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A Pacific Coast Terminals publication for the residents of Port Moody



ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY CELEBRATES SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF THE FINGERLING FESTIVAL

The Port Moody Ecological Society (PMES) fosters a love for the environment through education and outreach in the Tri-Cities. Throughout the year their dedicated volunteers work with school programs, local festivals and hatchery events on environmental education. The PMES's mandate is to operate a salmon hatchery and water quality laboratory. But it doesn't stop there.

PMES offers the Bill Nicol and the Richard Weldon Haley bursaries to students who give back to their community, aspire environmental careers and have a passion for the Ecological Society. The generous donations made by these two residents speak volumes about the community impact the PMES has not only on the youth, but the community as a whole. Combining the bursary funding sources, the Port Moody Ecological Society has awarded individual bursaries of over \$5000 for eligible applicants! PMES is also known for their substantial community involvement. PMES participates in numerous activities such as the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, Streamkeepers and fish health courses; they attend multiple festivals, the Watershed Tour, and several field trips annually. This is just a glance into their strong community presence, but a perfect segue into their most beloved event of all, celebrating 25 years this year, the Fingerling Festival. Brian Wormald, President and Membership Secretary on the board says "the Fingerling Festival is PMES's real and direct connection to the public at large. It gives us an opportunity to showcase the effect we have on salmon ecology and commitment to ensuring the health of Pacific Salmon stocks."

The Noons Creek Fingerling Festival is an iconic event in the Tri-Cities calendar – and one of (if not the) largest festivals of its kind in the lower mainland. Started by inaugural PMES President Rick Simpson and his board of directors to simply involve the community in releasing their Chum Fry into Noons Creek, it has grown under Dave Bennie's leadership into the community involvement event it is today. When you have over 60 community, environmental and corporate groups participating, it takes on a life of its own, with Dave providing the heartbeat. It brings the community-at-large together to share their environmental passion.

“Did you know the Port Moody Ecological Society is 100% volunteer based with over 10,000 volunteer hours a year?”

Past President of the Ecological Society, Sandra Niven, has been a volunteer with the PMES since she went to her first Fingerling Festival eight years ago with her young family. "I loved it and wanted to get more involved with the hatchery. It gave me the opportunity to use my volunteer management skills, meet new people and contribute to my adopted community (we had recently immigrated to Canada). It has also allowed me to develop many of the skills that I use in my work life, including communications and social media; this is one of the many benefits of volunteering."



Sandra also believes in the importance of family volunteerism, a trend we love seeing catch on in our community. "Volunteering with my family is very important to me. I have been taking my son with me to the hatchery since the beginning and this has flowed into my role in the Fingerling Festival. More than 100 volunteers help to make the festival the huge success that it is and many of them are parents with young children who want to introduce their children to volunteering and the importance of our environment. This is such a special opportunity that is unique to our festival. Having a free, family focused festival that is maturing into a true celebration of our local community, the environment, art and culture is a wonderful asset for beautiful Port Moody. We are very lucky."

On Saturday, May 6, 2017, from 11 am – 3 pm, the Port Moody Ecological Society invites everyone to attend their very special Fingerling Festival. A fun and free environmental festival at the Noons Creek Hatchery in Port Moody, located just across the walking bridge on the north side of the skating arena, 300 loco Road. They are very proud to announce that the City of Port Moody, Pacific Coast Terminals (PCT) and Port of Vancouver, as again being tremendous sponsors of this year's event. This renowned environmental festival provides an opportunity for children to help release thousands of young chum salmon into Noons Creek to help these fish begin their four-year journey at sea, and to visit the hatchery with its fish-rearing pond and restored wetland.

We look forward to seeing you there!
To find out more or to volunteer please visit noonscreek.org or @NoonsCreek on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Port Moody Ecological Society – Celebrating 26 years of environmental awareness and stewardship in 2017!

WONDERING WHEN POTASH IS COMING? HERE'S WHERE WE'RE AT!



