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E V E N T S **S U M M E R** **1 1**

- Friday July 8, 11 am** Association of the Savary Island Committee Annual General Meeting Fire Hall
- Monday July 18, 1 pm** Savary Island Official Community Plan Climate Change Policies Workshop Fire Hall
- Sunday July 24** Triathlon
- Monday August 1, 11 am** SILT Annual General Meeting Fire Hall
- Saturday August 6, 11am - 9 pm** Savarystock Red House
- Thursday August 11, 7 pm** Bat Education Evening Fire Hall

Peek at the Savarystock Auction

Artwork by: Dianne Cacchioni, Audrey and Bud Doray, Megan Dulcie-Dill, Barbara Langmaid, Jim Sclater, Harry & Linda Stanbridge and more. Weekend in Whistler O'Neill Hotels & Resorts, Whistler Tickets for 2 Rocky Mountaineer, Recreational tours and much more!

Bat Education Evening

Join us for an evening about bats. The South Coast Bat Action Team will make a presentation at the Main Firehall followed by an outdoor activity to observe the bats. The Bat Action Team will be bringing a bat detector so the echolocation activity of the bats can be heard. This really enhances the bat watching!

Thursday August 11
Main Fire Hall 7pm

Savary Island Land Trust Annual General Meeting

Main Fire Hall
Monday
August 1, 2011
11:00 am

SAVARYSTOCK

SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday August 6 11am - 9pm

At The Red House:
1265 Vancouver Boulevard (& Julian Road)
Tickets: \$5 at the door
Free for kids under 10!

Bring your dancing shoes, and your cash and chequebooks - Proceeds help preserve Savary Island!

Don't miss the Auction at 2 pm!

Includes: Recreational tours
• Art by renowned local artists
• Health and Wellness Packages
• Gourmet Meals
and much more...

Come for a Music Festival and Auction in the Woods. Featuring:
Russell Beer & BC Wines, Live Music, Barbequed Food, and Kids Activities.

All proceeds go to the Savary Island Land Trust Society

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LAND TRUST NEWS

SUMMER 2011

Last chance to save the Dunes!



By Liz Webster

Savary Island Land Trust (SILT) was very disappointed to learn that the Court of Appeal dismissed the Nature Trust of BC appeal, reinstating the decision of the trial judge, Mr. Justice Rice. Mr. Justice Rice had ordered the partition of DL 1375 in accordance with **Map 1**. The Sahlin family applied for subdivision last fall based on the four-lot partition ordered by Judge Rice.

This news marks a loss for all Canadians, especially Savary Islanders. We had hoped that the partition would be rejected and a sale ordered so the whole parcel could be acquired and preserved. Thanks to many islanders who donated to support the Court Appeal – your contributions gave Savary the chance it deserved to protect this very special place.

Unlike the court decision for a four-lot partition, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) subdivision process, led by Provincial Approving Officer (PAO) Jeffrey Moore, must take into account both environmental factors and the public good. The rare dune ecology, old-growth forests, and public access are all at stake with this subdivision application.

MOTI has consulted several agencies, including the Powell River Regional District (PRRD) and the Ministry of Natural Resource Operations (MNRO), as part of the subdivision process. PRRD considered the application at meetings in February and March.

At the PRRD meeting on March 24, the Regional Board concurred with the recommendation of the Planning Committee to advise the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure that the Powell River Regional District did "... not support the court ordered partition subdivision of DL 1375 into 4 lots but ... would support a 2 lot subdivision which maintains the ecological integrity of the land and where each lot is as large as possible" (PRRD Minutes, March 24, 2011).

