



Maritimer

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Volunteers and LMS

Volunteers are integral to the existence of LMS and make our organization unique on the coast. Since we are a charitable society, it is part of our mandate to support our activities using volunteers. These activities are always evolving so that our programs can continue to improve. There are tasks pertaining to: the Sea Life Centre, Maritime Museum, Harbour Heritage Centre, education field trip program, archives, marina repair and maintenance, restoration of heritage boats, beautification of the docks, festivals, Dine on the Docks, tour boat, dock hosts and board members.

LMS can always use helping hands. If you would like to be involved with any of these activities, events or programs, please fill out the volunteer form at the Welcome Centre or on the LMS Website page and you will be included on our volunteer list.

Special Request for Volunteers

Due to the wooden floor in the Harbour Heritage Centre has been torn out and replaced with cement there is a need for extra help during the month of April to put everything back in place so it can be open this year in time for visitors and our education field trip program this May.

It is Moorage Renewal Time!

LMS has once again sold out both seasonal and annual moorage!! Thank you, Marc, Debbie, and Deb for all your hard work!!

Ladysmith Harbour Spring CleanUP

On Sunday, May 7th, 1000h, LMS is partnering with the Nanaimo Paddlers on a harbour clean up. There will be about a dozen kayakers working with the LMS Work Boat to bring debris to Fishermen's Wharf.

LMS will contribute lunch and disposal of the material collected. Your utility trailer or pickup truck would be a helpful contribution at around 2pm to take material to the dump.

Call Dan at 250-245-1040 to confirm.

First Aid Training for Harbour Tours

Your harbour tour operators are trained in First Aid, Marine Safety, Radio Operation, and of course the Small Vessel Operators Certificate. All this to be able to take 12 paying passengers up to 25 miles offshore, within 100 miles of a safe harbour, anywhere around North America, or just simply to conduct a 90 minute Harbour Tour.

First Aid training for Harbour Tour Operators will occur on May 6th, funded by LMS.

A reminder of important dates!

- May 7 – LMS Harbour Clean Up
- May 19 – Oyster Bay Café opens
- May 27 – Heritage Boat Festival
- June 2 - Pirates Feast on the Dock
- June 3 – Kids' Pirates' Day
- June 2 to Sept 8 – Dine on the Dock biweekly

And festival volunteers are needed!

Volunteers Make a Powerful Difference



An LMS salute to Brian and Brian above on the power post production line, and to Ewan below, exhausted after installation. These gentlemen produced 25 power posts for the LMS docks this winter, and they actually worked (both the posts...and the volunteers). Thank you very much!!



A PFD Deal!

Do you have any kid-sized PFDs kicking about? Maybe you use them occasionally for the grandkids or not at all. Boy could we use them!

Every year we run out of PFDs for Kids Pirates Days and with that many kids around it is dangerous to not have a life jacket on the little guys and gals.

So here's the request: give the PFDs to LMS so we can keep all the kids safe and when they are not in use we will store them at the Marina. Anytime you need a PFD, any size, just let us know and you can grab one from our storeroom. Think of all the extra room you will have at home and the good you will be doing for the littlest members of our community.

And special thanks to the "fingerlings", volunteers Jim, Willard, Tom, Sonny, Geoff, Gus, Norm and Gerald for their work on major dock renovations!

