

# Media Release



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## **LOCAL BUSINESS MAKES MERRY FOR KINSOL TRESTLE** *Merridale Ciderworks hosts dinner and dance for Trestle Campaign*

**Duncan, BC** – The Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project is about to get another fundraising boost thanks to Merridale Ciderworks this weekend. The public is invited to attend the Kinsol Trestle Brick Oven Pizza Dinner and Dance, Saturday, June 12.

“We want to show how local businesses can support this important community landmark in really simple ways,” says Janet Docherty, owner of Merridale Ciderworks and a member of the Cowichan Foundation’s Kinsol Capital Campaign. “We’ve planned a pizza dinner and dance where we can get together as a community and support the community at the same time.”

Merridale’s famous brick oven pizzas will be served at 5:30 and local band, Ciderhouse Rules will be on hand after 7:30 to get the dancing started. Admission to the dance is by donation with regular prices for pizzas and drinks all being donated back to the Kinsol Trestle campaign.

Funding for the rehabilitation project, now budgeted at \$7.5 million, has come from the federal and provincial infrastructure programs, as well as other sources. But one of the requirements of receiving that money was that the community was responsible for raising \$2 million. To date, approximately \$1.1 million has been raised.

The Kinsol Trestle is one of the largest and most spectacular timber rail trestle structures in the world. At 614 feet in length and standing 145 feet above the salmon bearing Koksilah River, the Kinsol is an incredible structure worth preserving for its heritage value as well as for the economic benefits the rehabilitation project will generate.

Donations to the Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project can be made on-line at [www.kinsol.ca](http://www.kinsol.ca) or by contacting Diane Myrden or Kim Martin at the Campaign Office – (250) 709-1087 or [kinsol@cfcowichan.ca](mailto:kinsol@cfcowichan.ca).

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*The Kinsol Trestle Capital Campaign is spearheaded by the Cowichan Foundation, which has a long history of contributing to the social, cultural and physical improvement of communities in the CVRD. The Foundation has partnered with the Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) and Community Futures, Cowichan, which is providing administrative services and a campaign office. For more information, please visit [www.kinsol.ca](http://www.kinsol.ca).*