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**Friday September 6, 2019 WEEKEND | News to Sept 8, 2019**

## Mann Cup 2019: Victoria Shamrocks vs Peterborough Lakers

by Mary P Brooke  
West Shore Voice News



Colwood Mayor Rob Martin placed the first ball of the first Mann Cup game on Friday night September 6 at The Q Centre in Colwood. The best-of-seven series continues September 7, 9, 10 and 11, and then games on September 13 and 14 as required.

● It was a hot packed arena at The Q Centre on Friday night, September 6 — the perfect loud, high-energy environment to support the Victoria Shamrocks home team to victory in Game 1 of the Mann Cup best-of-seven series against the Peterborough Lakers. Steadily producing goals over the three periods, the final 13-6 score as captured by the Shamrocks was a powerful first night of the series — pleasing to fans, sponsors, and team.

The evening featured two VIPs. Premier John Horgan opened the event and Colwood Mayor Rob Martin put down the first ball onto the floor to start the game as well as congratulating each team's best player at night's end. Peterborough Lakers player Corey Small is a former Victoria Shamrocks star. He was given a rousing cheer at the start of the game.

There were some memorable moments in the game, including one goal by the Shamrocks shooting the ball into an entirely undefended net. The energy of the night was consistently pumped for crowd and players. The 2,300-seat stadium was full to overflowing including standing-room spectators.

Premier Horgan is a west shore MLA and a huge lacrosse fan. He makes a point of attending as many Shamrocks games as he can. He says he likes the squeaking sound of runners on the arena's polished floor. It has an immediacy that adds energy to the game. He made a point of chatting casually with spectators during the two intermissions. It's clearly some downtime that he enjoys amidst sport fans including kids, teens, families, and elderly.

There were 53 shots on goal by the Shamrocks in Game 1, and 57 by the Lakers. The skill to hurl the ball down the arena and to catch it in a relatively small bit of loose netting is impressive to watch. It's a game of sheer physical power, visual accuracy, mustered-up endurance, and strategy fast in the moment.

Game 2 of the Mann Cup series on September 7 (a win for the Lakers, 12-10 -- see page 4) will be followed by Games 3, 4 and 5 on September 9, 10 & 11. If more than five games are required, the next dates are September 13 and 14.

For Game 1, the VIP box was well-attended by Langford Mayor Stew Young with Council and friends, Mayor Martin with supporters, and Shamrocks team owner Jim Hartshorne who gave a huge hurrah for the team upon their win.

The 2019 Mann Cup event is organized by the Western Lacrosse Association (WLA). Game announcer is Cliff LeQuesne. This year is the Victoria Shamrocks' 70th anniversary. WLA hosted a series celebration luncheon on September 5 at the Four Points by Sheraton hotel, with Langford Mayor Stew Young and Colwood Mayor Rob Martin in attendance to welcome both teams.

The Q Centre is owned by Westshore Parks & Recreation (which is owned by five west shore municipalities — Langford, Colwood, View Royal, Highlands and Metchosin). The arena bears plenty of evidence of the momentum of sports in the west shore community. Dozens of sign boards for local and regional businesses surround the perimeter as well as blazoning above concession stands and other booths. The Shamrocks souvenir booth had lineups. **WSV**



More at: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/shamrocks-capture-13-6-win-in-mann-cup-game-1/>

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## Body found at Glen Lake Sept 6



**UPDATES:**  
<https://westshorevoicenews.com/body-found-at-glen-lake-on-september-6/>

Glen Lake is a peaceful spot, tucked quietly away amidst the hustle and bustle of Langford's commercial and high-density residential areas.

● There is little official news so far regarding a person's body found at Glen Lake on Friday afternoon, September 6. The West Shore RCMP have yet to release any details such as gender, age, condition of the body, or any idea of circumstances. **[Update Sept 9: 29-year-old woman's body, no foul play suspected]**

West Shore RCMP were reportedly notified around 3:45 pm about the body. The BC Coroner was on site early by early evening to recover the body, having apparently been notified around 4:30 pm about the body being found.

As reported by CHEK TV news on their 6 pm newscast Friday, it has not been clarified yet as to whether the death occurred near the water or by drowning. For a few hours a large presence of RCMP officers could be seen but officers departed before 7 pm from the quiet residential neighbourhood where a popular local park and walkway is at the lake.

Still as of Sunday September 8, West Shore RCMP had not issued any sort of news advisory about the incident.

