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"Gateway to the  
Wilderness"



**PORT BUCKS  
WERE INCLUDED  
IN THIS MAILING.  
BE SURE TO USE  
THEM LOCALLY  
BEFORE DECEMBER  
31, 2013!**

Heads up to the public that there will be public consultation from late November to approximately the end of January in regards to Marine Use Planning for the islands. Watch for advertisements in the Observer from the MaPP group. We encourage the public to come out and learn what is happening. For more information go to [www.mappocean.org](http://www.mappocean.org).

## A little of this and a little of that

- **We need your pictures!** If you have pictures that you would like to add to our web site you can do so by email [cao@portclements.ca](mailto:cao@portclements.ca). We are always looking to spruce up our website.
- **Correction to August 2013 Newsletter:** in our note to appreciate volunteers we included the designation Jr behind Edward Lowrie's name and have been informed that this is incorrect. Sorry for any confusion.
- **Please be advised that the Museum is now operating as the Info Centre for Port Clements.** If businesses in town want to have their brochures on display please contact the museum. Hours of operation and menus from food service providers would be a great addition to the information the Museum has to pass out to tourists.
- **Thank you to the dedicated volunteers at the Fire Department** for the fun time they provided to the students as a part of Fire Prevention week in October.
- **In case you didn't know....**there is a great new program through the Rec Commission for Seniors called Food, Flexibility & Fun. Contact Ruth Bellamy at 557-4729 for more information. A variety of programs run until April 2014.

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# THE LEADER

## St. Mark's Anglican Church

As we head into our Millennium year we decided to start by providing some back ground on one of the buildings in our community which is also celebrating its 100th anniversary next year.

In October 1913, Elias J. Tingley sold a parcel of land to the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of Caledonia of Prince Rupert and shortly after that St. Mark's was built. The official opening of St. Mark's took place on Sunday January 25, 1914 with Reverend Heber H.K. Greene officiating.

The Port Clements Millennium project, which encompassed the restoration of St. Mark's Anglican Church and the creation of the Millennium Park, took place between 1999 and 2003. In the spring of 2000 the Diocese of Caledonia, upon reviewing a proposal from the Port Clements Economic Development Advisory Committee for the restoration and development of the St. Marks property, agreed to sell the church building and property to the Village of Port Clements for \$5,000.00.

The success of the restoration of St. Mark's Anglican Church and the development of the Millennium Memorial Park was due to funding from the Government of Canada's Millennium Partnership Program and the Gwaii Trust as well as the overwhelming commitment of volunteers and businesses island-wide who generously donated labour, materials, equipment, monetary gifts and expertise.

Thanks to Betty Stewart for this information

Watch out for future announcements—we are tentatively planning a non-denominational service at St. Marks for Saturday January 25,

100<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary

### EVENTS

- Dance & Skipping classes Thursdays from 3-6pm in the gym for ages K-3
- Karate in the gym Wednesdays 6-7:30
- Acrobatic & Dance in the gym Tuesdays 4:30-7:00pm
- Christmas Swap N' Shop Saturday November 23 from 11am-3pm at the Community Hall
- Senior's Winter Games being planned for March 2014—contact Bunny Decembrini to get involved.
- Next Council Mtg Monday Nov. 18 7pm
- Watch for updates on the School Winter Craft Night Dec. 17th.

## RECREATION COMMISSION - UPCOMING EVENTS

The Village of Port Clements Recreation Commission is calling all volunteers! This year's Breakfast with Santa will be held December 14 in the Senior's room at the Multiplex. If you have any ideas or would like to be a volunteer for any events come to our meetings.

Watch for posted agendas for

more information as there will be Special Meetings leading up to the Christmas celebrations.

The Recreation Commission, which organizes and plans many special events in our community such as movies, Easter egg hunts, breakfast with Santa, Canada Days, etc, would not be such a great suc-

cess without our hard working Rec. Commission. If you would like to join the Port Clements Recreation Commission please contact the office at 250-557-4295, Monday-Friday, 9:00am-1:00pm.

ALL HELP IS APRECIATED!!!!



## WINTER ROAD TRIPS COURTESY O'BRIEN ROAD & BRIDGE

Winter weather is hard on your vehicle, here are some tips to make sure it is up to the challenge:

1. **Install winter tires**—use 4 matched winter tires that carry the winter tire logo—even if you are driving a 4X4.
2. **Get your car winter ready with a maintenance check-up.**
3. **Change your wiper blades to winter blades**—they are heavier and push snow and ice easier.
4. **Clear snow and ice from**



**all windows, lights, mirrors, hood and the roof.**

5. **Make sure your windshield washer reservoir is full** and carry extra washer fluid in your vehicle.
6. **Be prepared by packing a winter survival kit** including things such as non-perishable food, blankets, first aid supplies, flares, matches or lighter, gloves, shovel, sand or kitty litter, flashlight and extra batteries, jumper cables, spare tire, wheel wrench and jack, extra clothing and footwear and sand bags for weight.

7. **Keep your gas tank topped up.** This helps avoid condensation and moist air on the inside of the tank, which can cause fuel lines to freeze and other serious issues.
8. **If you get stuck in a storm, don't panic.** Avoid overexertion and overexposure. Stay in your vehicle and open your window slightly to make sure you have a supply of fresh air. Use a survival candle for heat. Set out a warning light or flares.
9. **Check the road conditions before you go at:**

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

**DON'T KNOW, DON'T GO**

## Remembrance Day

**Remembrance day is Monday November 11, 2013**

The service will be held at the St. Mark's Church on Bayview Drive.

The procession to the Cenotaph will begin at 10:35am.

For more information or to volunteer call the Village office at 250-557-4295

We encourage all to come and share in a moment of silence for all of those who have given and continue to sacrifice their life so that we may live in peace.

In Flanders Fields  
By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD (1872-1918)  
Canadian Army

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset  
glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we  
lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

To you from failing hands we  
throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

Always  
&  
Forever



## VANDALISM

Vandalism—damage such as graffiti and defacement directed towards any property without permission of the owner.

What can we do to help curb vandalism in Port Clements?

**\*\*\*Report all vandalism to the police—vandalism is the largest unreported crime in Canada and costs property owners, tax payers and insurance companies approximately \$100 million dollars per year across the country.\*\*\***

- keep areas well lit
- report suspicious actions near homes, schools, vacant buildings, businesses or other structure.
- ask neighbours to keep watch over your home if you are going to be away
- lock your doors, including sheds and garages and ensure items, such as bicycles, are secured

Did you know:

- parents of children under 16 years of age can be held liable for their children's actions
- Vandalism is a criminal act that falls under "mischief" and can lead to imprisonment
- A conviction under the Criminal Code can affect a person's right to practice a trade or profession