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Ladysmith Maritime Society Newsletter - June, 2017

Sea Life Celebration
Sun. Aug. 13
10 am - 2 pm
For Kids & Families
FUN Sea Life Adventures!

Sea Life Centre activities
Touch Tanks
Art Projects
Games & Face Painting
Diver's visit
Marine Biologists
Harbour Tours

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Sea Life Celebration is a new event, Sunday, August 13th, at your LMS Community Marina: the perfect opportunity to introduce young people of any age to the magic and wonder of the Ladysmith Harbour. There will be hands-on activities, special projects, and special visitors to bring together families under the "big tent", in the Sea Life Centre, and on the 'Maritimer' Harbour Tour Boat.

Come on down for this community event!

The Ladysmith Maritime Society exists to serve the community!

- on **May 7th**, LMS and the Nanaimo Paddlers conducted a **harbour clean-up** from Shell Beach to Woods Islands to Fishermen's Wharf. Watch the video on Take5TV!
- the **Oyster Bay Café** opened **May 19th**, seven days a week 0800-1500h. Come on down to savour the harbour at the Welcome Centre.
- **May 25th**, Executive Director, Rod Smith, provided a presentation to the Downtown Business Association on **tourism benefits** flowing through the LMS waterfront gateway. The results were well reported in the Ladysmith-Chemainus Chronicle
- on **May 29th**, the **Heritage Boat Festival** hosted 22 vessels, including Walronda, built in 1912 in Hong Kong, and also featuring our own Yellowpoint Cutter.
- **June 3rd**, **Kids Pirate Day** saw close to 3000 citizens, big and small, on the LMS docks, with the Saravan delivering Cap'n Jack Sparrow and scalliwags to the LMS docks. Congratulations to Adrian Perez, winner of the family movie pass.
- through the summer, LMS will focus on **Dine on the Docks** (only \$20, always sold-out; never rains, and even if it does there is the big top), on operating the **Harbour Museum and SeaLife Centre**, and on **marina services** for visiting boaters.
- **Music on the Docks** is a newer event, happening Tuesdays at 730pm (open mic) and Thursdays at 7pm during the summer.
- **Harbour Tours** will be available daily at 1030h and 1400h...\$15 for adults; \$40 for a family of four; \$80 for the whole boat...with custom tours negotiable. We recommend you phone ahead to book your spot!

Hang'em High

Each year a dedicated group of volunteer painters produce the colourful banners hanging high at the Ladysmith Community Marina. Lots of work and lots of fun. This year's painters are Jim Montgomery, Linda Coomber and Tricia Pinkerton, who work in the "Lunchroom Studio" - the little building next to the big blue Heritage Building. Interested in painting? Contact the Ladysmith Maritime Society for more information. 250 245 1146.



From the Big Mac

As president of LMS, I know nothing would happen on the docks without our dedicated volunteers and friendly staff. Kudos to their performance in serving the community.

Some groups, from time to time, may miss recognition, simply because they are always there, supporting LMS. So, special thanks to those helping at Kids Pirate Day: the **Kinsmen** for running the Kid's Fishing Derby, the **Rotary** for working the grill; the **Royal Bank** for sponsoring our Kids-Don't-Float program and volunteering so all kids-on-the dock wore a life jacket, the **Dragonboat ladies** who always volunteer, the **businesses of Ladysmith** who got on board with the event, and the **Stz'uminus First Nation** and the **Town of Ladysmith** for their sustained recognition that the waterfront is important for public access, tourism and heritage.

Rod MacNeil, President, LMS

Dine on the Docks

Shiver me timbers!! You can now purchase Dine-on-the-Docks online!! I tried...AND IT WORKS. Purchase Dine on the Dock tickets or just see how many are left at <http://tickets.lmsmarina.ca>

Plus kudos to our Dine-on-the Docks volunteers, Emily Mikulski, Fern Bell, Sherry Bezanson, Celia & Dave Norris, and Robin Billas

July 7: Indian Night with butter chicken, cucumber carrot cumin salad, coconut basmati rice, Indian chick peas, vegetable korma, with chai vanilla spiced cream tarts