Glen Lake is one of three lakes within the City of Langford. It is a large body of water unseen from busy roadways that skirt widely around it (Sooke Road, Jacklin Road, Glen Lake Road, Jenkins Avenue). There is a trail system around the park. One section near Glen Lake Beach Park (with beach, picnic area, benches,



^^ Body removed by BC Coroner and West Shore RCMP from Glen Lake area on Friday September 6, 2019.

<< At least one entry point to the Glen Lake Trail warns of wetland conditions, and to stay on the trail.

playground and an area for dogs to run off-leash) had yellow caution tape across it on Saturday to deter access. Another part of the trail (with access off Springhill Road) bears a small permanent sign: "Danger - Wetlands - Stay on Trail"

There was another death at the lake earlier this year; local resident Josh Bennett had gone missing March 9 and his body was discovered April 1 at the lake, with the incident considered accidental. Apparently this current incident is also being called non-suspicious. **WSV**

## All-Candidates Forum: Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke

● **Wednesday, Sept 18**  
All residents of the Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke federal riding are invited by Pearson College to an all-candidates forum (in the Max Bell Centre, 650 Pearson College Drive, Metchosin). Doors 7 pm, debate 7:30 pm. **WSV**

## All-Candidates 'Listening Session'

● **Wednesday Sept 11**  
For Greater Victoria federal candidates. 5:30 to 7:30 pm, Victoria Conference Centre Panel discussion with community leaders discussing key priorities for the region. Candidates will each have two minutes at the end. Hosted by Victoria Chamber of Commerce. **WSV**

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**As a voter, you hold the power** by Mary P Brooke, Editor, West Shore Voice News

EDITORIAL

Whenever you step outside your door this federal (and Sooke local) election season you are a target for candidates and people who support them. Obvious venues are booths set up by candidates or their parties where you can easily be invited to pick up information or chat. And then there are all the other activities like fairs, sports events, art shows, car shows, and garage sales which serve as meet-and-greets. Ironically, the safest zone is the realm of candidate forums and all-candidates meetings, where you the voter are actually more in control of the process than you might think. And when candidates come door-knocking it's your choice whether to engage. Further exposure comes through social media and online advertising,

which might include polls about your voting preferences. As invasive as all this seems, remember that voting is a powerful civic right. Candidates would not be seeking so hard to find you, poll you, and convince you if you didn't hold the power in your pen at the ballot box. ■

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● **Sooke School District 62** this week reminded motorists that it's necessary to come to a full stop when a school bus has stopped to let children board or exit the bus. Cameras have been installed on 27 buses to help catch infractions by drivers; this week's visual-capture (of licence plate data, etc) was sent to West Shore RCMP. If fined, the required payment is \$368 for a first offence. **WSV**

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**NDP incumbent Randall Garrison (Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke) says younger voters still lean NDP**



<< **Randall Garrison, MP** with NDP candidate for Saanich-Gulf Islands Sabina Singh (left) and NDP candidate for Victoria, Laurel Collins at the Saanich Fair, September 2.

● **Younger voters are still looking to the NDP** for their federal voting choice, says Randall Garrison, MP. He's the incumbent NDP candidate for Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke

where he's held the riding since first elected in 2011 and re-elected in 2015. People who have careers and lives ahead of them are looking for leadership on job equity, green technology, and opportunities for affordable accommodation.

These are areas where NDP federal leader Jagmeet Singh has brought out policies in recent months, reminding Canadians that they are often the genesis of progressive policies. In the present political system that often means the government of the day picking up on their ideas, such as recently with the Liberals now discussing and promoting pharmacare.

Garrison continues door-knocking, as he has for weeks and months. The election date is set for Monday October 21 but all parties have had their candidates in campaign mode for months if not all year.

There is no official date for dropping the writ, but that is now projected to happen (officially starting the federal campaign) on Sunday September 15. In Canada, a federal campaign must be a minimum of 36 days and a maximum of 50 days.

Garrison sees in political science studies that there is "more volatility, more votes changing than there used to be". But he says he doesn't see much vote-shift on the doorstep. He feels people will probably vote as they did before, with perhaps some shift in the younger demographics. "Among previous donors, campaign workers, volunteers, and supporters there has only been a handful of movement. I just don't see a shift," he told *West Shore Voice News* this week.

"An incumbent riding is always more of a judgement on returning the person or not," says Garrison. Serving two times now as MP over eight years, he brings experience to the job. He says that knowing the ropes is especially important if there's going to be a minority government.

