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For municipal election all-candidates meetings, check the local papers

- Wed 2, 7pm Wild ARC Paws & Claws Film Festival. Camosun College Lansdowne, Gibson 216. spca.bc.ca/filmfestival
- Thur 3, 6-9pm Wilderness Committee Volunteer Night. What are the opportunities? #202 - 3 Fan Tan Alley. 388-9292 |
- Thur 3, 7pm Mushrooms of Southern Vancouver Island, with Kem Luther. Pacific Forestry Centre, 506 Burnside Road West,
- Sat 5, 10am Magical Mushrooms – Sierra Club BC outing with mushroom specialists Oluna and Adolf Ceska. Metchosin Park. RSVP ana@sierraclub.bc.ca Sierra Club BC 250-386-5255, #247
- Sat 5, 10 - 3pm Annual Pumpkin Smash! Give your jack-o'-lantern a proper compost burial. Cloverdale and Fairfield Thrifty Foods. Repeats Sunday Admirals Walk and Hillside Thrifty Foods. Drop-offs also at Ellice, 524 David St (8-5pm) and Canteen Rd Yard and Garden Drop off, 605 Canteen Rd (7:30 - 5pm). Compost Education Centre.
- Sat 5, 10am–12pm Fabulous Fungi Adults Presentation with Kem Luther. Francis/King Regional Park. \$14 Space limited. 478-3344.
- Sat 5, 6:30pm Wild ARC Paws & Claws Film Festival Soiree with dinner, auction, film awards and more. CFB Esquimalt Ward Room \$55 with all proceeds to Wild ARC spca.bc.ca/filmfestival
- Sun 6, 10am Mushrooms with Kem Luther. VNHS observation trip. Royal Roads, meet tennis courts near entrance. 721-0634.
- Sun 6, 10-3:30 Canning & Preserving Workshop. \$35. Pre-registration required EcoReality Co-op 250-653-2024. Salt Spring.
- Sun 6, 1-4pm Grow Local. Garden Easy. Free workshop on gardening with drought-resistant native plants, with Patricia Johnston. Swan Lake Nature House, 3873 Swan Lake Rd. 250-479-0211. Repeats Tue 15, 9:30-12:30pm
- Tue 8, 11am Climate Change and Community Resilience. A Learning Exchange to explore community resilience and human development in El Salvador and Canada. UVic MacLaurin D109. Robin J. Hood 250-532-2629
- Tue 8, 5:30pm **Biophilic Urbanism**, with Bert Gregory. How do we create neighborhoods and cities that are biophilic? Cascadia Green Building Council. Antechamber, Victoria City Hall joyce.shen@cascadiagbc.org 604-909-9559
- Tue 8, 5-7pm **Green Drinks** at The Office, opposite the Odeon, 759 Yates.
- Wed 9, 7pm Smart Meter Information Night, with the movie Full Signal, question period with Walt McGinnis. Edward Milne Community School, 6218 Sooke Rd. Awareness Film Night. By donation.
- Sat 12, 10-3pm Pender Island Energy Action Day. Speakers, displays. Pender Islands School Gym, 5714 Canal Road. www.pendercommunitytransition.ca. 1pm Creating a Sustainable Pender Island, with Guy Dauncey.
- Sat 12, 10-12pm Composting Basics Workshop. Learn all the basics of composting and discover which system is right for you! Compost Education Centre. Free. Pre-register office@compost.bc.ca or 250-386-9676
- Sat 12, 10-3pm Garry Oak Ecosystem Restoration at Fort Rodd Hill. Call 250-812-8133 if you can come and help.
- Sat 12/Sun13, 10-4 Can I Eat That Mushroom? Mycological Adventure with Shannon Berch. \$115. Royal Roads 391-2600 x 4801
- Sat 12, 2-4pm Mason Bees Part 2. Bring your Mason Bee condo to the workshop and learn how to clean and overwinter the cocoons. Compost Education Centre. \$15/\$10 Pre-register office@compost.bc.ca or 250-386-9676
- Sat 12, 5:30pm **An Evening with David Suzuki**. Shaw Ocean Discovery Centre, Sidney. Fundraiser for Saanich – Gulf Islands Green Party of Canada. \$250. RSVP greenpartyunderthesea@gmail.com
- Sun 13, 1-4pm Spring Ridge Commons Work Party, Gladstone and Chambers in Fernwood. Linda 250-380-6383
- Tue 15, 7pm *The End of the Line* - reading by eco-crime author Stephan Legault. Cadboro Bay Books.
- Thur 17, 9-5pm Deep Clean: In-Depth Energy Options for the Workplace and the Community with Andrew Pape-Salmon. \$225. Economic analysis of efficiency/clean energy options. Royal Roads 250-391-2600 x 4801
- Sat 19, 8am-8pm **Municipal Elections - Please vote!**
- Sat 19, 2-4pm Fall Plant Propagation. Which methods work best? Compost Education Centre. \$15 Pre-register 250-386-9676
- Sat 19, 4-9pm **OrphanAsia Benefit Event** to assist and empower the most vulnerable children of Southeast Asia. Asian dinner, Silent Auction, Live Music, Talk by Ralph Newton-White. St. John's Hall, 925 Balmoral. \$25 Peggy 595-2335
- Sun 20, 6pm **VIVA-Raw Food Potluck**, Esquimalt Rec Centre, 527 Fraser St. \$5. <http://vivaraw.ca> Linda 250-380-6383
- Mon 21, 7pm **The Fernwood Inn**. Mike Colwill will tell us how they won a BC Hydro contest to assist with an energy upgrade, and what happened afterwards. 875 North Park St. BCSEA Victoria Chapter. www.bcsea.org
- Fri 25, 9-5pm **Plug-in Vehicles and Cycling**: Building Transportation Alternatives for Everyone, with Arne Elias. \$295. Explores plug-in vehicles, cycling and electric transit as opportunities to build sustainable community transportation systems with planning for walkability. Royal Roads 250-391-2600 x 4801 or
- Fri 25, 7pm **EcoNews Dessert Potluck Mailout Party**, 395 Conway Rd (off Interurban). Everyone welcome! 250-881-1304
- Sat 26, 10-3pm Garry Oak Ecosystem Restoration at Fort Rodd Hill. Call 250-812-8133 if you can come and help.
- Mon 28, 7:30pm **Sea Level Rise in British Columbia**: a New Challenge to Protected Areas Management, with Doug Biffard, Aquatic Ecologist with the BC Ministry of Environment. UVic Fraser 159. Bring coffee mug. VNHS.
- Mon 28 Forest Carbon Dynamics 101 – start of on-line course with Caren Dymond. \$295 . Royal Roads 391-2600 x 4801
- Tue 29, 7pm Local Food Systems on Vancouver Island. Provocative speakers, Silent Auction, Tastings. UVic's Office of Community-based Research, VICRA and Lifecycles fundraiser for Lifecycles The Atrium Building, 1371 Blanshard Street. ocbrrereg@uvic.ca