

**OTTER POINT & SHIRLEY
RESIDENTS & RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION (OPSRRA)
INFORMATION UPDATE August 2012**

**KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE FROM WILDFIRE
We live in a forested area and the local fire index is rated HIGH
NO OPEN BURNING PERMITTED**

Links to wildfire assessments for Shirley, Jordan River and Otter Point:
[Shirley and Jordan River](#)
[Otter Point](#)

The **Otter Point & Shirley Residents & Ratepayers Association (OPSRRA)** is a registered non-profit society with an elected Board of Directors and strives to present the points-of-view of its members to local government. OPSRRA was founded in 1992 and has a membership of over **400**. Any resident or property owner in Shirley and Otter Point who are age 18 or over are eligible for membership.

Lifetime memberships cost \$5.00 per person and are available from OPSRRA directors—see our web site (www.opsrra.ca) for further information and on-line registration. Associate (non-voting) memberships are available for persons who do not reside or own property in Shirley or Otter Point, but who wish to support the Association.

The purpose of our society is to:

- Ensure that the development of the two communities of Shirley and Otter Point takes place in an orderly way and in the best interests of its residents.
- Co-operate with local government and other public bodies in the furtherance of the objectives of the society and benefits to the community.
- Concern itself with the performance of government agencies.
- Encourage citizens to stand for public office.
- Promote community spirit and sense of identity by organizing or supporting appropriate activities.

Are you an OPSRRA member? Do you want to receive the OPSRRA newsletter and notice of meetings directly to your e-mail address? OPSRRA now emails this newsletter to over **300** of our members. Contact Arnie Campbell at: opsrra@gmail.com you want to receive this membership service.

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1. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Contact Arnie Campbell at: opsrra@gmail.com or **250-642-3113** to have your community event listed in our monthly community events calendar.

Saturday
August 4

Juan de Fuca Community Trails Society
Hike a section of the Juan de Fuca Marine Trail
9:00 a.m.

Meet at the Sombrio Beach parking lot to carpool to Parkinson's Cove for a hike along the Juan de Fuca Marine Trail back to Sombiro Beach.

A 10 kilometre, moderately difficult, full day hike.

Bring a snack, lunch and water. Dress for the weather.

Phone Rosemary Jorna, 250-642-2767 or email sid2767@shaw.ca for details.

Web site:

www.jdfcommunitytrails.ca

Sunday
August 5

Shirley Farmers Market
9:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m.

Note: only one August market because of the triathlon and Shirley Day

Pioneer Park (next to Shirley Community Hall)

Contact Christopher Lucas for table information:

Phone: 250-900-8817

Sunday
August 19

Shirley Day
11:00 a.m to 6:00 p.m.

Pioneer Park and Shirley Community Hall

Fun for the entire family.

See newsletter item below

Monday
August 27

OPSRRRA Board of Directors
Monthly Meeting
Members welcome!
7:30 p.m.

Board Room
SEAPARC Leisure Complex
2168 Philips Road Sooke BC

Agenda available on request.

Contact Arnie Campbell at opsrra@gmail.com

Saturday
September 1

Juan de Fuca Community Trails Society

Hike to Grassy Lake

9:00 a.m.

Meet at the Charters River bridge.

A 9 kilometre, full day hike

Bring a lunch, a snack, and plenty of water. Dress for the weather. We may have a swim.

Phone Sid Jorna, 250-642-2767

or email sid2767@shaw.ca for details.

Web site:

www.jdfcommunitytrails.ca

Mondays

Karate for all ages

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Shirley Community Hall

Contact Alida Long: 250-642-4631

Tuesdays

Yoga

6:30 p.m.

Shirley Community Hall

With Alanda Carver

Thursdays

Shirley Quilters and Crafters

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Shirley Community Hall

No sessions in July and August; resumes September

Everyone welcome

Contact Christien Shipton: 250-646-2687

Thursdays &
Sundays

Nia Dance / Movement Class

Thursdays: 6:45 to 8:00 p.m.

