

PRIME TIMERS NANAIMO

- For Mature Gay and Bisexual Men, and Their Male Admirers -

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REGULAR EVENTS

NANAIMO COFFEE TIME –



Every Wednesday at 9:30am – coffee with friends at McDonald's on Rutherford. Come out for breakfast and/or coffee - plus our really good humour.

PUB NIGHT – Members and



Friends, we meet every Monday at 5:00pm at The Well(ington Hotel) on Victoria Ave. Join us for cold beer, good food and laughs!

LADYSMITH COFFEE HOUR



FOR AUGUST ONLY

How about breakfast on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month on a floating restaurant? Oyster Bay Cafe in Ladysmith. Take Transfer Beach Blvd., halfway down turn left at gravel road, past the Art Gallery, turn right (down to the Marina), park and walk to the floating jetty. Breakfast up to 10:00am.

BOARD MEETINGS

The next Board meeting will be on Thursday, August 16th at 1:00pm. Minutes of these meetings appear at the end of each newsletter.

DEADLINES

- * Submissions – August 27th
 - * Publishing date – August 29th
- Email your submissions to [Doug Macintyre](mailto:douglasmacintyre@hotmail.com)



Vancouver's Pride Parade is on Sun., August 5th starting at 12:00pm. Vancouver invites the world to come see, come participate, come cheer. Details for the parade route go to www.vancouverpride.ca Join the thousands of people enjoying this multifaceted festival.



Comox's Queer Culture's big day is Saturday, August 25th at Simms Park (see [Facebook](#) for details). At 10:30am enter their Fruit Float, down the Courtney River from the Hatchery to Simms Park. At 11:00am is the White Party Brunch at 40 Knots Estate Winery. And between 1:00pm and 4:00pm is the Drag Relay Races. What fun!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

[To give focus to our President we're inserting it here rather than further down. Ed]

Island Pride

Our delegation to the North Island Pride events (Campbell River and north) was well received. We made a number of contacts which hold promise for future collaboration.

Special thanks to Mike W. for hosting an "after party" for those who attended. The change to sit and relax before the drive home was much appreciated.

As I write this report, Port Alberni's Pride and Courtney's Comox Valley Pride have yet to happen – but may be over by the time you read it. We're hoping to develop addition connections with both. If you go to these events, please let a Director know if you develop any interesting leads.

Email Voting

We now have a draft of a document which could be the foundation for email voting by Members on the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws. Bob H. and I will be meeting to hammer out details. All members are welcome to comment and join in the debate. Contact Bob H. or myself.

We need our governing documents and we need a meaningful process whereby the membership can approve them. Bob H. has undertaken a process to provide a draft constitution and bylaws. Email voting promises to be a means of securing meaningful approval. It should be possible to provide the details on this draft document before the next newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,

Wiley Fargen

President

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



May we wish our birthday boy

Greg L. on Aug. 12

a very happy birthday (Yeah!)

[Would you like to see your special day acknowledged in our newsletter? We cannot publish

such data without your consent. So if you are agreeable please let us know by email at info@primetimersnanaimo.org.]

SALT SPRING PRIDE



On Thursday, September 6th Salt Spring Island Pride commences with a Drag/Alter Ego Karaoke Night. On Friday the 7th there is "Coming In, Coming Out – an introspective Pride evening". On Saturday the 8th is Salt Spring Pride Dance.

CRUISING WITH PT NANAIMO

A chance encounter led us to thinking of organizing a cruise for our members (on a ship, of course). We were advised that getting a group together requires a longer lead time. So, a few early details:-

"When" = September 2019

"Where" = Hawaii

"How Much" will come later

"The Cruise Line" = Royal Caribbean

"From Where" = Vancouver

"How Long Does It Take" = 10 days, 5 at sea and 5 cruising around these magical isles

"The Return Trip" = by air

The bulk of the cost (the cruise including meals) will be in Canadian dollars, for those who might like to know. On-board charges (drinks and purchases) will be in US dollars.

So far, two couples are interested. We'll keep you informed as more information becomes available.

