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31						**TCOTR— Texada Church On The Rock**

ONGOING WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MONDAY:

Tai Chi, GB Tennis Courts @ 9:30 am
Fire Dept Practice GB & VA Fire Halls @ 6:30 pm
3-Ball Pool—Texada Inn @ 7pm

TUESDAY:

Pickleball—GB Tennis Courts 9 am
TAI CHI, BEGINNERS, GB BALLPARK, 9:30AM
Sandpiper Playgroup, Old School, 10 am—1 pm
Dragon Boating—5:30 pm. Texada Isle. Boat Yard

WEDNESDAY:

Tai Chi, GB Tennis Court @ 9:30 am
Museum, 10-Noon (Are Additional Summer Hrs.)
Scrabble at the Legion, 1:30 pm

THURSDAY:

Pickleball—GB Tennis Courts 9 am
Dragon Boating—5:30 pm. Texada Isle. Boat Yard
Fun Darts, Texada Inn @ 7 pm

SATURDAY:

Tai Chi, Tennis Courts @ 9:30 am
Meat Draw, Legion, 3:30 pm

SUNDAY:

Pickleball—GB Tennis Courts 9 am
Church Services, United Church, 10:30 am
Farmer's Market—GB Ballpark—12:00 pm
Trivia Meat Draw, Legion 3:30 pm
Alcoholics Anonymous, United Church, 6:30 pm

TEXADA ISLAND

AUGUST 2025

EXPRESS LINES



Texada Island
Blues & Roots
Festival

August 2 & 3
Gillies Bay Ball Park

It is hard to believe that August 2nd and 3rd 2025 will be our 9th Music Festival. It was 2015 when Sue Clark and I proposed the idea of the Festival to TACT.

This year promises to be another great event with a diversity of music for everyone.

I want to thank Jayleen Stonehouse for being the volunteer coordinator this year and also Juanita Walton and Pat Buckna for help in coordinating the event.

Of course, I can't forget to thank Doriana and her crew for serving those great beverages, as well as, the Powell River food bank for supplying the great food.

It takes a lot to put together a festival like this and we could not do it without the volunteers and sponsors.

Thanks to everyone!

Gerry Childress



2025 Texada Island Sandcastle Weekend

August 9 & 10th

See Weekend Schedule on Page 18
& Event Details on Pages 15-17

Texada Library 2025 BOOK SALE

Sunday, August 3rd

11 am—4 pm

Monday, August 4th

11 am—2 pm

In the Library Parking Lot in Gillies Bay

*All proceeds from our sales support the library





TEXADA ISLAND HEALTH CENTRE

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday
8:30 am to 11:45 am, 1:15 pm to 4 pm
Friday
8:30 am to 11:45 am

Phone Number:
604-486-7525

If no reply, please leave a message.

Emergencies: 911

Information
B.C. Health Hotline: 811

- Visits strictly by appointment, except for emergencies. We will try to deal with issues by phone as much as possible and give appointments when patients need to be seen in person.
- Lab tests by appointment only.
- Extended lab time: 8:30 am to 9:45 am.
- If you are ill and suspect you may have COVID, please come to the back door marked COVID and follow the posted instructions.
- TAP forms can be picked up after 1:15 pm.



Texada Breast Cancer Support



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TEXADA BREAST CANCER SUPPORT

We have changed to support only:

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2. Need to talk? For support call 604-414-3789 or 604-486-6744.

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Texada Health Services Society

Donations

When donating, please make the cheque out to : **Texada Health Services Society** and mail to P.O. Box 249, Van Anda, B.C., V0N 3K0.

Please indicate on your cheque, or attach a note, whether you wish your donation to go to either: **Cancer Support Group; Green Armband Fund;** or to the **General Fund** (to be used for equipment for clinic, etc.).

Currently, there is a greater need for funds for our Cancer Support Group and we would appreciate any funds that we receive to help our residents who are affected by Cancer. We are reviewing ways in which we can raise funds so we can increase the current \$500 per year per person. As you can appreciate \$500 does not cover much these days.

If you want to drink; that's your business.

If you want to stop; that's ours.

Call **Alcoholics Anonymous** anytime.

604-414-9811, 604-486-7180, 604-414-5232

Sundays: 6:30 pm. at the United Church.

BC FERRIES

JUNE 19—SEPTEMBER 01, 2025

TEXADA ISLAND TO POWELL RIVER

Leave Texada Island	Leave Powell River
6:00 am	6:50 am
7:45 am	8:35 am
9:25 am	10:15 am **DG (Wed.)
11:50 am	12:40 pm—Mon. to Fri.
1:30 pm— Mon to Fri.	1:15 pm—Sun & Sat.
3:00 pm *DG (Wed.)	2:15 pm—Mon. to Fri.
4:55 pm	3:55 pm
6:40 pm	5:50 pm
8:55 pm	7:30 pm
	9:45 pm
**DG—Dangerous Goods on Wednesday's <i>The 3 pm from Texada & the 10:15 am from PR</i> <i>No Passengers permitted.</i>	

Powell River To Comox	Comox To Powell River
7:55 am	6:00 am
12:00 pm	9:55 am
5:15 pm	3:15 pm
8:45 pm	7:10 pm

PICKLEBALL

Summer Schedule

Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Sundays—9 am

At the Gillies Bay Tennis Court

All Skill Levels Welcome.