Sundays: 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Shirley Community Hall

Contact Melody Kimmell:

250-646-2995

movingmelody@gmail.com

2. SHIRLEY DAY

The Shirley Community Association will host their annual Shirley Day on Sunday, August 19 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm at the Shirley Community Hall and the adjacent Pioneer Park.

This year's event is in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Shirley Community Association and the 25th anniversary of the Shirley Volunteer Fire Department.

Events include:

- Concession
- Crafters and artisans
- Kids' activities
- Midway
- Closed-bid auction
- Watermelon eating contest at 2:00 pm
- Live entertainment
- Salmon BBQ from 4:00 to 6:00 pm

Information: Mary Dunn (250) 646-2554

Table booking: Fern Dunn (250) 646-2009

3. DETAILS: PROPOSED JDFA SERVICES BUILDING

A story in the June issue of the OPSRRA newsletter mentioned the option of the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area owning its own building instead of renting when the lease on the building being used by CRD Planning and Protective Services expires at the end of 2013. Regional Director Hicks has been actively exploring the benefits and costs of owning a building instead of continuing to rent at 6868 West Coast Road or elsewhere in Sooke.

Note: Draft designs for the proposed building have been included with this newsletter as a separate attachment and will be posted to the OPSRRA web site, www.opsrra.ca

Regional Director Hicks submitted the following update to the OPSRRA newsletter:

I have presented to senior staff of the CRD a proposal to build our own JDF office building in the Otter Point business park. The building would be just over 4,000 square feet, contain various office spaces and meeting room for 80 persons. The development would span over 2 lots located at the entrance to William Simmons Park.

The total cost of land and building is estimated to be 1.3 million dollars which would, in my opinion result in short term savings in relation to rent and a tremendous long term investment for the residents of both Otter Point and the Juan de Fuca. Our payment would be less than our rent and we would be leaving the next generation a debt free facility.

CRD staff will now examine the idea and either forge ahead in the fall to find another alternative to our present rental situation or negotiate a

new lease at our present location. I of course hope they will embrace a new facility in Otter Point.

Present Office at 6868 West Coast Road in Sooke:

Rent is \$117,000 per year, plus utilities (\$17,000 hydro)

Lease expires December 31, 2013

Limitations:

- 8' ceilings
- Storage in basement (only access is from outside which is a problem when raining, etc.)
- No office for Regional Director or JDF Search and Rescue
- Small meeting room (30 maximum)
- 2 bathrooms
- Inadequate parking

Future questions:

Can the lease be extended? If not, where would JDF staff move to?

What would be the cost? More or less?

New Building:

Cost 1.2 million plus \$100,000 contingency **1.3 million**

Financing:

- 4% - 5 year fixed – 20 year amortization
- \$7,877 per month or \$94,524 per year
- \$472,620 (total over 5 year term) = \$234,961 principal + \$237,659 interest
- 5 years rent at present lease agreement = \$585,000

Rent would be initially 60% less (237,659 / 585,000) if one considers principle payments an investment. Each year JDF interest would decrease versus rent increase. 20 years JDF free of rent versus??

Advantages:

- Building inside JDF versus Sooke
- Building located at entrance to JDF Park (William Simmons) walking trails, lake, staff would be in heaven
- Building with 9 foot ceilings
- Less heating cost
- 80 seat meeting hall (Otter Point residents will gain a community hall of sorts)
- Office space for director and JDF Search and Rescue (if they ever want to move in future)
- Adequate bathrooms
- Adequate dry, temperature controlled storage
- Unlimited parking

- Room for containers (JDF Parks maintenance equipment, Search & Rescue, Emergency Services and Planning & Protective Services files)

Viva la Juan de Fuca: Our own office, identity and purpose.

To comment on this proposal, see this month's opinion poll on the OPSRRA website: www.opsrra.ca or click on this link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFpGTXREaXZwUXJZWi1KaEdqc3FMVXc6MQ>

4. OPSSRA'S MONTHLY SURVEY

Last month we introduced a monthly survey as a new feature for the newsletter. The initial questions related to proposed changes to our association's constitution. There were 27 replies; the results were informative and will help shape the recommendations we will bring forward for discussion at our fall membership meeting.

