. 20th.

I appreciate your support and your criticism.
Peter Johnston, pjohnston@lasqueti.ca, 250-333-8785

ANDREW FALL: CANDIDATE FOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR

I have completed my candidacy papers, and have committed to stepping up to be on the ballot for Regional Director in the Oct. 20th local government elections.

I am running because I believe that we need to restore the relationship between the Lasqueti community and the Regional District so that it is based on mutual respect, meaningful dialog and cooperation. Rebuilding trust will take time, and it needs to start with a change in representation.

If elected, I plan to hold town halls on Lasqueti once or twice a year, to allow for open discussion about how our regional services are being managed, especially BEFORE any significant decisions are made. I would work with the rest of the Regional Board to reach solutions that meet the needs of our community as well as those of the Regional District. I would also work with our Islands Trustees to

foster connections between our two local governments (e.g. occasional formal delegation at Local Trust Committee meetings).

Above all, I would do my best to ensure that the interests and values of Lasquetians are well represented.

Please feel free to contact me about any questions or concerns you have regarding the Regional District. I would be happy to hear from you.
–Andrew Fall

HALLOWEEN DANCE

Spooky and fantastically fun Halloween Dance on Oct. 27th at the Community Hall. Live music by local rockstars The Fierce Carly’s. Beatfarmer will lay down the electronic music for dancing in between and after. There will be an Escape Room and Costume Contests where everyone can vote. Stay tuned for more details.
– JennyV.

FALL FAIR: SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15th

Come to play, eat, showcase, compete and dance! All day action, capped off with The Palace Band.

Dinner will feature a local spit-roasted pig and lamb and vegetarian chili. An opportunity for us to eat a meal together as a community. During the day, soup, homemade bread, and corn will be available.

The Fall Fair is a community effort. Thanks to the people who have volunteered so far. We are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen, dishwashing, and running competitions.

Considering bringing wine and cider for tasting, and salsa, jam and bread for the food competitions. Together we can create a diverse, fun-packed day.

We will have a table to showcase “trash turned to treasure” If you have something novel that you have salvaged, built and used from trash, bring it out!

Contact Andrew Fall (8595 or andrew@gowlland.ca) or Jenny V (8601, jennyv@lasqueti.ca)
–Jenny V.

AUTUMN WASTE MANAGEMENT UPDATE

First and foremost, on the recycling front, please remember the temporary depot in front of the Free Store is for refundable beverage containers only. Second, please advise visitors before they arrive that if they “bring it on to take it off” during our recycling facility upgrade.

All Lasqueti Island work has slowed due to severe fire hazard. On that note, the Free Store is a qathet Regional District (formerly Powell River Regional District) Waste Management Facility where smoking jackets are to be found but where smoking is prohibited.

The recycling depot site has been cleared and the qathet Regional District posted a “Request for Proposals” this past August to complete improvements and related upgrades to our Free Store/Recycling Centre. The mandatory site visit was held on Sept. 7th, 2018. All tenders are due by Sept. 25th, 2018. Things are moving along!

The 3rd annual beach clean-up, **Lasqueti Styrofoam Day** (LSD) took place last month between Boat Cove and Richardson Bay and a section of Jenkins Island. A record of more than 50 people and eight boats collected close to 1.5 tons of debris, which Ocean Legacy triaged. Fifty tires, pieces of a boat, plastic tanks, fishing gear, and over a ton of styrofoam was collected. One volunteer stated, “there were spent condoms and condoms still in their packages, rope and line of every size, totes and tubs, and everything that you see in the dollar store”. Kudos to all the folks doing this important and stinky work.

Ocean Legacy reports that our bags of mixed debris were 80% styrofoam. They have separated out about one and a half five tonne trucks of foam, which was recyclable and they have cut up over 20 of the tires for recycling. “Nothing so far from this load has gone to landfill,” their spokesperson stated.

LASQUETI LANDFILL: Top of Forbes Rd. Open 1:00pm – 3:00pm, 1st and 3rd Saturday of September and then on Oct. 1st we enter winter mode with openings only on the first Saturday of each month. Fees: \$5.00/bag & \$25.00/truck load. Accepts: non-recyclable plastic, metal, glass, and tires removed from rims. Does not accept: Styrofoam, drywall, paper, cardboard, electronics, recyclables, yard waste, compost or hazardous materials.

