



Van Isle Heritage Club Newsletter # 52 2023



Happy Holidays to our Van Isle members and families Our wish goes out to snowbirds heading away for the winter and to everyone to enjoy this season when hopefully you are able to get together with family and good friends

We are happy to be able to let everyone know we have Christmas Luncheons booked for December.

One in Victoria at the 6 Mile Pub and Eatery Dec 13 Wednesday and a Mid Island luncheon at the Thalassa Restaurant in Qualicum Beach Tuesday Dec 19 Details inside the newsletter.

We also have a Santa's Workshop planned at Eaglecrest Golf Club on Dec 15 and will be looking for some Elves to help out.

Very exciting we have Our new president **Heidi Webb**

STILL looking to find members that would like to help out our new President . We now are looking for a treasurer and a couple of people that would like to work together to create future newsletters.

To join her team we are looking for someone in Courtney or Campbell River to give us news and plan get togethers

Always remember PEOPLE helping PEOPLE

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If you have anything you would like to contribute to our newsletter, please send it along by mail or email.

Others love personal stories or pictures of events like retirements or accomplishments.



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- NEW Travel opportunities
- Van Fraser newsletter
- Christmas Luncheon details
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- RSVP
- NEW President
- NEW Admin Coordinator



New and Returning And Transferring and Travel Members

- Glenn McKenna
- Victoria
- Monica Judd
- Campbell River
- Karen Sykora
- Monica Judd
- Tim Crosby
- Gary Webb
- Wayne Stremel
- Joseph Morton



After almost 20 years of Heritage Club travels and functions we have been lucky enough to make very good friends

David and
Joan Gilbert

Jim and

Karen
Sharpe

In VENICE



Welcome to your NEW Van Isle President



Hello fellow Heritage Club Members

My name is Heidi (Schwartz) Webb some of you may remember me.

I started my career in Canada Post in 1982 as an inside worker until 2000 and became a letter carrier until my retirement in 2018. I had a great 36 year career with Canada Post . I have spent the last five years travelling and being semi retired.

I am excited and terrified of taking over as your new president I have very big shoes to fill. With a great team on board I hope to carry on with the fantastic success that Karen and Jim have done for the last 20 years. Thank you for this opportunity

Angela War nock

Membership and Website Coordinator

Administration

heritagevanisle @shaw.ca

Angie will look after all your membership needs Process your annual dues

Updating addresses or getting your member number to you so you can set up your travel insurance

Sending out the new member

welcome packages

Updating the VanIsle website with news



VanIsle
Heritage Club
Festive Season
2023



Please
Join
Us

Victoria Luncheon

6 Mile Pub and Eatery
494 Island Hwy Victoria
December 13 Wednesday
11:30 am mix and mingle 12:15 lunch

Mid Island luncheon Qualicum Beach

Thalassa Restaurant at the Memorial Golf Course
469 Memorial Ave. Qualicum Beach
December 19 Tuesday
11:30 mix and mingle 12:15 lunch
Mark your Calendars.
Surprises and Door prizes / 50/50 draw



SOCKS Ladies SOCKS and kids SOCKS

This Christmas season we are once again collecting socks for our donation to Haven House Please bring them to the luncheons

Last year you all donated over 700 ! Pairs of socks



PLEASE RSVP (250) 240 0184 OR [heritagevanisle @shaw.ca](mailto:heritagevanisle@shaw.ca)

Travel News

Travel Insurance

Recommend making sure you have a very good understanding of what you are covered for.

Anything you don't understand phone and get an answer before you leave.

We have included **Van Fraser's newsletter**
you will find a list of the trips they have tentatively scheduled.

Quite a variety of Travel Opportunities

Fred and Leslie Danells are **GREAT** travel hosts and kindly welcome travellers
from other Heritage Clubs

604 482-4311

Sadly We have had to say goodbye to our good friend and Heritage Club Victoria 1st Vice President Jerry Witty

Jerry has been with us helping and supporting since the first year that we took over the Heritage Club With June they joined many of our trips both BIG trips to Europe and the Caribbean and the Tulalip Casino trips. One cruise he won \$25,000. in the Casino He will be so missed by his friends, family and our Heritage Club members





Santa's Helpers

Friday Dec 15 Eaglecrest Clubhouse

2035 Island Hwy W Qualicum Beach

10 – 2pm includes lunch

Please RSVP heritagevanisle@shaw.ca

Or 250 240-0184

Another way to help :

contact your local office and let them know you are a

Heritage Club member

and make arrangements to do them from home



Van Isle Heritage Club 20213 Charitable Donations

Once again this year we will choose ISLAND community organizations

We will help them HELP families in our communities

Victoria

Warm a Soul at Christmas (Our thanks to Val Chabot for making this happen)

Providing Christmas stockings for Children in need

CFAx Santa's Anonymous Society

Greater Victoria's longest running children's charities serving families with children in need

Mid Island

Once again this year

The Christmas Toy Drive at Tigh na Mara

We donate toys and \$500

HAVEN HOUSE in Nanaimo. \$500 in Gift Cards and SOCKS

Last year our members donated more than 700 pairs of Socks

Parkinson's research

**This is your annual \$10 dues
helping your communities**

On Sept 19 Our Heritage Club groups headed to Rome for the start to our Trip that included a 10 day cruise and extended stays in Florence and Venice. It was a great time and for the most part no hiccups. Although one of our couples had a very long trip getting to our hotel in Rome.

AND we all experienced quite a ride from Rome airport to our Hotel in Rome



Birthday Buddies

Al and Amy

Last night on the cruise

