
MARITIME MUSEUM, SEA LIFE CENTRE & HARBOUR HERITAGE CENTRE

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2016 Fall Report

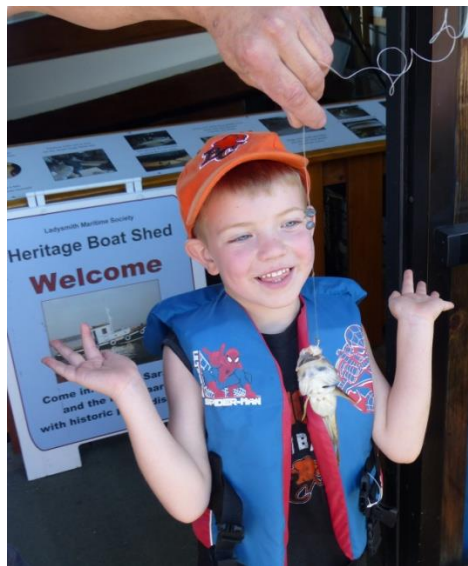


Maritime Museum – Tenth Year on the Water
Sea Life Centre – First Year on the Water
Harbour Heritage Centre – Third Year on the Waterfront

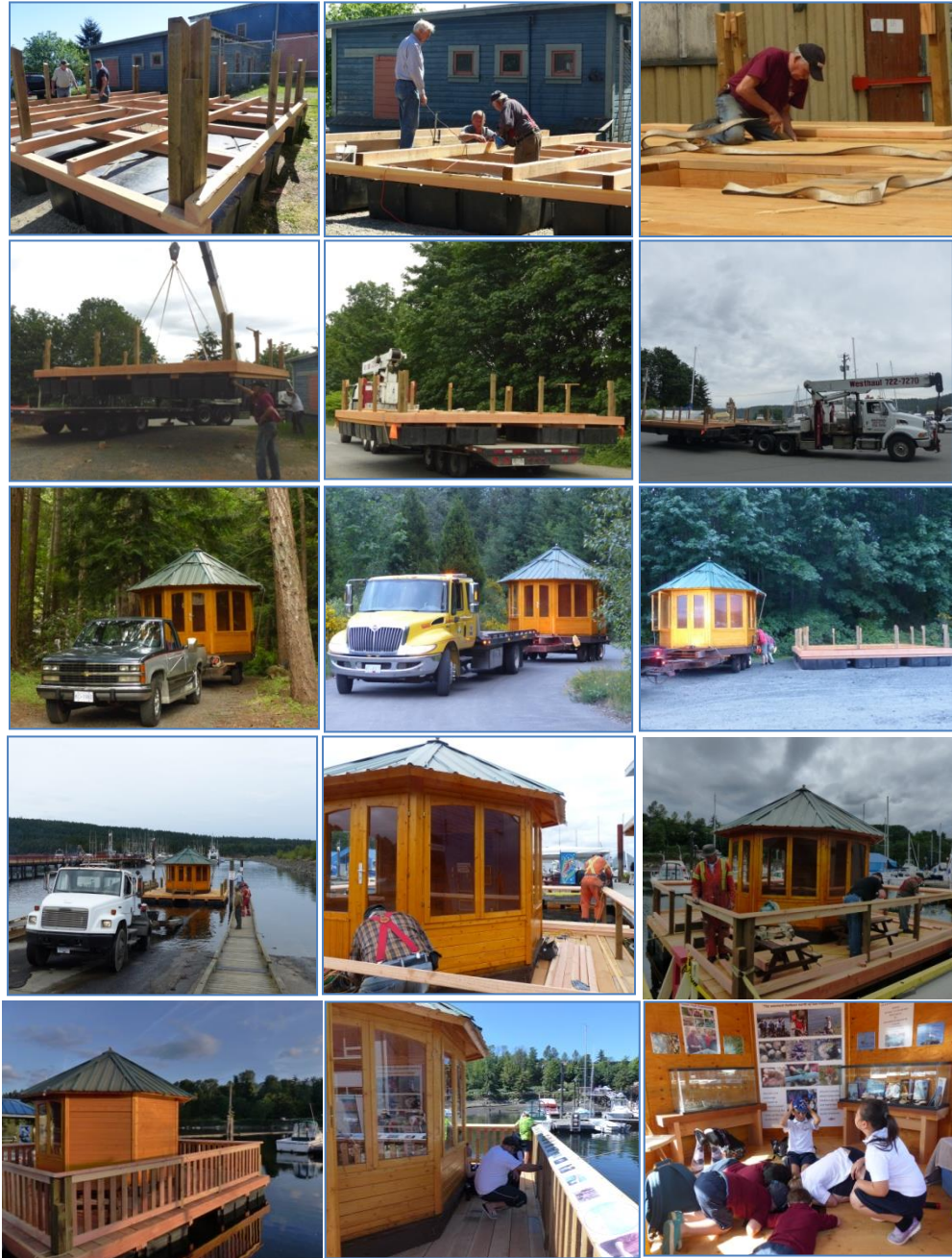
Heritage Report – Fall 2016 by Shirley Blackstaff

The Maritime Museum was open from 10 am – 5 pm daily.

The Attendance Book shows many visitors stopped in and enjoyed the exhibits. School students learned about marine water safety with interactive lessons lead by our volunteers. They experienced a boat ride around the Harbour with one of our awesome tour boat operators. They learned about the Western Purple Martins, the heritage boats and observed the sea life in our new Sea Life Centre.



The Sea Life Centre was in place and ready for our Maritime Heritage Day and Kid's Pirate Day Festival. Sincere thanks to many LMS and community volunteers who worked very hard to have a 20 ft. x 20 ft. dock built ready for the gazebo which was transported and placed on the new dock and floated over to the Marina. The goal was to have it in place for the Kid's Fishing Derby and festival events and because everyone cooperated and worked together the project was completed in time.



LMS Sea Life Centre

The Harbour Heritage Centre was open Monday to Friday from 1 pm to 4 pm with LMS and community volunteers greeting our visitors and sharing the maritime history of Ladysmith Harbour. It was open other times by request for adult community groups and for full day student field trips. This was an excellent year with many school groups from private and public schools ranging from pre-school to high school students.

We had one very special combination field trip where a Grade 4 class visited the Town Museum to learn about the forest industry on the land and then walked to the Harbour Heritage Centre to learn about the forest industry at the waterfront.

Many volunteers assisted in our education programs making them interactive and fun. Our volunteers were amazing. Thank you education helpers: Cecilia Grimstead, Marnie Craig, Hilda McDonald, Ron Delcourt, Brian Williams, George McKinley, Shanon Burchard, Peggy McDonald, Myf Plecas, Rob Johnson, Cheryl Perich, Isobelle Oulette, Shamin Rampuri, Trish Pinkerton, Iris Pasareno, Claire Voldeng, Rick Greenhorn, Rick Harbo and our tour boat operators.

Our sincere appreciation goes to our greeters: John Monaghan, Joe McKinley, Peggy and Barrie McDonald, Rachel Minielly, Pat Samson, Gillian Murad and Mary Dolan who kept the Harbour Heritage Centre open during the week for visitors. We met some very interesting people from Ladysmith and many other places all over the world. Some came by road and many by boat. All comments about our Community Marina, Museum, Harbour Heritage Centre, Harbour Tour and trips to the Town were positive although some folks suggested better signage and less hills to climb.

