

WRECK BEACH PRESERVATION SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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WRECK BEACH DECLARED ONE OF CANADA'S TOP 52 WONDERS OUT OF 25,000 NOMINATIONS IN THE JUNE 7, 2007 CBC "WONDERS OF CANADA" CONTEST!

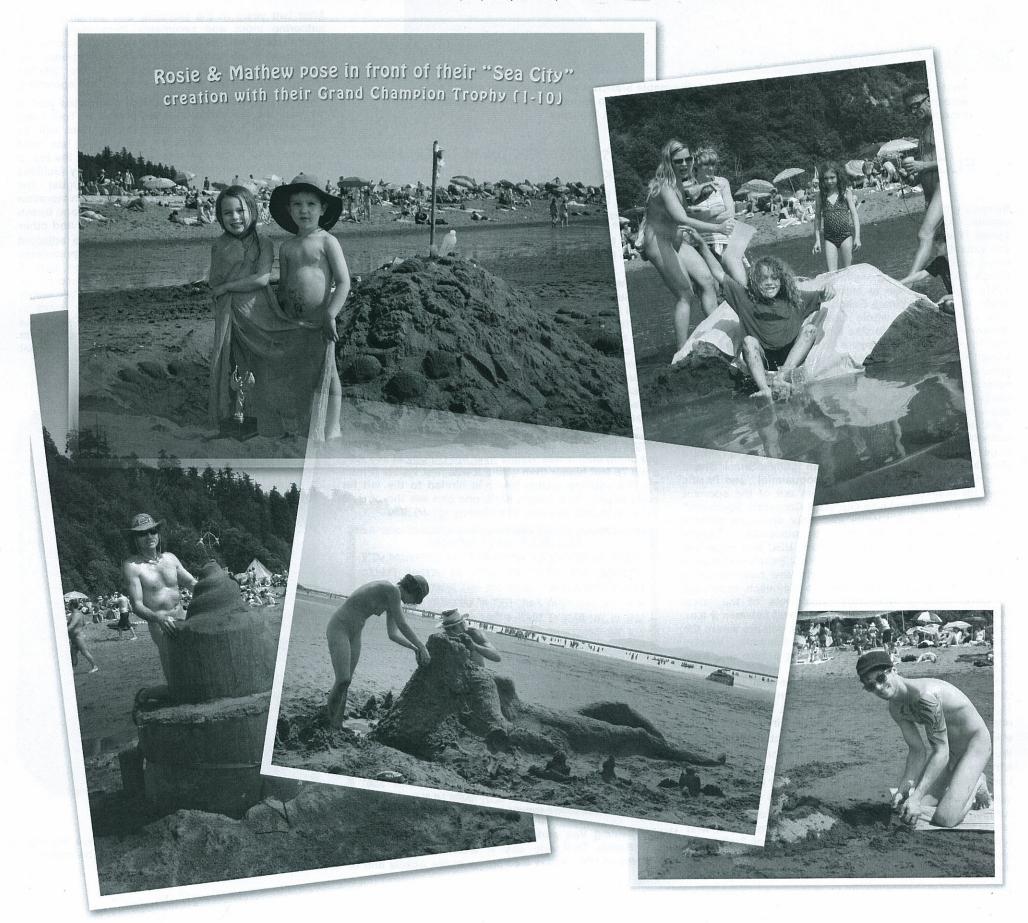
> Keep the Good Thoughts and Energy Going for Captain Billy, everyone. We love you, Captain Billy.

All Photos, This Issue by Hiro Hosono, Photographer, Graphics Designer, and WBPS Volunteer, Par Excellent! With Gratitude...

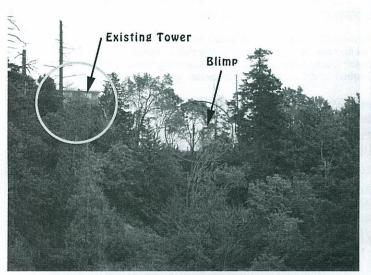
## UNITED, WE STAND...DIVIDED, WE FALL...

