

# QUADRA CEDAR HILL Community Association NEWS



“Neighbours Building Community”

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**GENERAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday May 29, 2007 7:30 PM**  
Cedar Hill Recreation Centre  
**Everyone Welcome!**

**Speaker: Mike Lai**  
**Manager Transportation**  
**Saanich Engineering Dept.**  
  
**Topic: Traffic Lights, Crosswalks**  
**and Sidewalks**

**Next General Meeting September 25, 2007**

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**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunfest Picnic**  
**at Playfair Park**  
**Sunday July 8, 2007**  
**12:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

**The Bank of Montreal (Cook/Quadra)**  
**partners with the QCHCA to host this**  
**popular community event**

**\* Children's Games \* Jumping Castle \***  
**\*Tug-of-War \* Entertainment \***  
**Hot Dogs and Refreshment (by donation)**

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**Sunfest Volunteers Always Needed,**  
**Wanted and very much appreciated**  
We need more people who like to have fun.  
Come along to help organize children's  
games, refreshments and entertainment. It's  
all for fun! Contact Mark Brown at 386-1863  
or Ruth Emery at 381-3689

## **Tattersall Traffic Control** **Lana Burns**

Last issue's article about pedestrian and traffic conditions on Tattersall raised a lot of comment. The majority wanted a light at the Maplewood corner. Those against the light pointed out that traffic would likely increase on all parts of Tattersall. Suggestions were made that as the actual intersection is on the slope of a steep hill, traffic lights might add to the danger of the blind created by the hill itself. Saanich Engineering advises that lights and possibly an advance warning of the lights will be installed in 2007. Saanich is also installing a flashing crosswalk across Maplewood at Derby.

Paul Butterfield, Saanich Engineering, indicated that the Town and Country developer is giving Saanich \$550,000 and paying for a traffic signal at Tattersall and Calumet/Saanich. He also advised *“Tattersall is actually classified as a Collector road, which has fairly different meaning than Residential when we talk about the intended function of the roadway. Collectors have a greater emphasis on movement and less of an emphasis on access than a Residential classified road. It is noted, however, that Tattersall has mostly residential land uses along its frontage.”*

Did you know that Saanich installs only one traffic light per year? That means our area got the light quota two years running.

Want more information? Have thoughts and suggestions regarding traffic signals, crosswalks and sidewalks? Come meet Mike Lai, Saanich Engineering Dept., on May 29th. Write or call your area director. QCHCA will take the collected information to Saanich on your behalf.

***Good Job! Congratulations to everyone who worked to keep Cloverdale Elementary School open. The community thanks you ... especially the children!***

**Braefoot/Epsom/Cedar Hill X Roads Traffic Lights  
Vicki Sanders 592-0865**

The community's had a year to experience the impact of a fully signaled intersection at the Cedar Hill, Epsom and Braefoot Roads intersection. By all reports the lights have made an amazing change on the corner allowing cars out of Braefoot and Epsom then changing for the Cedar Hill X traffic before it backs up. It's a calmer, safer corner for the school crossing guard, Trudy Trotter, and the children.

Thanks to all who finally convinced Saanich of the importance of the signals at this intersection. At times during ten years of phone calls, letters and petitions to the municipality the neighbourhood felt defeated. One after the other concerned residents took up the challenge. Les Langdale, Janet Barkley and Dorothy Barton, to name a few. Neighbours tirelessly persisted in the need for traffic safety controls at the intersection. Congratulations to the neighbourhood for its diligence. Thank you to the Saanich Engineering Department for realizing the need for traffic control at the intersection.

**Music in the Park  
Margaret Bachmann 477-3677**

The Pink Elephant will be dancing up a storm this summer! Rutledge Park will be hosting 3 musical Tuesday evenings on:

August 7, 2007 6:00 - Ecclestons performs traditional & original Celtic tunes

August 14, 2007 6:00 - Shaky Ground rocks with the best

August 21, 2007 6:00 - Kumbia swings to a Latin beat

For more information regarding attending or sponsoring these events call Margaret.

**CRD Environment Committee  
Dean Murdock 658-4160**

This month, the CRD Environment Committee and CRD Board consider the adoption and implementation of the CRD Community Energy Plan (CEP).

The CEP proposes a five-year strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 15.6% below 1995 levels and energy consumption by 2.84 million gigajoules. The result is an energy cost savings of \$55 million per year to residents and businesses.

Action is targeted in six areas: improving energy efficiency in buildings, increasing transportation efficiency, encouraging energy efficient land use planning, diversifying energy supplies, educating residents and businesses, and showing local government leadership. Achieving success will involve a range of partners.

The CRD is to be commended for taking the lead in the important challenge of climate change and global warming. The CEP was developed with CRD leadership in partnership with its member municipalities, utility providers, BC Transit, and other stakeholders.

Please join me in encouraging the CRD Environment Committee and CRD Board to adopt and implement the CEP. The targets in the comprehensive plan are ambitious, but are necessary for regional sustainability and the achievement of the provincial target of a 30% reduction by 2020.

Email letters of support to the CRD at [environmentalservices@crd.bc.ca](mailto:environmentalservices@crd.bc.ca)

Dean Murdock is the Vice-President of the Quadra-Cedar Hill Community Association and Director of the Sierra Club Victoria Group. For more information about the CEP, please contact Dean at [dean.murdock@telus.net](mailto:dean.murdock@telus.net) or 658-4160.

