Gabriola Commons Foundation AGM Sunday, October 21st at 3 PM, upstairs in the Commons farmhouse. Everyone welcome.

A special resolution is being proposed to clarify and simplify the Foundation membership requirements, registration and maintenance of the membership list.

It is recommended that the current Membership bylaws Part 2 (4) to (10) be removed:

Part 2 — Membership

- 4. The members of the Society are the applicants for incorporation of the Society, and those persons who subsequently become members, in accordance with these bylaws and, in either case, have not ceased to be members.
- 5. All Gabriola Islanders are eligible to become members of the Society, and may register with the Society as such, unless such person has ceased to be a member as provided herein.
- 6. (1) Every member must uphold the constitution and comply with these bylaws.
 - (2) No member may be denied those rights and privileges which are contingent on membership.
- 7. The amount of the first annual membership dues must be determined by the trustees and after that the annual membership dues must be determined at the annual general meeting of the Society.
- 8. A person may choose not to be a member of the Society by delivering his or her resignation in writing to the secretary of the Society or by mailing or delivering it to the address of the Society.
- 9. (1) A member may be expelled by a special resolution of the members passed at a general meeting.
 - (2) The notice of special resolution for expulsion must be accompanied by a brief statement of the reasons for the proposed expulsion.
 - (3) The person who is the subject of the proposed resolution for expulsion must be given an opportunity to be heard at the general meeting before the special resolution is put to a vote.
- 10. All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay any subscription or debt due and owing by the member to the Society, and the member is not in good standing so long as the debt remains unpaid.

And replaced with the following Membership Bylaws:

Part 2 — Membership

- 4. Only Gabriola Island residents are eligible to become members of the Society.
- 5. Every member must uphold the constitution and comply with these bylaws.
- 6. To become a member of the Society, a person must register with the Society as a member and the person becomes a member on the Trustees' acceptance of the application.
- 7. (1) Membership in the Society is on an annual basis and membership ceases after at an Annual General Meeting provided the membership is not renewed by registering at that Annual General Meeting.
 - (2) An application for membership received in the 15 days before the annual general meeting is held shall be postponed until after that meeting.
- 8. A person may resign their membership by delivering or mailing their resignation in writing to the Trustees of the Society.
- 9. (1) A member may be expelled by a special resolution of the members passed at a general meeting.
 - (2) The notice of special resolution for expulsion must be accompanied by a brief statement of the reasons for the proposed expulsion.
 - (3) The person who is the subject of the proposed resolution for expulsion must be given an opportunity to be heard at the general meeting before the special resolution is put to a vote.

It is also recommended that current definition of a Gabriola Islander:

"Gabriola Islander" means any individual whose principal residence is on Gabriola Island, BC and others, such as part-time, seasonal and off-island, who from time to time the Society trustees determine may be eligible.

To be replaced with the following definition:

"Gabriola Island Residents" means any individual whose principal residence is on Gabriola Island, B.C."