



Maritimer

October 2016

MEMBERS' MEETING

WED., OCT 26, 2016

1900 (7 p.m.)

LMS Welcome Centre

Agenda:

Budget

Nominations

Waterfront Plan

Q & A

Coffee – Cheese & fruit trays

- No host bar -

If you have not already paid your 2016 Membership Dues you may do so at the members' meeting on October 26th and be eligible to vote at the AGM in December. In addition, you may renew your 2017 Membership at this meeting.

Single: \$20

Couple: \$35

Family: \$50

C.A. KIRKEGAARD

DOCK WORK PARTIES

Wednesday work parties have now started. Contact Marc at:

marc@lmsmarina.ca

if you would like to come down to the docks and help out!

REVENUE SHARING

Between May 1st and Labour Day forty-one of our contract moorers informed our marina staff of the dates their moorage slips would be available for use by visiting boats. Dozens of visitors were accommodated who would otherwise have been turned away. \$6,043.30 in revenue was generated from the use of these slips. As agreed, one-half of this revenue was shared between the 41 moorers.

Thanks to all those who participated in this program. Special thanks to those who donated their shares back to LMS.

is in the shop for some major work to restore her (as much as possible) to original state

NEW FEATURE IN MUSEUM

Watch for it!

PADDLING CENTRE

In June LMS applied to the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program for funding up to \$250,000 to build a Paddling Centre in the marina.

A requirement of the application was that the applicant match any funds received. Also, that any project be completed in 2017 in order to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday.

At the present time there has been no response from the funding agency.

LADYSMITH WATERFRONT AREA PLAN

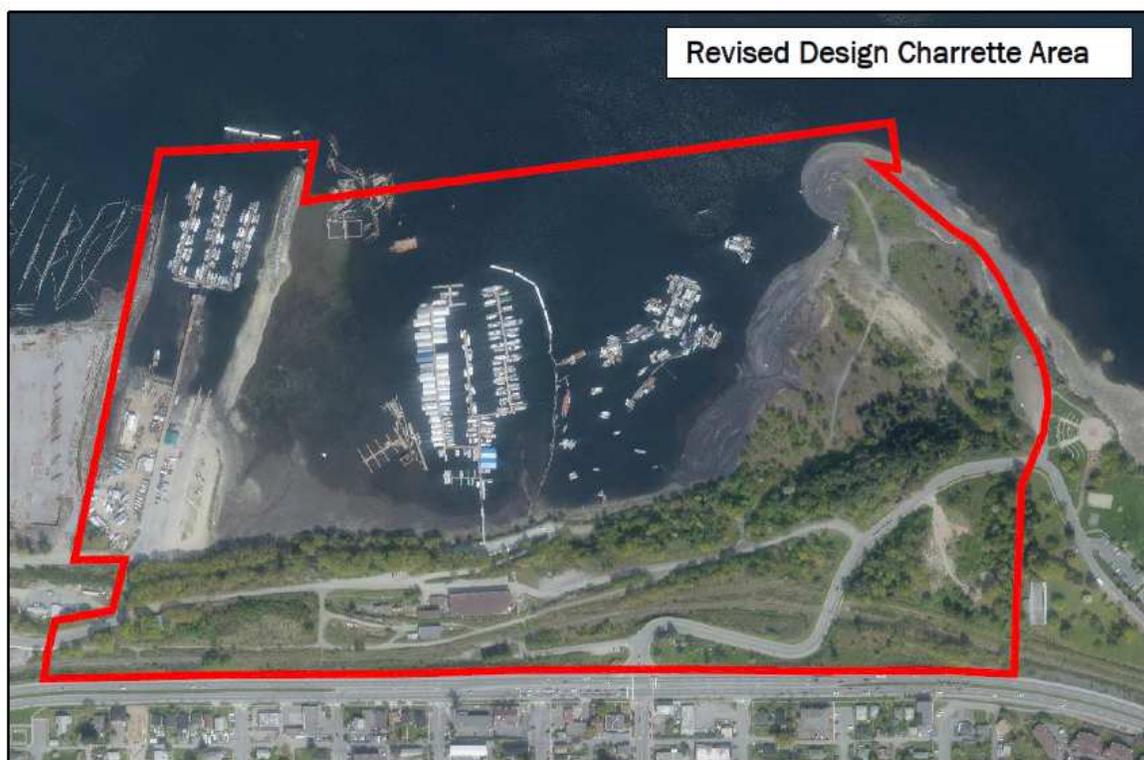
What are your ideas for the future use of the Ladysmith waterfront? We need your ideas so we can create a vision for the waterfront area that represents the interests of the Ladysmith Maritime Society.

The Town of Ladysmith will soon begin a process to update the Waterfront Area Plan. While members of the public will have a number of opportunities to provide input, LMS has been invited to participate on a design charrette team.

The purpose of the design charrette will be to visually explore land use and design options for the waterfront. Following broader community feedback, these land use and design elements would become part of the new Waterfront Area Plan.