JUNE 22—SEPT 30, 2025

POWELL RIVER - SECHELT

Leave Saltery Bay	Leave Earls Cove
5:35 am	6:30 am
7:25 am	8:20 am
9:25 am	10:35 am
11:45 am	12:55 pm
2:30 pm	3:40 pm
4:55 pm	6:00 pm
7:05 pm	8:05 pm
9:00 pm	10:00 pm

JUNE 22-SEP 01, 2025

GIBSON - VANCOUVER

Leave Langdale	Leave Horseshoe Bay
6:20 am	7:30 am
7:00 am	8:15 am
8:40 am	9:50 am
9:25 am	10 :35 am
11:00 am	12:10 pm
11:45 am	12:55 pm
1:15 pm	2:25 pm
2:05 pm	3:10 pm
3:35 pm	4:40 pm
4:15 pm	5:30 pm
5:55 pm	7:05 pm
8:15 pm	9:25 pm
10:30 pm	11:30 pm
Saturdays NO 4:45 pm	Saturdays NO 5:30 pm
Sundays Only 6:40 pm	Sundays Only NO 8:15 am

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BC TRANSIT BUS—THURSDAYS

To reserve a seat:

Phone Wednesday before 3 pm at 604-483-2008
Departs: Gillies Bay Store-8:25 am, Van Anda Market at 8:55 am.

Departs: Town Center Mall at 3:25 pm.

Fare: \$8 and \$2.25 for seniors (65+) per trip

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Van Anda: Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am - 5 pm

Gillies Bay: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 9 am - 5 pm

TEXADA WOMEN'S ISLAND NETWORK T.W.I.N. SCHOLARSHIP

The Texada Women's Island Network is pleased to offer a **\$500 scholarship** to a woman who is a mature returning student. The student should be a resident of Texada.

Please apply for this scholarship by submitting a letter stating your future plans to: Linn Rairie, 344 - B, Hilchey Road, Campbell River, B.C. V9W 1P7.

The dead-line for submissions is September 15, 2025. The scholarship will be presented once proof of registration to a post-secondary institution is received.

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Joya Muma lute
Texada Island Community Hall Admission by donation

Saturday August 2
12:00 Sherri Adshead Smith
1:10 Pat Buckna
2:20 The Elastic Band Jazz Group
3:30 Chef Amore (Road Less Travelled)
4:40 Wen Warn & the Texada Boyz
6:00 James Vickers Band with Sara Varro

**TEXADA ISLAND
BLUES & ROOTS FESTIVAL
2025**

Sunday August 3
12:00 The Gospel Hour
1:00 CJ Beauchamp
2:15 The Twisted Toneados
3:30 Son de Metal
4:45 The BLUES BUSTERS with Ron Campbell

**TEXADA ISLAND
COMMUNITY SOCIETY (TICS)**

TICS ENDS AN ERA OF FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO

With heavy heart, TICS sadly announces that it is cancelling their Friday Night Bingo at the Community Hall—unless new bingo volunteers could be found who are interested in keeping its door open.

This decision has not been an easy one for our group. We would like to thank all the Friday Night Bingo players for their years of continuous support and the many volunteers who have been its foundation.

Just a reminder that the next **TICS General Meeting** will be on **Monday, September 8 at 10:30pm** in the Legion.

New volunteers always welcome.

Texada Paint Out 2025—Art in the open air

After a wonderful turnout in 2024, Texada Paint Out is back! On Saturday, August 23rd, artists and art lovers are invited to Shelter Point for a relaxed and creative morning of outdoor painting by the ocean and trees.

Last year's event brought together 20 painters and an estimated 50 to 70 visitors, including guests from Powell River. The atmosphere was warm, welcoming, and full of artistic energy, and this year promises the same.

From 10.00 am to 1.00 pm, local and visiting artists will be painting outdoors, inspired by the coastal views and natural beauty of Texada Island. Everyone is welcome to walk around, observe the painters, or simply enjoy the vibe. It's free to join, whether you're painting or watching.



Art Show

On Sunday, August 24th, the finished artworks will be shown in the Pub of the Texada Island Inn. Stop by, view the paintings, and enjoy a free drink and snack. It's a great way to celebrate the creative spirit of our island and connect with fellow artists and art lovers.

Volunteering

Want to get involved? We're still looking for friendly volunteers to help out during Paint Out 2025 on Saturday, August 23rd, and at the exhibition on Sunday, August 24th. From setting up to greeting and informing artists and visitors. Your help will make a big difference!

If you'd like to lend a hand and be part of this fun and creative weekend, please

contact organizer Ingrid Rompa at paintouttexada@gmail.com.

Texada Paint Out 2025 is sponsored by TACT, Texada Arts, Culture & Tourism.

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"We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop Playing"- George Bernard Shaw.

Sandcastle Weekend:

Church Service on Sunday August 10 at Shelter Point - 8 a.m. All are welcome!

Worship Services:

Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. with coffee and fellowship afterwards.

Communion Service: August 3 2025.

Everyone is always welcome in our church and at our communion table.

Focus on Spirit:

Published weekly (except for the last week of the month) on the website. Links can be found on the Texada United Church Facebook page.

Minister's Office Hours:

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:30-3:30 pm. The church is open during these times for prayer and quiet meditation.

Minister: Rev. Gayle Chouinard:

604-414-7309, trollhollow123@gmail.com

Board Chair:

Dale Rinehart, 604-486-0050

Website:

<http://texada-island-unitedchurch.weebly.com>

Facebook Page:

Texada Island United Church

Church Mission:

To foster the spiritual development of all members of our community as revealed in the Bible.

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DE-TALES...Limestone, Texada & Economics

Unless you are allergic to limestone you probably think the two are totally unrelated. Let's dig a little deeper and look past the health benefits from many products containing limestone.

Limestone is a basic commodity whose main economic value is not in the initial extraction, but in the value added when turned into useable products. About one million tons per year of Texada limestone is exported and provide no value added economic benefit to BC or Canada, because it leaves tax free and there are no additional jobs or income here.