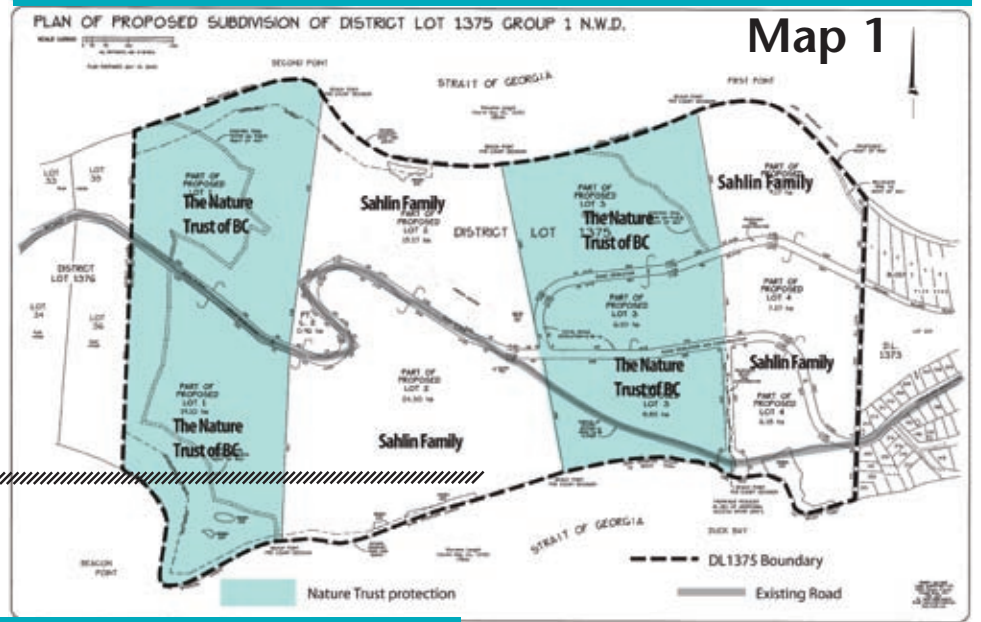
The MNRO and BC Parks also provided referrals on the subdivision application and recommended a two-lot diagonal division of the land approximately following the alignment of the old air strip, with the half southwest of the airstrip allocated to the Nature Trust of BC. The MNRO referral would protect the sensitive old-growth forest and sand dune ecosystems on the land.

SILT trustee Chris Harvey and I met with PAO Jeffrey Moore in April. He

Will access to the waterfront be cut off and existing trails closed?

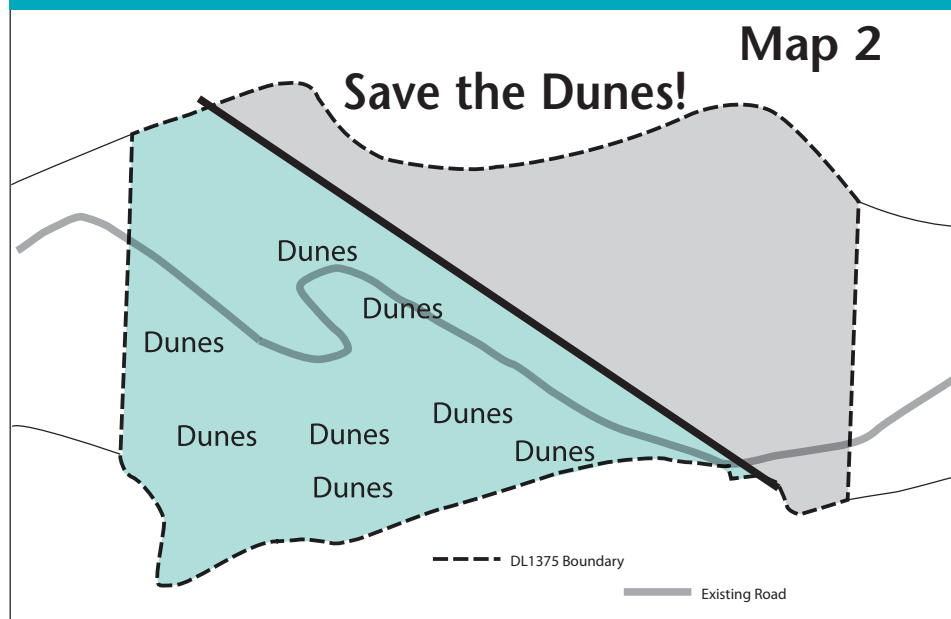
WE DON'T WANT THIS!

The partition approved by Judge Rice, formed the basis for the subdivision application. The resulting patchwork chops up the 10,000 year old rare dunes and threatens the Old Growth Cedar Forest in the north. The application proposes no access to the shoreline in the middle of the Island on the Spirit Tree Trail, Hanging Tree Trail, Dune Ridge Trail, and Beacon Point Trail.



NO DEVELOPMENT IN THE DUNES!

