

# THE CORDOVAN

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## CORDOVA BAY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 25th, 7:30

Claremont Senior Secondary School

### Agenda:

1. Business meeting
2. Election of officers
3. Speaker on Recycling, from the Capital Regional District

### Notice of Motion:

Under Clause II (3) of the Association's constitution, a stated objective is "the development and cooperative use of community service facilities for all ages." The Board of Directors has interpreted this to mean that where they consider the balance of Association funds to be in excess of that required for normal operations, with due provision for unforeseen expenditures, that such funds could be directed to other community projects.

At the Board meeting of November 17, 1988, a motion was passed to add a By-Law under Section VII as follows: "DONATIONS: On approval of 75% of the directors present at a regular Board meeting, the Board may authorize a donation of excess Association funds to any organization or project which it considers to qualify under the constitution."

Since the major source of funds for the Association is through membership fees and the interest on unused balances, and any additions to our By-Laws requires an extraordinary resolution to be passed by a two-thirds majority at a special or annual meeting, the Board of Directors will be presenting the following Extra-Ordinary Resolution to the membership at the Annual General Meeting in April 1989:

"Whereas an objective stated in the constitution of the Cordova Bay Association is to include the development and cooperative use of community facilities of all ages, be it resolved that the Board of Directors be empowered to make donations from excess funds to non-profit community organizations or projects, that such donations be reported at the Annual General Meeting and that the following By-Law be added:

"On approval of Seventy-five percent (75%) of the directors present at a regular Board meeting, the Board may authorize a donation of excess Association funds to any organization or project which it considers to qualify under the Constitution."

### CORDOVA BAY HIKERS

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	19	Mount Work (bring lunch)
	26	Barnes Landing to Leechtown
May	3	Cowichan River Trail (about 13 miles)
	10	Mayne Island
	17	Cobble Hill
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## SECOND PAGE COLUMN

If you read the paper, you'll have been told that Cordova Bay will have input to decisions on the freewaying of the Pat Bay Highway. Wish we could be sure that's true.

What has actually happened is that the municipal engineer has brought forward a sort of schedule that makes room for what they are calling "community input" on possibly two occasions.

If this "input" is similar to that involved at the recent Open House in Sidney, where proposals for Beacon Avenue were shown, we're in deep trouble. The Ministry of Highways did indeed put forward two proposals, but the decision had already been made--the second proposal was no more than window-dressing.

It was for exactly this reason that we had asked for an opportunity to explain community concerns to Saanich and to the Ministry of Highways early enough in the planning process that some changes could be made if they were called for.

It doesn't sound as though this concern had been taken seriously enough. Saanich staff has already (without hearing from us, or indeed from any other community involved) submitted its response to the proposals put forward by the Ministry.

At what point is it too late in the process to make changes? Your guess is as good as mine. There's another question too--although Saanich Council does recognize the desirability of input from the communities and possibly will listen to us when we are given any information to comment on, just how much power are they going to have against a provincial ministry? The rejection of Saanich Council's request to appeal the removal of MacArthur Park Estates agricultural land from the Reserve makes that a very pointed question indeed.

Let's wish ourselves lotsa luck!

### GOODBYE, ERIC

The Cordova Bay Association truly mourns the loss of Eric Robinson of Wesley Road, who died of a massive heart attack early on Monday morning, March 19th, 1989.

Eric and Dorothy Robinson moved to Cordova Bay in 1975, after Eric's retirement from his work as an engineer with the National Research Council. He was a man with a deep commitment to the welfare of the land and the community and, in 1976, when Daon Developments proposed to put housing on the agricultural land now belonging to MacArthur Park Estates, Eric was one of the founding members of the Cordova Bay Association. He threw all his energies into everything he did. In the years that followed, Eric was one of the main spokesmen for the concerns of residents of this community. This took countless hours of his time: not only did he inform himself thoroughly on the issues that would affect the community, for twelve years he attended virtually all the weekly Saanich Council meetings, all the meetings of the Cordova Bay Association board and all the many related planning meetings. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Cordova Bay and a constant supporter of their good works in this area.

Saanich Council has agreed to give the local Heart Fund a memorial donation of two hundred dollars in his honour.

Eric was a kind and caring man, a man of integrity and conviction. He is being missed by everyone who knew him.

### CORDOVA BAY KIWANIS

CLAREMONT HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB--Grade 11 student and Key Club member Morgan Price will be attending a world affairs seminar for high school students at the University of Wisconsin in Whitewater, June 11-June 16. These world affairs seminars are conducted annually (since 1976), bringing together high school students from all over the world to discuss world problems. Their purpose is to create better understanding of the causes of world conflict in the belief that if the causes are understood solutions are more likely to be found. Morgan's registration and expenses will be paid by the Cordova Bay Kiwanis, who are sponsors of the Claremont High School Key Club.