The survey responses:

Question	Yes	No
Should OPSRRA change its boundary from fire protection to Official Community Plan?	26	1
Should the OPSRRA membership boundary be changed to include Jordan River?	26	1
Should the minimum age be changed from 19 to 18?	27	-
Should the OPSRRA constitution be broadened to include its community education activities?	26	1

This month's survey

This month's survey questions have to do with the proposed construction of a building in Otter Point to house the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Planning, Building Inspection and Protective Services when the lease on their present building expires at the end of December 2013. See the above OPSRRA newsletter story for details. The questions will be posted on the OPSRRA web site until the end of August and reported in the September issue of the newsletter. Click here to follow a link to this month's questionnaire:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFpGTXREaXZwUXJZWi1KaEdqc3FMVXc6MQ>

5. CAMP BARNARD SEEKING A COMPOSTING PARTNER

The Chair of the Scouts Canada—Otter Point Camp Barnard Committee submitted the following request to the OPSRRA newsletter:

Camp Ranger Willy at Camp Barnard has set up a pretty rigorous recycling program for all our campers and we are slowly getting folks trained to sort stuff. It has made a huge difference to our amount and cost of waste disposal.

One area that we have not yet dealt well with is compost. In the summer months particularly, when the camp is really busy, there is just too much for us to absorb and look after properly. Right now we are particularly concerned about the week of August 19-25 when we

have a huge group in camp. We would like to know if there is a farmer in the area who could use our compostables? Currently we ask that only raw fruit & vegetable scraps be reserved for compost. The supply of compost would not be consistent; some months there wouldn't be much at all. But if it can be of use to anyone in the area we could store it in lidded pails for pick-up and Willy could call as pick-ups are needed.

If any neighbour is interested in taking this compost, please call Willy at 250-642- 5924.

6. **AUGUST IN THE GARDEN**

A seasonal feature prepared for the OPSRRA newsletter by Marika Nagasaka, partner and principle gardener at the [ALM Organic Farm](#) and [Full Circle Seeds](#) in Otter Point.

August at the farm will be full of seeding greens that will overwinter, mostly in our cold-frames, but a few (like kale) will be planted both inside and out to ensure a steady crop of greens even through the hard frosts of winter. The goal with winter greens is to get the plants established before they stop growing in the low light and temperatures of winter. Greens like lettuce grow very little through the winter, whereas spinach, salad brassica's (sweet and pungent mustards, arugula, etc.) and the more cold hardy salad "fancies" (claytonia, mache, minutina, chervil, parsley) do keep growing though at a very slow pace compared to the rest of the year. Therefore, you will need more space planted to keep yourself in winter salad relative to the rest of the growing year. Our winter salad is very precious, the cost goes up quite a bit during these months to reflect the slow growth rate and the finger numbing job of harvesting and washing winter salad. I will start to seed these salad crops at the end of the August and into September, which will be transplanted out as space becomes available in the cold-frames.

If you haven't already, you should be sure to seed more kale and collards and Fordhook chard for use through the winter. Again, we will plant kale and collards both inside cold-frames and out in the field (in areas with good winter light/drainage). We will transplant all the Fordhook chard into the cold-frame to protect it from the hard winter frosts that we get up at the farm. Folks who live closer to the coast may be able to plant chard outside as the ocean will moderate the temperature and generally they won't get as hard of a frost as we do.

Aim to start seeding spinach to overwinter at the end of August and continuing into September.

I will also be seeding napa (Chinese) cabbage, daikon, bok choy and Japanese turnips at the beginning of August for fall harvests.

You can seed green onions into trays for fall and winter harvest right now.

August at the farm will also be full of weeding, major harvesting and collecting material for composting. We will also be starting to green manure fields as they come out of production to help build organic matter and protect the soil from the winter rains.

