

## OUR VILLAGE ON HOWE SOUND

Today **Lions Bay** is home to 530 families and approximately 1500 residents. Our commercial sector consists of the Lions Bay General Store and Café, the Post Office, an Artist's Studio and the Lions Bay Marina. **Lions Bay** has many home-based businesses and is home to many literary, visual and musical artists, undoubtedly inspired by the natural beauty of their surroundings. Community spirit abounds which is evident in the many community-based projects and events which take place.



Lions Bay from the water.

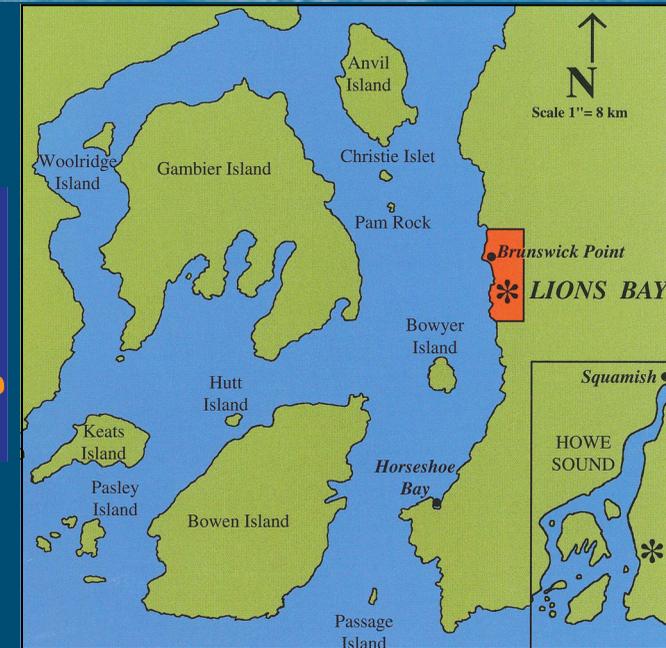


Our entrance sign was carved by Paul Deggan in 1971 as part of the BC Centennial Project. Our municipal flag symbolizes the essence of **Lions Bay**—the two Lions represent the mountain peaks above our Village, the Seagull is a symbol of the natural landscape in which we live, and water which represents **Howe Sound**.



## THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

### HISTORICAL PASSAGES FROM THE 1790S TO THE PRESENT



**The Lions Bay Historical Society  
Celebrated the 40th Anniversary of the Incorporation of Lions Bay, 1971—2011  
with the Publication of this Booklet**



**The Lions Bay Historical Society** began as a committee in 1990 and became a registered society in 1995. Pictured: (l-r, standing): Wendy Conway-Mair, Trudi Luethy; (l-r, sitting): Sheila Blake, Tony Cox (chair), Fran McNichol.

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## VILLAGE FACILITIES

This photo (right) is of the **Lions Bay Primary School**. It was officially opened on April 2, 1977 for children in Kindergarten to Grade 3. The first Vice-Principal was Michael Deane. The grass field was landscaped in 1989 with a significant contribution by community volunteers. In the year 2001 the school was designated **Lions Bay Community School**.



Our Emergency Building (left) is home to the Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department, a sub-station office of the Squamish RCMP, BC Ambulance Service, Emergency Social Services and **Lions Bay Search & Rescue**. This building was opened in August 1990 and dedicated 'The Klatt Building' in November 1993 in honour of former Councilor Dale Klatt's dedication and service to the community.

The current site of the Village Offices was formerly our Fire Hall and Ambulance Station. In December 1990 renovations were completed and now contains the Village Offices and Council Chambers. Behind this building is our Community Hall which was opened in September 1972 and upstairs is the Library (Reading Room) and Meeting Room where the Lions Bay Historical Society holds its monthly meetings.



## AT OUR HEART



Coat of Arms



*Aquilegia formosa*

'Sammy Seagull' was the first official symbol of **Lions Bay** which first appeared on the cover of the Lions Bay Developments Ltd. newsletter starting in 1959, and remained as such for 47 years (see page 12 to see Sammy). When the Seagull Newsletter stopped being published, and was replaced by Lions Bay Community News, the Coat of Arms became the official symbol of **Lions Bay**.

The official flower of **Lions Bay** is the wild columbine (*Aquilegia formosa*), which blooms in June and has orange and yellow petals; this flower grows on the hillsides and other natural areas of the Village.

The **Lions Bay** General Store (pictured above) opened in 1971, and in 1972, post boxes were installed at the store. Prior to 1972, residents had to pick up their mail on the highway, just north of Horseshoe Bay.

The following groups and committees are active in **Lions Bay** as of 2011: Adult Creative Crafts, Arts Council, Backyard Summer Swim, BC Ambulance, Bear Smart Committee, Bear Watch, Block Watch, Board of Variance, Community Garden Group, Community Scholarship Foundation, Drama, Fire Rescue, Emergency Management Committee, Emergency Social Services, Historical Society, Kinder Soccer, Library, Lions Bay Community School Parent Advisory Council, Meditation and Music, Monday Hiking Group, Native Plant Species Group, Playgroup, Search & Rescue, Seniors Guild, Sparks, Taekwondo, Trailblazers, Tree Committee, Volleyball, Volunteer Gardeners, Yoga. In addition to these committees and groups there are many other volunteers in **Lions Bay** who donate their time and expertise in many ways.

**Lions Bay** is a member of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (formerly the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD)). Our federal Member of Parliament for the riding of West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast is John Weston and our provincial MLA for the riding of West Vancouver-Garibaldi is Joan McIntyre. As an incorporated municipality, **Lions Bay** has a Mayor and four Councillors. The Village Office and staff handle the administrative matters, and the Works Department and staff look after public works.