Roughly three million tons stays in BC and largest consumer of Texada limestone is the cement industry which takes roughly 80%. Chasing all the economic benefits of all the limestone would be near impossible, so I'm just going to use cement to illustrate a point. If we take a bag of normal Portland cement (\$23 per 40kg bag at Rona) as the average use, then the retail value of each ton processed in BC is \$575. GST and PST taxes are 12% yielding government \$69 per ton, or (69x3million)=\$207 million retail sale taxes alone from

Texada's three million tons.

Where does health care come into this? Well, about 35% of Federal and Provincial government spending goes to healthcare. 35% of 207 million is \$72.45 million from Texada limestone and its added value.

The numbers are rough and dirty and leave out the income and other taxes paid by workers and companies processing the limestone, but the point is the same.

Money for our "free" health care has to come from somewhere and Texada more than pays its share.

by Chuck Childress



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Summer is a perfect time to visit your Texada Island Museum!

Our two knowledgeable and experienced guides are ready to welcome you and your summer visitors to the "best little museum on the coast."

SUMMER OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
10 am to 3 pm
Wednesdays 10 am to 12 noon
Closed Saturday, August 9
(for Sandcastle Parade)

Look for our Texada Island Heritage Society float August 9th in the Sandcastle Parade.



See you there!



Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce that

Jaid Kirzakow

is the recipient of
TIHSS academic Scholarship.

Jaid will be entering his third year of a Bachelor Science degree at Capilano University in preparation for medical school.

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Cash or e-transfer.

THANK YOU!

I would like to extend a big thank you to the good folks who helped me one Sunday last month.

Just past the Quarry turn off, I had a bad wreck on my bike after getting stung on my nose by a bee. Tara Schumacher and her brother, Garrett, stopped to help, as I was very dizzy.

Thank you to Tara and Garrett for helping me recover by performing first aid on me. They also saved my fishing gear, as it was spread across the road.

Jeff Poirier.



Jake Zaikow

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TEXADA ISLAND GARDEN CLUB

This month **Keely-Shaye Lullwitz** tells us about currants, a wonderful edible fruit! Quick reminder our next in person meeting will be the 3rd Wednesday of October.

Currant berries, an amazing addition to your garden with an unfortunate history.

Currant berries were a once popular fruit in North America. Cultivated varieties were brought over by European settlers and were a popular crop to grow. However, in the 20th century currant berries were banned in the United States due to the plants carrying white pine blister rust. While the plants were never banned in Canada, their popularity died as a result of the US Ban.

The ban on currant berries was lifted in 1966 and modern varieties are resistant to white pine blister rust.

As a child I remember the first time I had currant berries at my grandma's house. Having never seen the fruit at a grocery store I was immediately intrigued and would look forward to picking the ripe, slightly tart berries every summer.

After moving to Texada, I initially planted two currant berries, one white and one red. I was pleasantly surprised with how well the plant grew. It is a hardy plant that can grow in both sun and partial shade and it is one of the first fruits to appear in the spring. The berries can be turned into a jelly or enjoyed on their own.

Currant berries come in three main colours; red, white and black. They are closely related to gooseberries and jostaberries. The fruit grows in clusters on the shrubs which are often around 3-6 ft

tall. Currant berries are a wonderful addition if you are looking for some variety in your garden.



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Coyote Tales. . . Fate

Fate is a funny thing, when your number's up, there's not much you can do about it, but swallow the pill.

I was teamed up with a young geologist fresh out of UBC—Francis was her name. She and I had been out a number of times running lines for soil and rock samples. A chopper would drop us off up on the high ground and we would descend down into the treed valley to do our work.

We really enjoyed the work, out in nature where no man had set foot before. Francis had taken off on a compass bearing and I did the same, but in the opposite direction. We were to meet up at the end of day for the hike back up the hill for the chopper pickup... Francis never showed up.

Fearing the worst, I took off down her compass line hoping to find her in one piece. My heart was pounding and adrenaline a pumping. It wasn't long before I found her... up a tree. This was her story.

She had come across a grizzly and cub grazing when the startled grizzly mom took chase... and up a tree Francis flew. All she had with her in defense was a small roll of toilet paper and a lighter as she proceeded to tear off individual leaves of paper and lit them, hoping they would float down ablaze to deter and discourage the grizzly from climbing and mauling at her boots. She had exhausted her last flaming leaf of toilet paper when she, and the bear, heard me yelling her name and crashing through the bush. The grizzlies took off just as I arrived unawares. Coyote to the rescue.

Francis took a few days off to get over the

fright, but on the third day we were out again. This time far from that grizz' encounter. She was nervous and constantly looking over her shoulder for some phantom horror when I heard a muffled panic scream up ahead. As I ran forward, axe in hand to challenge any would be assailant, man or beast, I found Francis holding her bleeding neck. She had tripped and fell on a pointed pencil sized branch that had pierced her neck, narrowly missing her throat and jugular, but protruding in and out the side. She was white as a ghost and in no position to walk out. We needed a chopper right quick. I had signal flares and a mirror to alert a chopper, but we were in a dense treed area and no chopper could land there. It was now or never. Her life was in my hands. I don't think I ever worked as hard as that day in my life, as I set to work chopping down a ton of trees and branches to clear a site for a chopper to land and take her out. I laid exhausted as she was rescued and flown out to safety.

Now I'm not bragging', but it's the camaraderie, trust and fate that had Francis teamed up with me, on both occasions. Fate "is" a part of our lives... our destiny.

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Hi Texada,



August is here and with that we expect to have our population grow with people vacationing here. As most of you are aware, we tend to encourage road safety, so just remember there will be an influx of traffic on the roads, so please be patient with other motorists and do not pass vehicles unsafely. If you are caught doing so, you will be ticketed.

The Blues & Roots Festival and Sand Castle Days are both this month. There will be a beer gardens at both events. It is also the time of year when the RCMP will step up enforcement efforts on impaired driving and this means you may find a check stop or be stopped at random in order for us to check driver sobriety.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay safe!