The general consensus among political pundits and commentators is that a minority government led by the Liberals under Trudeau is the likely outcome from the October 21 election. Under such dynamics, "smaller parties are more powerful, and also every MP", says Garrison.

A key issue for voters in Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke on this southwest side of Vancouver Island (including Colwood and Metchosin and Juan de Fuca up to Jordan River) include the environment. "I see my record as being an effective advocate for things that matter to people here. I have a long and strong and specific record on environmental issues, affordability, Pharmacare and housing. I have been constantly dogging the government to actually do things that would make a difference for families and seniors," says Garrison about his service as an NDP member of parliament.

He says he's the only federal candidate presently mentioning the challenges to the fishing industry. "We have to put more fish in the water, and support local fishing communities and the orcas. I haven't seen anybody else talking about that," Garrison said.

Garrison outlines that he has also worked on supporting initiatives that provide resources to the Canadian forces so they can defend sovereignty, helping to see that federal resources handle more frequent emergencies like forest fires, and in Canada playing a lead role on peacekeeping and nuclear disarmament. Garrison is specifically attentive to the needs of the DND base at Esquimalt, and himself traveled to Bali as part of Canada's peacekeeping there.

Garrison's campaign office is gearing up at 829 Admirals Road at Colville Road in Esquimalt near the naval base, with the official opening likely Saturday Sept 14.

Campaign spending limits for all candidates are finalized close to the election, based on the riding size and number of eligible voters. Garrison has kept office overhead low, gearing most resources to online and social media presence. That's where the NDP expect to reach the younger voters, seen as the growing edge of their base in addition to their stalwart of long-time supporters over the decades.

Vancouver Island has a particularly strong NDP grassroots organizational network doing the tried-and-true work of 'getting out the vote' through constant exposure between elections and working hard during campaigns to get people out to the polls on voting day. The NDP presently have five MPs on the island, out of seven. **WSV**

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● **Meet the District of Sooke municipal by-election candidates** at a four-hour meeting, 2 to 6 pm, on Sunday September 15 at Sooke Community Hall. Organized by Transition Sooke, it's an opportunity to chat with candidates one-on-one. Bring your questions, say organizers, to speak with your choices among 10 candidates. However, there is no debate format which means there is no opportunity to hear the public speaking and formal interaction skills of candidates among leadership peers. This takes place ahead of advance voting (which is on September 18 & 25 in Sooke council chambers). **WSV**

● **While not directly part of the District of Sooke by-election**, voters may wish to note that Sooke Mayor Maja Tait is slated to become the next one-year president of the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM), stepping up from 1st Vice-President (nominations closed July 31). The executive will be decided at the 2019 UBCM Convention in Vancouver September 23 to 27. With Sooke's mayor thereby potentially heading up the official interests of all municipalities in BC, it's all the more important for Sooke voters to consider their choice for filling the vacant councillor seat in the September 28 by-election. **WSV**

● **Sooke by-election candidate Kevin Pearson** this week was learning the ropes of the new Canada Labour Code in his top management day-job at Canada Post. He says that around Sooke he hears concerns about increased municipal expenditures that are pushing up property taxes to a level that may be unsustainable for some homeowners. Sooke still has a relatively modest commercial and industrial tax base to help carry the load. **WSV**

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● **Sooke by-election candidate Kenneth Robar** -- who was reported missing by some of his friends in August was -- around August 27, found to have travelled to Ontario and was expected to soon return. **WSV**

● **Sooke by-election candidate Christina Schlattner** is generating a profile for her campaign. She says she is passionate about local businesses and groups that make Sooke unique and create local employment. She also supports environmental initiatives, and showed up with Green Party supporters at Beach Art on September 8. **WSV**

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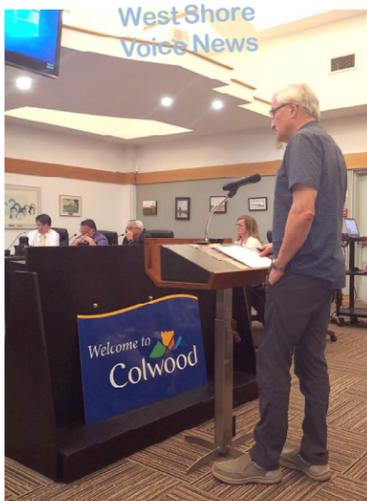
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● Colwood Mayor and Council heard at their September 3 Committee of the Whole, some details about the Royal Bay & Royal Beach technical studies.