## EARLY EXPLORATION OF HOWE SOUND



Admiral Lord Howe  
From the portrait by John Singleton Copley

Captain Vancouver named **Howe Sound** in June 1792 in honour of Lord Howe of the British Navy. In 1794 Lord Howe went on to win the famous naval battle against revolutionary France called "The Glorious First of June". (*Britannia. The Story Of A Mine* by Bruce Ramsey, Agency Press, Vancouver, BC, 1967).

Captain Vancouver named **Point Atkinson, Passage Island and Anvil Island**. **Anvil Island** was named because of its shape. Captain George Vancouver and his men set out with a week's provision in two open boats, the Discovery's yawl and launch. They entered and proceeded up the Sound on Thursday, June 14, 1792.

"We made rapid progress, by the assistance of a fresh southerly gale, attended with dark gloomy weather that added to the dreary prospect of the surrounding country. The dissolving snow in foaming torrents rushed down the sides and chasms of its rugged surface, exhibiting altogether a sublime, though gloomy spectacle, which animated nature seemed to have deserted. Not a bird, nor living creature was to be seen, and the roaring of the falling cataracts in every direction precluded their being heard," Captain Vancouver reported. "...it was no inconsiderable piece of good fortune to find a little cove in which we could take shelter, and a small spot of level land on which we could erect our tent."

(George Vancouver, *A Voyage of Discovery, 1791-1795, Vol III*, London, Robinson & Edwards, 1798).



Captain George Vancouver

## EARLY EXPLORATION OF HOWE SOUND



Captain George Henry Richards  
"HMS Plumper"  
who named  
the Britannia Range

Captain Richards named most of the islands, points and mountains in **Howe Sound** after officers and ships that took part in the well known naval battle "The Glorious First of June" including **Bowen Island** after Master James Bowen and **Gambier Island** after Captain James Gambier. **Brunswick Beach** was named after the HMS Brunswick, **Keats Island** was named after Sir Richard Keats and his ship, HMS Superb which served under the command of Lord Nelson. **Pasley Island** was named after Rear-Admiral T. Pasley of the naval ship "Bellerophon". **Bowyer Island** was named after Admiral George Bowyer who lost his leg in the battle. **Hutt Island** off the north tip of Bowen Island was named after Captain John Hutt of the Royal Navy vessel "Queen" who died in the battle. There is a memorial to him in Westminster Abbey in London, England. **Mount Harvey and Harvey Creek** were named after Captain John Harvey of Royal Navy ship "Brunswick". **Mt. Brunswick and Brunswick Beach** were named after this ship.



James Bowen  
Master of the "Queen Charlotte".  
From a portrait by an unknown artist.



Captain James Gambier  
Of the "Defence".  
From the water-colour portrait by Josiah Slater

## Citizens of Distinction

Lions Bay has honored seven outstanding citizens with 'Citizens Of Distinction Awards'.

### John Smart 1994

John Smart received this award in recognition of his participation in the 1994 Winter Olympics in the sport of free-style mogul skiing.



### Rosalind MacPhee 1995

Rosalind MacPhee received her award for her encouragement to breast cancer patients through her book 'Picasso's Woman'; Rosalind lost her battle with cancer in 1996.

### Margaret Langford 1996

Margaret Langford won this award for her participation in her second Olympics, the Summer Games in Atlanta, Georgia.

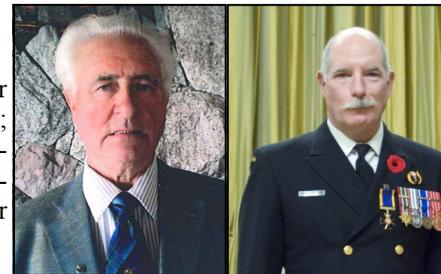


### Max Wyman, OC 2001

Max Wyman received the award for his work as a performing arts critic and author; Max was appointed as Officer of the Order of Canada in 2001.

### Louis Peterson 2005

Louis Peterson was awarded for his community achievement; Louis served as a Village alderman in 1971, and has been active in the community ever since.



### Dr. Ross Brown, OMM, CD 2008

Dr. Ross Brown was honoured for his work as Medical Director of the Canadian Forces Trauma Training Centre at Vancouver General Hospital; Dr. Brown was appointed to the Order of Military Merit in 2006

### Sally Pollock 2011

Sally Pollock received this award for her work in helping to create, to develop, and to elevate the professional standards of Emergency Social Services in BC.



The Citizen of Distinction Plaque hangs proudly in Council Chambers.

## CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

**Lions Bay** has honored six noteworthy citizens with annual ‘Citizen of the Year’ Awards, since the Awards inception in 2006. These distinguished residents have contributed in various ways to the Village, helping to foster a sense of community and pride in Lions Bay.



**Trudi Luethy**  
2006



**Brigitta Shore**  
2007



**Rosemary Dudley**  
2008



**Lisa Turpin**  
2009



**John Dudley**  
2010

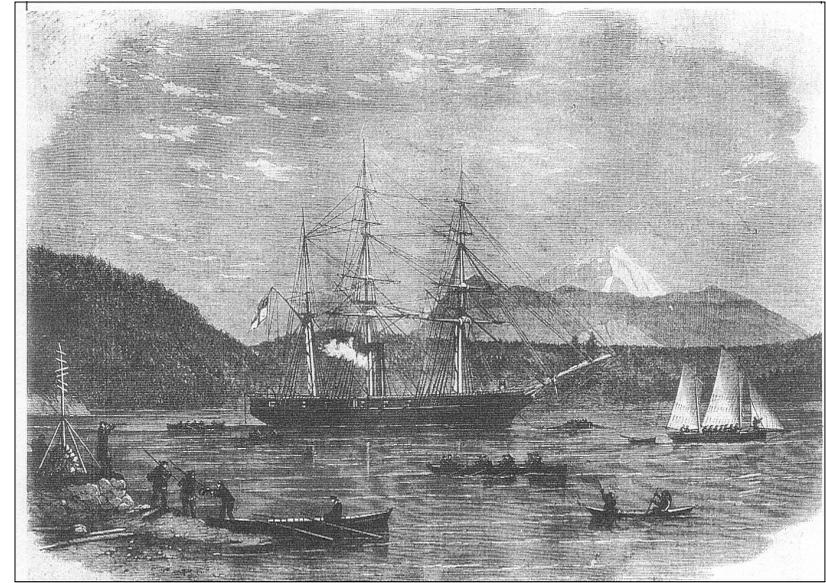


**Tony Cox**  
2011

**A Sense of Continuity: History Repeats.** In September of 1978, Lisa Turpin nee Bromley attended Lions Bay Community School. Twenty-six years later, her son Zackory entered the same school. This bit of history has resulted in naming a trail adjacent to the school ‘Turpin Trail’.



