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Welcome to Executive Chef Troy Fogarty

Leaving Nicklaus North Golf Club in Whistler to take the post of Executive Chef at Crown Isle was a homecoming for Chef Troy Fogarty who is originally from the Comox Valley. He has worked almost exclusively in resort and tourism based communities throughout his career. The position of Executive Chef at Crown Isle is a natural fit for Troy, whose passion is the culinary arts and outdoor recreation.



Troy is a founding member of the Island Chef's Collaborative, a group dedicated to incorporating locally farmed and seasonal organic produce into progressive and always expanding gourmet repertoires. Having access to the abundance of fresh ingredients from this area makes it exciting to create seasonally inspired menus. Chef Fogarty works diligently to create stunning menus, incorporating all of the best flavours that this region has to offer. According to Fogarty, "Simplicity is not the lack of sophistication".

Highlights of Fogarty's career include; working under noted Chef Vincent Stufano at Chateau Whistler - a man whom he names as one of his greatest influences, as well as working for John Travolta (aboard a yacht) which was touring the southern part of Vancouver Island. Troy has also been involved with the popular event "Winemaker Dinners", part of Cornucopia, Whistler's Wine and Food Celebration.

Diners will appreciate the pride and passion that Chef Fogarty brings to Crown Isle. He notes the growing appreciation of fine dining in the Comox Valley and invites you to partake in tasting one of his culinary masterpieces at the Silverado Steakhouse or Timber Room Pub.

INSIDE

Feature Home



Similar Home

1937 BIRKSHIRE BOULEVARD
\$389,900 + GST

This spacious 2500 sq. ft. (one and one half storey) home is an ideal place to raise a family. Set within the beautiful Comox Valley you'll love coming home to a house with the following features; four bedrooms plus den, huge bonus room, two four-piece bathrooms, open concept maple kitchen, hardwood and porcelain tiled floors, crown moldings, vaulted ceilings, heat pump/air conditioner, a fully landscaped yard and a sprinkler system. Available April '06.



Crown Isle Pastry Chef Wins Media Award at 7th Annual Grand Marnier Dessert Challenge

At this culinary Challenge held in Victoria on November 7th, chefs were encouraged to “invent a dessert that spans the limits and knows no boundaries...” Pastry Chef Michelle Yasinski of Crown Isle Resort was up for the challenge as she competed with some of the Island’s top chefs. All of the decadent desserts were created using Grand Marnier as one of the ingredients. Michelle’s award-winning dessert “The Crown Jewel” was a gingerbread tart with orange Grand Marnier curd topped with a chocolate crown and spun sugar.



Michelle Yasinski, previously of Michelin Star quality restaurants, has been with Crown Isle since early 2005. Michelle has a passion for creating unique seasonal desserts and pastries using fresh local ingredients. Some of her

most popular desserts include The Crown Isle Sensation (white and dark chocolate mousse and biscotti crust with special sauce) and Warm Gingerbread Cake.

Executive Chef Troy Fogarty Signature Fondue

This is a classic with a twist

Dry -	Gruyere Cheese	1 cup
	Emmental Cheese	1 cup
	Aged White Cheddar	1 cup
	Cornstarch	50 gr

Grate cheese and blend together in cornstarch.

Liquid -	Apple Juice	½ cup
	White Wine	½ cup
	Dijon Mustard	½ cup

Warm liquids in medium pot, add cheese ½ cup at a time over medium heat. Stir constantly.

Serve with fresh bread and veggies.

ENJOY



A note from the Superintendent

MIKE KEARNS Golf Course Superintendent

Another new year is upon us, and as we look forward to the end of the rainy season, it won't be long until the grass is growing, the greens are cut short, the flowers are in bloom and we are off to another great golfing season. I am very excited about the year ahead of us, and along with the entire maintenance department, we are looking forward to continually working at improving Crown Isle and creating the best possible golf experience for our members and guests.

Maintaining a property the size of Crown Isle is a team effort and our staff is made up of many skilled individuals with varying areas of expertise. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to one of the key members of our maintenance team, Sky-Hanna Niskasari.

Sky, our Head Gardener, has just completed her second year with Crown Isle and continues to do a tremendous job of leading our gardening

crew in the care and maintenance of all the beautiful gardens throughout the Resort. Sky comes to Crown Isle with a very impressive resume, which includes three years at Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club in Vancouver as the Assistant Gardener, as well as experience running her own landscape design and maintenance business. Sky's educational background includes both a Horticulture Diploma from Olds College, as well as a Horticulture Technician Certificate from Malaspina College.



Sky-Hanna Niskasari
Head Gardener

We feel extremely fortunate to have Sky as part of our maintenance team, with her knowledge and passion for plants, and her background in landscape design, she is constantly striving to improve the gardens of the Resort and Golf Course.

Crown Isle Staff Feature



Ron Waugh
Supervisor, Golf Shop

in Ontario and is now into a second career in the hospitality industry at Crown Isle Resort

Ron Waugh was born and raised in Woodstock, Ontario. He obtained Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) during his youthful formative years. Ron says he "saw the light" and moved to BC in 1997 to pursue two main passions, golfing and skiing. He left a 25-year management career with Bell Canada

and Mount Washington. Ron has one daughter in school in Victoria; his step daughters live in Kingston, Ontario and Berlin Germany. He has three grandchildren.

