

## **ISLANDS TRUST STUFF — SHORT AND SWEET AND IMPORTANT**

By Paul Brent, Trustee

We have a Community Information Meeting to be held at the Rec Centre on Saturday April 5, 12:30 to 15:30.

Lunch and light refreshments will be served – because we know Saturdays on Saturna are important personal and family times. Lunch will be good. And so we hope this will encourage you to come, enjoy the food and drink and take a moment to give us your comments on three initiatives we've been trying to progress through the system and are now at the sometimes dreaded draft bylaw stage.

They are:

**Secondary Suites** – and making them legal on Saturna Island.

**Short-Term Vacation Rentals** – and allowing them with fewer restrictions than today but based on a Temporary Use Permit. There will be (we believe) sensible guidelines to their operation.

**Community Amenity Density Reserve** (a density bank that allows lot densities to be exchanged for community amenities). This bank exists right now but was not populated with available densities that arose over the years. So the proposal is to recharge the bank with twenty densities on a one-time basis.

You can find out more about these at:

[www.islandstrust.bc.ca/islands/localtrust-areas/saturna](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/islands/localtrust-areas/saturna)

Please let us know if you can make the meeting (it will help with lunch quantities).

And if you can't make the lunch and meeting, please take a moment to provide us your comments by email to: [saltcwebmail@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:saltcwebmail@islandstrust.bc.ca)

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And there is also the opportunity to attend the regular Local Trust Committee meeting April 17 from 12:30 to 15:30 at the Rec Centre. But alas, there will be no food inducement. Only scintillating discussion. And don't forget our Community Stewardship nominations are due by April 16. You can find details on the Island Trust website by searching Community Stewardship Award in the SEARCH field.