7. TRIATHLON RACE ROUTE FINALIZED

Last year the organizing committee for the Subaru Sooke Triathlon made a last minute decision to change the route for the cycling portion of the event. It went from numerous loops around Otter Point and Sooke to a linear route along Highway 14 to a point midway between Jordan River and Port Renfrew. This change and the resulting closure of Highway 14 resulted in numerous complaints. Emergency vehicles had problems getting to injured cyclists, campers at China Beach and French Beach were inconvenienced and some tourist accommodations along the route said that their businesses suffered. As a result, this year's organizing committee made changes including sending-out information about the August 12 race and road closure well ahead of the event.

Here is their latest notice which was recently submitted to the OPSRRA newsletter:

Note: The material sent to OPSRRA and local area households regarding the road closures referred to the West Coast Road as Highway 17. That is incorrect and we have changed that to Highway 14 in the following announcement of road closures.

Dear Resident or Stakeholder:

This is a follow up notice in a series of notices regarding the road closures for the Subaru Sooke Triathlon on August 12, 2012. These updates are provided to stakeholders to keep you as informed as possible in advance of the event.

We know the closures can be inconvenient. They are necessary for the safety of the participants and for the filming of the TSN program. The 60-minute national television program will be seen by millions and will be focused on the beauty of the area and activities available. It should provide a large benefit to the tourism industry in the area and more awareness of the Pacific Marine Circle Route. Please help support this healthy activity for the participants (many of whom are from the area).

Despite the closures, we have been listening to the feedback of the businesses and residents and there will NOW be some allowances to travel on the road. Keep in mind there could be long delays with cyclists and film crews on the roads. We have been working with CRD Director Mike Hicks **to allow for more local transportation around the area, including a designated window for local traffic to leave and designated times for local traffic travel around the course**. Please see below for details. Next week we will be sending you a new detailed map summarizing the closures as an easy reference guide for you. Please see the existing map attached for reference in this notice.

August 12, 2012 road closures:

West Coast Road (Highway 14)

General Public:

Westbound: Otter Point Road* to Port Renfrew: 7:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Eastbound: Port Renfrew to Otter Point* Road: 7:00 AM to 12:30 PM

*Otter Point Road and West Coast Road (Highway 14)
at westerly intersection (bottom of hill)

Jordon River to Otter Point (Local) Residents:

Temporary travel Eastbound (towards Sooke) 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Local travel Westbound as of 10:30 AM

Local travel Eastbound as of 10:30 AM

Otter Point Road

General Public:

Grant Road to Rhodonite: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Westbound: Young Lake Road to West Coast Road: 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Eastbound: West Coast Road to Rhodonite: 7:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Otter Point (Local) Residents:

Otter Point Road Access via Kemp Lake Road

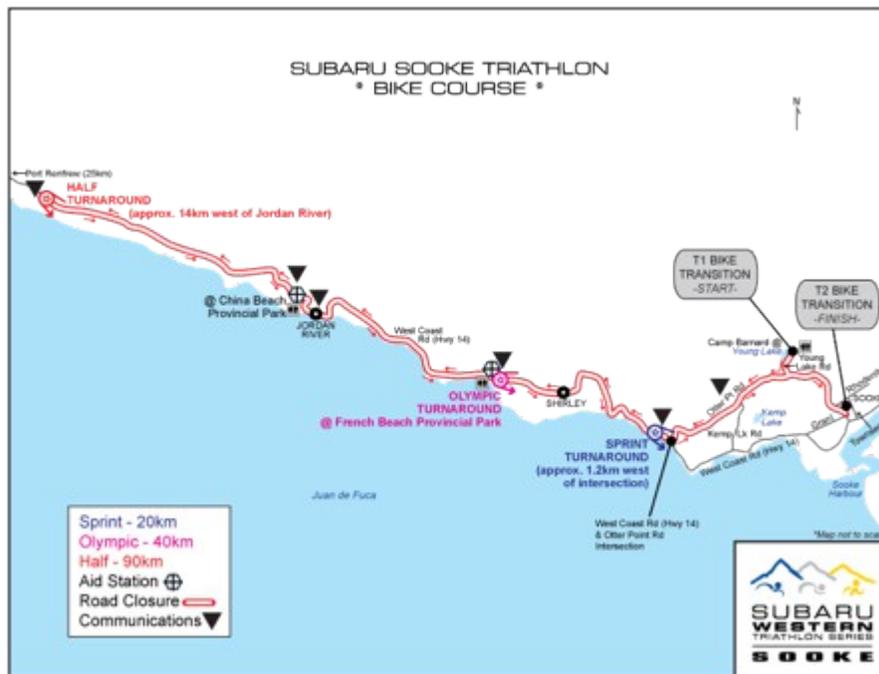
Please avoid travel from 7:00 AM to 9:30 AM (road may be closed during some of this period)