## EARLY EXPLORATION OF HOWE SOUND



“HMS Plumper”, the survey ship which mapped Howe Sound.

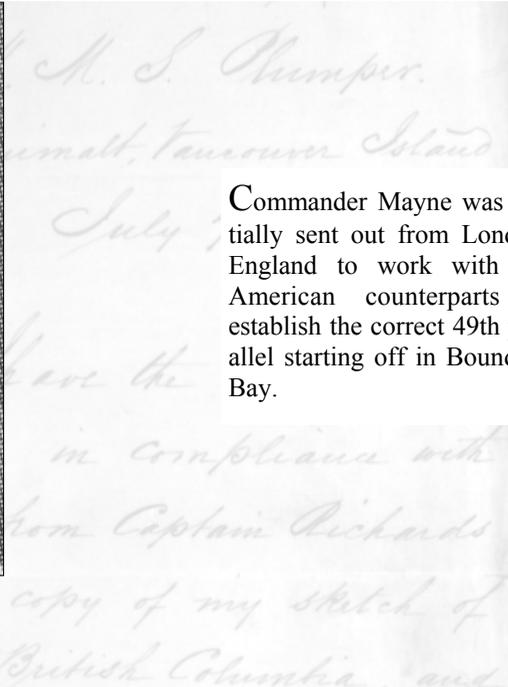


The names of the officers of “HMS Plumper” read like an atlas of the BC coast. Seated (l-r): Sub-Lieut. E.P. Bedwell, Second Lieut. R.C. Mayne, Mrs. G.H. Richards and First Lieut. William Moriarty. Standing are Ship’s Doctor David Lyall, Paymaster W.H.J. Brown, Capt. Richards and Lieut. Daniel Pender.

## EARLY EXPLORATION OF HOWE SOUND



Commander R. C. Mayne



Commander Mayne was initially sent out from London, England to work with the American counterparts to establish the correct 49th parallel starting off in Boundary Bay.

References have been made by Commander R. C. Mayne in 1860. *“Immediately north of Burrard Inlet is **Howe Sound**, the north point of the former forming the south shore of the latter. This Sound runs inland for about 20 miles, and is wider than the other inlets, having a breadth at its entrance of six miles. At its head is a wide, extensive valley, the soil of which is very good, and through which several rivers run into the inlet: the largest of these, the Squawmish, is navigable for 20 miles for canoes. From this point, which however-so tortuous is the river is only distant ten miles from the head of the Sound, a road might, with no great difficulty, be cut to Port Pemberton, on the north end of Lillooet Lake, the distance being only 40 or 50 miles. I examined this route in 1860, and found it perfectly practicable.”* (*Four Years in British Columbia*, R. C. Mayne, John Murray, London, England 1862).



Around the same time Governor Douglas instructed Mr. McKay, a member of the legislated assembly to return by way of Big Lillooet Lake to the coast. A party was formed which followed at first the road-cutting expedition of the Lillooet-Harrison route to the head of Big Lillooet Lake. After proceeding some distance along the river which entered the lake from the west, a trail leading towards the coast was taken, and in five day’s march the head of **Howe Sound** was reached—a distance of fifty-five miles. A portion of the route was along the Skowhomish River, which discharged at the head of **Howe Sound**. (*History of British Columbia*, Alexander Begg, 1894, William Briggs, Toronto).

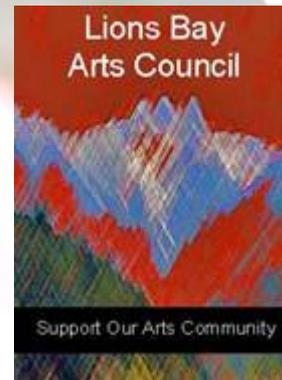
## GROWING COMMUNITY SPIRIT



**The Lions Bay Educational Native Plant Garden.** Concerned by the negative human impact that urbanization and industrial development has upon the biodiversity of the plant led Mary Comber Miles (far left, Louis Peterson left)) to propose the considerable diversity of the local plant and floral attributes that exist within the community.

This concern is one that is shared world-wide by ecologists, environmentalists and conservationists. Endorsed by Council and with the help of volunteers, the project was begun in Spring 2010 on a one-fifth acre plot of municipal land adjoining Lions Bay Avenue. The Garden currently exhibits over thirty native plant species, a number that will likely be doubled in the years to come.

**Community Garden.** Established in 2011 and located in Kelvin Grove Beach Park, the Community Garden is Lions Bay’s first. The local community spirit, knowledge of food security and organic gardening methods, and overall food awareness are enhanced by the Garden and its gardeners. Pictured right: Tina Schneider, the spirit behind the Community Garden.



**The Lions Bay Arts Council** (Society) was formed out of the belief that the culture of the Lions Bay community is enhanced by its resident artists, their endeavours, and the community’s enjoyment and support of them.

The Lions Bay Arts Council is committed to creating an Arts Council in Lions Bay that represents all “The Arts” within a talented and vibrant community. Pictured right: Ute Phillips, Current President of the Lions Bay Arts Council, Sept/2011.



