

***Sustaining the Islands – Community Stewardship Awards Program***



**2010 Nominee Profile**

**Pat Ropars, Saturna Island**

- Category:** Individual
- Project:** For his actions to improve community safety
- Nominator(s):** Barb Hicks
- Letters of Support:** N/A

**Project Description:**

Pat Ropars, Saturna Island's road maintenance foreman, tends the roads in all types of weather, good or bad, day or night. During winter storms islanders know that Pat will have done a road check just before the ferry comes in. When the power is out and if someone's generator is not running and it is obvious they are home, Pat phones to see if the person is okay or if they need help to get the generator going. When he plows roads in winter, he makes sure those who are elderly or infirm can get out in and out of their driveways. When a dead deer is lying on the side of a road Pat will remove it. He goes the extra mile to make driving and walking on the roads of Saturna safe and enjoyable.