FREE STORE: Open during construction. September hours: Mon. & Thurs. 1:00 -5:00pm. Winter hours start Oct. 1st, Thursdays only. Please remember clean, reusable clothing and household items are accepted. No: TVs, Styrofoam, batteries, electricals, electronic devices, hazardous material, and no furniture. That means no mattresses! They need to be de-materialized - the wood needs to be separated from the cloth and the metal. The alternative is to barge old mattresses off island.

RE-USE CLASSIFIEDS: Post furniture and building materials at lasqueti.ca

TEMPORARY BOTTLE RECYCLING DEPOT is now in front of the Free Store. Accepts: coconut water cans, beer and cider cans, wine bottles, boxed wine cartons, spirits and beer bottles, water jugs, and tetra juice paks. Open 24/7. Unfortunately, no tin cans, hard and soft plastic, nor cardboard (the exception being banana boxes) are to be dropped until upgrades are complete.

All clean recycling to be stored until depot upgrades are completed, or take to:

Encorp’s Parksville Bottle & Recycling Depot, 611A Alberni Hwy. Open 7 days a week, 8:00am - 6:00pm, 250-248-0224. More packaging materials than ever can be recycled: coffee bags, chip bags, Ziplock bags and more. <https://recyclebc.ca/> **Qualicum Bottle & Recycling**, Unit 4- 141 4th Ave., Qualicum. Open Mon. to Sat. 9:00am - 5:00pm. 250-752-8884

Transfer Station, 860 Church Rd., Parksville. Open 7

days/week, 8:00am - 5:00pm. Closed statutory holidays. Garbage (residual), yard waste, construction and demo material and clean recyclables. It is for residents of Nanaimo Regional District. Some fees may apply. 250-390-4111

WASTE MANAGER: Robyn Dryburgh, 250- 228-2284
—Julie Newton, Let’s Talk Trash

COMMUNITY DRIVEN OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN REVIEW

Lasqueti’s Official Community Plan (OCP) is 12 years old and is up for review. Your input is needed to ensure the new version of this important guiding document represents all Lasquetians.

What is an Official Community Plan and what is the Land Use Bylaw? Why is this important?

Here on Lasqueti, services (fire department/first responders, waste management, barge ramp) are provided by the qathet Regional District (qRD, previously Powell River RD), while our land use planning is governed by the Islands Trust. An Official Community Plan is a policy document that guides and limits local government. All bylaws passed by the Islands Trust or the Regional District must be consistent with the OCP in addition to the Islands Trust Policy Statement. A Land-Use Bylaw (LUB) is a zoning bylaw that defines specific limits regarding uses of land in different zones. Changes to the OCP will often necessitate changes to the LUB to ensure consistency. Thus, this OCP Review is our chance to make changes to the Land Use Bylaw to better suit our island’s current and evolving needs.

In general, an OCP consists of **objectives, policies and advocacy policies**, and **must** include statements on housing needs, land uses, sand and gravel deposits, hazardous conditions, roads, water and sewer systems, public facilities, and targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions. An OCP **may** include policies regarding social needs and well-being, farming, environmental protection, etc. An OCP is binding on local government (Islands Trust, qathet Regional District), but not on other governments (Provincial, Federal).

Objectives articulate our community’s shared values and interests and inform **policies**, which guide local government (Islands Trust & qRD) decisions. Policies must be written so that any new bylaw can be objectively assessed for consistency. If a proposed bylaw is not consistent with any policy in the OCP, then either the bylaw must be changed (or dropped) or the OCP needs to be changed to accommodate the new bylaw, which would require a public hearing. **Advocacy policies** provide statements from a community that local government can use when working with other agencies regarding issues that are partially or completely outside the jurisdiction of the Islands Trust or qRD (e.g. roads, ferry service, Crown lands, fisheries etc.). However, these other agencies are not bound to follow advocacy policies.

Objectives express shared community interests & values.

Policies are the teeth of an OCP, they limit local government decisions.

Advocacy policies express non-binding desires to other agencies.

The Lasqueti Community Association (LCA) formed a committee at its last AGM to help facilitate community involvement in the Island Trust's Official Community Plan (OCP) review. Our objective is to ensure that our community plan is our own and clearly represents our interests. The committee is made up of Colin Ewan, Shoshanah Waxman, Nadine Simpson, Marti Wendt., Andrew Fall, Hilary Duinker, Jordan Barton, Kathy Rogers, Kristos Seiler & Karl Darwin.

We will have a display table at the fall fair: come take a look at maps, OCPs from other communities, ask questions, and share your thoughts. We are also planning to host a series of community discussion events. Stay tuned for details.