## CELEBRATIONS



The Lions Bay Library celebrated its 30th Anniversary on October 1, 2011. Volunteers and their efforts were celebrated and, in particular, Mansje Moore (pictured above), who has been a volunteer with the Lions Bay Library since 1981.

The Library is a lasting symbol of the community's commitment to the spirit of volunteerism.



The Lions Bay Community News was formed in 2007, publishing a quarterly printed edition, daily community website, mobile website, and Twitter news feed in the Village of Lions Bay.

Congratulations to publishers Cheryl and Joe Wozny (pictured above) on the 5th Anniversary of this wonderful publication.

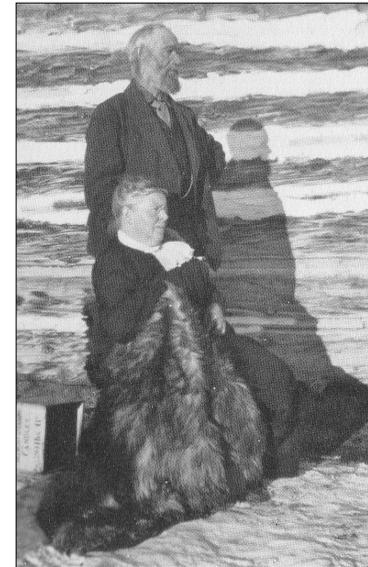
Lions Bay 40th Anniversary Passport Stamps: To commemorate its 40th Anniversary (1971-2011) since incorporation as a Municipality, the Village of Lions Bay created its own "Passport", listing celebration events held throughout the year. The events chose their own commemorative logo or "Stamp", to be recorded on the Passports of the Citizens. Some examples are shown below. Passport Artist: Lucy Traini. Stamps by: The Old Island Stamp Company in collaboration with The Lions Bay Art Society.

- 1 Sea Lion Dip & Dash
  - 2 Family Pot Luck
  - 3 Centennial Trail Opening
  - 4 Easter Egg Hunt
  - 5 Dance/Musical Recital
  - 6 LB Scholarship
  - 7 Green Show
  - 8 Canada Day
  - 9 Golf Tournament
  - 10 Lions Hike
  - 11 Firefighters Day
  - 12 Halloween
  - 13 Dance Music Recital
  - 14 Historical Society
  - 15 Santa's Breakfast
- Other: LB Library



## EARLY EXPLORATION OF HOWE SOUND

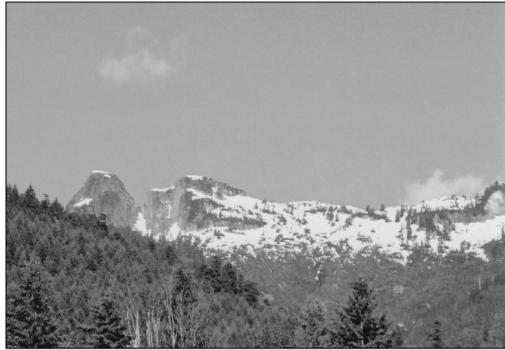
People first travelled the Sea-to-Sky corridor as part of a native Indian trading route. In the 1800s it became known as the Pemberton Trail and cattle drivers briefly tried it. In 1873 work began on constructing a cattle trail from Lillooet down to Burrard Inlet, reaching the sea at what is now Lillooet Avenue in North Vancouver. For three years the work went steadily on and the costs went steadily up. In the fall of 1877 Robert Carson, the 'cattle king of Pavilion Mountain', Richard Hoey and Pecullah Kostah ventured down the trail with a herd of beeves for the market at Hastings Mill, around which the city of Vancouver had beginnings. They succeeded in getting through to Moodyville, now part of North Vancouver, but only after terrible hardships, particularly on the rough, steep and feedless portion of the trail above Cheakamus and through the Indian River country. Carson's cattle were the first and only beeves to come all the way down, for a legislative committee which investigated the project—after \$32,250 had been spent on it (and that, in 1877, was an enormous sum of money), found the trail unusable. (*Britannia. The Story Of A Mine, Bruce Ramsey, Agency Press, Vancouver, BC, 1967*).



Here is a photo of Robert Carson and his wife Eliza Jane Carson taken in their later years. Robert Carson died in 1911 followed by Eliza Jane in 1931. The Carsons had 10 children, one of whom Robert Henry was a Liberal MLA for Kamloops and Speaker of the House. Liz Carson, a current resident of **Lions Bay** is the great granddaughter of Robert Carson. Liz's daughters Emily and Laura are Robert and Eliza Jane's great great grandchildren.

In 1914 the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, now BC Rail, reached the valley later called Whistler, but it wasn't until the mid 1960s that the province paved a road into the area. No one could have dreamed **Howe Sound** would become a multipurpose thoroughfare linking western Canada's biggest metropolis, the old-economy forestry and agriculture areas of Squamish and Pemberton, two First Nations bands and an international tourist resort of Whistler.

## “THE LIONS”



The West Lion (on the left) as seen from the lower part of the village. The East Lion is not visible from Lions Bay.

**The Lions**—“You can see them as you look towards the north and the west, where the dream hills swim into the sky amid their ever-drifting clouds of pearl and grey. They catch the earliest hint of sunrise, they hold the last color of sunset. Twin mountains they are, lifting their twin peaks above the fairest city in all Canada, and known throughout the British Empire as **The Lions of Vancouver.**” According to Indian legend the two peaks were also known as the ‘Chief’s Daughters’ or ‘The Two Sisters’. (Pauline Johnson, *Legends of Vancouver*, 1911, 7th edition, Saturday Sunset Press, Vancouver, BC).