Josh & Kevin



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 <p>BRITISH COLUMBIA/YUKON COMMAND</p>	Royal Canadian Legion Branch 232	
	<p>HOPE EVERYONE IS ENJOYING THEIR SUMMER!</p> <p>The Legion will be closed on August 9 and 10 weekend for Sandcastle.</p> <p>Please come and join us at the beer garden and enjoy all the vendors and events!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>...lest we forget.</i></p>	<p>BINGO</p> <p>Friday, August 15 Doors Open at 5:30 pm Game Starts at 7 pm Come early—we're having great crowds.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY'S SCRABBLE</p> <p>Come Play! Starts at 1:30 pm.</p> <p>MEATDRAWS</p> <p>Saturday and Sunday Doors open at 3:30 pm</p>
	<p>BOOKING THE LEGION</p> <p>Anyone wishing to book the Legion for an event must text or phone Fred at (604)414-4113.</p>	<p>THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING</p> <p>Friday, September 12th.</p>

**BOUNDARY EXTENSION
VAN ANDA IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that Ministerial Order No. M169 was approved and ordered on June 3, 2025, authorizing an amendment to Letters Patent for Van Anda Improvement District, effective from that date. The authorizing legislative provision is section 679 [amendment of letters patent and reissue of letters patent] of the Local Government Act. The purpose of the amendment is to extend the boundary for Van Anda Improvement District to include parcels of land described as:

- LOT C NORTH 1/2 OF DISTRICT LOT 32 TEXADA ISLAND DISTRICT PLAN 22610
- THE SURFACE OF THAT PART OF DISTRICT LOT 16 LYING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF LOT 48A SURVEYED AS PORTION OF THE TEXADA MINERAL CLAIM TEXADA ISLAND DISTRICT
- THE SURFACE OF LOT 48 KNOWN AS A PORTION OF TEXADA MINERAL CLAIM TEXADA MINERAL CLAIM
- LOT 3 DISTRICT LOT 6 TEXADA ISLAND DISTRICT PLAN LMP27369

A copy of the Ministerial Order and map showing the boundary of the Van Anda Improvement District may be viewed or obtained from the VAID Administrator at 2036 Marble Bay Rd, Van Anda.

This notice is published in accordance with section 780 [publication of letters patent] of the Local Government Act.

TEXADA ISLAND NON-PROFIT SENIORS HOUSING SOCIETY

We have been successful in our grant applications for a Sustainable, Affordable Housing grant and CMHC seed funding. These will help us with many pre construction tasks. The hydrology report is complete and the feasibility study is almost ready.



proposed housing site.

This fall, we will be starting a “**Water In / Water Out**” campaign to raise funds for the infrastructure and installation of incoming water service from Gillies Bay Improvement District as well as the septic / wastewater requirements for this project.

Website: texadaseniorshousing.ca
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Sand Castle booth August 9 & 10th - Come on down & bring your questions, suggestions & support. Enter our mini-draw and get details and sign up for the October Road Rally.

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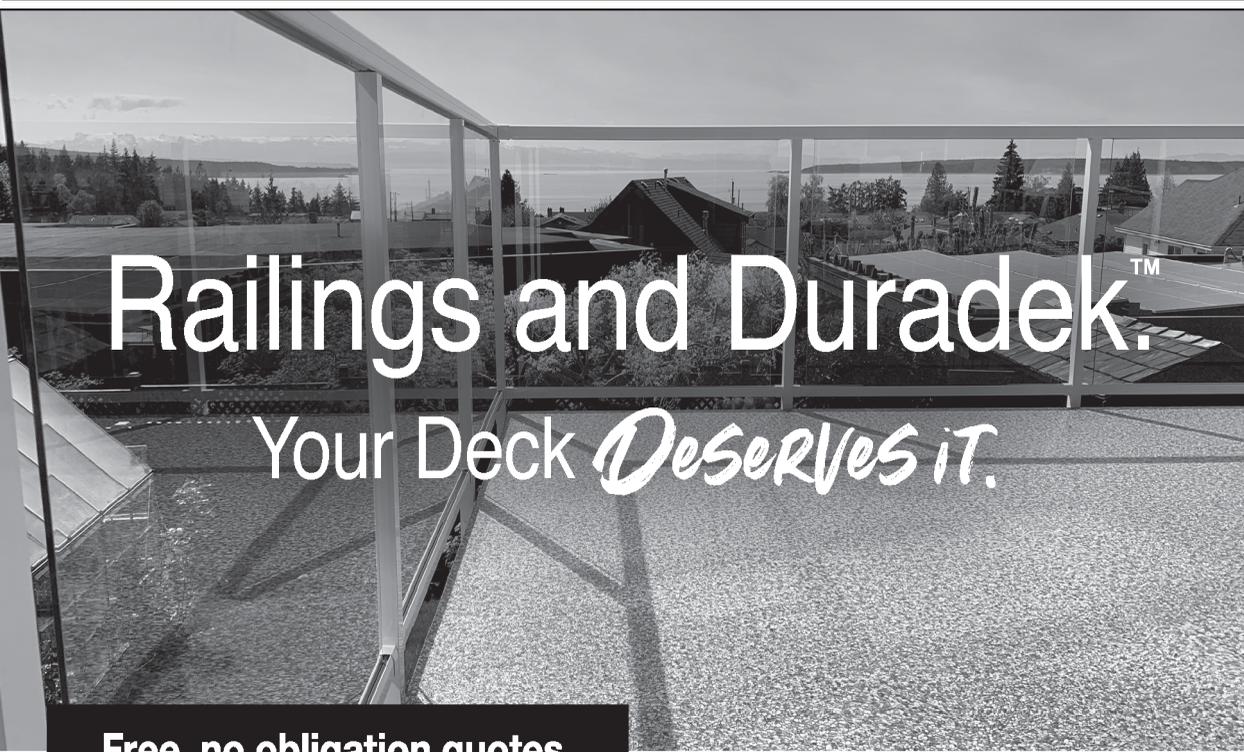


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Call in August 12 – Pick up August 13

Call in September 9—Pick up September 10

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Texada Food Bank Financial Donations can be made at the First Credit Union or by mail to PO Box 233, Van Anda, B.C. V0N 3K0.