—submitted by Jordan Barton

OPINION: PUBLIC TAX FOR HEALTH CENTRE

We built a Cadillac, and now we cannot afford the gas. Is it time to park the car? Not necessarily. It is possible to continue to use the Health Centre at greatly reduced costs.

Here are my suggestions.

Mothball the hot water system and install two heat pumps, one for the Elder cottage and one for the nurse's rooms. Pumps cost \$2000 each and run off the existing solar power system. With wireless controls the nurse can turn the heat from anywhere, arriving to a warm room. Heating would be available at all times without the expense and maintenance of wood fired boilers. Last year there were 16 cords of wood burned, a lot of trees and a lot of carbon. The heat pumps would be paid for in one year with the savings (\$5000) on wood. Hot water can be supplied using the existing on demand propane hot water system.

It would be a major saving if the administration were a tax deductible donation in kind, combined with a smaller payment.

Texada Island has had a similar sized Health Centre for 20 years, run by volunteers. Their administration costs are \$4000 year, part of their \$75000 annual budget.

We can have our Health Centre if the board drastically cuts costs, and establishes a fund, carefully invested, to cover ongoing expenses. Last year the Centre had 77 events, only 34 of them medical, at an average cost of \$758 each. Unsustainable.

The board suggests that future income from Elder cottage rentals will cover operating costs. Where will the million dollars to build those cottages come from? Not taxes! The concept of Elder cottages has widespread community support. Hornby Island now has 12 occupied. Mothballing

the existing wood fired heating system leaves it in place for when the cottages are built. Let's focus our energies on building affordable Elder housing.

We can have our Health Centre if we cut costs. All the infrastructure remains in place for future use. It's time to rethink what we need and to cut costs to where we can afford to operate and maintain our Health Centre and Elder housing.

I cannot support a public tax to operate the Health Centre. that is an open ended expense that will only increase. Taxes do not go away. While such a tax would have little effect on me as a senior, the additional costs would only make renting or owning land to live here on Lasqueti difficult for the next generation.

Vote no to a new tax. Vote no to Bylaw 531 —John Barrett



Islands Trust

Lasqueti Island Local Trust Committee

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**Special Meeting to hold a
Community Information
Meeting
to discuss
proposed Bylaw No. 95 to
amend the Lasqueti Island
Land Use Bylaw subdivision
requirements.**

**Monday, September 24, 2018
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm**

Lasqueti Island Community Centre

Please contact northinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca or
visit the Islands Trust Office, 700 North Road,
Gabriola Island
Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00 pm for more information.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – EVERYONE
WELCOME**



qathet REGIONAL DISTRICT

LOCAL ELECTIONS 2018

The next General Local Election will take place on Saturday, October 20, 2018.

Please visit our website at www.powellriverrd.bc.ca for details on the upcoming elections and referenda in our Region's Electoral Areas.

Contact Information

Chief Election Officer

Matt O'Halloran

Deputy Chief Election Officer

Michelle Jones

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Electoral Area E

Lasqueti Island

- One Electoral Area Director for Area E to be elected for a four-year term.
- Referendum on Bylaw 531 to provide financial assistance by agreement with the Lasqueti Last Resort Society for the operation of a health care facility on Lasqueti Island.
- Two Trustees for School District 69 Area G to be elected for four-year terms.
- Two Trustees for Islands Trust Lasqueti Island Local Trust Area to be elected for four-year terms.

Note: Voting for elected officials will take place pending candidates. Referenda will take place in Area E.

Nomination Period

The nomination period for candidates starts at 9:00 am, Tuesday, September 4, 2018, and ends at 4:00 pm, Friday, September 14, 2018. Please visit our website for information on nomination packages.

Advance Voting

Advance voting for qathet Regional District Electoral Areas will be held from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. Please visit our website for voting place information.

Who Can Vote?

Electors must meet the following criteria:

- 18 years of age or older on voting day
- Canadian Citizen
- Have lived in BC for at least six months before they register to vote

- Have lived in the electoral area for at least 30 days before they register to vote
- Not be disqualified under the Local Government Act, or any other enactment, from voting.
- **Note:** if you have owned property in the Electoral Area for at least 30 days but live elsewhere, you may be eligible to vote as a non-resident property elector. Only one person is eligible to vote as the non-resident property elector for that property. The designated voter must have written consent of the majority of owners and provide that documentation when attending a voting place.

