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

**Lifetime memberships cost \$10.00 per person** and are available from OPSRRRA directors—see our web site ([www.opsrra.ca](http://www.opsrra.ca)) for further information and on-line registration. Associate (non-voting) memberships are available for persons who do not reside or own property in Shirley or Otter Point, but who wish to support the Association.

Our society's purpose is to:

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

Are you an OPSRRRA member? Do you want to receive the OPSRRRA newsletter and notice of meetings directly to your email address? OPSRRRA now emails this newsletter to over **300** of our members as well as local elected representatives, media and archival organizations. Email [opsrra@gmail.com](mailto:opsrra@gmail.com) if you want to receive this membership service.

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## 1. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Contact Marika Nagasaka at: [opsrra@gmail.com](mailto:opsrra@gmail.com) to have your community event listed in our monthly community events calendar here and on our website.

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Wednesday  
July 2

### **Sooke & Electoral Area Parks & Recreation Commission (SEAPARC)**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

6:30 p.m.

Board Room

SEAPARC Leisure Complex

2168 Philips Road, Sooke BC

- Regular meetings of the Commission take place at SEAPARC on the first Wednesday of the month and are open to the public.
- Meetings are also held at the call of the Chair.

Agendas and Minutes posted for each meeting at:

<http://www.crd.bc.ca/seaparc/commission.htm>

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Saturday  
July 5

### **Juan de Fuca Community Trails Society Explore old routes through the Sooke Hills—the Secret Trail**

9:00 a.m.

Meet at the Park & Ride on Kaltasin Road to car pool to the start.

Ev leads this 10 km, day-long hike on forest trails.

Bring a lunch, water, wear good footwear, and dress for the weather.

Phone Rosemary Jorna, 250-642-2767

or email [sid2767@shaw.ca](mailto:sid2767@shaw.ca) for details.

**Web site:**

[www.jdfcommunitytrails.ca](http://www.jdfcommunitytrails.ca)

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Tuesday  
July 8

### **Juan de Fuca Emergency Services**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

7:00 p.m.

JDF Search & Rescue Campus Training Building

2028C Idlemore Road Sooke BC

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Wednesday  
July 9

### **Shirley Community Association Meeting**

7:30 p.m.

Shirley Community Hall

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Saturday  
July 12

**Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Parks &  
Recreation Advisory Commission / Juan de Fuca  
Community Trails Society**  
**Thetis Lake to Francis King**  
9:00 a.m.

Everyone welcome.

Meet at the William Simmons Memorial Park (Poirier Lake) parking lot to car pool to the trail head. (Turn into the Sooke Business Park at 3220 Otter Point Road; the parking lot is behind the berm immediately to the left.)

Or, meet at the Thetis Lake parking lot at 9:35 a.m.

A 10 km, difficulty level 3 hike with little elevation change. We proceed past Thetis Lake through well-developed mature forest to Francis King. The hike returns via Mackenzie and Thetis Lakes

Bring a lunch, water, and dress for the weather. Good footwear a must.

Contact Sid Jorna:  
Phone: 250-642-2767 or  
email: [jdf.cts@gmail.com](mailto:jdf.cts@gmail.com) for more information

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Tuesday  
July 15

**Shirley Women's Institute**  
10:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Shirley Community Hall

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Tuesday  
July 15

**Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Land Use Committee**  
7:00 p.m.  
JDF Local Area Services Building  
3-7450 Butler Road, Otter Point, BC

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Wednesday  
July 16

**Public Hearing**  
7:00 p.m.

JDF Local Area Services Building  
3-7450 Butler Road, Otter Point, BC

To consider adoption of: Bylaw No. 3922—cited as “Juan de Fuca Land Use Bylaw, 1992, Amendment Bylaw No. 118, 2014”.

The purpose of Bylaw No. 3922 is to amend Bylaw No. 2040, JdF Land Use Bylaw, 1992, to define “Medical Marihuana Licensed Producer” and to define and regulate medical marihuana [sic] production facilities as “Intensive Agriculture—Medical Marihuana” on lands within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR).

