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HUU-AY-AHT FIRST NATIONS

Offices Closed

Monday, October 13, 2025





Anacla and Port Alberni Government Office will be closed for Thanksgiving.

Enjoy your long weekend!

We will reopen Tuesday, October 14, at 8:30 A.M.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Based on Anacla Citizen data base list

Alec Frank
October 10

Carole Nookemus
October 10

Craig Charleson
October 12

Melanie Nookemus
October 19

Corrissa Janson
October 25

Marleen Nookemus
October 26

Landon Wares
October 26

Benny Clappis
October 26

Kensie Johnson-Sabbas
October 26

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2025 ANNUAL PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025

10 a.m. | Port Alberni Athletic Hall

REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration deadline:
Friday, October 31, 2025

NOMINATIONS OPEN

Deadline:
Friday, October 31, 2025

www.huuayaht.org/2025-annual-peoples-assembly/

HUU-AY-AHT FISHERS

Report your catch and be entered to win $200 gift card for Gone Fishin'!

Every citizen that submits a catch report will be entered into the draw. All catch reports already collected from this calendar year are valid, and the contest is open until October 31, 2025.

To report your catch:

- **Drop off your catch form at The Port Alberni or Anacla Government Office, or**
- **Email** harvest@huuayaht.org**, or**

Call 250-728-3414 and report to the natural resources harvest reporting team.

Give a Book, Take a Book

We're excited to start a community Book Exchange in Anacla!

The shelf will be set up in the Anacla Office, between the entrance doors. To get started, we're asking for book donations.

If you have gently used books you'd like to share, please bring them to the Anacla Office.

Once the shelf is stocked, everyone is welcome to give a book, take a book, and enjoy the exchange!



Huu-ay-aht Schedule

Oct 2025

Sundays	Port Alberni: Culture Night	2:30 - 5 p.m.	3747 Church St.
Mondays	Anacla: Culture Night	7 - 9 p.m.	House of Huu-ay-aht
Tuesdays	Mens Healing Circle	1 - 3 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Mon., Oct. 13	HFN Offices: Closed	8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Anacla & Port Alberni Government Office
Tues., Oct. 11	Nanaimo: Dinner with Executive Council	4 - 6:30 p.m.	Coast Bastion Hotel
Wed., Oct 12	Port Alberni: Dinner with Executive Council	4 - 6:30 p.m.	Best Western Barclay Hotel
Fri., Oct. 24	Girls Group	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Port Alberni Government Office
	Anacla: Honouring & Acknowledging Our Citizens Who Attended Indian Residential School	12 - 2 p.m.	House of Huu-ay-aht
	Port Alberni: Honouring & Acknowledging Our Citizens Who Attended Indian Residential School	2 - 4 p.m.	Port Alberni Government Office
Mon., Oct. 27	Vancouver: Dinner with Executive Council	4 - 6:30 p.m.	Hilton Metrotown

Youth Program Schedule
With Jacquie Dennis

Oct 2025

Sundays	Beach Walk	Ages 5 - 7	11 a.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Mondays	Anacla: Culture Night	All Ages	7 - 9 p.m.	House of Huu-ay-aht
Tuesdays	Drop in cooking lessons	All Ages	2 - 6 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Fridays	Frybread Friday	All Ages	12 - 3 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Sat., Oct. 11	Movie and Popcorn Night	All Ages	1 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Sat., Oct. 18	Cedar Weaving	All Ages	12 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Sat., Oct. 25	Arts & Crafts	All Ages	12 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla

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Please be advised that Monday Night NTC Youth Group is postponed until further notice.

