

**Quadra Island Climate Action Network (ICAN).** Our **AIM** is to assist Quadra in becoming more resilient and self-sufficient in the face of ecological challenges. Our **MANDATE** is to organize and foster direct action on clearly defined practical projects. **WEBSITE (NEW Look!):** [www.quadraican.ca](http://www.quadraican.ca) **EMAIL:** [quadraicansociety@gmail.com](mailto:quadraicansociety@gmail.com) **PHONE:** 604-789-2492

### **Current ICAN ACTION TEAMS and their PROJECTS:**

#### **Food Security – Garden Club and ICAN Food Security Team**

- LEARN Food Security Workshops that have been presented: bokashi, canning, composting, container gardening, elderberry cordial, gluten-free baking gluten-free bread, kombucha, micro-greens, growing mushrooms, soil sprouts, sourdough bread, sourdough starter, sourdough other than bread, sprouting, starting plants from seeds, water kefir, wicking buckets.
- Garden Share Project
- Food survey (to determine obstacles to residents growing their own food)
- Quadra Island Food Guide
- Composting with FireSmart wood chips on south end of island
- Quadra Island Food Share Facebook page
- Wicking Bed demo and installation at seniors' residence
- Food Recovery Project
- Nut Tree Project
- Grow Together – Cooperative Garden at the South End
- Fundraising raffle
- Food Preservation Equipment Lending Library (Part of the Quadra Island Library of Things aka QuILT)
- Food Security for animals
- Gleaning

#### **Water Security Team**

- Geo-hydrological survey of island
- Wetlands mapping project

#### **Practical Water Solutions**

- Wetlands Restoration Project at Quadra Elementary School
- Distribution of 1,000-litre water storage tanks at cost
- Information on Rainwater Harvesting

#### **Energy Self-Sufficiency**

- Solar array demonstration project at Quadra Elementary School
- Hot Water from the Sun — article in DI & info booth at market
- Articles in DI on Heating with Wood Stoves
- Articles in DI on Solar Panels and Home Energy Audits
- Distribution of photovoltaic panels at cost (not yet implemented)
- Articles on Heat Pumps (not yet implemented)
- Canoe Pass Tidal Energy proposal (declined)

#### **Live Lightly**

- Glass Jar Days
- Quadra Summer Market ICAN Information Booth - Demos
- Recycling razor blades, disposable razors, & oral care products
- Recycling used pens
- RecycleBC Liaison – for planned Recycling Depot
- ICAN Use That Free/ReStore project proposal
- Education articles in DI on Reusing, Reducing and Repurposing
- Workshops – Make your own cream

#### **Quadra ICAN Virtual Free Store Facebook page**

- Over 1140 members redistributing used goods for free

## DIY

- Tool Repair Cafés (3)
- Quadra Island Library of Things aka QuILT – free tool lending library in Heriot Bay
- Maker space — proposal being negotiated

## Transportation

- Arbutus Road Walking/Biking Pathway – in progress
- Ride-share survey
- Support for Cortes Island Grant Application for Public Transportation Feasibility Study

<p><b>THEMES FROM SEPTEMBER 2023 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – Focus was Challenges:</b></p> <p>Community members worked in small groups to answer the question, “What are the challenges that Quadra is going to face in the future, or is facing now, related to building self-sufficiency and resiliency in the face of climate change?”</p> <p>A number of themes emerged from that meeting, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community demographics and connections</li><li>• Water</li><li>• Lands and forests</li><li>• Food security</li><li>• Transportation</li><li>• Communication</li><li>• Emergency/fire preparedness and/or disaster preparedness</li><li>• Sustainable energy</li></ul>	<p><b>SUGGESTED THEMES FOR TODAY:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Communication, Connection and Engagement i.e. how can we work together better?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Internal to Quadra</li><li>○ Between Quadra and other communities</li><li>○ With First Nations</li></ul></li><li>• Education and Skill Sharing/DIY</li><li>• Land Development</li><li>• Forests</li><li>• Food Security</li><li>• Water</li><li>• “Waste” management/Living Lightly on the Earth</li><li>• Transportation</li><li>• Sustainable Energy</li><li>• Economic Development</li><li>• Emergency preparedness now</li><li>• Preparing for the long emergency</li><li>• ???</li></ul> <p><b>IN YOUR GROUPS:</b></p> <p><b>BRAINSTORM</b> (see Rules for Brainstorming) &amp; <b>TAKE NOTES</b> on this question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>For our topic area, what can we do as a community to become more resilient and self-sufficient in the face of ecological challenges?</i></li></ul> <p>Note: You can propose new ideas AND/OR modifications/expansions of existing projects (see list on this handout). You can ask for help from ICAN members in the room.</p> <p>Then <b>DISCUSS &amp; TAKE NOTES</b> based on your brainstormed list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Looking at your list...What is most important for us to be working together on in 2024 and beyond? What should be the priorities?</i></li><li>• <i>Looking at your priorities...Do you have an idea for a new or modified Project? If yes, what is it? Do you want to work on it?</i></li><li>• <i>Does your Project idea fit within the existing Aim and Team structure of ICAN? If not, what needs to change?</i></li><li>• <i>Do you know of other people or groups who could/should be approached to work on your Project, either with ICAN or independently?</i></li></ul>
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<p><b>Rules for Brainstorming:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defer Judgment - “Creative Zone free of judgment”</li><li>• Encourage Wild, even outrageous Ideas, no fear of judgment</li><li>• Build on the Ideas of Others - use “and” instead of “but”</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stay Focused on the Topic</li><li>• One Conversation at a Time</li><li>• Be Visual</li><li>• Go for Quantity</li></ul>
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