The Ministry of Natural Resources Operations, BC Parks and SILT agree that a diagonal division of the land with the SW portion going to the Nature Trust of BC would best protect the rare natural systems here. The Provincial Approving Officer will require a Qualified Professional to study the entire parcel and make recommendations for the protection of the rare and sensitive systems found here. Please contact the representatives below to help save the dunes.



told us that the subdivision proponents would have to develop a "recovery strategy" for *Camissonia contorta*, a "species at risk" growing on the parcel. This tiny yellow flower on BC's endangered species list is represented by only nine populations in Canada, two of which are on Savary. In addition, the developers will have to follow the provincial Develop with Care Guidelines to evaluate the entire property. In this process, a "qualified professional" (QP) will have to be retained and paid for by the development proponents to evaluate the parcel over four seasons. The report the QP prepares according to the Guidelines would indicate what kinds of land uses and covenants would be appropriate where on the parcel. Based on the results of the evaluation, some areas could be subject to restrictive covenants. The PAO said that he would like to see the MNRO take the lead, and hold covenants on the land in this parcel. This would in turn influence the type of subdivision the proponents may want to pursue, possibly motivating them to submit alternate plans. The application could also return to Judge Rice at some point, since the principle of equality of value between the Sahlins and the Nature Trust which underlay Judge Rice's partition decision would

probably be undermined by the covenants and conditions imposed by the PAO.

In hindsight, MOTI now realizes that it should have got involved in this case at an earlier stage. In any further applications before Judge Rice, MOTI will likely be separately represented, enabling better dialogue between the PAO and the judge.

Judicial review of the PAO's decision is another possibility. The PAO is taking advice from his lawyer in the Ministry of Attorney General as he goes along. He views this as the most complex subdivision application MOTI has ever faced.

TRAIL NETWORKS

An extensive trail and access network exists on DL 1375. SILT believes that the proposed application does not provide adequate or appropriate public access to the shoreline. The proponents have asked that the road be moved away from Duck Bay and that a parking lot and right of way be established across the road.

SILT believes that this and other proposed roads will create unnecessary disturbance. A new right of way proposed in the application threatens the old-growth cedar forest on the

north side of the property. In addition, a single enlarged access – currently a trail – at Duck Bay would be built on top of patches of Red- and Blue-listed plant species. The application provides no access to the shoreline in the middle of the Island on the Spirit Tree Trail, Hanging Tree Trail, Dune Ridge Trail, or Beacon Point Trail. Instead, the proposal suggests that there is a trail to Beacon Point along a skid road, over fifty years old, that is actually fully forested. Rendering this "trail" usable would require cutting and uprooting many trees on the relic dunes. The proposal also suggests rerouting existing access to First Point. SILT has recommended that no further roads be built and that trail access be kept to low-impact narrow footpaths restricted to existing trails and protected by covenants and rights of way.

Mr. Moore told us that this is the most complex and difficult subdivision in the province. He said that informing political representatives and Ministers of DL 1375 and its need for protection would be useful now, particularly since a provincial election is likely before any final resolution.

Notably, DL 1375 remains in the PRRD Parks & Greenspace Plan and on the BC Parks acquisition list.

HELP TO SAVE THE SAVARY DUNES!

Send your comments and concerns to:

Premier Christy Clark
christy@christyclark.ca

MOTI Subdivision Approving Officer:
jeffrey.moore@gov.bc.ca

Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, The Honourable Blair Leckstrom: Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca

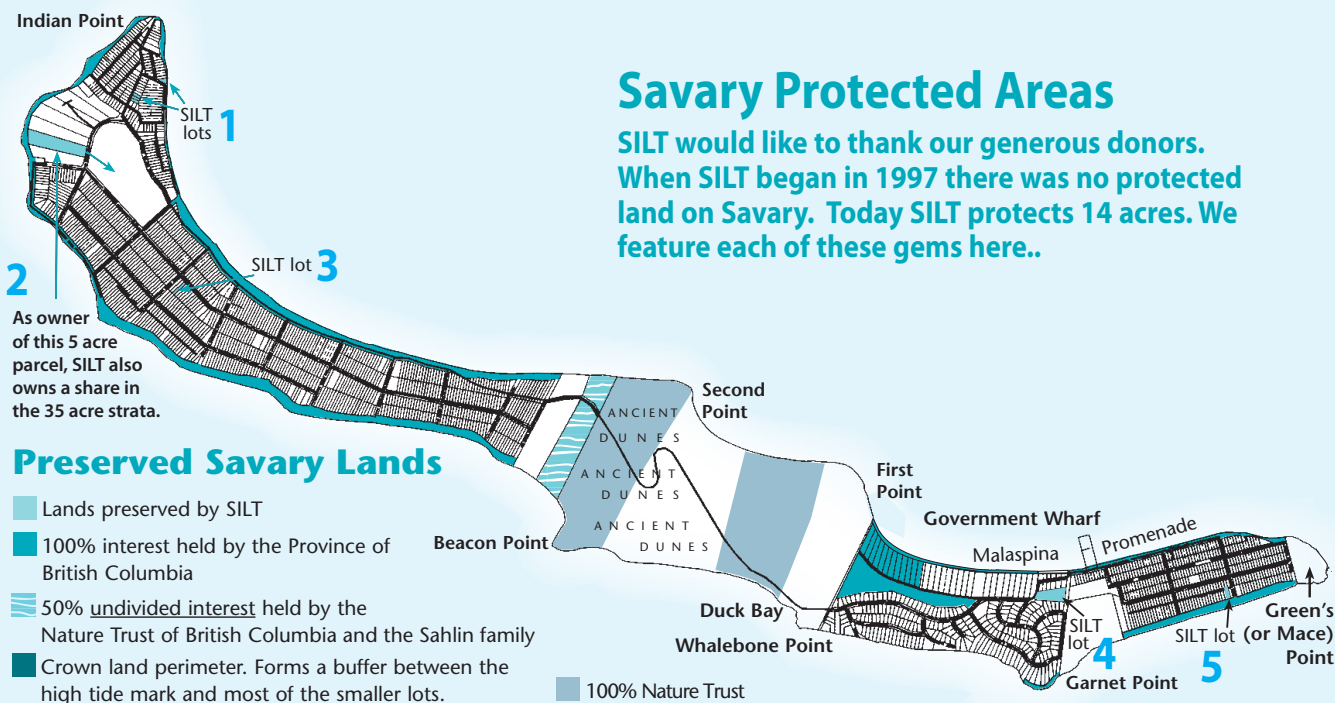
Minister of Environment, The Honourable Terry Lake: env.minister@gov.bc.ca

Powell River and Sunshine Coast MLA
Nicholas Simons: nicholas.simons.mla@leg.bc.ca

In addition, you can find your MLA's contact information at:
<http://www.leg.bc.ca/mla/3-1-1.htm>

Savary Protected Areas

SILT would like to thank our generous donors. When SILT began in 1997 there was no protected land on Savary. Today SILT protects 14 acres. We feature each of these gems here..



Preserved Savary Lands

- Lands preserved by SILT
- 100% interest held by the Province of British Columbia
- 50% undivided interest held by the Nature Trust of British Columbia and the Sahlin family
- Crown land perimeter. Forms a buffer between the high tide mark and most of the smaller lots.
- 100% Nature Trust

Savary's Unique District Lot 1375:

Owners Past and Present by E.C. Landale, Savary Island Heritage Society

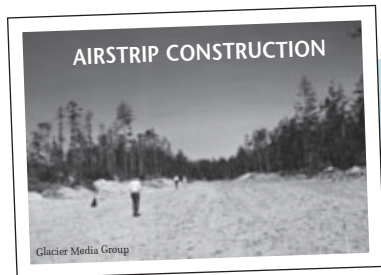
In early July 1891, ninety-nine years after Captain George Vancouver sailed past and named Savary Island, Comox pioneer and government surveyor George Fawcett Drabble landed on Savary at the request of John Green, who had settled at Green's Point a few years previously. Drabble's survey divided Savary into five district lots, D.L. 1375 being the middle one.

By the end of 1892, John Green was the owner of three of Savary's five district lots, including D.L. 1375. He had established a trading post at the east end of Savary during the late 1880s and employed people clearing trees and building fences that would contain his livestock which included a herd of sheep. Green was murdered in October 1893 but it was not until the summer of 1909 that the administrator of his estate sold the Savary properties. Also in 1909, Harry Leroy Jenkins, a self-described timber merchant, purchased all the District Lots on Savary including D.L. 1375, making himself the sole owner of the whole of Savary Island. Within a year, Jenkins had arranged the subdivision of three of Savary's five district lots into small-sized lots, but D.L. 1375 and its eastern neighbour, D.L. 1373, were left unsubdivided.