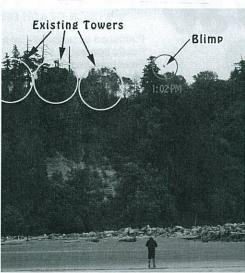
THIS ISSUE MARKS THE THIRTY-FIRST YEAR AND 80<sup>TH</sup> WBPS NEWSLETTER IN WHICH THE LIVING HISTORY OF THIS 7.8 KM. LONG BEACH AND 144 SQUARE ACRES OF FORESTED CLIFFS HAS BEEN TRACED HEREIN, WE HAVE RECORDED RAINBOW PATHS, BIRTHS, FEATS OF HEROISM, JOYS, VICISSITUDES, ACTS OF GENEROSITY, WEDDINGS, THREATS TO OUR BELOVED BEACH, AND VICTORIES AND DEFEATS. SINCE 1969 WE HAVE KEPT OUR BEACH UNDEVELOPED BY INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS WHO HAVE TRIED THEIR UTMOST TO OBLITERATE THIS PLACE OF PEACE UNDER SEAWALLS, ROADS AND MISGUIDED EROSION-CONTROL SCHEMES AS WELL AS FOR OTHER NEFARIOUS REASONS. CONSULTANTS, EXPERT WITNESSES, MARINE BIOLOGISTS, WATER QUALITY AND FISHERIES HABITAT BIOLOGISTS, AND MORE, BUT . . . WITH YOUR HELP, WE HAVE DONE SO! SOME OF US IN THE SOCIETY ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO WALK THE BEACH FOR DONATIONS AS WE ONCE DID FROM THE 60'S THROUGH THE PRESENT! PLEASE HELP US CONTINUE PRESERVING OUR BELOVED BEACH AS THOSE WHO HELP WITH PHOTOGRAPHY AND FUND-RAISING ARE ALREADY DOING. BLESSINGS TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE OFFERED TO HELP WITH INNOVATIVE FUND-RAISING AND ACTIVITIES THAT WILL ATTRACT MORE OF OUR YOUNGER PEOPLE WHILE PROMOTING THE WHOLESOMENESS OF NATURISM. WE MUST SHED OUR BODY SHAME WITH WHICH WE HAVE BEEN INCULCATED FOR YEARS AND EMBRACE BODY ACCEPTANCE. NAKED WE CAME, NAKED WE STAY AND NAKED WE GO. SO NEXT TIME YOU WALK PAST THE TABLE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STAIRS, CONTRIBUTE TO OUR DONATION BUCKET. AND PERHAPS WE'LL SEE YOU AT THE REGULAR WBPS MEETINGS, THE THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 6-7 P.M. AT AIRPORT SQUARE, SUITE 130, 1200 W. 73" UNTIL THE NEW PARK CENTRE CAN BE COMPLETED ON WEST 16TH. YOUR VOLUNTEER HELP IS APPRECIATED. JUST STOP BY THE TABLE AND ASK! BLESSINGS. JUDY WILLIAMS, CHAIR, WRECK BEACH PRESERVATION SOCIETY (WBPS). BODY ACCEPTANCE IS THE IDEA- - NUDE RECREATION IS THE WAY!