Ron describes himself as a passionate long time golfer and skier. In his words, "you'd think I'd be better at it given the amount of time I put in ... I must be slow learner - I really enjoy hitting balls on the range, left / right, left / right, over and over, instead of cutting the grass or weeding the flowerbeds". As you can tell, Ron has a great sense of humour and really enjoys interacting with guests, members and staff to enhance their Crown Isle experience.

PLAY



Message from the Men's Club Captain



Keith Libby
Men's Club Captain

On behalf of the Crown Isle Men's Golf Club and its executive I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Your executive has been busy planning a great golfing year for 2006 with the assistance of our Director of Golf.

We hope to present you with a full and exciting programme of golf for the year.

It is your participation that makes our golf programme a success and we hope to build on last

year's events to encourage more participation in all club functions. We had increased numbers in our Thursday senior events as well as the Saturday tournaments. The "Sunday Couples" which include the month end golf and dinner are expected to be exciting and fun and will be planned with you in mind by the cooperative efforts of the Women's Club and your Men's Club.

We welcome all new members and invite them to come out, participate and take part in the full "Crown Isle Experience". To our returning members we encourage you to enter as many events as you are able and bring your "A" game.

Let's make 2006 a memorable year.

Yours in good golfing
Keith J. Libby
Club Captain

Crown Isle Ladies' Club Welcome



Sharon Walker
Ladies' Club Captain

The Crown Isle Ladies Club has grown in leaps and bounds over the past few years and in 2005, we had 60% of the overall membership participate regularly on Tuesday. With such a positive response from last year, our goal this year is to encourage

continued growth with a new and exciting season of golf. We will have fun and challenging games with enough variety to suit all interests and appeal to golfers of all abilities. Included in our

plans are interclub exchanges with other clubs which creates great camaraderie and enhances our skills by playing other courses.

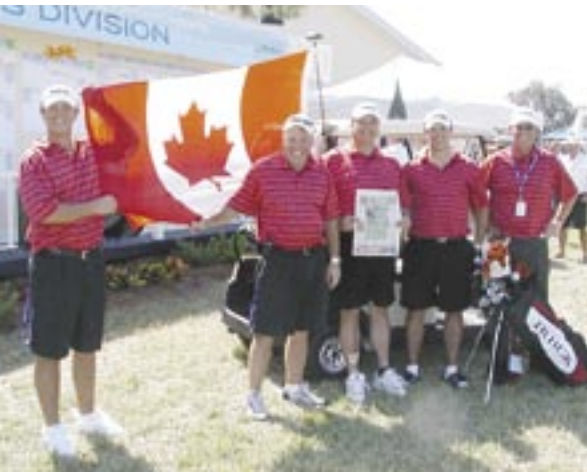
On behalf of the 2006 executive, we would like to welcome back our present members and extend an invitation to those new members who may be bit shy about joining us on Tuesday. Our start up day is April 4th with a scramble so come on out and give it a try. We have a great time playing golf and the extra activities we put together throughout the season are really a lot of fun. For more information, please call Sharon Walker at 338-4340

Hole in Ones

Doug Forbes-King December 16th Hole #12
Angus Wood January 6th Hole #16



Crown Isle Crew Overcomes Adversity at Buick Scramble



Left to Right: Nick Kacavenda, Errol Flynn, George Kacavenda, Clayton Kacavenda & Jason Andrew.

A team from Crown Isle revealed remarkable resolve by reaching the \$ 217,000 Buick Scramble North American Championships, the world's largest amateur golf tournament. They were only one of six Canadian teams to advance to the October 13-16 finals in Orlando, Florida and the only Canadians to make the final day. No less than 75,000 players started their odyssey in Canada and the USA by participating in one of more than 1,500 local championship tournaments.

Head professional, Jason Andrew and his team of amateurs started their own amazing journey by entering the gross division at the Crown Isle qualifier in June. Team members were brothers Nick and Clayton Kacavenda, their dad George Kacavenda and Errol Flynn, who replaced original member Kris Carver.

The team overcame many challenges to make it to the final round at the Celebration Golf Club, with scores of 58-59-59. On the day of the final

round, the putts declined to drop. The Canucks from Crown Isle tied for eighth place, posting a final round 60 for a Championship total of 236. The gross winning team, from South Carolina, posted a final round score of 55 for a total of 229. The team came very close and Jason Andrew points out that it was a monumental achievement and an amazing feat.

Tournament chairman Tiger Woods made the final presentations with congratulations to all participants. He described the event as "the ultimate event for amateur golfers."

Crown Isle
RESORT & GOLF COMMUNITY

2006 Men's Spring Scramble
APRIL 1 & 2
12 PM Shotgun Saturday • 9 AM Shotgun Sunday

\$500 PLUS GST
4 PERSON TEAM

Includes golf Saturday and Sunday, dinner Saturday evening, lunch on Sunday, prizes, KP's and LD's.
Optional Sweepstakes: \$300/Team
Skins: \$100/Team

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PLAY



Benco Ventures Feature Builder

Continuing with our new feature of introducing you to exceptional Crown Isle Builders, this quarter we recognize Benco Ventures.