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Wednesday  
July 16

**Shirley Fire Commission**  
**Meeting**  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Shirley Community Hall

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Saturday  
August 2

**Juan de Fuca Community Trails Society  
Hike to Grassy Lake and possibly to Sheilds Lake**

9:00 a.m.

Meet at the Charters River parking lot on Sooke River Road.

A 10 km hike.

Bring a lunch, water, wear good footwear, and dress for the weather.

Everyone welcome.

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Saturday  
August 9

**Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Parks &  
Recreation Advisory Commission / Juan de Fuca  
Community Trails Society  
Mt. Manual Quimper Summit**

9:00 a.m.

Everyone welcome.

A 10 km, difficulty level 3+ hike with a 440m elevation change.

Bring a lunch, water, and dress for the weather. Good footwear a must.

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Sundays	<b>Shirley Country Market</b> 11:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. Pioneer Park at the Shirley Hall
Mondays	<b>Karate for all ages</b> 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Shirley Community Hall Contact Alida Long: 250-642-4631
Mondays	<b>Pilates</b> 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Shirley Community Hall Level 1 class (suitable for beginners) Contact Sandra Smith: website: <a href="http://www.svakayoga.com">www.svakayoga.com</a> email: <a href="mailto:svakayoga@gmail.com">svakayoga@gmail.com</a>
Tuesdays	<b>Yoga</b> 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. Shirley Community Hall Gentle Flow Class for all levels Contact Nicole Spackman: <a href="mailto:shirleyhallyoga@gmail.com">shirleyhallyoga@gmail.com</a>
Thursdays	<b>Shirley Quilters and Crafters</b> 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Shirley Community Hall Everyone welcome Contact Christien Shipton: 250-646-2687
Saturdays	<b>Pilates</b> 9:30 am Shirley Community Hall Level 1 class (suitable for beginners) Contact: Sandra Smith website: <a href="http://www.svakayoga.com">www.svakayoga.com</a> email: <a href="mailto:svakayoga@gmail.com">svakayoga@gmail.com</a>
Thursdays & Sundays	<b>Nia Dance / Movement Class</b> <b>Thursdays:</b> 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. <b>Sundays:</b> 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Shirley Community Hall Contact Melody Kimmell: 250-646-2995 <a href="mailto:movingmelody@gmail.com">movingmelody@gmail.com</a>

## 2. OTTER POINT OCP GOES TO PUBLIC HEARING

Do you recall the play on words joke about what is black and white and read (red) all over? The answer was a newspaper. Well, how about what is black and white and red (read) all over? The answer is the Otter Point Official Community Plan (OCP). There have been so many edits (in red) to the draft that if all the revisions were put together it would be the equivalent of that classic 1966 composite photo of Toronto Maple Leafs goaltender Terry Sawchuck, showing all the cuts and wounds he received while working for 16 years without a facemask!

So what does all this have to do with the Otter Point OCP?

Well, the draft document has been edited so many times during the past 4½ years of review and consultation that determining any similarity between the original and the completed plan will be like trying to read the red scars on the goaltender's face to figure out when a particular change happened, why and what the original looked like. That's not altogether bad: despite the sometimes acrimonious discussions, narrow votes and compromises, the final draft is an improvement over the present OCP and will move the community of Otter Point in some very different directions.

Nearly 50 public meetings and workshops were held between October 2010 and May 2014 by:

- The Otter Point Citizens OCP Review Committee;
- The Otter Point Agricultural Advisory Planning Commission;
- The Otter Point Advisory Planning Commission; and
- The Juan de Fuca Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission.

The public process was lengthy and extensive but poorly attended by residents of Otter Point. Numerous public agencies and provincial ministries were also sent the draft OCP and asked for their comment.

Here are some of the significant changes:

- Definitions reworded and new ones added. Accuracy and clarity is really important when it comes to implementing land use planning and zoning bylaws.
- A statement about retaining Otter Point's rural character added.
- Settlement Areas 1 and 2 will allow lot averaging and smaller lot sizes, subject to public hearing.
- Settlement Area 3 will cover a smaller area.
- All Settlement Areas may be serviced by a public water system.
- A new Rural Lands Designation created with limited opportunity for development.
- A policy to allow Temporary Use Permits added.
- Improved wording for habitat, sensitive ecosystem and surface and groundwater protection.
- A Sensitive Eco System Inventory included;
- An updated history of Otter Point identifies heritage sites and areas of historical interest.