Around 1917, Jenkins transferred D.L. 1375 to Katharine Ashworth, the wife of George Johnston Ashworth. George Ashworth has been credited with providing the impetus for Jenkins'

subdivisions, but George Ashworth's name does not appear on the documents and the Ashworth's Savary properties were typically recorded in Katharine's name. Around 1922, the Ashworths started to subdivide D.L. 1373, the district lot east of D.L. 1375, but Katherine Ashworth retained ownership of D.L. 1375 until early in 1923 when the property was transferred to the Vancouver Reliance Company. After Jenkins died in 1921, the Vancouver Reliance Company acted for the Jenkins estate and was engaged with the Ashworths for many years in complicated and protracted dealings, mostly pertaining to the Ashworth's Royal Savary Hotel.

In December 1948, Harry Keefer arranged the sale of D.L. 1375 from the Vancouver Reliance Company to a group of four Powell River people



The Airstrip was built by Georgia Pacific in 1962 and became a big attraction for recreational and commercial flyers. Several crashes took place over the years and up to 17 flights a day were recorded in 1996. Finally after a vehicle accident on the airstrip resulted in the tragic death of a man, the closure of the airstrip was announced by David Syre.

- Roderick Falconer, Mrs. Wilfred Woodward, 'Batt' MacIntyre and Roy Harper. Roderick Falconer had come to Savary as a boy because his family had a house just west of the wharf. His father, Joe Falconer, was, for a time, the resident manager of the Powell River mill. Mrs. Woodward was the wife of a long-time Powell River resident who had arrived with his parents as an infant in 1911, around the time the Powell River mill was started. 'Batt' MacIntyre was, from 1949 to 1952, the Conservative MLA for the area that included Powell River and was the owner of the Rodmay Hotel, for

many years Powell River's only hotel. Roy Harper worked as a bartender at the Rodmay. Within a year, Roderick Falconer sold his share to the others in the group who themselves held D.L. 1375 until January 1952 when they sold at a tenfold profit to Eureka Sawmills of Vancouver.

During the 1950s there was some logging activity in D.L. 1375 carried out by Vanwest Logging and perhaps other companies and that also involved Puget Sound Pulp and Paper, which was acquired about that time by Georgia Pacific. Eureka Sawmills continued to own D.L. 1375 until the company went into voluntary liquidation in 1971, at which time D.L. 1375 was acquired by Victoria-based Warm Beach Investments which held the property until 1981 when it was bought by David Syre and Roger Sahlin who who used the address of the Trillium Corporation of Bellingham,

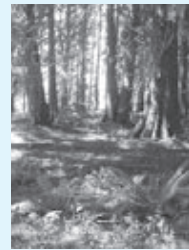
WA. Each shared an undivided half-interest in D.L. 1375. During the 1990s, Roger Sahlin transferred part of his share of D.L. 1375 to other Sahlin family members and there were two unsuccessful attempts to divide D.L. 1375 into smaller lots. In March 2002, a couple of years after the second attempt had lap sed, David Syre transferred his half interest in D.L. 1375 to the Nature Trust of BC.

Today, one hundred and twenty years after Savary's five district lots were created, D.L. 1375 is unique among the five, being the only one that remains unsubdivided and without houses.

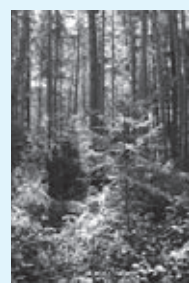
1 6 Lots at Indian Point: 5 of these lots are located at the entrance to Indian Point, and provide a forest habitat for deer, a variety of birds, fire scarred veteran Douglas Fir trees, Shore Pine, Western Red Cedar, Western Hemlock, Western Coral Root, Dwarf Roses and many other plants and animals. The 6th lot is on the water and adjacent to the Sands Right of Way beach path. A Salal and lodgepole pine forest, along with veteran Douglas Fir and red huckleberry cover this land with red fescue and gumweed at the beach edge.