Royal Beach is 130 acres located east of Metchosin Road. Royal Bay is at the oceanfront. Both areas are proposed for development by Seacliff Properties, with Jim Hartshorne at the lead. Hartshorne said that environmental consultant NEC Environmental Consultants is being relied upon as the experts for advice on sea level rise and shoreline erosion; waterfront land is owned by the federal government. Housing and commercial development would take place at the top of the bank. "No one is going to build housing that is dangerous," Hartshorne told the committee. The proposed housing density is 2,850 (up from 926).

Hartshorne was keen to hear from some councillors that an increase in commercial (non-residential) density might be considered in Rezoning Application RZ-19-008. Generally speaking, there is more revenue in leasing out commercial space and there is a stronger and/or higher level of tax revenue for a municipality from commercial properties. Suitable commercial properties for this area would include restaurants and small retail shops, but a study will be done to determine the market absorption for non-residential floorspace.

Traffic impact and parking studies will be done by the proponent, as well as on capacity of storm, sanitary and water infrastructure of lands adjacent to Latoria South including Royal Beach, Latoria Road corridor to Veterans



Developer Jim Hartshorne of Seacliff Properties addressed Colwood Committee of the Whole, September 3.

Memorial Parkway and Olympic View.

All reports will be considered in light of the proposed West Shore Ferry -- whether it comes to fruition or does not.

The public can presently access the beach front by the gravel pit. But Councillor Gordie Logan said he was "heartened" to hear that some of the oceanfront improvements would be happening "sooner than later". **WSV**

### Rugby Canada loses to USA team September 7, ahead of Men's World Cup in Japan

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● Canada's Rugby 15s Senior Men's team started off with an early 12-point lead in their match against USA at BC Stadium on Saturday night, September 7. But energy or focus seemed to slip away in the second half, leaving the game open for the USA team to produce a 20-15 win.

"The team has come a long way," said Rugby Canada head coach Kingsley Jones. "I'm really pleased with a lot of what we did if we look at the positives. We looked good with our strategy." But he added: "By the same token it's obviously not acceptable to lose," said Jones in an interview as reported by CBC Sports.

This was the final match for both teams prior to the Rugby World Cup, coming up in Japan. The tournament begins September 20 with Canada's first game on September 26 against Italy in Fukuoka, Japan (broadcast on TBC at 11:45 pm PT on September 25). There is another game for Canada -- vs New Zealand -- on Wednesday October 2 in Oita, Japan (broadcast on TBC at 2:15 am PT). **WSV**



Team Canada Jamie MacKenzie preps ball into play vs USA at BC Place Stadium in Vancouver, Saturday September 7. [Gerry Kahrmann - PNG]

### UBCM 2019: addressing rapid change in province

● The 2019 Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention theme is 'Resiliency and Change'. The convention runs September 23 to 27 at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Keynote speakers include Premier John Horgan, BC Liberal Leader Andrew Wilkinson, BC Green Leader Andrew Weaver, and former CBC TV news anchor Peter Mansbridge.

UBCM says that regardless of size and whether rural or urban, that BC communities are experiencing change at an unprecedented rate.

"From climate change to economic pressures, local governments are on the front lines managing the local impact of complex issues," says UBCM in their convention intro. They say local government leaders "are working to alleviate chronic social stresses, to respond to more frequent shocks, and to anticipate and adapt to changing social and economic trends".

UBCM says the magnitude of changes that BC faces extends beyond the capacity of any one group to address. "In an uncertain future, local leaders have a duty to learn from each other and from the past and to find new approaches to plan and thrive." **WSV**

### Colwood ramps up their Climate Emergency Response plans

Mary P Brooke  
West Shore Voice News

● Colwood Council will see a motion at its September 9 regular council meeting which proposes guiding principles for an initial Climate Emergency Response.

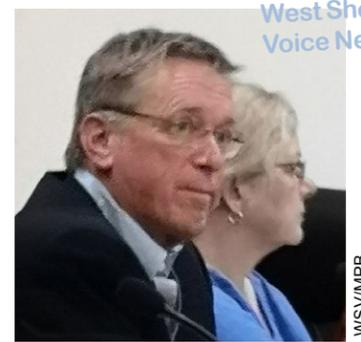
Thinking globally but aiming to act locally within Colwood in this regard, the motion as passed at Committee of the Whole on September 3 recommends 'low carbon resilience' while recognizing limited municipal resources.