On June 17, 2014, the Juan de Fuca Land Use Committee reviewed the final OCP draft and voted to recommend to the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board of Directors that the draft be given first and second readings, and go to public hearing. The draft OCP will be going to the CRD Board of Directors on July 9, 2014, and will likely go to a public hearing in Otter Point by the end of August 2014.

It's unusual to have a public hearing during the summer months. However, November's municipal, electoral area and CRD elections cause an exceptional set

of circumstances which make this the best time to proceed; unless the results of the OCP's public hearing make it back to the present CRD Board by their September meeting there is every possibility that approval of the OCP bylaw could be delayed until February 2015.

The Otter Point OCP public hearing date will be widely advertised in the community. View the final draft of the OCP at: <https://www.crd.bc.ca/docs/default-source/crd-document-library/committeedocuments/juandefucalandusecommittee/20140617/ppsjdf-2014-06-02-bl3819-luc-report-1st2nd-reading-withoutsignatures.pdf?sfvrsn=4>

### **3. BEAR BUZZ: BE BEAR AWARE/WILDSAFE**

We live in bear country and should learn to expect to deal with bears in Otter Point, Shirley and Jordan River. No matter what part of the community you live in, preventing and/or reducing conflict with bears requires us to modify our behaviour.

The black bear is an intelligent animal, with the ability to remember food locations and can quickly become accustomed to human sources of food.

Chicken coops can be irresistible to hungry bears, damaging properties and frightening the residents in this area.

Chicken coop raids by local black bears are on the rise as Sooke and area moves into its peak season for bear activity. We have had many chicken/bear related incidents already this year. By the time we recognize our mistakes, it is often too late for the bear.

"Chickens are one of our biggest attractants, aside from garbage and bird seed, and it's growing because the number of flocks is increasing," says Debbie Read WildSafe coordinator for CRD Region.

Bear-proofing means keeping the chickens and their feed in a protected place that bears can't get into and stringing up electric fences powerful enough to stop a bear from entering. Electric fencing keeps the chickens in and the bears out.

Electric fences are inexpensive and easy to set up and have the power to keep bears out of just about anywhere else you don't want them. There are electric fences that can be set up and functional in less than two hours. "If people are going to have chickens in bear country, they're going to have to take extra precautions."

Residents comment that they have kept chickens for years. It's nice to have fresh eggs to eat and they never had bear trouble. That was until recently.

"As we start to increase the number of chickens, we will definitely see the number of chicken/bear related incidents go up. Bears are looking for the free, easy meal. But our risk increases dramatically when we draw them into our homes and give them a reason to stay there."

Bears are omnivorous, and having chickens (or even rabbits, sheep or other small animals) outdoors is dangerous for you and your animals as well as the bears.

Use electric fencing to protect your chickens. This might sound harsh, but better to deter the bears in the first place than have to deal with them once they've got a taste for whatever they're finding on your property. The shocks are not lethal, or even damaging, but provide behaviour modification for the animal. which keeps you, your family and your chickens safe.

Store feed securely indoors and in a separate location from the birds. It is often the mishandling of the grain, mash and other feed that initially attracts bears (and rats and other critters, for that matter). Consider electric fencing, and never leave your birds alone outside in bear country without electrified protection, especially if you'll be away from home.



How-to information on Electric fence options: <http://www.bearaware.bc.ca/?q=conflict-prevention/electric-fences>

The bottom line? Always aim to *prevent*, then *deter* contact with bears. That means not watching them wander around your yard, but instead going into some of the deterrence methods.

Remember: to change bear behaviour, we must first change our own. We create attractants for the bear. Don't wait until you have a problem to do something about it. It is our responsibility if we choose to live in bear country to learn how to live with bears.

The message is simple: be very diligent and do not give bears access to food, garbage, chickens, livestock, fruit trees, dog food, bird feeders, or any other type of attractant.

If we all do this one thing we can all “keep wildlife wild, and our communities safe.”