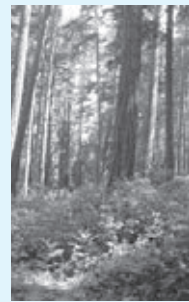
2 Sunset Trail: This beautiful waterfront acreage has Western Red Cedar, Douglas Fir, Alder, Ferns and is part of the only wetland on Savary Island. As the owner of this parcel SILT owns a share of the 35 acre common land adjacent.



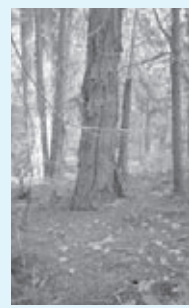
3 This land, donated by the Gouin Family, represents one of the ecosystems at risk: Douglas-fir / salal and has one of the largest grand fir on the island.



4 The MacDougall Forest protects two Ecosystems at Risk within the most threatened Biogeoclimatic zone in British Columbia. The land provides an important link between the sensitive ecosystems at Green's Point and the sensitive dune ecosystems on DL 1375.



5 The Helen R. McDonald and J. Douglas Hannay Reserve, near the highest point of the Island above South Beach, is in the trough of a dune. A veteran Douglas Fir is protected here in a dry and often dark dune swale.



SILT Q&A

What is a Land Trust?

Land trusts are non-profit charitable organizations that serve to protect natural and cultural heritage. Land trusts operate to protect areas critical to the health and survival of threatened animals, plants and ecosystems. In the last ten years, 40 land trusts have been established in B.C.

What is the Savary Island Land Trust (SILT)?

The Savary Island Land Trust (SILT) was established to preserve and protect natural areas and biological diversity on Savary Island for present and future generations. SILT was incorporated as a society in October, 1997 and received registered charity status with Revenue Canada in June, 1998. Today SILT has over 330 members.

What are the goals of SILT?

- To acquire land on Savary Island, in order to preserve it for future generations.
- To promote the establishment of wilderness and other natural habitat preserves.
- To encourage, sponsor, teach and support research concerning the environment of Savary Island.
- To raise money and acquire funds and other assistance to achieve the foregoing purposes.

How much property does SILT hold?

Since the first acquisition in 1999, the Trust has received and preserved ten donations of land on Savary. Six lots are at Indian Point and one lot is in the middle of the Island. In 2001 a ten-acre parcel on Sunset Trail was gifted to SILT. One lot near the highest point of the Island in the Green's Point area was donated to SILT and dedicated as the Helen R. McDonald and J. Douglas Hannay Nature Reserve. In 2009 the MacDougall family donated a 2.5 acre parcel of mature forest near the wharf. This parcel protects two ecosystems at risk and is now known as the MacDougall Forest.

What are the tax benefits to SILT donors?

Canadian donors to SILT receive a tax receipt for their contributions; this can be used to offset income tax the donor owes. On May 2, 2006 the Federal government improved the benefits for donors. Gifts of ecologically sensitive land made under the Ecological Gifts Program and donations of publicly listed securities are exempt from capital gains.

How does SILT help to reduce density?

SILT helps to reduce density by acquiring land for preservation, supporting the protection of land by other agencies and providing grants through the Gouin Family Lot Consolidation Fund.

Can American citizens receive US tax benefits from donations to SILT?

Yes, American donations of \$1000 or more will be provided with a U.S. 501(c)(3) charity acknowledgment receipt that can be used for U.S. income tax purposes. Americans or individuals with U.S.-sourced income can use this unique service by making a donation to the Tides Canada Exchange Fund at Tides Foundation. Contact Tides Canada (rachel.rococo@tidescanada.org) to receive a donation form to contribute to the SILTS Tides Canada Exchange Fund at Tides Foundation in the U.S. by cheque or securities. American donations of land now have added benefits for donors. Tax relief and no capital gains. Read more about the International Program to accelerate land conservation in Canada

How do donations to SILT help to preserve sensitive ecosystems on Savary Island?

Many of Savary's ecosystems are globally significant yet at present without protection. SILT helps to preserve sensitive ecosystems through land acquisitions, government and agency liaison and public education. Donations to SILT help to cover land acquisition and management, insurance, educational activities and legal fees.

Does SILT ever resell the land it acquires?

In keeping with the SILT constitution, lands

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acquired by donation or purchased specifically upon request by a donor who gives cash for that purpose may not be sold.

