



# The Treasure Island News

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## Bridge Construction -- Signs of Activity!



Rick Buran and Daryl Axelson Removing Bridge Sign

Signs of activity towards the approaching construction project have begun! Modifications have been made to well site #1 to accommodate what will be a wider roadway approach to the bridge (more on Page 2) and the overhead entry sign was removed. The next task will be to relocate the traffic signal further west on the mainland side to make way for the new approach.

The contractor's scheduled start date is September 19<sup>th</sup>. During the first 7 to 9 working days, they will be building a temporary detour lane on the north side of the bridge at the west end. The detour lane will extend about 50 feet, at which point

vehicles will be routed back onto the existing bridge roadway. Some bridge closures during working hours will be required while the temporary lane is constructed. The contractor will provide the Club with 7 days notice for the closures and notices will be posted. Signs will be posted in the bulletin box at the signal light and at the top of the hill; notices will also be posted on the Club's website. Be sure to check the website if you're planning a trip to the island! (Weekend work is not anticipated, but you should still check

[www.treasureislandcountryclub.org](http://www.treasureislandcountryclub.org)).

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## Preparing for the New Bridge

Dave Dickinson on the job



Since the majority of the work on the Island side is impacting the area around Well No. 1, (south side of the bridge) the TICC water system employees have become involved with several of the projects.

To help reduce the overall cost of the new bridge, some of the Island residents have agreed to help out and do what we can.

### Landscape Rock and Shrubbery Removal

On July 21<sup>st</sup>, a team consisting of Daryl Axelson, Dave Dickinson, Rick Buran and Bill McFarlane began removing the huge rocks that were along-side the road. The rocks were moved to the Dock property parking area for re-use on other Island

properties. The large rhododendrons were moved to the Well #3 property and the lot north of it. Rick Buran covered the rhodie roots with some of the soil recovered from the beds they were planted in. Rick cared for the Rhodies until they were re-planted in August.

### Tree Removal

The next project was to remove 2 trees on the island side where the new bridge was going to go and one tree on the mainland side. West Sound Tree Service was hired to take the trees down, which they did on August 1<sup>st</sup>. We asked them to leave the wood for us, which they did. West Sound Tree Service did an excellent job of cleaning up the branches with their extremely large chipper. They did the same for the smaller tree on the mainland side of the bridge.

### Stump Removal

August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dave Dickinson used his excavator and, with the help from Daryl Axelson, Rick Buran and Bill McFarlane moved the wood to the beach property. Once that was done, the excavator was used to remove the two tree stumps on the island side. The tree stumps were hauled away to be recycled into beauty bark at one of the local topsoil companies.

### Water Main Relocation

Because the new bridge is being built to the south side of the existing bridge, the 4" mainline that supplies water from well #1 to the 150,000 gallon water tank at the top of the hill was directly in the path of the new bridge and road. This project started on August 8<sup>th</sup> and was completed on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, when Well #1 with the new 4" mainline was returned to service after the mainline, valves and fire hydrant were relocated and a leak test was performed for a 24 hour period. No leaks.

## Projects Still To Go....Traffic Signal

### Temporary Traffic Signal Relocation

American Construction will start building the bridge on the mainland side. This requires the traffic signal on that side to be temporarily relocated farther away from the bridge. This will also require the existing power cables to be re-routed to the north side of the bridge and a trench cut into the pavement to run the power back to the traffic signal which will remain on the south side of the road. The traffic signal on the island side will remain in its same location. The old system will be used until the south half of the new bridge is built.

### New Traffic Signals and Controller

The new traffic control system will consist of a state of the art traffic controller and 2 new 12" polycarbonate 3 section traffic heads supplied by Pacific Signal Supply, LLC which is located in Arlington, Washington.

The new traffic controller will be located inside Well House #1. The existing poles will be used.

## Bridge Construction - cont'd from Page 1

There will be no long term closure of the bridge as originally anticipated. We can plan on occasional closures within working hours, but NO closure will extend over a period of days and nights.

Pile driving will begin after the detour is in place and is expected to continue for about six weeks. They will begin on the mainland side and work towards the island. In mid-January, traffic should

be rerouted to the newly constructed south driving lane; the existing bridge will then be demolished and the north driving lane will be constructed.

Completion of the bridge is scheduled for early May, 2012.

**UPDATE:** *The scheduled start date for bridge construction has been changed by about a week while the contractor awaits delivery of the piles. It is now anticipated to start on or about September 26th.*

### -IMPORTANT NOTICE-

## BRIDGE TEMPORARY DETOUR VEHICLE SIZE RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT 9/19/11 TO 2/1/2012

MAX WIDTH  
8.4 FEET

MAX LENGTH  
32.0 FEET W/ OR W/O TRAILER

**OTHER SIZES BY TICC PERMIT ONLY**

Our Engineers have designed the clearances on the temporary detour to accommodate life safety vehicles including fire trucks. TICC can not be responsible for vehicular clearance beyond life safety requirements.