PT NORTH CAROLINA

PT North Carolina is holding a PRIME event from October 25-28, 2018. They have 21 chapters registered so far. Not bad. If any of our members are interested in attending please let Doug know douglasmacintyre@hotmail.com and he can send you the brochure. On Friday there is a tour of the Myrtle Beach area. Saturday starts with breakfast followed by speakers and break-out sessions, ending with a big banquet in the evening. On Sunday there is a breakfast before going home. The room rates seem very reasonable.

*My sweetie was standing in the nude in front of the bedroom mirror. He was not happy with what he saw.
He said to me,
"I feel horrible. I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment."
I replied, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect."
And then the fight started.....*

LIVE THEATRE AROUND THE AREA

CHEMAINUS THEATRE

9737 Chemainus Road, Chemainus .

“The Little Prince” – Inspiring us to explore the world through the eyes of our own inner child, this cherished classic reminds us that personal growth requires active exploration of the world around us.

(July 14 - Aug 5 at 11:00am or 2:00pm)

“Grease” – Dust off your leather jacket, pull on your bobby-socks, and bop back in time as Danny and Sandy fall in love. This fun Broadway musical features all the comedy, drama, and unforgettable songs that has made it one of the most popular musicals in the world.

(June 8 – Sept 1 at 2:00pm or 7:30pm/8:00pm)

“I love everybody – and you’re next.”

[Thanks, Mike, for this pearl. Ed]

SPECIAL SCREENINGS AT THE GALAXY

Aug 8th (Wed) - “André Rieu’s 2018 Maastricht Concert, My Tribute To Love”

Aug 16th (Thurs) - “Elvis ‘68 Comeback Special”

Aug 18th (Sat) “Royal Ballet – Swan Lake”

[Note: Avalon Cinema (Landmark) does not list upcoming showings. Ed]

OUR IN-HOUSE FILM SCREENINGS

[To be continued in the fall. Ed]

HOLIDAY (CHRISTMAS) PARTY

Did you mark your calendars for our Christmas Party? The meeting room at the ABC Restaurant has been booked for Sunday, Dec. 9th at 5:00pm. Please mark your calendars with a “shooting star” as a reminder.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

[This item is repeated for your consideration. Ed]
It has been suggested that those nearing – or at old age – should take a test for Alzheimer's. Sounds like an odd suggestion, doesn't it? The thinking is that Alzheimer's might be arrested or corrected if caught early, the earlier the better. An early test would set a level, a benchmark, that could be used later if deterioration is suspected – and steps taken!

For your consideration.

MISSING

Unfortunately, one of our members is missing a red “Canada” jacket and is very upset. A number of us gathered for a pot luck lunch in Qualicum Beach on June 30th, which is where a switch took place. There were two similar jackets and someone took the wrong one. Please contact Doug at douglasmacintyre@hotmail.com if you have the missing jacket or know where it is. There will be no repercussions – just a solution.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Do you wish to join – or – wish to change from being a Friend to becoming a Member? The cost is reasonable - \$20 each.

Option 1 - send a cheque to:-

PRIME TIMERS NANAIMO, P.O. Box 753,
Station A, Nanaimo, B.C., V9R 5M2

Option 2 – use the Interac eTransfer feature:-
treasurer@primetimersnanaimo.org

YOUR BOARD - 2018

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Minutes of the Prime Timers Nanaimo Board Meeting

Date: July 19, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Venue: Meeting Room at Residence of Bob H. & George L., Nanaimo BC

Attendance: Wiley F., Don G., Bert M., Douglas M., Bob H. & George L., Doug P.

Regrets: none

Guests: none

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 PM by Wiley.

Agenda

Wording changed and “**Other Business**” was added as a new item.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- No changes, errors, omissions or deletions.
- Moved by Bob/Doug P. to approve the minutes of June 18, 2018 board meeting.

Business Arising from the Minutes

- There was no business arising from the minutes of June 18, 2018.

Correspondence

- There was correspondence with a representative of Alberni Valley Pride about possible interaction/relationship. Further discussion needs to be deferred until after Alberni Pride on July 29th. Doug P. to provide initial liaison.
- We received a thank you from the Secretary of Prime Timers Vancouver for hosting them during their recent visit to Nanaimo with an invitation to reciprocate if we visit Vancouver.