### Early Ascents to the Lions

The old registers from the Howe Sound Hotel on Bowen Island shows that Atwell King, George Martin and Arthur Dalton of Vancouver stayed overnight on August 10, 1903. The hotel keeper sailed the party across the sound to the small beach below the Lions (**Lions Bay Beach**). They climbed to the summit of the western Lions on August 11, 1903. To symbolize this victory, they flew a small Union Jack from its peak. (Around The Sound, *A History of Howe Sound—Whistler*, Doreen Armitage. 1997 Harbour Publishing).

That same summer three brothers William, John and Robert Latta started their long five day hike on Saturday, September 5, 1903 (Labour Day holiday). The route took them from Homer Street in Vancouver, to the North Shore by ferry and up to the Capilano Lake. After reaching the mouth of Sisters Creek they headed west towards the Lions. They found the records left on the West Lion from the climbers that reached the summit the month before. On the next day the Latta trio climbed the East Lion and found no evidence of previous climbers. “Over us came that feeling of reverent awe that one experiences when treading for the first time a spot that has never known man since God raised it up out of the sea”. (John F. Latta, *Vancouver City Archives*, Vancouver, 1953).

Although these men assumed they were the first white men to ascend the western Lion, a contradictory report from July 1889 claimed that honour for H. O. Bell-Irving. With Chief Joe Capilano and some Squamish men on a hunting trip, he paddled to the beach below the Lions and left early in the morning for the rugged climb. Mr. H. O. Bell-Irving (pictured at right) said that, “following a herd of wild goats, they reached the peak of the western Lion, but did not leave a record of their achievement.” (Around The Sound, *A History of Howe Sound—Whistler* by Doreen Armitage. 1997 Harbour Publishing).



H. O. Bell-Irving

## NEW PATHS



Second official Lions Bay Flag Hike to the top of the Lions, September 20, 2009. This annual event was first spearheaded by Trudi Luethy on July 27, 1996.



‘Lions Bay Rain Forest Ramblers’ at the Vancouver Sun Run, April 17, 2011, initiated by Rose Dudley. Photo taken at Vancouver Art Gallery.

## CENTENNIAL TRAIL

**“TO BUILD A COMMUNITY,  
YOU MUST JOIN A COMMUNITY”  
THE CENTENNIAL TRAIL  
JOINING OUR COMMUNITY  
COMPLETED 2010**

The first Settlers arrived in 1909 at the Brunswick area, Vancouver’s newest pleasure resort. In 1999 Brunswick joined the Village of Lions Bay and this Trail celebrates the completion of the interconnecting of our community.

As you walk the Trail, take time to enjoy the splendour and serenity of Howe Sound and share our love and respect of nature.

Taking 8 years to complete, The Centennial Trail involved thousands of volunteer hours, dedicated skilled visionaries and sustained hard work and effort by many.

*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world, indeed it is the only thing that ever has”*

DR. MARGARET MEAD

PRESENTED BY  
THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY COUNCIL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Centennial Trail Opening, May 14, 2011. Top: wording on brass plaque at Trail dedication ceremony. This is the first plaque ever dedicated in Lions Bay. The Centennial Trail was the vision of John Dudley. Bottom: Group photo of volunteers and representatives from those organizations who contributed financially to the building of the Trail.

## THE EARLY 1900s

In the early 1900s the Japanese first logged the area around Lions Bay and subsequently more people came to our shores. **Brunswick Beach** was first surveyed in 1908. At that time you could purchase property for \$1 down and \$1 per week for a total price of \$100—\$250. During those early days people came from the Vancouver area on ships which travelled to Squamish, and in small private boats. The first residents came to **Brunswick Beach** around 1911. The initial water system was operated by the first family to arrive for the summer who put the hose in the creek and the last family to leave at summer’s end took it out.



This early photograph is dated 1909 and is one of the first pictures taken on the waterfront at **Brunswick Beach**. The water flume was used to transport cedar bolts down the hillside. Pictured sitting on the water flume (l-r) Isabel Cowherd and Ed Hankinson (Isabel and Ed were cousins) and A. H. Cowherd (Isabel’s father).

The photo at right is of St. Mark’s Church summer camp which was taken circa 1920 and is one of the first photos taken at **Lions Bay Beach Park**. The church had originally purchased 100 acres and sold the property in 1945 for \$7,000. (*St. Mark’s Church Archives, Vancouver, BC*).



## THE 1920s and 1930s



Mr. Norman built a lodge in the late 1920s on the point at **Brunswick Beach**. It was never used as a lodge, was abandoned and burned down in the 1930's.

Jack and Blanche Loutet (grandparents of current Lions Bay resident Myron Loutet and great grandfather of Miranda) built their summer cottage at Brunswick Beach in 1932. Their eight children brought many friends to the cottage and therefore it was named **PACK-EM-INN**. This picture was taken at the family reunion in 1983 (l-r): Blanche, Stuart, Doug, Gordon, Joyce, Marjorie, Kitty and Lindsay (Myron's father).



## VANCOUVER WINTER OLYMPICS 2010



Olympic Torch Relay, February 4, 2010, with Lions Bay Torch Bearer, Mary Comber Miles on the left. Brigitta Shore and Sharon Stevens helped organize this once-in-a-lifetime event in Lions Bay.

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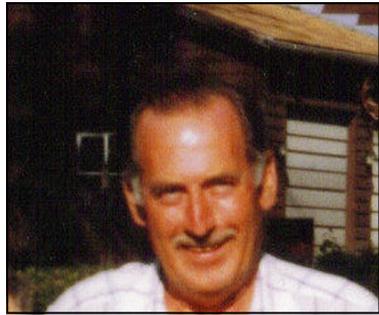


Olympic Rings as envisioned by Rose Dudley. Summer, 2009.

Olympic Legacy Wood Carving, with Master Carver Darrel Loppe and fellow carvers, 2010. The carving is based on original artwork by local artist, Michael Tickner. The mounting system was designed by Rob Simons and engineered by Jim Mutrie.



