

Burrard Inlet September 2013

The weather started out cool – perfect for paddling and warmed up at lunch. I brought my telephoto this time to capture some creatures so no landscapes.



We were delighted by a raft of seals of various hues. They had parked themselves on a log boom to soak up the sun.







Loons and herons were busy fishing.



A small seal pup only a few feet long waited for mom and dad on a rock.

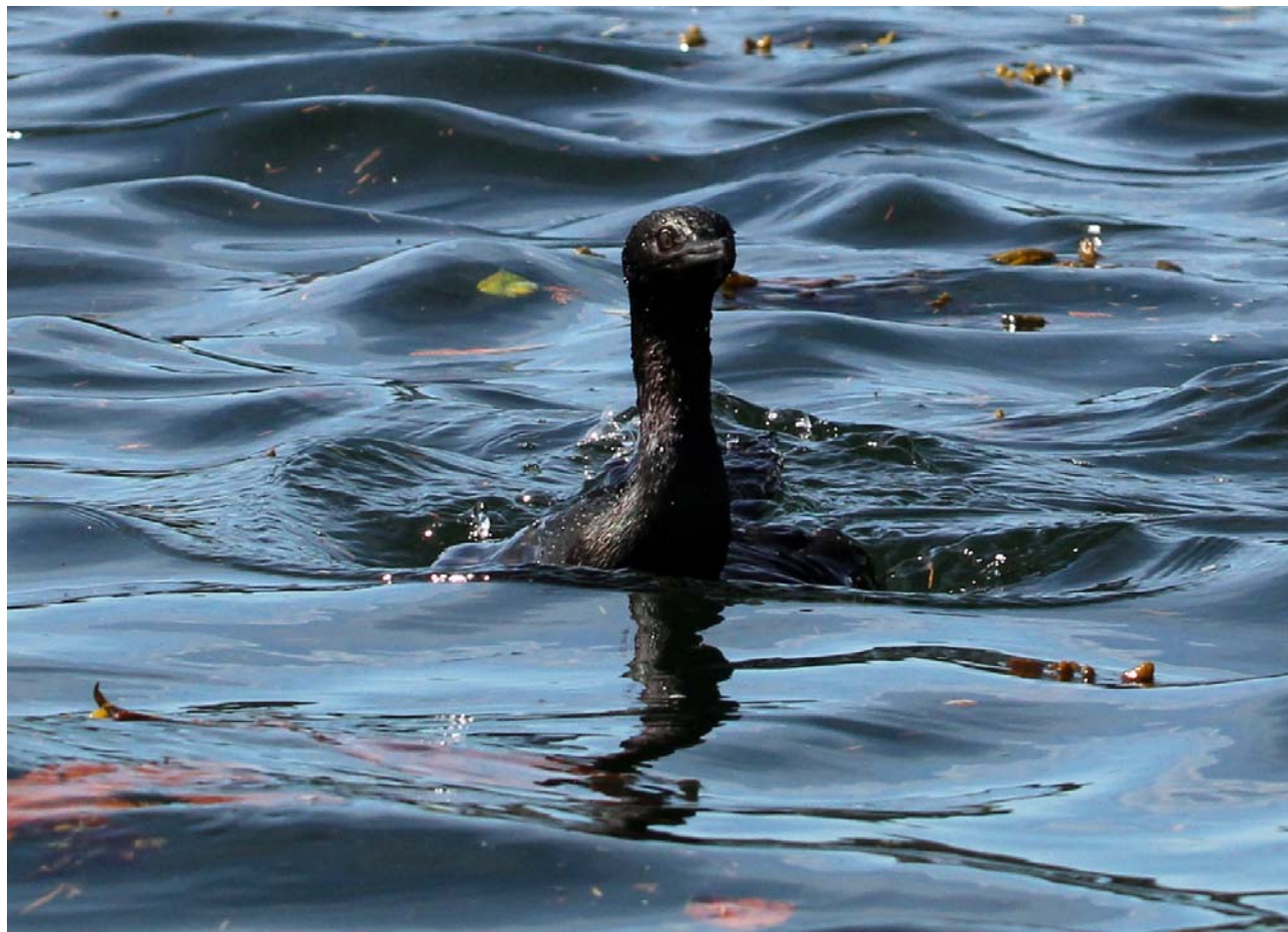






At our lunch spot on the beach a greedy gull was working on its lunch.

A mallard followed its reflection.



Perhaps the most amazing encounter of the day was a cormorant that was so busy bathing it didn't mind us kayakers paddling past. Usually when you get close they are off in a flash.

Burrard Inlet and the bottom of Indian Arm is pretty built up with, industry, marinas and some absolutely huge 4 and 5 story house clinging to the steep bluffs. Belcarra Park takes up a nice long part of the shore to balance the development.

It was a delight to see so many creatures still making a home in the area. T was a good day to paddle.