OCTOBER 2025
COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Bamfield Community School Association

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Calendar Notes: • Booooooooooo! • Parent/Teacher Conferences Oct 28/29. Half day of school for students on those days.			1 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm	2 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm	3	4
5	6 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Monday Night Sports: Dodgeball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	7 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Yoga with Alessandra BCS ~ 5 - 6 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	8 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm	9 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	10	11
12 Thanksgiving Community Potluck HOH	13 Thanksgiving - No School Monday Night Sports: Soccer BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	14 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	15 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Community Lunch BCS ~ 12 - 1 pm	16 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	17 Youth Friday Night Chill BCS 6 - 8 pm	18
19	20 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Monday Night Sports: Dodgeball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	21 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	22 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm	23 School's Out Program Grades 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	24 Non-instructional day, No School Adult movie night: Rocky Horror Picture Show BCS 7 - 9:30 pm	25
26	27 School's Out Program Grades 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Monday Night Sports: Volleyball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	28 Parent/Teacher Conferences! Half Day of School! Yoga with Alessandra BCS ~ 5 - 6 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	29 Parent/Teacher Conferences! Half Day of School!	30 Monster Mash Kids Halloween Event TBD Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	31 BVFD Halloween Dance 19+ East Firehall	

Save The Date:
Honouring & Acknowledging Our Citizens Who Attended Indian Residential School

Friday, October 24, 2025

Anacla
Location: House of Huu-ay-aht
Time: 12 - 2 p.m.
Lunch will be provided

Port Alberni
Location: Port Alberni Government Office (4644 Adelaide St.)
Time: 2 - 4 p.m.
Snacks and light refreshments will be provided

Everyone is Welcome

Attention Anacla & Bamfield

Resurfacing work on the trail between Anacla and Bamfield will begin October 14.
Work will start at Binnacle Road

Huu-ay-aht Dance Practice

HOUSE OF HUU-AY-AHT

Mondays
7 - 9 p.m.

Bring your shawls and drums!



Anacla Men's Healing Circle

SOARING EAGLE

TUESDAY OCT. 14
1-3 p.m.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

A group for women to come together and grow Through the creativity of vision board making, we'll spark meaningful conversations about healthy relationships, stress management, effective communication, setting boundaries, and defining what success means to each of us. Together, we'll reflect on our past, embrace our present, and shape our future in a safe and supportive space designed to connect, create, and inspire.

TUESDAYS: October 21, 28,
November 4, 18, 25
Time: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Open to all Nuu-chah-nulth women ages 18+.

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Light snacks and refreshments will be offered.

Contact:
Celine Sauvé: celine.s@huuayaht.org
Call/Text: 250-731-5676



Women Warriors 6-Week Pilot Launch
Ages 12-22

Port Alberni
Thursdays
September 25 & October 2, 2025: John Douglas Park at tiipis (Canal Beach)
October 9 & 16, 2025: Roger Creek Park Gazebo
October 23 & 30, 2025: Blair Park Gazebo

Time: 4 - 7 p.m.
Rain or Shine, dress accordingly
Pizza is provided

For more information, please contact Lisa at
womenswarriorlisa.m@gmail.com

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Girls Group

For girls ages 8-13 to come and learn grass weaving with Kathy Edgar Port Alberni Government Office

Friday, October 24, 2025
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

To register reach out to Rena Johnson.
Email: Rena Johnson
rena.j@huuayaht.org
Phone: 250-723-0100

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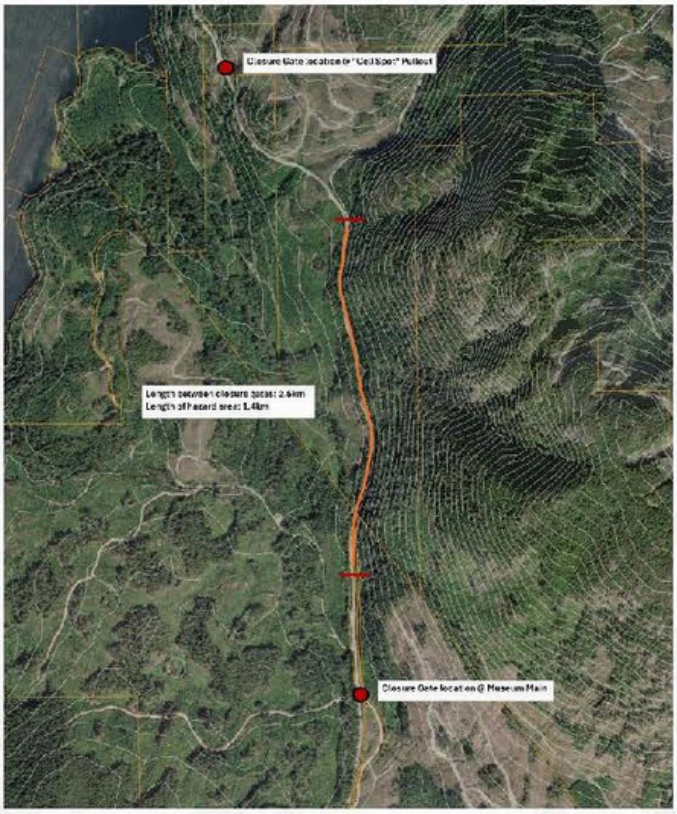
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Public Notice