## THE NEW DECADE



The Frank Smith Works Yard was officially opened on October 11, 2008, dedicated to the first Superintendent of Works for Lions Bay, from 1959-1987. Frank and his wife Flo are pictured in the middle photo below left.



The official opening of the Crystal Falls Road Bridge took place on April 18, 2009, with Flo Gienger cutting the ribbon. Flo Gienger was the real estate agent who sold all the lots in this area (north end of the Village).



The official opening of the berm at the entrance to central Lions Bay, with the Inukshuk statue created by Chris Page (back row, directly to the right of the inukshuk). October 18, 2009.

## THE 1950s



This photo was taken during the time when the railway tracks were being constructed for the PGE railway in the 1950s, before the highway was put through. Pictured (l-r): Jim Hurford, Bev Dalziel, Joan Hurford-Lemmers (a current Lions Bay resident), Dodie Hurford (Joan's mother) and Janet Dalziel.

The opening of the railway in 1954 and the highway in 1958 changed life dramatically for **Lions Bay**. It meant that people could now drive from Vancouver and did not have to rely on boats to transport their families and supplies. Electricity and telephone service were established in the late 1950s. Families started to settle more permanently in **Lions Bay** with transportation and basic services in place.



Bob Nelson, the original developer of **Lions Bay** sold the first lots in the spring of 1958. He built the small wading pool featured here and the beach house at the Lions Bay Beach Park in the late 1950s.

## ONLY 15 MILES OR HALF AN HOUR



**YOUR OWN BEACH!**  
What a wonderful way to entertain your friends — invite them down to the homeowners' private beach! Your kids — grand, nieces, nephews — even, might be mad!

**CHILDREN'S WADING POOL**  
No-one in the family has been forgotten — your children will love to spend the summer days at their own, safe wading pool! And for your convenience, the wading pool will be located next door to the bathing beach.

**SHeltered WATERS FOR YOUR BOAT ...**  
The Lions Bay Boat Marina will provide you with the best and most secure storage and protection. Maintenance all winter all-weather shelter for your boat.

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OR **921-3311**  
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**R. A. NELSON**  
100 LIONS BAY AVE.  
LIONS BAY  
PHONE **921-7616**

**Lions Bay**

To have a view of the sea and access to good fishing at your doorstep is an ambition of most Vancouverites. Varied reasons keep them from accomplishing this B.C. Utopia, but here at Lions Bay this dream is a reality within reach of everyone's pocketbook.

Lots can be bought for as little as \$99,000 down, and monthly payments as low as \$66.00.

A good many of the Lions Bay property owners are taking profit on their viewless homes in Vancouver and are using this to build their new one at Lions Bay.

But - the best way for anyone to size up a situation, is to have a look for themselves.

We would like you to drive out and have a look at Lions Bay. Talk over lots and costs with our staff and decide for yourself.

Why not come out Saturday?

Sincerely,  
LIONS BAY DEVELOPMENTS LTD.

Per *Ed Nelson*  
R.A. (Bob) Nelson  
Sales Manager  
921-7616

## COAT OF ARMS



Official unveiling of the Lions Bay Coat of Arms was held on May 24, 2008. L-R: Mayor Max Wyman; Joan McIntyre, MLA; Sgt. Kevin Bracewell, RCMP; Robert D. Watt, Canadian Herald; the Honourable Blair Wilson, MP.



**Canadian Heraldic Authority**  
**Symbolism of the Armorial Bearings of The Village of Lions Bay**

**As granted by Claire Boudreau,**  
**Chief Herald of Canada, on December 10, 2007**  
**and entered in Volume V, Page 190 of the**  
**Public Register of Arms, Flags and Badges of Canada.**

### Arms:

The blue background and the yellow waves refer to the setting sun on the waters of Howe Sound. The two white lions represent the famous snow-capped peaks, known as "The Lions", located east of Lions Bay and after which the Village is named.

### Crest:

The bear symbolizes the natural heritage of the area. The wild columbine is the Village's official flower.

### Motto:

This phrase indicates the character of the Village's setting and alludes to the motto of British Columbia, *Splendor sine occasu* (Splendour without diminishment).

### Supporters:

The cougars are local big cats that also allude both to the lions in the Village's name and to the animal commonly associated with St. Mark, whose Vancouver church established a summer camp that was one of the earliest settlements at Lions Bay. The columbine collars repeat the symbolism of the crest. The rocky base represents the nearby mountains.

Original concept of Robert D. Watt, former Chief Herald of Canada, and Bruce Patterson, Saguenay Herald, assisted by the heralds of the Canadian Heraldic Authority.

**Painter:** Robert Tunstall      **Calligrapher:** Shirley Mangione

The Coat of Arms can be found framed and on display in Council Chambers.

## THE NEW DECADE



The new decade brought a new bus service to Lions Bay. The C12 shuttle provided the first hourly bus service to Lions Bay in on September 6, 2005.

On October 18, 2009, the C12 shuttle service was extended to Brunswick.



Sea-to-Sky Highway Olympic Upgrade, through Lions Bay, 2009. The above left photo is a view from Kelvin Grove, looking north, in early 2009. The above right photo is a view of the completed Sea-to-Sky Highway taken from the Kelvin Grove overpass, looking north, later that same year.

## FROM DOWNTOWN VANCOUVER



## LIONS BAY MARINA - 1960s TO CURRENT



The Lions Bay Marina opened in the spring of 1965. Cost for dry moorage was \$8.50 per foot per year. The original owners were Chris Laursen and Hans Wolder. Hans' son, Ken (current Lions Bay resident) has worked many years in the family business on Howe Sound and, with his wife Angela, is the owner and operator of the Lions Bay Marina.



A fine day of fishing with Lady Luck! This photo was taken in the mid 1960s in front of the original Lions Bay Marina building. Forty years ago this size of fish was a common catch in Howe Sound.