If you would like to help with volunteer efforts, please contact your Community Coordinator: [capitalregionaldistrict@wildsafebc.com](mailto:capitalregionaldistrict@wildsafebc.com)

Debbie Read, coordinator WildsafeBC CRD Region

#### **4. REPORT: JUAN DE FUCA COMMUNITY LAND TRUST AGM**

Should a 70 acre, mature second growth forest, with accessible trails for walking and horseback riding be preserved as a community park? The Juan de Fuca Community Land Trust Society thinks so.

The Land Trust held its first Annual General Meeting on June 11, 2014, at the Juan de Fuca Local Area Services Building in Otter Point. The Land Trust needs to raise \$650,000 to make an offer to purchase the Admiral's Forest in Otter Point. The forest is located near Gordon's Beach and is part of the estate of the late Admiral John Charles, a longtime community-minded resident of Otter Point who operated a managed forest on his property.

When establishing itself as a society, the Land Trust decided to have its objectives broad enough that other suitable opportunities could be considered. The JDF Community Land Trust Society's purpose is to:

- Acquire lands in the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area for the benefit of the communities of South Vancouver Island for one or more the following purposes:
  - Donate such lands to the municipal, regional or provincial government to be used as park land, or
  - Hold such lands and operate not-for-profit educational and recreational programs from facilities established on the lands for such purposes;
- Acquire and operate such equipment and such livestock as is necessary for educational programs;
- Provide and maintain infrastructure for walking, hiking, cycling and horseback riding on lands held by the society; and
- Protect and enhance the environment through management of such lands as are held by the society;
- Do all such other things as are incidental or ancillary to the attainment of the purposes and the exercise of the powers of the society.

Elected at the AGM:

President:	Margot Swinburnson
Vice President:	Anne Bell
Secretary:	Heather Phillips

Treasurer: Arnie Campbell  
Directors: Sid Jorna (Membership Chair), James Gaston (Web Master) and Jay Evans (Publicity).

The society has 60 members. Several fundraising events have been organized and an agreement with the Victoria Foundation allows charitable tax receipt to be issued for donations towards the purchase of the Admiral's Forest. Any donations received by the Victoria Foundation will be held in trust.

You can support the society by:

- Becoming a member at \$20 for two years. Join via PayPal at our website, [www.jdflandtrust.ca/join](http://www.jdflandtrust.ca/join).
- Making a tax-receipted donation to the Victoria Foundation at [www.victoriafoundation.ca](http://www.victoriafoundation.ca). On that site, donate to "Juan de Fuca Community Land Trust Admiral's Forest fund" to that ensure funds will be directed to land purchase.
- Making a non-charitable donation to the JdF Community Land Trust via PayPal. Go to [www.jdflandtrust.ca/donate](http://www.jdflandtrust.ca/donate) for more information.
- Purchasing a bag of Admiral's Blend Coffee, custom roasted by The Stick in the Mud. Coffee is available through the Land Trust's web site, from Land Trust directors or on Saturday's at the ALM Organic Farm table at the Sooke Country Market

Find more information about the Admiral's Forest, the JdF Community Land Trust Society at: <http://www.jdflandtrust.ca>

## 5. WHERE IN THE JUAN DE FUCA?

**Where in the Juan de Fuca?** is a continuing feature in the OPSRRA newsletter. We present a picture and ask you to identify where the building or object is located, what it is, or any significance it might have.

No one made a correct guess for last month's picture, the remains of the metal skids for the log dump formerly sited in the Muir Creek estuary.







The top photo was taken May 2014, and shows the remains of the old log dump located on the Otter Point side of Muir Creek on property now owned by TimberWest. The bottom photo shows Elders' log booming ground in 1937 at about the same location on the east side of the Muir Creek estuary. Note the old West Coast Road Bridge, in the background, crossing Muir Creek and the "stylish" car with a real trunk, parked to the far right. SRHS #113

#### **This month's Where in the Juan de Fuca?**



Tell us where the above building is located and what it was used for. No prize for the winner(s), but we'll give you credit for your "find" if you're okay with us using

your name. The answer will be in next month's newsletter. Send your guess by July 30, 2014 to: [opsrra@gmail.com](mailto:opsrra@gmail.com)

## 6. **UPDATE: SHIRLEY & JORDAN RIVER OCP REVIEW**

### **Eighth Meeting: Shirley/Jordan River OCP Review Citizens' Committee**

June 11, 2014, at 7:00 pm at the Shirley Community Hall.

