

## July Chamber Chatter:

As the hot days of summer pass, our island is abuzz with visitors and locals alike and business is booming. Thank you for continuing to think local while shopping on-island; though shops are busy now, in just a few months the slower time of year returns and your patronage helps keep the island economy running.

Having not written a Chamber Chatter for a few months, I realize that I must announce that our AGM in May had our largest turn out of members ever and was also perhaps the quickest ever to be done. In 45 minutes all necessities were taken care of and we were able to enjoy some tasty bites made by Sue Duncan. Thank you very much to all that attended! We are very happy to welcome Richard Jarco, Allison Taylor, and Candida Kitka to the board. Their expertise will help expand the board's knowledge and bring new ideas to the table.

Our 2018-2019 board line up is: Bill McCance (President), Brian Dearden (Vice President), Colleen Fraser (Treasurer), Kat Ferneyhough (Secretary); with supporting directors: Allison Taylor, Sue Duncan, Richard Jarco, Sharon Hinton, and Candida Kitka.

The Tour des Iles has now come and gone, but we would like to thank all of the volunteers who help make this event come together and run smoothly. The Chamber supported this initiative with a \$1200 donation; believing it to be a great event to help connect our island communities and economies.

Congratulations and thanks also go to the Mayne Island Pathways and Trails Association on the opening of the new section of trail on Village Bay Rd. We thank all of the volunteers for the countless wheelbarrow trips of dirt and gravel as well as all of the other work which has come together to create trail that will help make the road safer for all.

Wishing you a fantastic summer,

The Mayne Island Community Chamber of Commerce