Extraordinary Business

- There was a discussion of a number of conflicts which have arisen between maintaining the Privacy Policy, the production and distribution of the Newsletter and News Updates and the maintenance of the List of Members and Friends.
- Moved by Doug P/George to continue work on maintaining the effectiveness of the Privacy Policy and to have the Newsletter/News Updates vetted by a second person for potential Privacy Policy conflicts prior to publication - carried
- Moved by Doug P/Bob that the Secretary maintain a single List of Members and Friends, that the Secretary provide to the Editor the entire distribution list as updates become available and that no other list be used for any mass emailing - carried

Officers' Reports

President:

- Wiley thanked those that helped participate in attending the North Island Pride Festival and thanks to Mike W for hosting an “after party”.
- Wiley presented two draft constitutional articles which could be used to enable email voting. Bob, Wiley and other interested parties will meet to provide a recommendation on these articles to the Board.

Webmaster:

- Wiley reported that our website now ranks first on the first page of search results for both Google and Bing.
- Wiley reported that the number of visitors and usage continues to grow and is approaching 2,000 unique visitors per month.
- Doug M requested a breakdown of local island visitors by residence for future reports.

Treasurer:

- Don presented a journal showing all transactions from Jan 15, 2018 to July 04, 2018, as well as a recap of receipts & expenses since our last meeting.
- Don was asked to insert the words “Pride expenses” into the line dated 06/18/2018 for \$32.70 on cheque #10.
- Our current financial standing is \$50.00 (cash-on-hand) and \$207.23 (bank balance) equaling a total of \$257.23.
- Moved by Doug P/George to accept the treasurer’s report as presented – carried.

Secretary:

- Don presented a recap of how many memberships and friendship contacts are on our current email distribution list since our last board meeting.
- Currently we reach 47 contacts of which 38 are paid-up members, 6 contacts were dropped; this is to be tabled to next meeting.
- Don also mentioned about receiving a letter from the President of PTWW concerning Chapter Advocates. The board approved his request to reply to the President and ask if we might be made aware of who this individual is and how to contact him.

Events:

- Doug M spoke about an upcoming event at Norm and Bill’s in Chemainus on July 28th which will be a Meal and Swap with details to follow.
- There was discussion about the venue for Pub Night at the Wellington Pub, as there were complaints about the food and the noise. It was decided to continue on a trial basis until we have something more suitable.
- Doug M mentioned that he had investigated Group Cruises with the idea that our members may be interested in planning for the fall of 2019.

Newsletter:

- Doug M mentioned that there will be a gathering of the Prime Timer Chapters at North Myrtle Beach, SC on October 25 – 28, 2018 called PRIME and our board approved the mention of this event into our August newsletter.

Old Business

- Prime Timers Victoria is hosting Loren Olsen, who is giving a talk on Sep 23rd. It is our intention to send a delegation to this lecture as we did not participate when Prime Timers Vancouver hosted him in May. Bob will email PT Victoria for more information.

New Business

- Alberni Valley Pride is on July 29th, and it is our intent to send a delegation to this event.
- Salt Spring Island Pride is on the weekend after Labour Day. We would like to attend as we did last year; Don will email Salt Spring Island Pride to find out the exact details as their website has not been updated since sometime this past spring.
- The board is considering moving the Wednesday Coffee Hour to Quality Foods on Turner Road. Some of the board members will try it out next Tuesday and if it is satisfactory then we would make the change the following week.
- Christmas/Holiday Party is booked at the ABC restaurant for Dec 9th at 5 pm. If there are a minimum of 25 guys committed to attend we may have a buffet style meal with dessert for \$24.99 each. Or if we have less than 25 guys committed, ABC Restaurant is offering a turkey dinner with dessert for \$21.99 each. All beverages are extra.

Other Business

- Prime Timers Nanaimo Group Cruise as discussed in the Events section above.

Next Board Meeting

- Set for August 16th (1 PM) at the residence of George and Bob.

Adjournment

- Moved by Bob/George to adjourn the meeting at 3:04 PM (duration: 116 minutes).