Lions Bay Marina owner, Ken Wolder, commissioned mural artist, Todd Polich, to create a wall mural commemorating the visit of a pod of dolphins to Howe Sound in 2010.

## THE NEW DECADE



First Remembrance Day Ceremony held in Lions Bay, held in 2005. This ceremony was initiated by Mayor Douglas Miller (second from left).



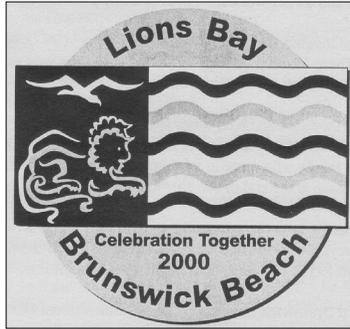
Lions Bay Veterans, 2007 (l-r): Darrell Clarke, Air Force; Brody Deans, Air Force; Bob Tanner, Air Force; Norm Kirby, Army; Buff Oldridge, Army.



On February 24, 2007, the Winter Lights Festival brought together all ages of the community through interactive lantern building workshops leading up to an early evening outdoor event that "lit up" the darkest time of the year. Thanks to Brigitta Shore for her tireless dedication to making this event a success! Through an Arts Now initiative and in collaboration with the Public Dreams Society, this event engaged the community by celebrating that special place -Lions Bay. Artwork by Jen Tan.



## INTO THE NEW MILLENNIUM



As a result of a restructure study and referendum, **Brunswick Beach** became amalgamated with **Lions Bay** on October 22, 1999. Pictured here are members of the **Brunswick Beach** Restructure Committee (l-r) Jim Dorsey Lions Bay Co-Chair, Mayor Brenda Broughton, Elizabeth Brennan (Municipal Affairs) and Gordon Knight Brunswick Beach Co-Chair.



The community celebrated this amalgamation on February 13, 2000 and the event was called 'Celebration Together 2000'.

Two important community projects were completed and dedicated on July 1, 2000. The Lori Beck Memorial BBQ area was designed and constructed by a committed team of volunteers (pictured above left). Lori's Corner has become a favourite place at the Beach Park. A new playscape was built for the children of **Lions Bay**. A wonderful team of volunteers, parents and children helped to make it a successful project.

## ELECTED OFFICIALS



**Lions Bay** was incorporated as a Village on January 2, 1971. Mr. A. M. (Curly) Stewart was the first Mayor of **Lions Bay** and served from 1971 to 1982. Stewart Road was named after him in recognition of his contributions to the village. The Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award is given annually to an outstanding grade 12 student towards their post-secondary education.

The first elected Council pictured below was taken February 15, 1971. Pictured (l-r): Aldermen Bruce Fleetham, Bob DeWolfe, Louis Peterson and Village Clerk Jim Fairfield. Seated is Mayor A. M. (Curly) Stewart. Missing from the photo is Alderman John Daly.



Pictured below are the subsequent mayors of Lions Bay and the years they served in office.



Doug Pollock  
1982-1987



Gordon Prescott  
1987-1993



Brenda Broughton  
1993-2001



Douglas Miller  
2002-2005



Max Wyman  
2005-2008



Brenda Broughton  
2008-2011

## VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & AMBULANCE CREW



The Vancouver Sun newspaper published this photo on May 3, 1973 of the Lions Bay Volunteer Fire Department. During the daytime calls were covered mainly by the enthusiastic and dedicated women of the village. Fire fighters pictured (l-r): Helen Dennis, Sharon Dalrymple (in truck), Pam Stimpson, Marlene Fleet and Sigrid Stangle. Our first fire truck was a 1942 GMC Chevrolet purchased in 1970 at a surplus auction in Richmond for \$1500.

Once the fire truck was purchased there remained the problem of finding a place to keep it. The first fire hall in **Lions Bay** was at Bert Eldridge's home at 140 Seaview Place. It was later moved to Robert Ellis' home on Isleview Place. A permanent fire hall was opened in 1972 with Gary Ingram as the first Fire Chief. The Volunteer Fire Dept. is an example of the enormous volunteer commitment of residents in the early days and continues to this day.



In the mid 1970s Lions Bay formed a volunteer Ambulance Crew. Their first ambulance was a Cadillac station wagon and the first crew graduated in June 1977. Pictured here back row (l-r) Peter MacPhee, Bob Campbell (EHS Instructor), Pam Stimpson, Allan Wood, Donna Weddle. Front row (l-r) Karl Barth, David Stimpson and David Shipman. Missing from picture is Dave Butler. Picture taken by Bev McDonald who was also a member of this first ambulance crew.

Pat Smith and Ellen Pareis were two of the key proponents of establishing an Ambulance Service. Sadly Ellen Pareis passed away on April 23, 1992.

## THE 1990s

'*Spirit '96*' was the name given to the committee which organized the community events for the quarter century celebrations. There were different events each month for that very special year. These events were organized by an incredible group of volunteers who made the Spirit '96 celebrations a resounding success. Some of these events were: 'Dip & Dash' Polar Bear Swim, Community Potluck Dinner, 'Bell Bottom Bash', 'Babes of Lions Bay', Banner Painting, Garden Tour and 'Heaven On Earth' video and others.



As part of the celebrations of 25 years of incorporation in 1996, the **Lions Bay** Historical Society sponsored a Flag Design Contest where the residents were asked to submit their designs for a municipal flag. Victor Miles was the winner of the contest. The historic raising of the new municipal flag was on January 14, 1996. Tony Cox originally proposed the idea of **Lions Bay** having its own flag and is pictured in the above photo raising the flag with Councillor Anne Page.

Many Lions Bay artists and the students at the Primary School painted banners which depicted various aspects of the community and surroundings. They were flown from May to October in various parts of the Village for all to enjoy.