Elementary schools in the area have programs to encourage students to be courteous, co-operative, and considerate. As an indication of Kiwanis support for any youth program directed towards good citizenship, the Club has arranged for additional recognition of these programs. Four times each year, books will be donated to the libraries of Cordova Bay School, Lochside School and Royal Oak Middle School. Inscriptions in each book will indicate the winning child's name as well as the reason for the recognition. Certificates will be presented to each winner as a memento of the occasion.

Claremont High School Grade 12 student Helen Mitchell was selected to attend the 'Forum for Young Canadians' to study the processes of government in Canada. The Kiwanis Club of Cordova Bay is pleased to have been able to assist Helen with a donation towards her expenses.

The Club is in need of dry storage for items being held for the annual garage sale. With such a facility the Club would be able to accept additional donations. If you have an unused shed or garage and wish to donate its use for this purpose, please call member Dave Osborne at 658-8021.

### SOIL FROM SCRAPS

Thin soil, thick clay, pebbles and weeds? None of us with new gardens has perfect soil, but one inexpensive, environmentally-sound way of improving your soil lies in your kitchen. All fruit and vegetable peelings, coffee grounds and tea leaves, belong in our compost piles--not in a landfill site.

What else goes in the pile? What's the most efficient pile design? To help us build and maintain a compost box, the Capital Regional District Waste Management Advisory Group has prepared a brochure, available at Cordova Bay Variety. Or call the Regional Recycling Hotline, 383-2696.

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CORDOVA BAY ASSOCIATION  
SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

The main objective is to promote and develop a network of community services to meet the needs of the community.

\*PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE\*

Volunteering is an interesting and satisfying option for people of all ages with varying amounts of time to give who 1) have a natural desire to help, 2) enjoy the experience of working with others, 3) want to be involved in the community.

If you are interested in meeting new people or in volunteering, come to the Bakery in the Plaza and join us for coffee on Thursdays, 10-11 a.m. Ask for Erica.

SOFTBALL

Softball players still wishing to register, please call Donna Pawluk at 658-8690 or Fran Savage at 658-5583

PETS' HOTLINE

If you have lost or found a pet, please call one of these numbers.  
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Helen Muir . . . . . 658-5663  
Kerry Rideout . . . . . 658-8678

If your pet is found or comes back home, please let the Pets' Hotline know!

If you have found a pet:  
Phone Pets' Hotline, 658-5039/5663/8678

Check dog license number with the Saanich Police, 388-4321.  
Advertise in local papers; "found" ads are free.

What to do if you have lost your pet:  
Phone Pets' Hotline, 658-5039/5663/8678

Check with S.P.C.A., 388-7722  
Check Saanich Pound, 388-4321  
Check with your neighbours, taking a picture of your pet and leaving a note with a description of your pet and your name and phone number.

PATHWAYS CENTRE

Pathways Centre, sponsored by the Capital Mental Health Association, is expanding its adult day care program to include a seniors' skill program that will serve the elderly in the community. The program will include activities of daily living, recreation and exercise, socialization, leisure activities, crafts, education, entertainment and community interaction. Referrals can be made directly to the program director.

Volunteers are needed for crafts, bridge, gardening, and driving participants to and from the program. Call 658-5414.

CORDOVA BAY VARIETY is now selling BUS PASSES.

NEW BUSINESS IN THE BAY

Wilhelmina Groot has just opened the Cordova Bay Studio at 4794 Cordova Bay Road to provide aesthetics and electrolysis -- that is, facials, manicures, pedicures, make-up, depilatory waxing, eye and brow tinting, eyebrow shaping and computerized electrolysis. Call her at 658-2506.

ELK/BEAVER PARK

The Capital Regional District has called a meeting for 7:30 pm on Thursday April 27th at the Royal Oak Inn to discuss A MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR ELK/BEAVER PARK. If you have an opinion and/or want to hear what is being discussed, please plan to attend. If you want a few details beforehand, call Sheilagh Ogilvie (in the evenings, please) at 658-8937.

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CORDOVAN SURVEY FOR APRIL 89: THE CORDOVA BAY PLAZA

The Cordova Bay Plaza, though privately owned and run, has become somewhat of a commons green in our community. Green or otherwise, it is well used. In conversation, various people have expressed feelings about what the plaza is now, what they think it could or should be, and what they'd like to see there in future. If you have opinions on this subject, we invite you to clip this survey form, fill it out and mail it to: April 89 Survey, The Cordovan, c/o 5037 Wesley Road, Victoria, B.C. V8Y 1Z5.

1. Do you use the plaza for supplies and services? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_
2. If you do, how many times a month, say? \_\_\_\_\_
3. If you don't, where do you shop most often? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. What are your comments on the stores and services at the plaza?  
- the restaurant \_\_\_\_\_  
- the hardware store \_\_\_\_\_  
- the variety store/post office \_\_\_\_\_  
- the hairdressers \_\_\_\_\_  
- the food store \_\_\_\_\_  
- the bakery \_\_\_\_\_  
- the dentist \_\_\_\_\_  
- the doctor \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you have comments about the plaza as a whole, past & present, and future? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Thank you. If you need more space -- please feel free to write more fully. The survey results will be gathered and presented in due course in a future issue of The Cordovan.