**If you are concerned about the clearances and turning radius of your specific vehicle beyond the design criteria stated above, TICC would suggest that you make arrangements to take your vehicle off of the island before Sept 19th when construction will start.**

Permit applications will be reviewed by the Club's engineer at Exeltech Consulting. He will determine permitting based on tongue length, axle spacing, etc. There will probably be a permit fee involved to cover the engineer's time, but as of this printing date the fee has not yet been determined.

**MEMBERS:** The Club does not have contact information for renters on the island and they are not on our mailing list. Please notify your tenants of impending bridge closures and/or provide them with the Club's website address so they can keep informed. Thank you!



## Dock Activities

Completed and ongoing projects at the dock:

- The steel swing gate at the top entrance to the dock facility has been sanded and repainted.
- I am still waiting for completion of Loading Zone signs for the south end of the dock.
- I am looking into adding some galvanized chains at the top of the ramp for safety at low tides.

**To All Members:** Labor Day is coming up and we all need to abide by the rules set forth for mooring our boats at the dock. The rules are presented on the sign-in sheet at the top of the ramp. Be sure to sign in! I need to have this information so I can track the boats and a call name and number in case I need to reach you for any reason.

I hope to have the Loading Zone signs completed by Labor Day, but if they are not done, **we need to leave the south end of the dock open for boater's access.**

Please help out by using good judgment.

Ken Sanberg, Dock Commissioner  
Cell 206-552-4625 or Home 275-3176

## Historic Portfolio of Bridge

We managed to assemble quite a collection of pictures, memories, etc. for the bridge 'memory' book that was required to fulfill permitting requirements for the Corps of Engineers. The book is accessible online through Walgreen's Photobook. The book can be ordered through this site – it's a nicely bound hardcover book printed on heavy semi-glossy paper.

The link to this book is posted on the Club's website (look under updates).

When you use the link, you'll need to create an account. It's really easy – an email address and password are all that's required. The book will then automatically open for you – select the 'Preview' tab for the best viewing. You can zoom in to read text if needed. Some of the printed material will appear blurry on the screen, but it prints very clearly.

You will be able to edit the book if you want; add a personalized page to give it as a gift, add your own pictures, etc. (Your book will not be accessible to others and changes will not affect any other saved books.) The price goes up as you add pages – you can see the price on the toolbar at upper right (currently \$63.92 + shipping).

The book has been submitted for the permit, but we can still add to it! If you have memories that you'd like to contribute, pass them on to

[treasureisland44@yahoo.com](mailto:treasureisland44@yahoo.com).

Thank you!



## The Popich Family Thanks You

Thank you to the over 250 people who came out to support the 9th Annual Treasure Island Fun Run. We raised approximately \$4000 this year bringing our total donation over the last 9 years to \$25, 619! We started this event in memory of Walt Popich, hoping that we could do something small in his honor. Now, 9 years later, it has truly become an amazing community event. Thank you to EVERYONE for continuing to support the run year after year.

The Popich Family



**MANY THANKS** to the individuals who volunteered to help her set up and organize the tremendous parade, and special thanks to the volunteer judges for taking on a tough job!

Thanks to all the participants who gathered to make the 4<sup>th</sup> of July a fun day for everyone.

### PRIZE WINNERS

Float/Large Group Family	1 <sup>st</sup> – Got Picnic – Harder
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Spongebob – Stock & Price Families
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Pirate Ship – Hess Family
Adult Costume	1 <sup>st</sup> – Jumbo – Brian Ross
Most Flags	1 <sup>st</sup> – Seth and Sam
Kid Costume	1 <sup>st</sup> – Haley & Nick
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Julia & Liliana

## JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION... WINNERS!

Toddler Costume	1 <sup>st</sup> – Madison
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Ethan
Pet Costume	1 <sup>st</sup> – Vegas
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Sparky
Super Kid	1 <sup>st</sup> – Sophie
Big Wheels	1 <sup>st</sup> – Star Bikers
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Chaise, Jadson,
Connor	
Little Wheels	1 <sup>st</sup> – Madison
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Matteo/Graham
Most Unusual	Force of July
Honorable Mention	1. Butterfield Bombs – Butterfield
	2. Hootie – Scoles
	3. Stars and Stripes – Johnson/Sabado
Treasure Island Spirit	– Trim Family
	(See pictures on Page 6)

## SPRAYING DITCHES

At the June Board meeting, several members complained about the use of Round-Up to control weeds in the roadside ditches due to a potential health hazard for pets. The legality of uncertified personnel spraying herbicides on properties that are accessible to the public was also called into question. The Trustees agreed to research the issue and establish a policy regarding the use of herbicides.