Non-perishable food donations may be put in the baskets at the Gillies Bay General store, the Texada Market and the First Credit Union in Van Anda.

Donation tins for cash are available at both stores- Gillies Bay Store and Texada Market in Van Anda and the Credit Union. Thank you so much. If you have any questions regarding contributions to the Food Bank, please call Pauline Fleming at 604-414-9590.

Texada Food Bank Thanks You!

We are very grateful to everyone who make regular anonymous financial deposits at the First Credit Union and to everyone for all the anonymous cash and food donations that are dropped off at the Gillies Bay store, Texada Market and Credit Union. Our only request is that all food donations be intact and not previously opened.



Barbara Lynne Becotte

October 10, 1947 ~ July 8, 2025

It is with great sadness and loss that I announce the passing of Barbara (Barb) Becotte on July 8, 2025. Barb was flown to Vancouver General Hospital by air ambulance following two heart attacks the morning of July 6th. Special thanks to the care and attention provided by the BC Ambulance Service, Texada Paramedics, Air Ambulance Crew and Gillies Bay Fire Department First Responders. Your care and attention was superb and delivered with professionalism and compassion.

Barb and her husband Ken moved to Texada Island in 2016 following Barb's retirement from Correctional Service Canada. Barb and Ken were married for forty-one years and loved their new life on Texada spending many wonderful days caring for their home on Gillies Bay Road. Barb was born and raised in Edmonton Alberta the only child of Dorothy (Dot) and Richard (Dick) Massie. Barb is survived by her husband Ken and Stepson Brice Becotte of Lethbridge Alberta. Barb was very close to her cousins and especially her cousin Maureen Arnett of Edmonton.

Barb and Ken loved to spend winter months in Mexico and summer days on their boat \$ummer Wage\$. Barb especially loved her fur babies Belle and Coco. A very special thank you to Sandra Cadlick who provided Barb with care and friendship. As many people were aware, Barb had a stroke several years ago that left her unable to walk on her own and resulted in acute kidney failure shortly after. The support from the BC Renal Program was phenomenal and many thanks to the nurses and doctors that helped Barb adjust to dialysis. Support from the Texada Health Clinic nurses and doctors was also excellent. If people wish, donations can be made to Texada Health Services Society in memory of Barb Becotte. A small open house will be held at a date to be determined in August. Rest in Peace my Love.



DIRECTOR'S REPORT, Area D

EV CHARGING STATIONS

Since the recent announcement that the qRD will receive two pairs of public electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at no cost to taxpayers, questions have come in about why Shelter Point Park was one of the sites selected. Three locations were put forward by the qRD in response to a grant program from Earth Day Canada/Aviva Canada Charged-for-Change Initiative. Two were on Texada: the park and the Old School, and the third was in Lund at the KlahAhMen Gazebo Park.

The foundation made its selections based on the strength of cellular signals and the park and Lund locations were chosen as the only local government projects west of Saskatchewan to be funded. The grant covers all project costs for the user-pay dual-plug FloCoRexMAX level two charging stations. User fees are expected to cover electricity costs. BCHydro formerly funded projects like this, but currently the utility is focusing exclusively on urban areas. I'm glad to see the stations here so Texada can be part of the sustainable tourism movement and welcome visitors in EVs. A big thank you to the foundation for its generosity and to RD staff for putting our locations forward.

COMMUNITY BUS EXPANSION

Also, on the subject of transportation, Victoria has finally approved expansion of our community bus service to two days per week. Starting in January, 2026, there will be community buses on Tuesdays, as well as Thursdays. This expansion project was first identified in the 2015 transit service review and, while consistently supported by both the qRD and BCTransit,

until now it failed to win support for provincial funding. Thank you, Victoria!

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT (MOTT)

Speaking of the provincial government, regular quarterly meetings between reps of the Ministry of Transportation and Transit (MOTT), the qRD and PR City recently resumed. I've always found these meetings to be valuable opportunities to advocate for Texada's roads and transportation-related infrastructure. At the most recent gathering of this group, I was able to advance a recent motion from our Recreation Commission for MOTT to consider shoulder-widening of the upper side of Gillies Bay Road between Gillies Bay and the park as part of its Community Safety Enhancement Program. The qRD supports this initiative and is seeking a meeting with MOTT minister Mike Farnworth at UBCM next month to advocate for funding for this worthy project.

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For more information, Please contact: Warren Kiland – 604-414-5619



Powell River Public Library—August at a Glance!

Summer Reading Club 2025:

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Silent Book Club—Meeting Room B. The fourth Wednesday of the month, 6-8 pm.

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KIDS, szagwyn@prpl.ca

Preschool Storytime

Children's Reading Room, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am
Library Storytime. Drop-in.

Market Storytime—4365 McLeod Road. Saturday August 2, 11:00-11:30 am.

Meet at the market train station for stories songs, rhymes and more. Drop-in.

ASL Kids' Club

First Credit Union Community Room. Monday, August 11, 3:00 am -4:15 pm.
Join ASL specialist Donna Lee for stories and games in American Sign Language. Ages 5+. Drop-in.

MODS on Mondays

Rotary Makerspace. Mondays, 3:15-4:15. For **neurodivergent kids** aged 7+ & their families. Registration required.