For the very latest please see www.triseries.ca

For information about the closure, contact us by email at events@triseries.ca or b.wilson@triseries.ca

Thank you again for your cooperation.

Regards, Subaru Sooke International Triathlon



8. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON FORMER WFP PROPERTY

Developers Marie and Ken Brotherston hosted a community forum on Wednesday July 18, 2012 to review their proposal to develop 225 hectares (approximately 560 acres) of private managed forest land in Otter Point which they purchased from Western Forest Products last year. The two hour public event at the Otter Point Fire Hall was attended by about 35 local residents and consisted of a presentation

by the planner overseeing their proposal and a question and answer session with those in attendance.

The property is located at the end of Clark Road and is presently zoned Forestry which allows for one dwelling on 4 hectares (10 acres). The Brotherston's propose to apply for Rural Residential 3 zoning which allows for one dwelling on 2 hectares (5 acres). In addition, they also want approval to use lot averaging to create lots ranging from 1.6 hectares to 4 hectares in size. If the rezoning and the use of lot averaging were recommended by the Juan de Fuca Land Use Committee and approved by the CRD Board, the development would proceed in five phases.

Depending on the density and lot sizes approved by the CRD, the Brotherston's would provide park and trail amenities equaling 21 to 28 hectares or about 9-12% of the size of the development. If their rezoning application is not supported they intend to develop the property as 4 hectare lots with no requirement to provide community amenity.

Types of questions from those attending the community forum:

- Water run-off, which had already been a problem this past year while the property was being logged.
- Protection of existing wells.
- Impact of traffic on Clark Road and Otter Point Place.
- Access to the rural lands beyond.
- Wildlife corridors.
- Fire protection.
- Guarantees that the plan won't be changed if the project is sold after the rezoning is approved.

The next steps are for the owners and their planner to consider the comments from the community forum and then submit a subdivision proposal to the Ministry of Transportation requesting a Preliminary Layout Approval (PLA). If the PLA is granted they would make a rezoning and lot averaging application to the Capital Regional District. The Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Planning Services would consider the application and submit a report to the Juan de Fuca Land Use Committee for their consideration and possible recommendation to the CRD to proceed with, vary or refuse the application as submitted. If recommended by the JDF Land Use Committee the application would go to various local agencies and commission for comment including the Otter Point Advisory Planning Commission and the JDREA Parks & Recreation Commission. The outcome of that round of community consultation would then go with a recommendation to the CRD's JDF Land Use Committee A for initial consideration and then to public hearing in Otter Point before being returned to the JDF Land Use Committee A of the CRD for final consideration. This process would take at least 6 months from the time of the initial application.

Read OPSRRA's notes from the July 18 community forum on the OPSRRA web site under Recent Developments or click on this link:

<http://www.opsrra.ca/Developments/Brotherston/NotesJuly18BrotherstonOpenHouse.pdf>

9. WHAT WOULD YOU SUGGEST BE ADDED TO THE BASKET?

Finding ways to support small businesses in our area was one of the strong recommendations of the 2008 **Otter Point, Shirley & Jordan River Strategic**

Vision Project and the recent **Otter Point Official Community Plan** review. Years ago OPSRRA added its support by offering free advertising in our newsletter and on our web site for members who operate small businesses in our area. Now we want to add to our support by trying something different.

With Christmas only 147 days away (yes, we're sure that everyone needed that reminder) we're asking you to help us promote small businesses in Shirley and Otter Point. What we want are suggestions for products and services that could fill examples of gift baskets which could be used as gift ideas for the Holiday Season or other times.