What would happen to SILT properties if SILT ceased to exist?

The SILT constitution states that in such an event, the properties must be transferred to another charitable organization with similar goals. This is a condition of being issued charitable status.

SILT trustee retires from the Board after 14 years of service

Norma Flawith was one of the founding Trustees of SILT in 1997 and has always been keen to lend a hand, offer encouragement and take on responsibilities for the organization. Norma first came to Savary in 1965 when her family decided to buy some lots on the Island. They didn't return again until 1971 when they came with a tent and four young children. They stayed for a week and the weather was absolutely perfect the entire time. Norma fell in love with the Island then and the family spent many more summers enjoying the beaches and trails of Savary. Norma says she feels the same way about Savary today and she can't get over how fortunate she is to be able to live here full time. Norma is an avid collector of photographs of Savary wildflowers and has amassed a beautiful collection of these for posterity.

Norma took on Membership development for SILT in the beginning years and later served as the SILT board member on the Gouin Lot Consolidation Committee. Norma is a pioneer in many ways and her contributions to SILT and the Savary community are numerous. Her continued good cheer, enthusiasm and common sense have served SILT very well. The board and the membership are very thankful for her leadership and dedication over the last 14 years.



Norma and Zoie visiting the Old Growth Cedars.

Land Trust Receives gift for the acquisition of Indian Point lot

By Liz Webster

SILT is pleased to announce that it has been gifted a designated donation for the acquisition of another Indian Point Lot. The Lot is beside 4 others that have been donated since 1999, making a 5 lot parcel of protected greenspace for Savary. Thanks go to Christopher Harvey for making the donation and showing incredible leadership in gifting this and 5 other parcels at Indian Point. One of the

adjoining parcels was donated in 2004 when Indian Point neighbours the Johnsons, the Oberdorfs and the Harveys combined resources to purchase lot 8. These donations among others received by SILT demonstrate how this kind of vision, leadership and generosity can contribute to undoing the legacy of the 50 foot lot over subdivision of Savary. Our gratitude goes to all donors contributing to the future of the Island.

Since 1997 the Savary Island Land Trust has been gifted land and funds designated for land purchases on Savary. Today SILT holds 10 pieces of land on Savary, now over 14 acres, these lands will be preserved in perpetuity, thanks to the generous donations of Islanders. Donations of cash or land are entitled to receive a charitable tax receipt for the full amount and that can be written off over 5 years to offset 75% of annual income.



arbutus



western white pine



contorted-pod evening-primrose

Good News for Americans donating land in Canada

By Liz Webster

SILT recently learned that there is good news for Americans donating land in Canada. In October, the American Friends of Canadian Land Trusts (AFoCLT) and the Federal Minister of Finance, Jim Flaherty, jointly announced a new environmental initiative that opens the door to enhanced protection of countless outstanding natural areas across Canada.

Until now, Canadian land trusts

faced a major barrier in protecting many unique and significant natural areas across Canada owned by American citizens. Because these lands are owned by Americans, an income tax barrier existed which discouraged protection by the owner.

Americans who wished to protect land in Canada either received no income tax benefit at all, or were required to pay often hefty Canadian capital gains tax on their conservation gift. In response, this new U.S.

charity (AFoCLT), was formed by land conservation leaders on both sides of the border to provide the legal mechanism and structure required to make 'crossborder' land conservation possible, but until recently, the tax barrier remained.

Through the leadership of Canada's Finance Minister, Jim Flaherty, changes made to the Income Tax Act regulations, have effectively removed the capital gains tax on cross-border gifts of land to the AFoCLT.

Power to the People?

By Liz Webster

The Association of the Savary Island Committee (ASIC) invited BC Hydro to undertake a Community Electricity Plan/Profile for Savary Island. ASIC/BC Hydro meetings were attended by thirty people in Vancouver in March and forty people on Savary in April. According to BC Hydro, the most promising supply options are: grid connection via submerged cable, solar with diesel, or wind with diesel. The projected costs of the distribution system are \$5 million for an overhead system or \$11 million for an underground system. These costs do not include environmental, archaeological, legal, and property costs, which could be significant. If a grid connection went ahead, home owners would be responsible for upgrading their house wiring to BC Safety Authority standards and for the connection costs from house to system. The cost of the distribution system would be borne by the community.