Summertime Tinker Trunk

Makerspace, Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm. Until August 12. Kids 8-12, choose-your-own-tech-adventure. Drop-in.

Summertime Prime Time

Community Room, Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30 pm. Until August 13. Primary grades K+ **connect & play**. Drop-in.

TEENS, edgar@prpl.ca

Young Writers' Group

Meeting Room A. Tuesdays, 2:00-3:00 pm. Until August 5. Youth 10+. Drop-in.

Summer Dungeon

Meeting Rooms A&B. Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30 pm. Until August 13. Youth 12+.

Dungeons and Dragons. Drop-in.

Switch Time

Meeting Room B. Thursdays, 2:00-3:00 pm. Until August 7. Ages 10-14.

Multiplayer Nintendo. Drop-in.

Teen Takeover

Community Room & Meeting Room B. Fridays, 3:00-4:30. Until August 8. Ages 10-14. **Video games, crafting, art.** Drop-in.

Minecraft Afternoons

Makerspace. Saturdays, 2:00-3:00 pm. Until August 15. Youth aged 10+. Drop-in.

ADULTS, mmerlino@prpl.ca

Authors Lana Cullis and Isabella Mori

Community Room. Saturday, August 16, 2:00-3:00 pm
Lana Cullis presents **The Spiritual Life Writing Workbook**. Isabella Mori reads from **Believe Me, A Hopeful Book on Mental Health, Trauma and Addiction**. Drop-in

Midlife Transitions

Community Room. Saturday August 23, 2:00-3:00 pm. Join Rob Wynen, Professional Counsellor, for a workshop on **navigating midlife**. Drop-in.



GILLIES BAY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

PLANNED WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE

We are pleased to announce a 5-year plan to upgrade our water system beginning this **September 8 – 19**. The purpose of this project is to improve water flow and pressure throughout the system, for residential use, as well as for fire suppression.

The objective this September is to replace 4" pipes with 6" pipes, replace leaking valves and upgrade outdated fire hydrants. Our intention is to work in sections in order to minimize disruption to the whole system.

Water will need to be shut off in your section for a period of time while the crew is at work. You will be notified ahead of time before the work begins in your section. Please email us at admin@gillies-bay.ca to let us know if there have been any changes to your contact information or if you are uncertain if we have them.

The following are the addresses and lots where work is planned to take place this September:

Section 1: Sanderson Road - Lots 4977, 4966, 4952, 4922, 4914, 28, 29, 30, 31

Section 2: Sanderson Road – Lots 4863, 4856, 4852, 4828, 4826, 4816, 4810, 4791, 4790, 4787, 4778, 4771, 4766, 4765, 4747, 4746, 4742, 4737, 4724, 4710, 3451

Section 3: Balsam Street – Lots 3271, 4822, 4827, 4828, 4847, 4850

Section 4: Cedar Street – Lots 3126, 3176, 4820, 3167, 4843, 3207, 4836, 4846

WATER CONSERVATION ISSUES

It has come to our attention that some property owners are using more water than seems necessary during the dry, summer

months. Excessive use of water increases turbidity in the water, affecting our ability to go off Boil Water Notice. It also wastes costly chlorine as it gets used up on lawns instead of being used for our drinking water.

We ask that you reconsider your summer water use by reducing lawn watering as well as washing boats and cars less often. Hand watering gardens and fruit trees has been shown to be the most effective way to help them survive. Remember to water gardens only in the early morning or in the evening.

The Board of Trustees is currently reviewing our water use bylaws. If you have ideas that you wish us to consider, please email us your comments and/or ideas at admin@gillies-bay.ca.

EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

We are in the process of creating a better alert system for our residents, whether you are an online user or a landline user. Please contact us at admin@gillies-bay.ca or call us at 604-223-7757 to let us know if we can put you on our email list, our texting list, or our landline list.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR MEETINGS AT THE GILLIES BAY FIRE HALL

August 12 at 11:00 am - Water Quality Meeting
August 13 at 4:30 pm - Finance & Governance Meeting
August 19 at 4:30 pm - Board of Trustee Meeting

We wish you all a wonderful August!

VAN ANDA IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Hello Texada! Here are some notes on recent events:

METER PROJECT UPDATES

Requests For Proposals (RFPs) are scheduled to open at the beginning of August. They will be published on BCBid, in the PR Peak, and on our website. There are 4 RFPs – Site Works (installing about 165 new meter pits with setters – about 67 connections already have meter setters in pits), Meter and Software supply, and 2 smaller RFPs for handling storage of project materials. Most water connections have been located. Sites that need extra work have been identified and plans created for dealing with these.

A webpage of **Frequently Asked Questions** has been added to our site – see vananda-id.ca/meter-faq/

WATER USE – SEASONAL INCREASE

On June 30, we had the usual annual leap in water use. In previous years we have had to bypass the treatment plant to keep up with demand around this date. Bypass was not needed this year as water use was still lower after major leaks repairs in March. We see this large increase every year during the long weekend at the end of June. Is it because of summer residents arriving and doing major cleans or setting up a water feature? Or perhaps swimming pools being filled? (Please fill pools gradually over several days.) The extremely high use does go down a bit after a couple of days.

SEASONAL WATER RESTRICTIONS

Stage 2 began on July 1. Briefly, Stage 2 restricts lawn watering to one hour per week and washing of outside surfaces to specific situations. Watering of gardens is not allowed during the heat of the day. Full details and a chart can be seen at vananda-id.ca/water-restrictions/

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Aug 13 at 1:30pm, upstairs at the Firehall.
CONTACT INFO
Questions or concerns? contact@vananda-id.ca – 604-486-7035

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On Texada Island, we offer limited transportation to appointments, assistance with grocery shopping, light housekeeping, friendly visiting and basic lawn care. Some services have a sliding-scale fee based on household income. For information on costs, eligibility or to complete the required intake appointment, please call 604-485-4008 ext.101 or email betterathome@inclusionpr.ca.