Give us suggestions for single items or make-up a complete basket. Include an approximate price for the items or items and send your list to us at opsrra@gmail.com. We'll post the contents of baskets beginning with the September newsletter. Local businesses are welcome to participate too.

Here is an example of a \$25.00 gift basket to get you thinking:

- Selection of seeds from Full Circle Seeds/ALM Organic Farm (about \$8.00)
- Bag of Coastal Crunch Granola (about \$8.00)
- Jar of wildflower honey from the Tugwell Creek Honey farm (about \$9.00)

P.S. If a local business wants to donate a product or service as a door prize which we can use in support of this project, let us know by email opsrra@gmail.com or call Arnie Campbell at 250-642-3113.

10. CRD PROPOSES CHANGES TO HOW LAND USE DECISIONS ARE MADE IN THE JUAN DE FUCA ELECTORAL AREA

There could be a significant change coming to the way that some land use decisions are made in the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area (JDFEA). Following last fall's decision by Land Use Committee A of the CRD Board of Directors to deny a rezoning application for the proposed Marine Trail Holding resort development west of Jordan River, a majority of the members of the CRD Board voted to ask the Planning, Transportation and Protective Services (PTPS) Committee to consider how the CRD Board will determine if Official Community Plans and other land use bylaws for the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area are consistent with the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy. A report was prepared for the July 25 meeting of the PTPS committee. Some of the issues covered in the report to the committee are as follows:

- That the CRD Board should ask the Provincial government to clarify the legislation that requires a regional board to ensure regional district bylaws are consistent with a RGS.
- That the CRD Board should ask the Provincial government to make clear how the process for determining if a regional bylaw is consistent with a RGS is different from the process for determining if a municipal bylaw is consistent with a RGS.
- Discussion of whether the whole CRD Board should act as the voting panel for all land use applications for properties in the Rural Resource Lands.

Recommended changes to the processing of development applications would require bylaw amendments. Some of the changes to be considered:

- That all JDFEA land use applications that would require amendments to a land use bylaw would be referred to the whole CRD Board to determine consistency with the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) before the application proceeded.

- That the CRD's Land Use Committees would take back from the Juan de Fuca Land Use Committee (JDF LUC) the authority to decide where referrals would be made for applications being considered by the JDF LUC.

The report also recommends other "housekeeping" amendments to the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Development Procedures Bylaw.

Read the full staff report at

http://www.crd.bc.ca/reports/planningtransportati_/2012_/07july25_/20120725item7ptpsc/20120725item7ptpsc.pdf

Note: At the request of OPSRRA and others, the business discussed in this report was not dealt with at the July 25 meeting. Instead, it was deferred until a meeting later in the year when JDF Director Hicks is available to attend. Also, the report will likely be presented to a meeting of the JDF LUC for information and discussion.

11. UPDATE: OTTER POINT OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN REVIEW

The first draft of the revised Otter Point Official Community Plan (OCP) needs to be reviewed by the Planning, Transportation and Protective Services Committee of the CRD Board to determine whether the proposed land use changes are consistent with the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy. The draft OCP is scheduled to go before the committee at its September meeting. This means that the earliest that the second draft will be available for community comment will be sometime in October, 2012.

The draft minutes of the June 27 meeting of the Otter Point OCP Review Committee are now available on the OCP web site. For more information about the OCP review use this link: http://www.crd.bc.ca/jdf/landuse/otterpoint_ocp.htm

To view the draft minutes use this link:

<http://www.crd.bc.ca/jdf/landuse/documents/2012-06-27CitizensOCPCommittee.pdf>

12. DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

When the Memorial Hall in Otter Point was closed in the early 1940s it was left fully decorated? This interesting and puzzling bit of local history was mentioned by several present and former residents of Otter Point who attended an Otter Point heritage event last month. As youngsters growing up in the area in the 1930s and 1940s they recall the hall being used for dances, parties and other community events and, after it was closed, going in to find it left fully decorated for Christmas. The reason for closing the hall is uncertain but may have been connected with the events of World War II.