*QCHCA Financial Statements are available by contacting our treasurer, Karen Dearborn, at 386-7933 or at [Karen.Dearborn@shaw.ca](mailto:Karen.Dearborn@shaw.ca)*

## **Development Déjà Vu Lana Burns**

Recently while reading back issues of the newsletter I noticed articles regarding 2 failed proposed developments; one on 3350 Quadra, the other on Cedar Hill X / Cedar Hill Roads. What caught my eye were the concerns the neighbours discussed years ago are again being raised and discussed with the new developers.

In September 2005 the neighbours of 3350 Quadra were concerned about increased traffic onto Inverness compromising children coming and going to the school and the park. Also there appeared to be no thought given for future development for the two isolated Quadra properties. There was no comprehensive planning for the area. The same concerns are being raised with the new developer.

In November 2004 the neighbours of Cedar Hill X / Cedar Hill Roads worried about the increase in traffic that a 14-unit townhouse development would produce at an already very busy intersection. The new proposal is for 3 buildings totaling 18 townhouses. The neighbours are still worried the proposed development will block views of the historic church across the street. And, there's still great concern that the proposal echoes the architectural style of Blanshard Court (apparently not a good thing).

Seems odd that developers don't always review the all the problems posed by past proposals. Higher density accommodation is required. Solutions and compromise ...

## **What's Happening in Our Neighbourhoods**

### ***BRAEFOOT:***

**Bob Trotter 477-4365 [rctrotter@hotmail.com](mailto:rctrotter@hotmail.com)**

1. 3973 Cedar Hill X Road – neighbourhood meeting regarding 4 lot subdivision held, proposal to go before Council.
2. 3903 Braefoot – proposed 1 additional lot.
3. 3830 Merriman – proposed 2 additional lots
4. 1512 Athlone – conditional approval granted

### ***CEDAR HILL:***

**Lana Burns 478-4062 [Imb1297@telus.net](mailto:Imb1297@telus.net)**

### ***COOK:***

**Mark Brown 386-1863 [markbrown@shaw.ca](mailto:markbrown@shaw.ca)**

1. 3511 Salisbury - conditional approval granted
2. 3350 Quadra – Planning reviewing proposal
3. 914 Inverness – rejected by Council

### ***CRAIGMILLAR:***

**Lorne Carnes 383-1978 [lornecarnes@shaw.ca](mailto:lornecarnes@shaw.ca)**

1. 1140 & 1180 Rock St – neighbourhood meeting held, proposal to Approving Office
2. 1253 Palmer – proposed 1 additional lot

### ***QUADRA/ SWAN LAKE:***

**Dennis Rasmussen and Suzanne DeStaffany  
920-7711**

[dennisra@telus.net](mailto:dennisra@telus.net)    [destaffany@telus.net](mailto:destaffany@telus.net)

### ***REYNOLDS/QUADRA:***

1. 1277 Union – proposal to go to Council
2. 3955 Quadra – amendment to development permit to construct store and warehouse to replace buildings destroyed by fire
3. 3927 Lasalle – neighbourhood meeting to be held
4. 3973 Cedar Hill X – rezone from RS-10 to RS-6 to create 3 lots for single family use

***A volunteer Area Director is needed to represent the Reynolds area. Please contact QCHCA president, Mark Brown.***

## **Neighbour to Neighbour**

Mr. Herbert said to get rid of aphids in your nasturtiums liberally sprinkle lime into the soil around the plant. Water normally. The aphids are gone in 2 days.

Mr. Taylor said to get rid of moss on the roof liberally scatter Tide laundry powder on a dry roof and just leave it. Don't do anything else. The moss will eventually die and slough off without compromising the roof any further.

### ***Block Watch Contact Information***

760 Vernon Ave. Victoria BC V8X 2W6

Direct Line: 475-4365 Fax 475-4398

[blockwatch@saanichpolice.ca](mailto:blockwatch@saanichpolice.ca)

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**Membership Renewal Reminder**  
**Rikki Bowman 382-6197**  
[rikki@shaw.ca](mailto:rikki@shaw.ca)

Thanks to the 120+ members who have renewed their memberships for 2007, and again, welcome to our new members – a total of 25 so far this year! I'm hoping the rest of our members will send in their dues very soon.

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 Ruth Emery 381-3689

The QCHCA usually meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of January, March, May, September and November 7:30 pm at the Cedar Hill Recreation Centre.

**The QCHCA newsletter is published 5 times a year. Volunteers needed to help deliver the newsletters!**

**QCHCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**NAME**  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_ **TEL** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL**  
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Membership is \$5 per person per year.

Please fill out this form and send along with payment to:  
 #4-1164 Palmer Rd., Victoria, BC V8P 2H6

I can help with newsletters - please circle one

phone/fold/deliver

Need receipt? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Another List ... handy phone numbers**

Trees - Saanich property/parks – 475 - 5522  
 Graffiti in parks – 475 - 5522  
 Graffiti generally – 475-5437  
 Leaf mulch – 475-5595  
 Business licences – 475-5401  
 Bylaws – 475-5456  
 Saanich switchboard – 475-1775  
 C H Golf Course Restaurant – 475-7154  
 C H Golf Course Admin – 475-7150  
 C H Rec Centre – 475-7121