## 31ST ANNUAL WRECK BEACH DAY SANDCASTLE EVENT FOR ALL!



## WILL ORCHARD COMMONS TOWERS ADD TO MARINE TOWERS ROW?





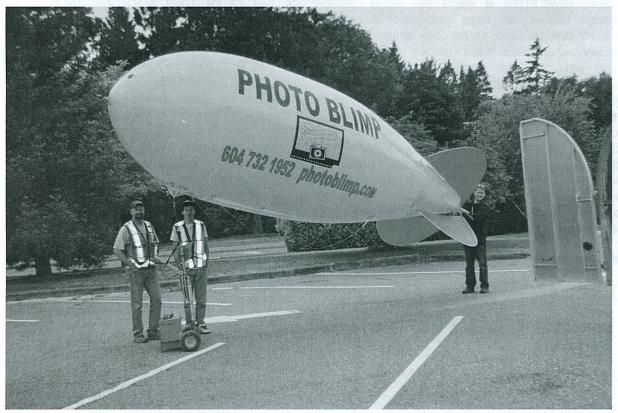


Photo #1 shows the blimp clearly visible through the maple branches at 165 feet lower elevation, whereas # 2 shows it above the trees, 76 feet higher. Lower photo shows blimp on location of the proposed Orchard Commons site at Agronomy and Lower Mall. J. Williams



Sympathy to George and Marilyn in the death of George's mother. And, to Judy in the death of her beloved Mary Lynne. Please send your prayers to Dr. Puff as he fights the valiant fight of his life. And arms around Carter for being such a stalwart friend. Hugs to all his beloved Wreck Beach friends keeping vigil. In a busy world, one so seldom gets the time to enjoy sunsets anywhere in the world, let alone at Wreck Beach. Sunsets are sacred. The one night of the whole summer (July 25) Watermelon was able to take time out to watch the sunset and to send private prayers to Michel whom she has known for 20 years, because he is so very ill, she was ordered brusquely by one of the beach authorities to leave before the beautiful after glow or "magical, beautiful dance" after the sun sets. Even after assuring him that she would leave shortly, and in a reasonable time, but not right then, he issued a 72-hour ban. Watermelon takes her sunsets very seriously as we all do, and has hired a lawyer to get to the bottom of this injustice. Apologies to Barbara (Wreck Beach Bare), Lucy and Juan (Lucy's Snack Shack Peruvian Foods), FS (Fraternity Snoqualmie), and Pacific Bliss for inadvertently leaving them out of the sponsor tributes in the "Thanks to Our 2012 Corporate Sponsors" article. Many many thanks to all our sponsors without whom the Bare Buns Run would be impossible. Thumbs down to all the organizers, sponsors, UBC and Highways who refuse to acknowledge the Wreck Beach community as they continue to send bicyclists and runners along Marine Drive, blocking our access to the beach, especially on good summer weekends. Take note of the latest because as of July 26, a run was allowed between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Beware August 19th! As you are aware the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale, Wesley Wenhardt, Race Director, are planning a bike ride from Vancouver, Queens Elizabeth Park (QEP), through UBC/UEL (shoulder of SW Marine Drive and NW Marine Drive) and on to the City of Vancouver on Sunday, August 19, 2012, between 8:30AM to 10:30AM. We are of the understanding riders will be released in groups of 20 every 3 minutes from QEP. This is sanctioned by Glenn W. Callander, Area Development & Operations Technician Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Lower Mainland District - New Westminster Office

Welcome back to Cher and Gary after a wonderful European trip, and to Chris from his Spain interlude. demonstrating Duhkabor style. Watch for the Mobile

## UBC'S LATEST ERECTION OF TOWERS ABOVE WRECK BEACH BEGINS WITH BLIMP FOREPLAY FEASIBILITY STUDY JULY 18, 2012!

The feasibility study with Photoblimp went ahead on July 18th in spite of grey skies, rain sprinkles and gusty winds. Marilyn and Hiro were in place on the beach and tried to line up with Carrie Johnson's UBC boat from the beach at the four different line-of-site monitoring stations as best they could in spite of the fact the boat got caught on a sandbar. Optimal conditions, of course, would have been to wait for an extreme low tide. As it was, they changed their date after Judy Williams drew their attention to the fact they had originally selected The WBPS one of the higher tide times in July. appreciated that concession. The first two photos shown here closer to the shoreline than the UBC observation boat approximately at Line-of-Site Point #5, show the blimp at 50.7 m or 165 feet for Tower A, the most northerly tower. Although the blimp is clearly visible through the maple tree in summer at the lower height (Photo 1), UBC Properties Trust chose to raise the blimp until it was visible over the canopy at 243 feet, a full 76 feet higher than where it was first visible (Photo 2). The existing visible tower is circled to the left for comparison. In a longer shot, one can see the ot existing towers as circled by photographer, Hiro