To reduce emissions, mitigation measures should focus on actions with the lowest ratio of cost to greenhouse gas emissions reductions. Measures that have co-benefits in other areas should be prioritized.

Notably, actions are to be equitable in that they "should not disproportionately impact middle- and lower-income households, something that Councillor Michael Baxter noted as important during committee discussion.

Councillor Cynthia Day often speaks up about or supports the urgency of protecting natural conditions and wildlife in Colwood.

The only Councillor voting against the motion was Doug Kobayashi, who stated concerns about the costs to assigning staff to fulfilling more details of this report, and reiterated his



Colwood Councillors Michael Baxter and Cynthia Day at the September 3 Colwood Committee of the Whole meeting.

concerns that any further costs to take specific Climate Emergency responses are still unknown.

Mayor Rob Martin brought up the subject of the BC Energy Step Code, saying that builders are concerned about increased construction costs in that regard.

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**District of Sooke Council Meeting.** Mon Sept 9. 7 pm. [www.sooke.ca](http://www.sooke.ca)

**City of Colwood Council Meeting.** Mon Sept 9. 7 pm. [www.colwood.ca](http://www.colwood.ca)

**City of Langford, Administration and Finance Committee.** Tues Sept 10. 4:45 pm. [www.langford.ca](http://www.langford.ca)

**All Candidates Session.** Wed Sept 11. Presentations on election issues by Victoria Chamber of Commerce, followed by 2 minutes for each invited candidate. 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Victoria Conference Centre.

**Pacific FC vs York9 FC.** Wed Sept 11. Westhills Stadium. 7 pm. [www.pacificfc.ca](http://www.pacificfc.ca)

**WorkBC First Responders Job Fair.** Thurs Sept 12. 1 to 4 pm. Colwood Pacific Activity Centre.

**Randall Garrison campaign office official opening** (incumbent Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke). Sat Sept 14. 829 Admirals Rd, Esquimalt.

**'Meet the candidates' for Sooke municipal by-election.** Sun Sept 15. 2 to 6 pm. At Sooke Community Hall, by Transition Sooke.

**Sooke Harbour Toastmasters Club.** Tues Sept 17. 6:45 to 8:30 pm. 6754 Ayre Rd, Sooke.

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**District of Sooke ADVANCE VOTING.** Wed Sept 18. Municipal by-election. 8 am to 8 pm. Sooke Council Chambers, municipal hall. [www.sooke.ca](http://www.sooke.ca)

**All Candidates Forum: Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke.** Wed Sept 18. Residents of the Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke federal riding are invited by Pearson College to an all-candidates forum at the Max Bell Centre, 650 Pearson College Drive, Metchosin. 7 pm. [www.pearsoncollege.ca](http://www.pearsoncollege.ca)

**SD62 Public Board Meeting.** Tues Sept 24. 7 pm. First board meeting of the 2019-2020 academic year. [www.sd62.bc.ca](http://www.sd62.bc.ca)

**District of Sooke ADVANCE VOTING.** Wed Sept 25. Municipal by-election. 8 am to 8 pm. Sooke Council Chambers, municipal hall. [www.sooke.ca](http://www.sooke.ca)

**District of Sooke Local By-Election.** Sat Sept 28. 8 am to 8 pm. EMCS, 6218 Sooke Rd. [www.sooke.ca](http://www.sooke.ca)

**Sheringham Point Lighthouse Preservation Society AGM.** Sun Sept 29. 2 to 4 pm. Location tba. [www.sheringhamlighthouse.org](http://www.sheringhamlighthouse.org)

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## Mann Cup best-of-seven continues into week of September 9

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Fans sporting their green shiny and sparkly Victoria Shamrocks hats, Game 1 on September 6 at The Q Centre.

● **Game 2 on Saturday September 7** produced a 1-1 tie for the Victoria Shamrocks and Peterborough Lakers in the best-of-seven 2019 Mann Cup lacrosse series. The Lakers won 12-10 in overtime.

