

Successful Island Radio Fund Drive

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Thank you Islanders and Mainlanders ... you are TERRIFIC!!! We set a goal for \$3500, and this year we raised \$6320, just \$330 less than last year.

"On behalf of the CJAI Board, it was amazing!" said Island Radio President Michele LeLay. "We had more volunteers this year than any other year. They baked, answered phones, offered prizes and talked on air. A special thanks to the Amherst Island Women's Institute and the Amherst Island Men's Society for their support. This is a community working together. The funds raised will go towards running the station. We do have some capital expenses. Most of our equipment is very, very old....the control panel in the On-Air booth alone dates back to the early 1970's. We bought it on E-Bay more than five years ago," noted Ms. LeLay.

Dayle Gowan, Host of the Udder Morning Show went on to say: "We had just over 100 individual donors with 30% of those coming from off-island. One of the important things that make's our fund drive great and exciting is the number of prizes and give-aways we receive from individuals as well as from our Island Radio sponsors. We would not have had the success we did without the large and small gifts that these folks made available to us."

The smallest radio station in Canada, born in the milk house of an old dairy farm, alongside our Amherst Island ferry dock hummed with excitement from 6:00 am Monday morning April 23rd until Friday evening at 9pm, April 27th. So many LIVE shows with guests and LIVE music.... it was wonderful being part of it. Celebrity disc-jockey and broadcaster Jack Thompson of 102.7 The Lake was Steve Kennedy's special guest on the afternoon portion of 'Up Steve's Sleeves'.

To top off this very special week, Station Manager Jim Gould received an email: "I am listening to your live streaming in Japan. Heart-warming mood with good music selection. Half hour before sleeping is my CJAI time. I do not know much about Amherst Island, but your programs always make me relax. Arigato, Thank you." Signed: Atsushi from Toyota City, Japan.