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Mrs. Frances Renfrew wishes to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness and beautiful sympathy cards upon Bob's recent death. (A family service is being held on Saturday, April 8, 12:00 noon, at St. David by the Sea Anglican Church, Cordova Bay Road.)

CORDOVA BAY UNITED CHURCH  
813 Claremont Avenue

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
Sunday School and Babyfold

June 3--Our Annual Country Fair  
When you do your spring cleaning and don't know what to do with the items you've cleaned out... we would appreciate receiving them. Donations of plants, linens, good clothing, hardware, etc. We sell absolutely everything!! All donations may be dropped off at our church from now until June 3. The church is open during the week from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tuesday to Friday. We will arrange to have large items picked up.

Summer Camp--Would you like your children to go to camp this summer? The brochures for the 1989 season at George Pringle Memorial Camp, at Shawnigan Lake, are now at the Church. A balanced program of Bible study, waterfront activities, crafts, archery, singing, games and skits is offered. Waterfront facilities include canoes, sailboats, row boats, windsurfers, and an enclosed swimming crib. Check out the schedule for youth from Grade 2 to College...

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GOALS

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CORDOVA BAY PRE-SCHOOL

Spaces are available for September '89, in afternoon class for 3 to 4 year olds. This is creative play and social interaction in a happy environment. For further information, phone Helen Scroggs at 658-8006.

NEW HORIZONS

The Annual General Meeting will be held on April 13 at 1:00 p.m. in St. David's Church Hall.

The last film of the season will be on the 3rd Thursday in April at 7:30 p.m. in the Preschool Room at St. David's. All welcome.

MT. NEWTON DAY CARE CENTRE

The podiatrist will be available April 25. Please phone 652-3432 for a appointment.

SEALAKE DISTRICT GUIDES, BROWNIES & PATHFINDERS

"All levels of Guiding" will soon include an even younger level, of pre-Brownies, to be known as Sparks. This group is for girls of approximately five years old. If Sealake can find leaders for that age group, we hope to form a unit. More details later.

Please be warned that Guides and Brownies bearing cookies will be ringing your doorbell this month. Each girl has two cartons to sell, and your generosity is much appreciated as this is our main fundraiser. Part of the money is used for National and International projects, while each local unit's share is used for activities such as field trips, outings and camping. (As soon as the first snowdrop appears, your average Guide leader starts planning a camp.)

On March 27-28, 2nd Cordova Bay Brownies enjoyed their first weekend camp at Kingswood with Bernardine Dool. It was a great success!

5TH TSARTLIP CUBS & SCOUTS

The winter season in Scouting is always highlighted by Guide/Scout week in February when our activities centre on the birth, on February 22, 1859, of our founder Lord Baden-Powell. We had a highly successful "B.P. Dinner" in February, and this year, for a change, had entertainment--a magician whom the boys thoroughly enjoyed. Add a delicious pot luck chicken dinner with lots of fries from London Fish & Chips and you have the ingredients for a jolly scouting event of fellowship and fun.

The unusual weather caused a few changes in plans for outdoor activities, but we know the birds benefitted from the addition of 26 Cub bird feeders, the making of which was probably the noisiest activity to date. Imagine all the hammering in St. David's Hall. Deafening, but great fun for the boys.

Our plans to plant seedlings at our Christmas Tree Site had to be postponed until mid-April due to snow at higher elevations. However, it's never too late to sincerely thank the community for its generous support of our annual Christmas tree sale. Because of good sales we were able to meet our fund-raising objectives for the year.

Both Beaver and Cub packs are looking forward to more outdoor activities now that spring is here, with overnight camps planned for May.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Each year as graduation approaches, the plans "to party" are confirmed. Unfortunately, alcohol and drugs become a part of the celebration.

Statistics prove that the number one killer of men and women in their teens is drunk driving. Each year in BC over 250 people are killed in drinking driving accidents.

Like last year, Claremont Secondary School's G.A.N.G. (Grads Asking for a Non-alcoholic Graduation) plans to make graduation night a night to be remembered. Right now we have a steering committee of grads, parents, and teachers. We have the support of Claremont's Administration, Saanich Council and Police, and MADD. The party will be held at a recreational facility on the evening of June 22 following the graduation ceremonies.

We are writing to ask area businesses to help us with donations to be used for door prizes as well as to sponsor a section of this after-grad. Any help in the form of cash, gift certificates, tickets or merchandise would be greatly appreciated.

Our vision of a party that does not depend on the use or abuse of alcohol will be made complete with your help.

Thank you.

Lisa Stekelenburg  
Chairperson

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