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10 Spots Remaining for China Tour \$2299 for Members

We don't think you'll find a better price for 10 days in China that includes 5 star accommodation - double occupancy, all flights, ground transport, all meals, admissions, professional, full-time guide and more. Non-members accompanying or connected to Chamber members receive the member price of \$2299. Non-members just \$2399. We've partnered with the experts at Duncan Hill Travel who will co-ordinate visas, travel insurance, provide travel tips, and generally make things worry-free. Registration deadline July 15.

Travellers will visit the Great Wall, Lingering Garden, Temple of Heaven, the Forbidden City and more! Optional trip to see the Terracotta Warriors



[Chamber on Tour to China](#) - Oct. 4 - 14

Registration Deadline July 15

\$2299 Members | \$2399 Non-members

Email [Sonja](#) or [Elizabeth](#) at the Chamber or call us at
250.748.1111

Single Occupancy - Travel Buddies

We have two individuals who are travelling alone. Single occupancy for the hotel rooms is an additional \$500. Thus both are seeking another lone traveller to share the room. If you're thinking of the China trip on your own, or a large group - and sharing a room suits your plans (not to mention saves \$500) please contact the office. One lady, and one gentleman.

Email [Sonja](#) or [Elizabeth](#) or call 250.748.1111



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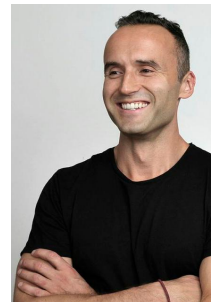
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Elizabeth & her family took the same tour in 2013. She is happy to chat with you about the experience.

BC Chamber Appoints Val Litwin as New President & CEO

The BC Chamber Announces Val Litwin as New Pres. & CEO. Mr. Litwin is currently the Executive Director of the Whistler Chamber of Commerce, and assumes his new position with the BC Chamber on Sept. 1/16. BC Chamber Board Chair Patrick Giesbrecht states, "He brings energy, vision and entrepreneurial spirit to the helm of B.C.'s largest business organization." Mr. Litwin is also a Vancouver Island native.



Val Litwin,
Incoming Pres.
& CEO BC
Chamber

[Times Colonist Backgrounder](#)

[Click here for complete release & more about Mr. Litwin](#)



Cowichan Regional Visitor Centre

Jan's Restaurant Pick - Riverwalk Cafe

This week we surrendered to the peaceful serenity and hypnotic flow of the beautiful Cowi chan River while feasting on the traditional and contemporary native cuisine at the Riverwalk Cafe. We loved the complimentary freshly baked bread basket,



slathering th e "scow" and "fried" bread with house-made salmon and blackberry spreads. Cowichan Tribes are known as the "people of the salmon", so we could not resist ordering the tempura battered, marinated wild pacific salmon and the seafood chowder with clams, salmon and snapper. Delicious!

The "Salish Tea" made with berries and sunflower petals was packed with flavour. Full as we were, we had to sample one of the desserts made from wild blackberries that grow naturally here in the Pacific Northwest. Do not miss the opportunity to treat yourself and your summer visitors to the Riverwalk Café.



[Riverwalk Cafe](#)
Quw'wutsun' Cultural Centre
200 Cowichan Way
Open till Sept. 9
Wed. - Sun., 11 am - 6 pm



Jan is a volunteer Travel Counsellor at the Cowichan Regional Visitor Centre who loves eating out at Cowichan restaurants

This Weekend and Coming Soon

Be Part of Canada's Premiere Tea Harvest at Teafarm on Canada Day Weekend

teafarm

Raise a cup and celebrate a national first - the release and tasting of the first Canadian estate-grown tea on July 1, 2 & 3. The journey to the first Canadian tea began as an experiment in 2010, planting 200 Camellia sinensis seedlings on the south-facing slopes of the farm. The young plants survived the first deep freeze of winter, and have thrived in the local climate. Another 400 plants were added in 2014 and 200 more in 2015. After six years of work and waiting, Teafarm is proud to offer a premium green tea made

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from the leaves and buds of the first spring flush. Margit Nelleman has created commemorative handbuilt cups for this special occasion!

[Teafarm Presents Canada's Premiere Tea Harvest on Canada Day Weekend](#)

July 1 + 2 + 3

8350 Richards Trail, Westholme

info@teafarm.ca | 250.748.3811 | [Shop Teafarm](#)

Be part of tea history and enjoy an experience you will not find anywhere else.

[Footloose, The Musical - Chemainus Theatre Festival- Until Aug. 27 - Savings!](#)

Now is the time to "cut loose" and relive the exuberant '80's - with *Footloose, The Musical* at the Chemainus Theatre Festival's big-number, big-fun musical, *Footloose*, plays evening and matinee shows until Aug. 27. Relive the high-energy, open-minded fun of the hit 1984 film. And save when you book online using the coupon code DANCE2016. Show enhancements include: free "talk-backs" with the cast and crew following Wed. performances, a special show-themed dinner add-on in the Playbill Dining Room, a full "Getaway" package at the Best Western Plus Chemainus Inn that includes accommodation, show, dinner, deluxe breakfast buffet, indoor mineral pool, hot tub and fitness centre.