The design charrette team will be comprised of 25 appointees from Ladysmith advisory commissions and organizations; citizen appointees; members of the Stz'uminus First Nation; the Mayor and two other members of Council; and Town staff. Paul Nowlan is the LMS nominee to the design charrette team, and Rod Smith is the alternate, in case Paul is not available.

The boundary for the updated Waterfront Area Plan (shown on the map) does not include Transfer Beach Park or the adjacent industrial area. More information on how you can participate will be provided at the upcoming LMS member's meeting.



NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS

The 2016 Annual General Meeting of Ladysmith Maritime Society is scheduled for

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, 2016

in the LMS Welcome Centre.

Ladysmith Maritime Society needs people willing to join the Board of Directors team and help direct the numerous LMS activities. It is time to nominate yourself, or to persuade someone else, to serve on the Board. Please put forward the names of individuals who are enthusiastic about the future of our Society.

The Board of Directors consists of nine people with revolving terms of office. Three 3-year terms need to be filled at the upcoming Annual General Meeting on December 7, 2016.

Knowledge of, or expertise in, one or more of the following areas would be an asset:

accounting and financial planning	festivals
non-profit governance	fund raising
marina operation	legal
communication	marketing
insurance	volunteer engagement and appreciation
tour operation	museum development
heritage vessel restoration	engineering

The LMS board is transitioning from a working board directly involved with the day-to-day business of the society, to a policy board directing the staff. Six to seven meetings a year are held at approximately two-month intervals.

Please note:

1. Nominations must be signed by 2 seconders who are members in good standing
2. Nominations must be in the hands of the Nominating Chair no later than 5:00 p.m. Nov. 18, 2016
3. 3 directors for 3-year terms are to be elected at the AGM on Dec. 7, 2016
4. The directors will elect the officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, & Treasurer) from amongst themselves at the first Board meeting after the AGM.

Call Allan Gould, at (250) 324-8783, or any other director, if you have any questions.

The nomination form is attached.

*Please return the form to Allan Gould, Nominations Chair, at:
r.allangould@shaw.ca*

or

3277 Creegan Drive, Chemainus, B.C. V0R 1K2

before 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 18, 2016

LADYSMITH MARITIME SOCIETY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

(nominations close 5:00 p.m. November 18, 2016)

Name of person nominated: _____

Signature of person nominated certifying that he/she is willing to serve on the Board for at least three years;

(signature)

(date)

This nomination is seconded by the following two members in good standing:

(i) name: _____ signature _____

(ii) name: _____ signature _____

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Please provide some personal background about yourself and what you think you can bring to the board or what you think the board needs or should be doing in the upcoming year. Note that this section may be copied into a newsletter prior to the AGM.

PURPLE MARTIN UPDATE

The 2016 Purple Martin season started with 2 weeks of warm weather in March and the arrival of the first reported Purple Martins in BC on March 28 at the LMS Community Marina. This is 1-2 weeks earlier than expected.

A total of 85 pairs started nesting and laying eggs at the marina and this is about the same number as last year. However, with on-going periods of cool, wet weather throughout the summer, the adult and subadult (1-year old) birds had a difficult time finding enough flying insects to feed both themselves and their young. About 1/3 of the nests had no surviving young (including the first nest box with the nest cam) and many of the remaining nests had only 1-3 young this year (as seen in the second box with the nest cam). About 120 young were produced this year which is about 1.5 young /pair, considerably less than the ~300 young (3.8 young/pair) produced in 2015.

Central Vancouver Island seemed to receive the worst of the cool, wet weather this summer and it seemed at times to be even worse than the bad weather we had in 2008, our worst for weather-related losses. However, Southern and Northern Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands and Lower Mainland areas had slightly later nesting timing, so the later-hatching young avoided some of the cool, wet weather and had better production and survival. Average production for the

Strait of Georgia area was about 2.5 young/pair. This production will allow the overall population to return in about the same numbers next year.

Thank you to all of you at the marina who helped out with the Purple Martins this summer.

Bruce Cousens and Charlene Lee

BC PURPLE MARTIN STEWARDSHIP AND RECOVERY PROGRAM



picture taken by Al Vandenberg

at LMS marina - summer 2016

We would like to thank the LMS members, their families and friends as well as visitors to the marina who donated their recyclable bottles and cans to the BC Purple Martin Stewardship and Recovery Program between mid April and August 2016. In that time, volunteers sorted almost 18,000 items for a total of \$1420.35. These funds will be put towards program travel expenses and materials for nest box repair/replacement.

**THANK YOU, AGAIN, FOR
EVERYONE'S GENEROSITY AND
ASSISTANCE.**

YOUR LMS TEAM

Managing Director: Rod Smith
Marina Lead: Debbie Loewen
Marina Staff: Marc Pettigrew
Directors: Gerry Beltgens
Shirley Blackstaff
Bob Cross
Cliff Fisher
Allan Gould
David Grimstead
Rod MacNeil
Paul Nowlan
Betty Pearson

and
the many volunteers
who contribute so much
to our Society

31st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
LADYSMITH MARITIME SOCIETY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016

LADYSMITH MARITIME SOCIETY

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