We are actively recruiting volunteers for various roles, contact us today!

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TEXADA AGRICULTURE GROUP & FOOD HUB

The Texada Food Hub is available to all and is located inside Texada School. The Hub is a Vancouver Coastal Health-approved community food preservation kitchen equipped with commercial equipment for flash-freezing, dehydrating, freeze-drying, baking, juicing, fermenting and canning all kinds of foods.

NEW: Join us for an open discussion on Texada food security at the Texada Agriculture Group (TAG) Annual General Meeting on Sunday, August 24 at 1:30 pm at the Farmer's Market. As a first step towards a plan, let's brainstorm how our community can be more self-reliant in food quantity and quality.

In progress: TAG is fundraising for a second freeze drier, and we would be most grateful for donations of bottle/can returns toward that goal. Contact Tom Read at ravenbaywoods@gmail.com if you need a pick-up, or you can drop off returns under TAG's account (250-510-3850) at the Return-It depot on Duncan St. in Powell River.

Anyone can join TAG and use the Hub. Life membership in TAG costs a one-time fee of \$10 for individuals or \$15 for a household with two adults. For a nominal usage fee, Hub members can use the kitchen for stocking up a personal household food supply and for making commercial food products (but not for catering).

If you are already a TAG member and would like to schedule time at the Hub, please contact Breanne Percy by email at: breanne@why-health.com

For more information or to become a TAG member, please contact Tom by email at:

ravenbaywoods@gmail.com or leave a voice message at 604 483-1471.

If you have questions about TAG you can also usually find Tom at the Texada Farmer's Market coffee-tea-lemonade booth, where proceeds of all sales go to support TAG. The Market is held on Sundays from noon to 1:30 next to the Gillies Bay ball field.

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NEWS FROM THE TEXADA ISLAND LIBRARY



Mark your calendars for the Library **Annual Book Sale, Sunday, August 3rd**, 11 am to 4 pm and Monday, August 4th, 11 am – 2 pm in the Library Parking lot, Gillies Bay.

Your support of the book sale helps the library purchase more books and DVDs for your reading and viewing pleasure. If you have suggestions for purchases, please let the desk volunteer record your request. A suggestion list is kept at the front desk.

Extending a big thank you to all those who have donated books and other material to the library. Your generosity is much appreciated. Most donors remain anonymous, but a recent memorable name stands out: "Banksy Bott."

"I spy with my little eye something that is RED." The August display contains a little library humour.

Last month, our talented Library Coordinator and soon-to-be published author, Charlotte Dawe, gave an author reading of her book, "The Legend of Morgan the Madman: Book 1." We look forward to more sequels.

Pam Kenny

The Texada Island Library is a volunteer-staffed community service located in the Gillies Bay Old School: phone 604-486-6728, during open hours.

Library Open Hours:

Monday	2 pm to 4 pm
Tuesday	12 pm to 2 pm
Wednesday	12 pm to 2 pm
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Saturday, August 09

Gillies Bay Road	09:30am	Kids Bike Decorating 5274 Gillies Bay Road
	10:00am	Parade Judging
	10:30am	Parade Marshalling 0.5 km south of Ball Park (at "Start of Parade" sign)
	11am	Parade (From 'Start' towards RCMP Station)
Old School Field	Noon—4pm	Family Zone Wet/Dry Bouncy Castle Saturday Only Parents Must Supervise
Gillies Ball Park	Noon—3pm	Car Show & Shine
	Noon—2:30pm	Bed Race Registration
	1pm	Bed Races
Gillies Bay Beach	Noon—2:30pm	Skim Boarding
Gillies Bay Ball Park	10am to 4pm	Food Court and Vendors
	Noon to 6pm	Legion Beer Garden
Shelter Point Park	6:30pm to 7pm	Registration for Lip-Sync Contest Opening Ceremonies Lip Sync Contest



Sunday, August 10

Shelter Point Park	8am	Sunrise Worship Service
Community Hall	8:30 to 11am	Firefighters Pancake Breakfast
Gillies Bay Beach	10am	Registration on the Beach
	10am to 3:00 pm	Sand Sculpture Competition
	Noon to 2:30pm	People's Choice Sand Sculpture Judging
Gillies Bay Ball Park	10am	Dog Show
Gillies Bay Ball Park	10am to 3pm	Food Court and Vendors
	Noon to 6 pm	Legion Beer Garden
	3:30 pm	Presentation of Prizes & Draw

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TEXADA ISLAND SANDCASTLE WEEKEND



Texada Island Sandcastle Weekend kicks off on **Saturday August 9th** with its **parade** in Gillies Bay at 11 am. This year's Grand Marshall, **Stan Smith**, will lead the parade, along with the RCMP, our own piper Mike Irving, children on their decorated bikes, a number of very creative floats, and our local First Responders and Volunteer Fire Fighters.

After the parade, the **Family Zone**, with a **Wet/Dry Bouncy Castle**, face painting and other kid activities, is ready for the fun to begin at the Old School, just before the Gillies Bay Ball Park. Do not forget your towels – or the parent who is required to stay with their child.

Or, head to the ball park to enter or watch the **Bed Races**, and saunter slowly by the well-loved **Car Show and Shine** instead.

Skim Jam Boarding Competition returns to the water at Gillies Bay Beach. Entry is open for everyone or a chance to win prizes!

Check out our Texada Island **Hand Tie-dyed T-shirts** at the Information Booth at the Gillies Bay Ball Park. All sizes and colour combinations ready for you!

Also, **Food & Artisan** vendors - and the **Legion Beer Garden** is waiting for you at the Ball Park both days. A great way to spend one or two afternoons!