Present: planners Emma Taylor, Tracy Olsen, seven Committee members and one member of the public.

Agenda Item 4—Status of Any Action Items, the Committee was told that shoreline mapping was available from the Province but has not been obtained yet.

Agenda Item 5—Completion of Items from Previous Agenda, Development Permit Area No.1, Steep Slopes and Development Permit Area No. 5, Commercial Development Areas were reviewed.

The Water Theme Policy was reviewed. Emma Taylor gave a very thorough explanation of the new Water Sustainability Act; discussion followed. The Committee agreed that the OCP should reflect the importance of, and need for, a Watershed Management Plan with aquifers identified. There should then be Aquifer Development Permit Areas in the new OCP. The Committee also felt that a local advisory board for water issues should be established.

### **Ninth Meeting: Shirley/Jordan River OCP Review Citizens' Committee**

June 25, 2014, at 7:00 pm at the Shirley Community Hall.

Present: planners Emma Taylor, Tracy Olsen, five Committee members and two members of the public.

The theme for review was Settlement.

The committee examined data compiled according to the 2011 census and more recent statistics. The two current settlement designations were described. It was agreed that the revised Shirley/Jordan River OCP should maintain reference to the working boundary with Otter Point at Muir Creek in the current OCP. Questions (summarized for this report) that were presented to the Committee for discussion were:

- Should policies be added to the OCP that support rezoning applications for Rural (A) lands to zones that allow for one house per lot all and the theme will be H. [sic] ?
- Are there lands suitable for inclusion in the Settlement Containment Area that would serve the purpose of drawing future development to certain lands and away from other areas, and is there support of an adjustment to the boundaries of the Settlement Containment Area?
- Is there interest in creating a new land use designation for parcels zoned Resource Land? Should larger parcels zoned Forestry, which are not accessible by public road, be included in this type of land use designation, or could another new land use designation be created for Forestry and Agriculture? If there is a new land use designation that increases the minimum lot size from the two hectares currently supported by the OCP, how should the decrease in density be handled in the overall context of the revised OCP? Should policies be added to the OCP for Resource and Forestry zoned properties that support the



development of low impact tourism related activities, and are there other types of uses, which would be acceptable to the community?

- Should a policy be developed specifically for the Muir Creek property that supports “amenity bonus” in exchange for parkland, over and above the required parkland dedication/cash in lieu on subdivision? Are there other amenities elsewhere that the community would be interested in acquiring in exchange for an increase in density, such as the protection of other environmentally sensitive areas?

There will be no further Citizens’ Committee meetings over the summer. The planners will work on the revised OCP to have it ready to present to the public; an Open House will be held in September.

## **7. PARK WATCH PATROL PROGRAM ADDS SANDCUT BEACH**

The Park Watch Patrol Program, a non-profit organization, operates most summer days in our regional and local parks from East Sooke to Port Renfrew. While you’re enjoying the park trails and beaches, Park Watch members patrol the parking areas to help guard against car theft, vandalism and break-ins. This year marks the fourteenth year of the Park Watch program.

The Capital Regional District (CRD), one of Park Watch’s major sponsors, added a new park to their park system last year (2013—the the Jordan River Regional Park. Near the South Eastern end of the park is the Sandcut Beach Trail. The CRD has this year (2014) asked Park Watch to extend their park coverage to include Sandcut Beach Trail.

Park Watch has been monitoring the small parking lot at the Sandcut Beach trailhead since the May 21 weekend. Starting the Canada Day weekend, there will be a Park Watch Patroller in the lot seven days a week until the Labour Day weekend or beyond if funding permits. Park Watch Patrollers, as well as providing security, are available to answer visitors’ questions and provide assistance to those who might require help. Plan to explore this new park this summer and enjoy ‘a day at the beach’.