July 21: Southern BBQ chicken thighs, Caesar salad, fresh roasted potato nuggets, southern green beans, corn-on-the-cob, and chocolate chip cookies

Aug 11: Hawaiian Luau with Maui chicken, mango coleslaw, shoyu fried noodles, Szechuan green beans, lentil tabbouleh, and tropical treat squares

Aug 25: Italian Night with spaghetti & meatballs, bacon basil Caesar salad, vegetarian lasagna, ratatouille, garlic toast, and cinnamon cappuccino tarts

Sep 8: Everyone's Favourite - BBQ Ribs slow cooked, Caesar salad, garlic mashed potatoes, home-style baked beans, corn-on-the-cob and chocolate chip cookies!

Heritage Boat Festival

Special thanks to the organizing committee and supporters: Betty Pearson, Art and Heather Rendell, Jack and Ann Thomson, Rod MacNeil, Sonny Hockey, Gerald Fitzgerald, Bob and Debbie Cross, Rick and Betty Seaton, Alan and Ann Newell, and Diana Gould...and of course all the event volunteers!!

Valet Service

For the moorers who sustain LMS, a reminder that Valet Service has been available since June 1st. Book ahead, and the friendly folk at LMS will ferry your vehicle back home, and then bring you to the dock for your days and weeks away! Nice!! And don't forget to log-out your slip for revenue sharing from visiting boaters while you are away. The log book is at the Welcome Centre desk.

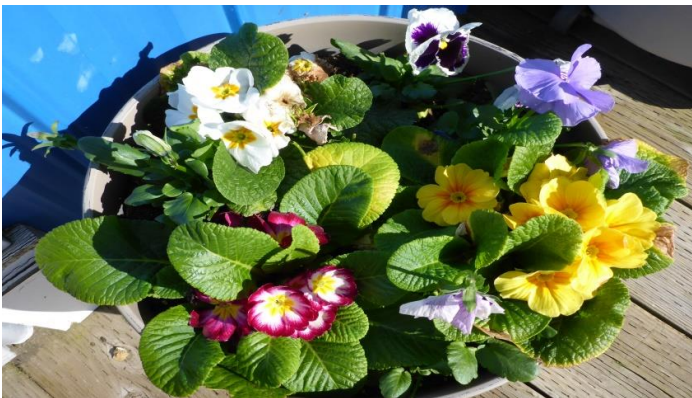
Where were you on Kids' Pirate Day? It was a great day on the docks!



Pirate Gerry Beltgens would like to thank Cap'n Jack and crew, the Organizing Committee (which he chairs), Diana Gould and her 50 volunteers, Rod Mac & the Car Shop Crew, and also his lovely grandchildren, Maddie and Daniel.

A Flower in Every Pot

Volunteers contributed to dock beautification at LMS...sometimes just by their presence on the docks. Names that come to mind (among many that may be missed) include, Tricia, Nadine, Owen and Christiane.



Welcome back quality summer staff

This summer, Shane Valid & AJ Crocker have returned to the LMS docks, along with newbie Emery Urquhart who will be working with the museum and tour boat operators.

Volunteers for Sea Life Festival?

Please contact Shirley Blackstaff at vimarmot@shaw.ca or phone 250-245-3075

Ladysmith Days Parade Aug 5th

- Pirates are needed for the LMS Float!
- Sail the *Sudbury* on First Ave!

Digitization at LMS

You may have noticed at LMS, like any modern organization, that "digitization" is a strategic priority. LMS is already there thanks to your modest, mild-mannered, IT guy, John Dul.

MarinaCam

<http://lmsmarina.ca/webcams/marinacam.php>

MarinaCam pictures over 24 hours

<http://lmsmarina.ca/WeatherPics/index.php>

Time lapse of MarinaCam almost every day at noon for the last 19 months.

Takes long time to load. Has selectable dates
http://lmsmarina.ca/WeatherPics/view_archive.php

Weather conditions at the marina.

<http://lmsmarina.ca/weather>

The **Purple Martin cam**. Slow to load but unique.

<http://lmsmarina.ca/webcams/martincam.php>

View current **electric meter readings**, bill estimates, and historical bills. Click "Join" if you have never logged in before.

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<http://reservations.lmsmarina.ca>