Then, as the evening sun sets on the first day of Sandcastle, head down to Shelter Point Park for the **Lip-Sync Contest**. Open to all ages — no talent necessary! The evening wraps up with a dazzling professional Laser Light Show and dancing to the great music!

A small entry fee applies to enter Bed races.

Skim Boarding, Lip-Sync and Sunday's Sand Sculpture Competition.

A **Sunday Sunrise Service** at the beautiful Shelter Point Park will begin the day at 8:00 am at the beautiful Shelter Point Park. Then it's onto the **Pancake Breakfast** between 8:30 and 11 am at the Texada Community Hall in Gillies Bay.

SAND SCULPTURE COMPETITION starts at 10 am and is time for the Teams to head to the Gillies Bay Beach to register and to start building their prize winning sand sculpture. The top three teams in each category - Adult, Family, Teens & Children - win cash prizes.

Judging Sand Sculpture is done by People's Choice – that's you, the viewing public (except for The Most Sand Moved Award – we have an engineer for that). So, whether you build one or not, get out on the beach and vote for your favourite!

Voting and Sand Sculpture Building finishes at 2:30 pm.

Don't want to sculpt? Finished judging the sculptures, or not ready to? Surround yourself with cuteness at the Gillies Bay Ballpark for the **Sandcastle Dog Show**. Or, better yet, bring your pup and enter to compete in the two categories – costume and agility. Always fun to watch and cheer on your favorite fur baby!

Awards at the Gillies Bay Ballpark at 3:30 pm will end a day of sun, sand, and smiles.

Texada Sandcastle Weekend is a weekend of Community and family fun, where it's always nice whatever the weather! We look forward to seeing you! **...Sandcastle Schedule Page 18**



2025 TEXADA ISLAND SANDCASTLE WEEKEND

August 9 - 10



Join us in the fun at the 39th Texada Island Sandcastle Weekend! It's jam-packed with activities and promises to be a whirlwind of fun things to do...
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Registration not required.

Just show up in time.

The more the merrier!

There are prizes.

Parade starts at 11 am.

We encourage floats, motor & peddle
bikes, old, new and
electric vehicles and vintage cars.

FAMILY ZONE

SPONSORED BY

United Steel Workers #816

Wet/Dry Bouncy Castle

at the Old School in Gillies Bay

Saturday ONLY

Noon to 4 pm

Parents, bring your youngsters and
let them join in the fund!

(Parental Supervision is required.)

SKIM JAM

SKIMBOARD JAM IS WITH TIM LADNER
& SUE RUSSELL
AT GILLIES BAY BEACH,
NOON TO 2:30 PM ON SATURDAY.

BED RACES

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Julie's Airport Café

Get a team together and join the others
at the Gillies Bay Ball Park, Saturday.

Register at noon and race at 1 pm.

Categories are: Adult, Youth, Senior, and Mixed Ages.

The 'Rocket' is available for the races. Bring a helmet,
or use ours, for the person riding the bed.

This is a timed race!

SANDCASTLES COMPETITION

SPONSORED BY

FIRST CREDIT UNION, TICS, SANDCASTLE

Always dreamed of being an architect? Like playing in
the mud? Enjoy building things and working with your
hands? An artist at heart? If you answered 'Yes' to any
of these, then our Sandcastle Sculpture Competition is
for you! Get a team together and come down to
beautiful Gillies Bay to build your masterpiece!

There's a category for everyone...Adult, Family, Teens
& Children. Judging is by People's Choice and you can
vote for yourself. There will be cash prizes for the top
three vote-earners in each category.

What could be better? A day on the beach with family,
friends and a chance to win cash too!

Registration starts at 10 am on the beach.

Voting starts at noon to 2:30 pm. Prizes at 3 pm.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SPONSORED BY

TEXADA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

GILLIES BAY COMMUNITY HALL

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10—8:30 TO 11 AM

BEER GARDENS

SPONSORED BY

TEXADA LEGION #232

The Texada Legion welcomes
everyone to enjoy a beverage at our
fully licensed traditional Beer
garden—drinks and good cheer
served from Noon-6pm, both days.
Located in the fenced area adjacent
to the Concession. See you there!

DOG SHOW

SPONSORED BY

TEXADA

HOME & GARDEN & PET VALU

Sunday, 10 am at the
Gillies Bay Ball Park.

There is a Costume Class—dress up
with your pup—and an Agility Class.

A fun show—no experience needed.

Dogs must be leashed at all times.

Bring water if it's hot.

VENDORS

FOOD—ARTISANS

TIE-DYED TEXADA T-SHIRTS

SANDCASTLE SPECIALS

SOUVENIRS, UNIQUE JEWELRY,

CRAFTS, POTTERY...

AND MUCH MORE!

SO YOU THINK YOU CAN... LIP-SYNC?

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ARCOSA SPECIALTY MATERIAL

Come on out and show us what you've got—
In the way of talent that is...

Choose a song, maybe a couple of friends to
ham it up with you, even a costume, if you're so
inclined, and put on a Lip-Sync act that will
impress the Judges. We'll have a variety of
independent Judges...so get your act together—
we have cash prizes! All ages welcome.

Categories of solo, duet or trio,
and group of four or more.

Registration at 6:30 pm at Shelter Park.

CAR SHOW & SHINE

SPONSORED BY

BAYLINE ENTERPRISES

Vintage & classic cars, trucks and
motorcycles are invited to show their
stuff at the Gillies Bay Ball Park

Saturday, August 9,
noon to 3 pm

SUNRISE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

SPONSORED BY

TEXADA UNITED CHURCH

Everyone is Welcome!
Join us Sunday, August 10 at 8 am
at Shelter Point Park.

Bring a friend and your own chair.
This is an open air church service,
so dress for the weather.