

# Protection Island Frequently Asked Questions - with Answers

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## QUICK FACTS

- 355 properties; 102 are undeveloped; 325 full time residents
- 10 minute ferry ride from downtown Nanaimo
- part of City of Nanaimo
- City of Nanaimo water
- Hydro and sewer
- Phone service including high speed internet
- Gravel roads
- No post office, but postal delivery to boxes
- No school, but Fairview Elementary and NDSS are the district feeder schools
- No store
- Most vehicles are golf carts, which enjoy a lower insurance rate than cars
- All vehicles, wheelbarrow, bikes and golf carts are privately owned.
- There are several public parks on the island, however there are no public washrooms or garbage service.
- Islander do not pay for garbage service however there are garbage bins located at the Nanaimo Boat Basin



## PIRA WEBSITE

[www.pira.ca](http://www.pira.ca)

## PROTECTION ISLAND MUSEUM WEBSITE

[www.protection-island-museum.ca](http://www.protection-island-museum.ca)

## PRO-ISLE E-MAIL GROUP

Keep on top of all the Island happenings; join the Protection Island Pro-Isle e-mail group and easily post or receive messages of interest to Islanders.

To join Pro-Isle, contact Barb LeBrasseur at [barbith@telus.net](mailto:barbith@telus.net)

## PROTECTION ISLAND ROADS

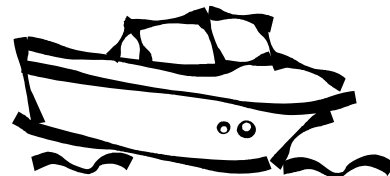
According to the city the usual road maintenance schedule is as follows:

1. Each week: Road condition survey is done by the Sewer Utility Worker.
2. Three times per year: (usually late November, late January, and March if required). Grading, and shoulder repair, pot-hole filling and general maintenance.
3. June: Grading and shoulder repair, drainage maintenance.
4. June: Application of dust suppressant.
5. June: Vegetation control and brush cutting.

## MUD BAY DOCK & ISLAND PARKING

The Protection Island Rate Payers Association leases an access to the Mud Bay Dock. This goes to the dock only. **The purpose is for pick up and drop off only.** As part of our lease agreement there is to be no parking in the park. Dock users are asked to park their vehicles in the circle. Please do not park in driveways. Parking in front of residents is limited to 24 hours maximum.

Mud Bay dock is for residents only. It is not for visitors or commercial use. Dock users are expected to pay dock fees and to contribute to dock maintenance. For more information contact Cathy Pearson at 753-9699.



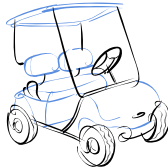
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### SPEED LIMIT 20 KPH

It took an epic effort to legalize golf carts on this idyllic island where children, pedestrians, bicycles, wildlife and wheelbarrows abound. Please honour the 20 KPH speed limit!



### PROTECTION CONNECTION FERRY

The Protection Connection ferry leaves the island on the hour and leaves Nanaimo at ten minutes past the hour daily. See posted ferry schedules for seasonal hours.

### DINGHY DOCK PUB

(since 1989)

**Location:** At anchor and rising and falling on the tide off Good Point, Protection Island in Nanaimo Harbour.

**Pub Hours of Operation:** Open year round. Open daily for lunch at 12 noon and staying open until the last ferry sails.

**Entertainment:** Music, live and in person every Friday and Saturday starting 7pm

**Shower:** Yes, coin-operated.

**Getting There:** Private boat or the Protection Connection Ferry.

### P.I. LIONS CLUB

The Protection Island Lions Club is a volunteer service organization whose membership works to support the local community in a variety of ways including the sponsorship and maintenance of the Beacon House Community Center at Gallows Point. The Community Center is made available whenever possible to support the wide range of islander interests and activities, and this in turn is only possible through the generous donations of time and energy from people within the community itself. The Lions would like to thank all those who continue to support this process that helps us all get together, solve problems, learn, have fun, and build a spirit of community on our little island.

### KNITWITS

“Drop in” after 1:30 pm on Thursdays 47 Capt. Morgan’s – Contact Lynn at 755-1112 for more information

### BEACON HOUSE

For information on renting Beacon House for private or community functions, call Shawne at 753-5102. The main building features a gazebo and a deck overlooking the water as well as a well stocked kitchen.

### NATIVE PLANT GROUP

Scott Black and Tracey Moss are interested in starting a Protection Island Native Plant Group. The intention of the group is to encourage the enjoyment and preservation of Protection Island's native plant species. The group's focus could include such activities as plant walks for islanders, plant sales, vegetative mapping of the island, distributing information on propagation techniques and suggestions for park management. To join this working group or if you would like more information, please call Scott and Tracey at 714-0202.

### MUSIC FOR ISLAND TOTS

Music for Island Tots - for more info contact Andrea L'Heureux, 754-6033 or email: [amlh2003@yahoo.com](mailto:amlh2003@yahoo.com)

### PROTECTION ISLAND BOOK CLUB

Protection Island Book Club meets every month except July and August on the second Wednesday of the month. Contact Shawne at 753-5102 for more information.

### BURNING REGULATIONS

Burning of organic yard waste and prunings is allowed during daylight hours on Fridays and Saturdays in April and October ONLY.

A FREE VERBAL PERMIT is required for each day you burn. Phone Nanaimo Fire Dept. non-emergency number 753-7311 in advance any time in the week you wish to burn.

Burning regulations are posted on community bulletin boards.