Benco Ventures has proudly established itself as one of the premier builders within the prestigious Crown Isle Resort and Golf Community. Having built over 70 homes in the Crown Isle community over the last several years, Benco has earned a solid reputation for delivering quality and value.

Benco Ventures is ultimately a family enterprise offering literally decades of construction expertise. President Ben Christensen is the company's driving force supported by his father and brothers. The Christensen family has gained extensive experience in all forms of construction, across three continents. After building extensively throughout Alberta and British Columbia, the Christensen family has made the spectacular Comox Valley their home.

Benco Ventures became an industry leader as a result of applying client feedback, and anticipating what will work for people today and in the future. Benco believes in taking a hands on approach that allows them to oversee the entire construction process. Benco's commitment is to accept nothing less than the highest quality from its employees and trades.

Benco Ventures strives to continually refine their approach to improve the building process. The goals at Benco are to provide clients with:

- Quality workmanship
- Innovative and unique designs
- Competitive pricing
- A hassle free building experience

Underlying these goals is the pursuit of attaining and maintaining excellent customer service. Benco's aim is to make the home building experience as stress free and enjoyable as possible. In order to do this they offer clients a convenient "one stop" shop at the home sales and design centre. The display home has been constructed to showcase the distinctive designs and qualities of a Benco built home as well as provide a comfortable and elegant atmosphere that allows you to plan and design your home to best suit your individual needs and lifestyle. A customer care associate is available on staff at the display home to provide assistance and advice.

You may contact Benco Ventures through the Crown Isle Sales and Design Centre; directly at (250) 338-9521 or stop by their display home and sales office at 2344 Idiens Way, Crown Isle, Courtenay, BC.



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Welcome Brent Cormack



We would like to celebrate a new addition to the Crown Isle Realty group, Brent Cormack, who brings a lifetime of experience living on Vancouver Island to his new position.

In addition to being a licensed Realtor (licensed in both trades and property management) he is also a Certified Management Accountant. He worked for thirty years within the Island's forest industry as an accountant, manager, and management consultant. Honesty, integrity, and plain old hard work, supplemented with finely developed communication skills, have been his mainstay through his long and interesting career. Brent recently qualified for the SRES designation (Seniors Real Estate Specialist). Real estate is an area that has always held a special fascination for Brent and one to which his skills and values are appropriately

aligned. He is proud to serve your real estate needs through his new association with Crown Isle Realty.

Brent has two grown children and four grandchildren. He lives in Courtenay and enjoys all of the the lively and vibrant lifestyle that the Comox Valley has to offer.

Brent can be reached at Crown Isle Realty; Direct 250.703.5056 or via Cellular 250.218.2990.

New Year Brings Growth

The holidays have come and gone in a festive blur. In its wake Crown Isle saw its greatest year ever in landsales volume. The end of the year also witnessed the beginning of Crown Isle's much anticipated retail centre. Scheduled for development on the busy corner of Lerwick and Ryan, this river rock and timber boutique style retail centre will play an integral role in the community.

The next several months will see the addition of more single-family lots, the continued progression of all our multi-family projects, as well as the beginnings of small-scale commercial development across Lerwick, in and around the existing ICBC structure.

Golf Quote

"If you think that it is hard trying to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball."

Jack Lemmon



INVEST



Crown Isle Resort Wins 2nd Place at International Best Brochure Award Ceremony

Certified Folder Display Service of Canada submitted Crown Isle Resort and Golf Community's brochure as an entry to the International Best Brochure award competition. From a possible field of over 17,000 brochures, representing the collective client base of the Association membership, nominees were narrowed down to a list of 51. The nominated brochures were then evaluated through competitive comparisons using specific criteria including: headline quality, construction, content and overall appeal. The judges were industry professionals representing brochure

distribution and display companies from across the U.S., Canada, Europe and South Africa. The contest results were announced at the Association's recent annual meeting in San Diego, California. Crown Isle Resort won 2nd place with Disney coming in 1st. The brochure was designed by Neil Havers of Havers Design in Courtenay, BC.



Waste Not, Want Not

CHRISTINE BEECH

Executive Housekeeper, Crown Isle Resort

I grew up in a large family that never let anything go to waste. My mother even wrapped up the soap slivers in gauze so we could use it all. It seems her frugal nature had an impact on me. When I started to work at Crown Isle, I was very impressed with the quality and size of our soap – a citrus-infused teardrop shaped bar. Many guests would use the soap once and then leave

it behind. We decided to place a baggie in the bathroom drawer so the guests could take the bar home with them. It works quite well, but we still have numerous slightly used bars, shampoos, lotions and bath gels. Housekeeping now cleans and saves these products and donates them to the food bank. Apparently they are a big hit.

We are proud of the extra effort our housekeepers take to collect and clean these items so that they do not end up in the land fill.

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