Mail Ballot Voting

Voting by mail will be available to electors who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity; or
- Expect to be absent from the regional district on general voting day and at the times of all advance voting opportunities; or
- Regularly reside in any electoral area where their only access from their residence to a voting place is by boat or aircraft.

If you are eligible please contact us to arrange delivery of a mail ballot package. Applications and further information are available on our website.

Referendum to provide financial assistance to the Lasqueti Last Resort Society for operation of the Lasqueti Island Health Care Centre.

Electors in Area E will vote in a referendum on the following question during General Local Elections this fall:

"Are you in favour of the Powell River Regional District adopting Bylaw No. 531 to establish a service for the purpose of providing financial assistance to the Lasqueti Last Resort Society for operation of the Lasqueti Island Health Centre located at the Judith Fisher Centre, and to authorize a maximum annual requisition of \$45,000?"

For more information on the referendum and public information meetings please contact us or visit our website and lasqueti.ca.

Join the Regional District Election Team

Please let us know if you would like to work during the election on Oct. 20th, 2018 or Advance Voting Oct. 10th, 2018. Election Officials work 7:30am to 8:15pm during voting days, and must attend a brief training session in early October. The Regional District provides payment for work on voting days, a meal allowance, ferry costs, and training pay.



Islands Trust

2018 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTIONS
LASQUETI ISLAND LOCAL TRUST AREA
NOTICE OF NOMINATION AND REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS

Public Notice is given to the electors of the Lasqueti Island Local Trust Area that a general local election will be held on Saturday, October 20, 2018 to elect two local trustees for a four-year term from November 2018 to 2022.

Same-day voter registration

The qathet Regional District uses 'same-day voter registration' and therefore does not have a voters' list.

Everyone who wishes to vote on October 20, 2018, or at an advance poll, must provide two (2) pieces of identification at the voting place which, when taken together, show the voter's signature and residential address.

Non-resident property electors are encouraged to contact the qathet Regional District prior to voting day as additional requirements apply to registration.

Mail Ballot Voting

Voting by mail will be available only if an elector:

- has a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity; or
- expects to be absent from the regional district on general voting day and at the times of all advance voting opportunities; or
- regularly resides in any electoral area where their only access from their residence to a voting place is by boat or aircraft.

Details on the mail ballot process are available on the Regional District website:

<http://www.powellriverrd.bc.ca/voting-opportunities/>

LOCAL TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS – ISLANDS TRUST

Nominations for qualified candidates will be received from 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 4, 2018 until 4:00 p.m. Friday, September 14th, 2018 by the:

Chief Election Officer, Matt O'Halloran, qathet Regional District, #202-4675 Marine Avenue, Powell River, B.C., V8A 2L2, Tel: 604.485.2260, Fax: 604.485.2216, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday, excluding holidays.
Email: vote@powellriverrd.bc.ca. If faxing, please call or email to confirm.

Note: Originals of faxed or emailed nomination documents must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, September 21, 2018, or the nomination is deemed to be withdrawn

Appointments may be made for in-person delivery of nomination documents on Lasqueti Island, between 8:30 am to 4:30 pm from September 4 through September 7, 2018. To book an appointment Tel: 604-485-2260.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE

A person is qualified to be nominated, elected and to hold office as a member of local government if they meet the following criteria:

- Canadian citizen;
- 18 years of age or older;
- resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day nomination papers are filed; and
- not disqualified by the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from being nominated for, being elected to, or holding office.

For nomination documents or other election information please contact: the qathet Regional District (address above) or go to the Regional District website at:

<http://www.powellriverrd.bc.ca/inside-the-prrd/2018-general-local-elections/information-for-candidates/>

To subscribe to updates of the Islands Trust elections web-site: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/trust-council/elections>

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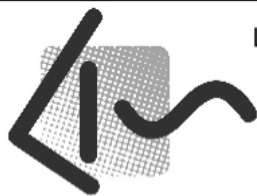
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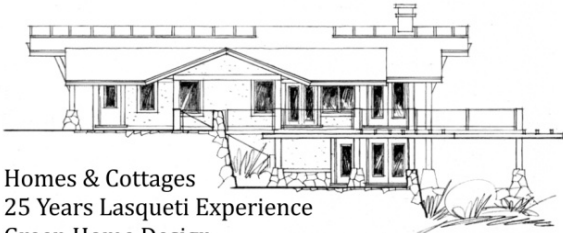
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