[Footloose at the Chemainus Theatre Festival](#)

Until Aug. 27

[Get your tickets online](#), or call the Box Office 1-800-565-7738

Use Special Booking Code: DANCE2016

[Canada Day Weekend at the BC Forest Discovery Centre - \\$5 Admission](#)

Celebrate Canada Day this weekend with a train ride at the BC Forest Discovery Centre. Just \$5 Admission July 1 - 3, and kids under 3 are FREE. Families will enjoy colouring projects, scavenger hunt, Dancers, Marching band, free pins, flags, tattoos and cake (while supplies last!) Plus - the flag raising is at 1 pm sharp.

[BC Forest Discovery Centre - Canada Day Weekend](#)

July 1 - 3, 10 am - 4:30 pm | Flag raising 1 pm

\$5 Everyone | Kids under 3 years are FREE

This Just In ...

[Silverside Farm & Winery Presents Summertime Blues - July 9](#)

Let's Cocktail! Silverside Farm and Winery presents Summertime Blues. It's an evening of martinis and jazz, featuring the sweet sound of the *Lust Life Jazz Band*. Guests will enjoy hors-d'oeuvres and fabulous mini cocktails served throughout the evening.

[Silverside Farm & Winery Presents: Summer Time Blues](#)

Sat. July 9, 7 - 9 pm

3810 Cobble Hill Rd.

\$65 tax incl.

For further information: 250.743.9149

[Register online](#)

Silverside Tayberry wine received a 4th consecutive Double Gold medal at All Canadian Wine Championships! Their Raspberry wine received its 2nd consecutive Gold medal!

[Unsworth Vineyards Presents Misha Piatigorsky Jazz Pianist July 3](#)

Unsworth Vineyards present international renowned jazz pianist Misha Piatigorsky and friends this Sun. July 3 at 4 pm. Admission is by donation to the Cowichan Valley Performing Arts Foundation.

[Unsworth Vineyards](#) presents [Misha Piatigorsky](#)

Sun. July 3, 4 pm

2915 Cameron-Taggart Rd.



Admission by donation to the [Cowichan Valley Performing Arts Foundation](#)

Raspberry Flats Just \$5 a Pint When You Buy 10 Pints or More - Alderlea Farm



It's already raspberry season and recent rains make for particularly luscious berries! Get fresh, **certified organic** raspberries from Alderlea Farm. Available by the flat, and just \$5 a pint when you buy 10 pints or more. Ready to freeze for winter (providing you don't eat them all first!). Stock up your freezer and have raspberries all winter for smoothies, baking, ice cream or snacking.

[Alderlea Farm Organic Raspberries!](#)

\$5 per pint with minimum purchase of 10 pints
3390 Glenora Rd
johnkaty@shaw.ca | 250.597.3434



Fundraising Concert for Special Olympics at Glenora Farm - July 16

Glenora Farm is pleased to partner with Special Olympics Cowichan Valley in support of more opportunities for athletes and their abilities. We have a great line up of musicians planned for our outdoor stage including local artists:

- [Amy and Tafadzwa Matamba of Mbira Spirit](#)
- Reyne and Andrew Cooper of King Tide celtic folk group with Paul Ruszel
- Glenora's famous Glenora Farm Hand Bell Ensemble

Hay bales seating. BYO blanket. Lots of room for everyone!

[Glenora Farm - Fundraising Concert for Special Olympics](#)

Sat. July 16 1 - 4 pm
4766 Waters Rd.

Snacks, Refreshments & Admission by donation.

Suggested entry donation: \$20 Individuals | \$30 Families | \$5 SO athletes

Tourism Association of Vancouver Island - Nominations for Board of Director Deadline July 18

If you are a stakeholder with the Tourism Association of Vancouver Island, you can nominate or stand for election to the Board. Nominations close July 18/16 at 12:59 pm. Follow the links for more information and to register.

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Member News

Jacquie Gordon's Bed & Breakfast Selected for 2016 Certificate of Excellence from TripAdvisor

Jacquie Gordon is excited to announce that Jacquie Gordon's Bed and Breakfast has been selected for The 2016 Certificate of Excellence, reflecting the consistently great reviews earned on TripAdvisor.



[Jacquie Gordon's Bed & Breakfast](#)

A Heritage Bed & Breakfast Close to Duncan
2231 Quamichan Park Place
jacquiegordon@shaw.ca | 250.746.7736

Way to go Jacquie!



Chemainus Chamber of Commerce - Jeanne Ross is Retiring

Jeanne Ross, Manager of our neighbour Chemainus of Chamber of Commerce, is retiring. The Chemainus Chamber is hosting a wine and cheese event on Tuesday, July 19th, from 5 to 7 pm to thank Jeanne for her commitment to the Chamber. Contact the Chemainus Chamber for details: chamber@chemainus.bc.ca



Amazing Video

We love this nutty and informational look at Abbotsford. We think you will too :)



Submit Your Member News

The Chamber eNews is disseminated to the business community every Friday and carries Chamber and Member news. Please send your news to chamber@duncancc.bc.ca by noon on Thurs. for the Fri. eNews. Fifty word maximum, voiced in 3rd person. Please be sure to include date, time, location, and price as appropriate. We include links, contact information & social media. Items may be edited for brevity & clarity. Images should be suitable for thumbnail size. Items run for 3 - 4 weeks.

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