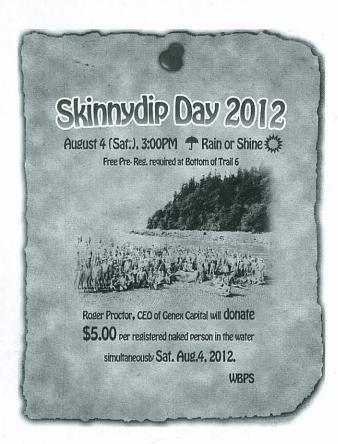
BLACKBERRY BUSHES MASSACRE!

THANKS TO AN OVERZEALOUS CONTRACTOR SUPERVISOR WITH ATTITUDE. AND ARCHITECTS WITH NO VERBAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION ABOUT WHERE THE WATERLINE WAS TO HAVE GONE. WE LOST MANY MORE FEET OF GREENERY ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE BASE OF TRAIL 6 THAN NECESSARY. AT NO TIME DID THE ARCHITECT OR METRO WEST PARKS TELL US THEY WOULD BE RUNNING A WATER LINE DOWN THE SIDE OF TRAIL 6 BASE! THE WBPS APOLOGIZES TO ALL BEACH PEOPLE BECAUSE WE DID STRESS TO WEST AREA AND ARCHITECTS TO SAVE THOSE BLACKBERRY BUSHES WHICH IS WHY WE AGREED TO PLACING THE NEW WASHROOMS TO THE NORTH OF TRAIL 6!! HOWEVER, THE MESSAGE JUST DIDN'T SINK IN TO CONTRACTOR MENTALITY! THE NET RESULT OF THE FINGER-POINTING BETWEEN METRO AND THE ARROGANT CONTRACTOR SUPER IS THAT THE BASE OF THE CLIFF AT TRAIL 6 IS NOW EROSION-PRONE THANKS TO RIPPING OUT OF THE ROOT SYSTEMS THAT HELD THE BASE CLIFF SANDS IN PLACE!



Metro Vancouver - Pacific Spirit Regional Park -Wreck Beach Toilet Construction Update, July 10, 2012

After two years in the planning and design process gathering input and comments from many Wreck Beach users the final product is nearing completion. The tanks have been installed in the ground, the buildings are being assembled, and the interior fittings and painting will be completed the upcoming weeks. Once the new toilets are completed and in service, the old toilets near the bottom of Trail 6 will be removed. Also, the old storage bins will be removed from the beach, as new storage has been incorporated at the new site. The toilets at the top of Trail 6 will be completed and the temporary facilities will also be removed. By early August the construction should be complete. Site restoration planting will occur this fall at both the top and beach level sites, including the old toilet location and other impacted areas such as the new waterline adjacent Trail 6. Metro Vancouver very much appreciates beach visitor's patience during construction, and all the input into the planning and design phase of the project. These facilities will help ensure public safety and enjoyment of Wreck Beach for many years to Please contact the Park Operations Supervisor, Richard Wallis with any questions regarding this project at Metro Vancouver's Regional Parks West Area Office at 604-224-5739.



Seems Judy and the construction company super who Health Testing Van parked at the top of Trail 7 or Old Wreck Beach, and they plan to move around the city to tore out the blackberry bushes at the foot of Trail 6 got Wreck Beach Trail one day a week to raise public other sites as well. The sites are as yet to be determined awareness of HIV. It may also set up at the Acadia end of at the time of printing.