Information was gathered from various environmental agencies including the Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance, WA State Department of Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture,

Mason County Noxious Weed Control Board, and Round-Up Consumer Response.

- There is no permit/license requirement to spray any over the counter herbicide.
- Round-Up is not reactivated when it becomes wet again.
- Round-Up is benign and will not even have an adverse effect on the insects or worms in the ground when the product becomes hydrated again.

At the August Board meeting, the Trustees agreed that the control of weeds in the ditches is critical to

the efficient flow of rainwater to drain boxes; the use of Round-Up will be continued for that purpose. A policy was adopted to clarify and define herbicide use for the maintenance of the TICC roadside ditches. In keeping with the policy, notification of spraying will be provided as a courtesy and posted at least one week prior on the Club's website; signs will be placed on the bulletin board at the stop light and at the water tank. Those concerned should keep their pets inside during the spraying.

## Want to see the Bridge Being Built???

The Board of Trustees has approved the installation of a webcam so we can all watch the bridge being built from the comfort of our own homes.

A committee of two, Rod Wilkinson and Daryl Axelson, has been

tasked with purchasing a webcam and finding a suitable location for it.

Once the webcam is up and running, anyone with a computer can go to the Treasure Island Country Club website and follow the link to the webcam.



### Annual Membership Meeting

104.5 lots were represented at the 2011 Annual Member Meeting: 77.5 present, 27 by proxy.

#### VOTING RESULTS

The following item needed a majority result for approval:

Operations & Maintenance Budgets – 86.5 Yes, 18 No - APPROVED

The following item needed a two-thirds vote for approval:  
Dues increase of \$150 per lot, per year – 71 Yes, 33.5 No - APPROVED

Elections: Linda Pryor and Ken Sanberg were reelected to the Board of Trustees.

**Fun Facts!**

Did you know 207 members own the 251 private lots on Treasure Island and 57 of those residences are primary homes?

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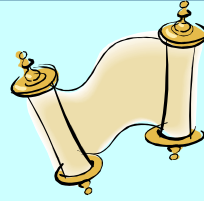
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**We're Also on the Web!**

See us at:

[www.treasureislandcountryclub.org](http://www.treasureislandcountryclub.org)

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

July 2011 - Brett & Tricia Flajole purchased 1030E (lot 120) from Casey/Main. They plan on eventually building a summer home on this vacant waterfront lot.

June 2011 – Bob & Lonna Kassner purchased a vacant lot, 871E (lot 205), across the street from their existing location, from the Swettenams.

October 2010 – Glen & Margaret Schochenmaier purchased 391E (lot 252) from the McCoys. Glen and Margaret live in California, but plan on relocating to their island home in the future.

October 2010 – Regan & Corey Mosley purchased a vacation home at 960E (lot 114) from Anderson/Godfrey.

September 2010 – Israel & Tara Solis purchased 421E (lot 254), the former home of Ron Michels.

May 2010 – James Horton purchased the home at 430E (lot 63 & S½ 62) from Stephanie Horton.

April 2010 – Ernest & Karie Lucero purchased 731E (lot 229), a vacant lot that belonged to Al Hurley.

**OUR CONDOLENCES**

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of the many members that we've lost during this past year or so:

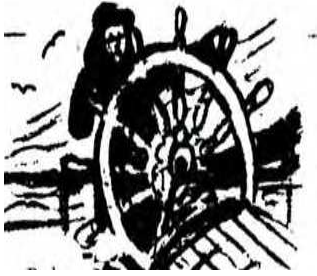
Bob Kassner  
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Nick Nichols  
Al Hurley  
Verne Castle  
Ron Michels  
Bonita Kassner  
Brad Hurley  
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**BRIDGE SLIDE SHOW**

Our webmaster, Rod Wilkinson, put together a great slide show of bridge photos. You can view it by visiting the Club's website at [www.treasureislandcountryclub.org](http://www.treasureislandcountryclub.org) and selecting the 'Bridge Video' link on the home page.

# Meeting Calendar

## At the Helm



### Scheduled TICC Board Meetings\*

October 1, Saturday, 9:00 AM

November 5, Saturday, 9:00 AM

December 10, Saturday, 9:00 AM

**Note:** There will be no board meeting on the first Saturday in September due to holiday weekend. Next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 9:00 a.m.

*\*All TICC Meetings will be held at the Grapeview Fire Hall unless otherwise posted.*

## **TICC**

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