10 Fun Facts about PCT

- 1 PCT has one of the best safety records in the Port of Vancouver. PCT Maintenance has 11 years without a Lost Time Accident (LTA) and 3 years for the site as a whole.
- 2 Over half of the office team has been with the Company for over 10 years, two over 30 and three that have come back after leaving (at least once!).
- 3 PCT opened in Port Moody in 1960. It was the first bulk terminal on the west coast of Canada. The original 1958 project budget to construct the original PCT marine terminal facility was \$1.35 million. PCT's current expansion will cost over \$200 million.
- 4 We currently employ around 250 contractors per day for the potash project (on top of our regular 65 FTE). We expect contractor totals to be over a million hours by the time our project is complete (500 FTE).
- 5 Canola is grown on 8.2 million hectares of Canadian farmland. By acreage, canola rivals wheat, comprising 25 % of farmers' fields compared with wheat's 27%. (In 2000, there were twice as many acres of wheat as canola.) Canadian farmers in 2016 harvested canola worth about \$8.6-billion, making it the most valuable field crop by revenue. Canola production has doubled in the past 10 years, to more than 18 million tonnes in 2016, as global demand has soared.
- 6 Plants require three primary nutrients: nitrogen, phosphorous, and potassium. Potash contains soluble potassium, making it an excellent addition to agricultural fertilizer. There is no commercially viable alternative that contributes as much potassium to soil as potash, making this element invaluable to crops.
- 7 Sulphur can be found as the pure element and as sulphide and sulphate minerals. It is an essential element for life and is found in two amino acids
- 8 Our terminal is considered world class for its automation of systems, product handling characteristics and protection of the environment.
- 9 82% of all PCT's purchasing is within the lower mainland.
- 10 Over the years, PCT has invested more than \$90 million in terminal improvements for environmental protection. We have created a salt marsh for marine habitat enhancement, planted over 2,000 trees, installed a wastewater control system (this allows us to collect all rain and process water to treat and recycle) and introduced dust suppression and noise reduction systems.

Q&A with PCT



Q: Will you be painting art on the side/roof of the potash shed?

A: No. We asked the public what colour they would like to see the shed, at our last open house. The majority suggested green to blend in with its environment.

Q: When is your next open house?

A: 2018, and you're not going to want to miss it!

Q: Do you shoot people out of the shiploader at your terminal when no one is looking?

A: No

Q: Did anyone sled down the Sulphur pile when it snowed last winter?

A: No comment (except don't eat yellow snow at PCT)

PROUDLY SUPPORTING THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

Crossroads Hospice Society



May 7, 2017

WHERE: Hyde Creek Recreation 1379 Laurier Avenue, Port Coquitlam
 WHEN: 9am – 12pm on Sunday, May 7, 2017
 WHAT: 5km, family fun, pet-friendly walk to support people living with a terminal illness
 WHY: To raise awareness about palliative care and funds for hospice care in your community

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invites you to the 3rd Annual Port Moody RibFest
 JULY 21 - 23, 2017
 11AM - 9PM DAILY | FREE ADMISSION
 A Community Event featuring 3 Days of Delicious BBQ, Free Live Music, Craft Breweries & Family Entertainment!



May 11th, 6pm – Port Moody Galleria at City Hall
 The Search for the Perfect Pint is a craft beer tasting event, with over 22 breweries, 8 local restaurants and some live music in the background.



MAY 17 7:30-11:30AM
 THE HARD ROCK CASINO VANCOUVER
 REGISTER @ WWW.TRICITIESCHAMBER.COM

Can't get enough of us? Or maybe just curious?

Being a great neighbour means listening to you, our residents. It also means keeping you aware of what is happening at the terminal and how the company participates in the community.

Sharing information regarding our organization, events that we participate in and pictures throughout our site and our community is important to us. In addition to contacting us directly, there are a number of ways that residents can learn more about our operations, our current expansion, our history and our local involvement.



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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

This regular section is dedicated to showcasing some of our partnerships and providing important information to the residents of Port Moody.



RUBEN SHOES

The team at PCT collected over 100 pairs of shoes to support a Ruben Shoes Shoe Drive hosted at Phoenix Truck and Crane.



IMAGINE

Proud to be a sponsor for the IMAGINE4SHARE Gala again this year. Share Family and Community Services raised \$101,360.52!



WALK A MILE

"You can't really understand another person's experience until you've walked a mile in their shoes." The Soroptimist International of the Tri Cities put on the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® event and asked the community to literally walk one mile in women's shoes and start a conversation about gender equity & violence against women.

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