Links from the series so far:

> <https://westshorevoicenews.com/mann-cup-game-2-produces-1-1-tie-for-shamrocks-lakers/> | > <https://westshorevoicenews.com/shamrocks-capture-13-6-win-in-mann-cup-game-1/> | > <https://westshorevoicenews.com/mann-cup-trophy-celebrated-ahead-of-sept-6-14-tournament/>

Tickets for Game 5 of the 2019 Mann Cup went on sale 9 am on Sunday morning September 8. Seats are still available for Game 3 (September 9) & Game 4 (September 10). [www.victoriashamrocks.com](http://www.victoriashamrocks.com) **WSV**

## Pacific FC tied 1-1 against Forge FC in September 4 home game at Westhills Stadium

by Mary P Brooke  
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● **The September 4 match** at Westhills Stadium between home team Pacific FC and visiting team Forge FC from Hamilton was a steady-action 90-minute game, with a final 1-1 score.

Once again Pacific FC forward Terran Campbell (#14) showed his ability to respond quickly to a fresh chance, bringing in the game's only goal for PFC that evening at 78 minutes (assist Blake Smith, #4). Goalkeeper Mark Village made some good saves. PFC forward Victor Blasco played an active game.

Getting a bit of a nickname as 'the hulk' on the PFC team due to his full build and power on the field, we asked Campbell about his ability to find ways to create chances and score goals: What's your secret, Terran? Using a technique developed in sport, he visualizes his goals ahead of time. And he creates his chances by "being at the right place at the right time, and hard work," said Campbell. He has scored 10 goals with Pacific FC so far this year.

Pacific FC Coach Michael Silberbauer said he gave his team the usual pre-game pep talk. "The game is a chance to show character, and be on the right path... the same focus that brought us here," said Silberbauer. He commended Campbell, Blasco and Ben Fisk for performance in this game.

"Campbell is getting into good positions. The goal was amazing. That's very hard to do," said Silberbauer. "He got up there and was able to still get power in the header. Very nicely done," coach Silberbauer said. And about



After the September 4 game: visiting team player to the Pacific FC David Norman (left) and Pacific FC striker Terran Campbell.

David Norman (#24) playing his first game with PFC: "He came in looking really good."

"My focus is on these next eight games with Pacific," said David Norman, before he heads on trade from Vancouver to Florida. "If we can string some more results together we can achieve things." What brought him to Pacific FC in Langford? He had talks with the PFC coaches, CEO Rob Friend and President Josh Simpson "to bring in another option".

For Forge, Monti Mohsen (#31) scored the goal (assist by Kwame Awuah #6). There were chances on both sides, especially in the second half, said Forge FC Coach Bobby Smyrniotis. "It was exciting for the crowd and a little bit nerve-wracking for both coaches," he said, but was pleased with his team's performance especially with many players dealing with a stomach flu picked up in Honduras. "In that 10 seconds, a good striker's going to find his way to get there," the Forge coach said about Campbell's goal into the Forge net. **WSV**

## Beautiful fall weather for Beach Art 2019

From notes by Chelsea Kirkpatrick, for West Shore Voice News

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**Beach Art 2019 on Sunday September 8 at Whiffin Spit. Sooke Arts Council organizers** (from left): Linda Gordon, Tania Darling, Cathy Hammond, Margaret Bloom.

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● **On Sunday September 8** the beach at Whiffin Spit was at first a bit overcast and slightly windy with a temperature of 14°C but warmed up as the sun came out -- all in good support of Beach Art 2019. Organized by the Sooke Arts Council, this year's Beach Art to make 3D creations from findings on the beach, attracted nine groups. A free event, teens and families gathered drift wood, rocks, shells, seaweed, rope, plastic bags, and many other items that had washed up on or had been left on the spit. There was live folk music by Bob Menzies and ice cream by Jordan River Ice Cream. **WSV**

## \$10 million in federal funding to protect wetlands and migratory birds

<https://westshorevoicenews.com/federal-funding-for-protecting-wetlands-and-migratory-birds/>

● **"Canadians know** that protecting our nature and the wildlife that depend on it is essential to our environment, economy, and health," it was stated in a release from Environment and Climate Change Canada on September 6 as part of announcing \$10 million over two years to support the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, which helps protect wetlands and migratory birds, including species at risk.

The Government of Canada is working to double the amount of protected nature in Canada's lands and oceans, said Minister of Environment and Climate Change Catherine McKenna in the release.

The funding will enable partners to implement projects that will secure and restore at least 10,000 hectares of wetlands. These areas include habitats that are of the highest value for migratory birds. This approved funding is part of the Government's sustained commitment to invest up to \$20 million over four years in North American Waterfowl Management Plan projects.

Globally, Canada has 20% of freshwater resources, 24% of wetlands, 25% of temperate rainforest areas, and 33% of remaining boreal forests. **WSV**

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