On July 27, 1996 a group of dedicated souls trekked the day-long hike to the Lions with our new **Lions Bay** flag. That same day **Lions Bay** resident, Margaret Langford represented Canada at the Atlanta Summer Olympic Games, where she placed eighth in white-water kayaking.

## THE DAVID & TOM WADE MEMORIAL PARK

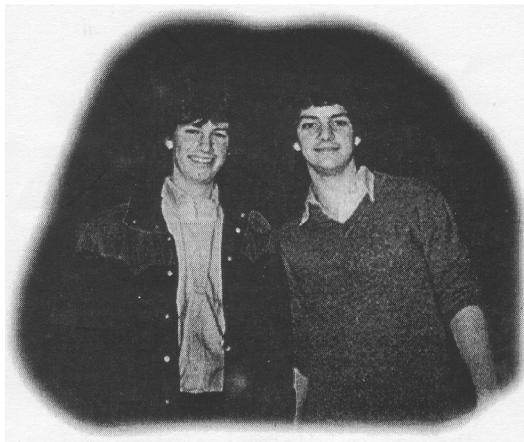


*David and Tom Wade were brothers who died while sleeping during the Alberta Creek debris torrent in Lions Bay on February 11, 1983. The community was paralyzed by this tragedy.*

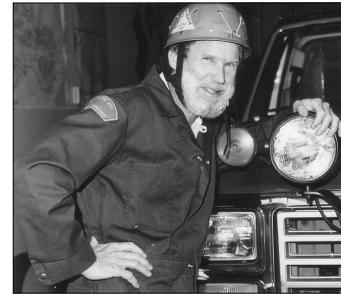
*On June 16, 1996, The David and Tom Wade Memorial Park was dedicated in their memory.*

*Stephen Thomas Wade  
March 22, 1964—February 11,  
1983*

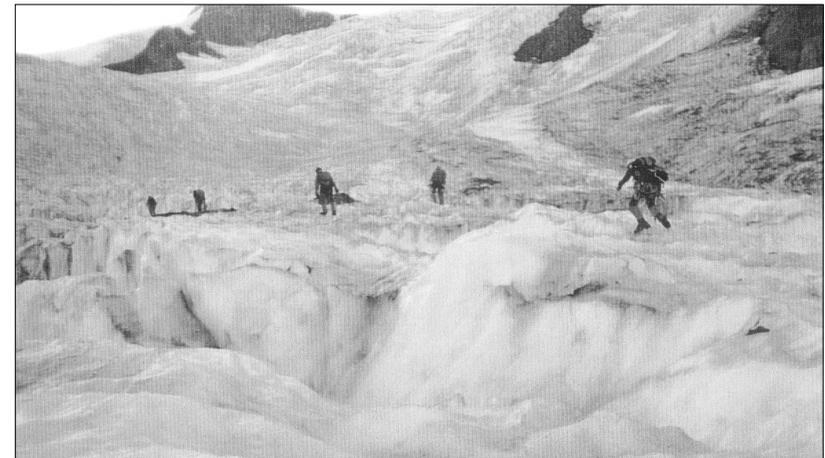
*David Michael Wade  
March 21, 1963—February 11, 1983*



## SEARCH & RESCUE



Marcel Andrie (pictured left) and Rosalind MacPhee started the **Lions Bay Search & Rescue (SAR)** team in the early 1980s. The LBSAR was formed in response to the number of rescue calls for assistance from other local teams and due to the proximity of the popular hiking areas of **Howe Sound**. Marcel Andrie passed away on April 30, 1994 and his legacy of emergency service continues.



Constant training is on-going with SAR and this photo exemplifies the commitment of the members at crevice practice training which took place at Mount Baker.

Official opening of the Marcel Andrie Bridge at Lions Trail - Harvey Creek Crossing on October 15, 2006. Pictured here (l-r) are Nadine (daughter) and Heidi (widow) Andrie.



## EMERGENCY SOCIAL SERVICES



Marcel Andrie, the **Lions Bay** PEP Coordinator, approached Sally Pollock and Lorea Sinclare to recruit their services to organize Emergency Social Services (ESS) for **Lions Bay**. Thus the **Lions Bay** ESS team began in the late 1980s. Since that time the team has developed professional skills and expertise as well as assisted many disaster-stricken areas. Pictured here (l-r) are former ESS Director Sally Pollock and Deputy Directors Lynne Pauwels and Sandy Barclay.

At 10am on January 26, 2011, ESS encouraged Lions Bay residents to participate in Shakeout, the largest earthquake drill in BC history. Initiatives like this have helped Lions Bay residents stay prepared for emergencies.



2011 ESS Team. Back row (l-r): Tina Schneider, Celia Haas, Jan Schneider (brother to Tina), Ingrid Wray, Sue Forshaw, Anne-Marie Halliday. Front row (l-r): Wendy Conway-Mair, Joanne Ronsley, Sally Pollock.

Get Ready to Shake Out.

DROP! COVER! HOLD ON!

October 20, 10:20 a.m.

The Great British Columbia Shake Out

Register at [www.ShakeOutbc.ca](http://www.ShakeOutbc.ca)

## THE 1980s



This aerial photograph of **Lions Bay** was taken circa 1980. It clearly indicates the hiking trails to local mountains as well as Rundle, Harvey, Alberta and Magnesia Creeks. The photo shows the entire area from **Kelvin Grove** at the southern end (to the right of the photo) which was developed in the early 1980s, all the way to **Brunswick Beach** to the north. **Brunswick Beach** amalgamated with **Lions Bay** in the fall of 1999.



On the morning of November 2, 1987 **Lions Bay** passengers were taken on the first bus on Route #259 to West Vancouver. Some of the dignitaries present were: Mayor Gordon Prescott of **Lions Bay**, Mayor Don Lanskaill of West Vancouver and MLA John Reynolds. Aldermen Dave Howard and Dale Klatt were mainly responsible for bringing the bus service to **Lions Bay**.