## **8. DID YOU KNOW THAT ...**

**There were at least two and perhaps three commercial fish traps, operating at different times, off the shores of Shirley from the early 1900s until the late 1950s?**

The use of seasonal traps to catch migrating salmon (and other fish) was a thriving commercial business along our shores from Beechey Head in East Sooke to Point No Point in Shirley. The federal government approved the use of fish traps in 1902 and the first local traps were installed in 1904. The traps were unloaded several times a week and catches of 30,000 and as high as 60,000 salmon were noted. Use of fish traps was discontinued in 1958 due to concerns about the damage to fish stocks as a result of the huge harvests.

Fish traps were seasonal; perhaps from May to October, depending on the timing and size of the fish runs. Pilings from tall (120 to 150 feet) and slender (12 to 18 inches) fir trees from the local forests were driven into the seabed to form the trap. Heavy-duty webbing was then attached to the bottom and sides of the trap. At the end of the season the traps were dismantled and usable parts stored for use the following year.

The traps stretched from 600 to 2,800 feet out into the Strait of Juan de Fuca and, as migrating salmon passed, the fish were guided to a containment area called the “Pot”, and then into a holding area called the “Spiller”. A lifting apparatus was then used to remove the fish and transfer them to a waiting barge for transport to a

[illegible]

Accounts about the exact location of the Shirley fish traps differ, perhaps because different names were given to geographic locations over time. For example, Coal Creek is also known as Kirby Creek. Shirley fish traps were also identified as being located at various locations west of Sheringham Point and at different times the locations were called Boulder Bay, Boulder Point and Boulder Beach. These various locations may refer to the Flea Beach trap identified in Jean Robinson's map. There is a lone mention in an April 1919 issue of the *Daily Colonist* of a trap located at Point No Point in. Was there really a trap there or was this known geographic location mixed-up with another site? Sorting-out these discrepancies is part of the attraction of exploring our history.

Do you have a question or historical information about Shirley, Jordan River or Otter Point that you want to share? Contact [opsrra@gmail.com](mailto:opsrra@gmail.com)

The purpose of this service is to provide an opportunity for businesses in Jordan River, Shirley and Otter Point to advertise their goods and services to their local

community. We anticipate having listings for accommodation, farm produce, art, furniture-making, fishing charters, eco-tours, firewood, knitting, soaps, landscaping, bookkeeping, sewing, spas and more. More information, businesses already listed, and an on-line registration form are available on OPSRRA's web site ([www.opsrra.ca](http://www.opsrra.ca)) under **Business Listings**.

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

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

1001 Welding & Equipment Repair

Accent in Grooming

A Point of View B & B

ALM Organic Farm

Beaches West B & B

Bear Home Remodelling

Birds Edge Press

Coastal Crunch Granola

Eco Craft Lights

Eagle Cove Beachfront Guest Suites

Farmer Notary—Shawna Farmer, Notary Public.

Full Circle Seeds

Glen's Gardening Company

Heron's Rest B & B

"In A Fix" Bookkeeping & Accounting Services

Jambo Pet Sitting Service

Kemp Lake Store Cafe

Knotty Beds by Nature and Cedar Surfboards

Le Sooke Spa

Malahat Farm Heritage Cottage

Ocean Wilderness Inn

Otter Point Beach House

Otter Point Electrical Service

Perfect Grade Plumbing  
Reflexology by Marlene Barry  
Road's End Construction  
Sandy's Drywall Ltd  
Stick in the Mud Coffee House  
Straitview Ridge Bed & Breakfast  
Three Sisters Farm  
Tugwell Creek Honey Farm  
Tugwell Creek Meadery  
Welcome Wagon  
Wildewood Custom Homes  
Wood Visions

#### **10. BACK ISSUES OF THE OPSRRA NEWSLETTER**

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

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This monthly newsletter is prepared by the directors of OPSRRA. It is available to members by e-mail and to others on our web site: [www.opsrra.ca](http://www.opsrra.ca). To have an item you would like to have considered for placement in the newsletter, or make a comment about the newsletter, contact an OPSRRA director or email [opsrra@gmail.com](mailto:opsrra@gmail.com).

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

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