The hall built in the early 1920s by Harry Vogel who operated a saw mill near the junction of present day Clark Road and Otter Point Place. He provided the leadership for building this tribute to those who served in World War I and his mill supplied some of the lumber used to build the hall. The structure was located on Otter Point Road just to the west of present day Amanda Place on what was originally a 160 acre property identified on an 1894 map as homesteaded by a J.A. Postmarked. A picture in *4,000 Years: A History of the Rainforest* written by Sooke Region Museum staff and volunteers and published by the museum shows the hall under construction. Guessing from the details of that picture the structure was a tall single storied building measuring about 50 x 100 feet with a board and batten exterior and a pitched cedar shingle roof. There were 7 large (3 feet x six feet windows) along one side and 5 more across one end.

Harry Vogel was well known in the local community. In addition to operating a saw mill, he logged the area above present day Clark Road using teams of horses to bring timber for saw mills and poles for the fish traps to the slough at Gordon's Beach. He later married Kathleen Gordon the widow of Ted Gordon who had passed away in 1912 and took-over the operation of the Gordon farm. The Vogel farm house was located on the west side of the old Otter Point Road (now Otter Point Place) as it approached West Coast Road.

This month's **Did You Know That?** was prepared using information from *4,000 Years—A History of the Rainforest* written and published by the Sooke Region Museum.

Do you have local historical information that you would like to share, or questions that you would like answered? If so, let us know and we'll try to help. Contact Arnie Campbell by phone (250-642-3113) or by email opsrra@gmail.com

13. OPSRRA SMALL BUSINESS LISTINGS

Do you operate a small business? Are you an OPSRRA member? OPSRRA is offering a free business listing service for members, on its web site: www.opsrra.ca. We will list non-members for a suitable donation!

The purpose of this service is to provide an opportunity for businesses in Jordan River, Shirley and Otter Point to advertise their goods and services to their local community. We anticipate having listings for accommodation, farm produce, art, furniture-making, fishing charters, eco-tours, firewood, knitting, soaps, landscaping, bookkeeping, sewing, spas and more. More information, businesses already listed, and an on-line registration form are available on OPSRRA's web site (www.opsrra.ca) under **Business Listings**.

Note: OPSRRA does not accept responsibility for the services provided. Always check references and ask for confirmation of Work Safe B.C. Registration if applicable.

Support local businesses. The OPSRRA web site has more information about the following business listings

1001 Welding & Equipment Repair

Accent in Grooming

A Point of View B & B

ALM Organic Farm

Beaches West B & B

Bear Home Remodelling

Birds Edge Press

Coastal Crunch Granola

Eagle Cove Beachfront Guest Suites

Farmer Notary—Shawna Farmer, Notary Public.

Full Circle Seeds

Glen's Gardening Company
Heron's Rest B & B
"In A Fix" Bookkeeping & Accounting Services
Jambo Pet Sitting Service
Kemp Lake Store Cafe
Kirsten Sykes, Realtor
Knotty Beds by Nature
Le Sooke Spa
Malahat Farm Heritage Cottage
Ocean Wilderness Inn
Otter Point Beach House
Otter Point Electrical Service
Reflexology by Marlene Barry
Rhythm's Edge Percussion Shop
Road's End Construction
Sandy's Drywall Ltd
Stick in the Mud Coffee House
Straitview Ridge Bed & Breakfast
Three Sisters Farm
Tugwell Creek Honey Farm
Tugwell Creek Meadery
Welcome Wagon
Wood Visions

14. BACK ISSUES OF THE OPSRRA NEWSLETTER

Back issues of the OPSRRA newsletter are available on the OPSRRA web site.

This monthly newsletter is prepared by the directors of OPSRRA. It is available to members by e-mail and to others on our web site: www.opsrra.ca.

To have an item you would like to have considered for placement in the newsletter, or make a comment about the newsletter, contact an OPSRRA director or email opsrra@gmail.com.

OPSRRA tries to verify the correctness of the information in this newsletter; if we got it wrong we will acknowledge that and make a correction as quickly as possible.