Islanders who attended the meetings expressed concern about water, cost, ecosystem fragility, transmission lines, light pollution, population growth, landscape disturbance, more consumptive uses of power, negative cultural impact, loss of rustic lifestyle and self-sufficiency, as well as the long-term development impacts of connecting Savary to the grid. Many commented that the Savary community has never been so united in their views as they have been in opposing grid power for Savary.

This is no surprise. After all, the preamble to the Official Community Plan (OCP), which took ten years to develop, states: "BC Hydro does not serve the Island and is generally not desired, as it may stimulate more year-round development." In 1997 when the OCP process began, Derek Pratt, the consultant conducting the work, informed the Powell River Regional District (PRRD) that Savary was "reaching critical development thresholds." Since that time, development on the Island has doubled.

The key values and concerns codified in the OCP were restated at the BC Hydro meetings in the spring: water conservation,

over subdivision, the protection of sensitive areas, and maintaining a rustic self-sufficient lifestyle.

The Savary Island Land Trust Society (SILT) board has proposed a motion to the Association of the Savary Island Committee (ASIC) for its AGM on Friday, July 8 at 11 am at the main Firehall. The SILT board feels that the installation of electric power on Savary Island from the provincial grid would threaten the delicate environment and beauty of the Island. Furthermore, Savary is already a model of solar energy use. SILT opposes any plan to connect the Island to the grid, and further suggests that a water study and carrying capacity study be initiated by the Powell River Regional District before contemplating a hydro connection.

SILT moves that a water study and carrying capacity study be initiated before any consideration of hydroelectric power for Savary Island.

For many years now, the Savary Island community has sought information about the water situation on the Island. All we really know is that we lack enough data to allow any conclusions to be reached. Despite the priority given to water in the OCP, the PRRD has not dedicated the resources needed to conduct the necessary research. Nor have the development thresholds of the Island been studied to determine its carrying capacity. The Carrying Capacity Network defines carrying capacity as "the number of individuals who can be supported in a given area within natural resource limits, and without degrading the natural social, cultural and economic environment for present and future generations." We don't know what the carrying capacity or the limits to growth are for Savary.

Much of SILT's work focuses on undoing the century-old legacy of over subdivision on Savary Island, by protecting areas that are not subdivided, acquiring lands and setting them aside as greenspace, and encouraging the amalgamation of lots. Nature has limits. SILT wants to find out what Savary's limits are before expanding the Island's development potential. Support the SILT motion at the ASIC meeting Friday July 8 at 11am at the main Firehall.

REDUCE YOUR TAXES

Do you own two or more adjacent lots?

Join your Savary lots and cut your taxes! Recent lot consolidations have reduced property taxes for some owners by 50%. There are over 1710 lots on 750 acres of Savary, an unsustainable situation that needs action!

When you amalgamate, you benefit and Savary benefits.

Grants are available to help cover the costs of amalgamation

If a least one of your lots is undeveloped, you are eligible for a \$500 grant from the Gouin Fund, if you convert them into one large lot!



Here's how it works...

If you convert more than two adjacent lots to one lot, you are eligible for \$250 more for each lot, provided that only one of the lots is developed.

2 lots to one lot \$500
3 lots to one lot \$750.
4 lots to one lot \$1,000.

Land Title fees to amalgamate the lots are \$100. Sometimes consolidations may involve surveying, bank or legal fees. In such cases you may be eligible for an extraordinary expense grant of up to \$1500 when you provide the receipts.



Grant application Forms and Lot Consolidation Forms are available at www.silts.ca
For more information call (604) 414-0073

This money is being offered to reduce the abnormal and unsustainably high number of small lots on Savary.

Invest IN THE PRESERVATION OF Savary

Help preserve natural areas and biological diversity for present and future generations.

PLEASE FILL OUT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name _____	Email _____
Address _____	City _____ Prov. _____
Postal Code _____	Tel. _____ Fax _____
Savary Address _____ Tel: _____	

DONATIONS

Yes, I would like to contribute to the preservation of land on Savary Island.

I am enclosing a cheque for my tax deductible donation of:

\$50 \$100 \$500

Other _____

MEMBERSHIP

Yes, I would like to become a member of the Savary Island Land Trust Society.

Annual dues Regular \$25
 Family \$40

SEND YOUR FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

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