Re: Ministry of Transportation and Transit – Bamfield Road Work Update

The Ministry of Transportation and Transit is actively working towards the safe reopening of Bamfield Road. Current and upcoming activities include:

- Danger tree assessment and removal along the 1.5 km section most impacted by the wildfire. This work began two weeks ago and is expected to continue for approximately three more weeks.
- Procurement and installation of road closure gates at pre-established closure points, providing safe turnaround areas in the event of future proactive closures.
- Installation of a weather station to collect site-specific data on precipitation and wind speed.
- Road base, surface repairs, and signing to follow the completion of danger tree removal.



Subject to weather conditions, all works remain on track for completion by the end of October, which will support the reopening of Bamfield Road.

Further updates will be provided in the coming weeks regarding winter monitoring, reopening protocols, and proactive closure procedures to ensure continued safety for all road users.

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Phone: 1.888.644.4555 | 250.728.3414 | Fax: 250.728.1222
Mail: Port Alberni Government Office, 4644 Adelaide Street, Port Alberni, B.C., V9Y 6N4 | Phone: 250.723.0100 | Fax: 250.723.4646

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Figure 1: Danger tree removal along Bamfield Road caused by the Mt. Underwood wildfire (Photo provided by Ministry of Transportation and Transit).

To view official public notice, please visit our website at www.huuauayht.org/hfn-public-notices/ or scan the QR Code

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Bamfield Main Road reopening planned for Oct. 24

Thursday, October 9, 2025

The Ministry of Transportation and Transit is continuing work to safely reopen Bamfield Main Road.

Significant progress has been made in recent weeks and the targeted reopening date is Friday, Oct. 24, 2025.

More than 1,000 dangerous trees have been safely removed from the slope alongside the corridor, with some trees measuring up to half a metre in diameter. This crucial work will continue through the week of Oct. 12-18, 2025.

In the past week, the ministry began installing a new weather station in the area. This infrastructure will play a vital role in monitoring wind and precipitation levels, helping inform decisions about temporary road closures during severe weather.

Also in the past week, crews identified a sinkhole caused by burning organic material within the road base. Repairs to this section will begin when tree removal in the area is complete. The ministry is working closely with utility providers to develop a long-term solution for relocating temporary power lines currently adjacent to the road.

While the current schedule anticipates reopening Oct. 24, short closures will be required after that date to complete remaining work.

Additionally, an operating protocol has been developed to guide closures during high wind or heavy rainfall. These closures will be communicated in advance whenever possible to minimize disruption.

As the complex work continues to ensure public safety, the community's patience and co-operation is appreciated.

An update will be provided next week with more details about the timeline for reopening.

Drivers are advised to continue using the Youbou detour and are reminded this is an industrial road with variable surface conditions and to exercise caution, adjust speeds and avoid travel at night if unfamiliar with the route.

LADY ROSE
MARINE

Starting Oct 2nd 2025, we will going into winter hours and will no longer stay in Bamfield until 1:30 pm. The Frances Barkley will depart once all freight has been delivered.

Passengers needing to catch the ship are advised to call the office regarding approximate departure times.

Schedule will remain the same. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays departing Port Alberni at 8:00 am.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY OCT 13th FOR THANKSGIVING

Our regular sailing to Bamfield will depart Tuesday October 14th. The office will be open at 6:00 a.m. Any freight for Tuesdays sailing may be dropped off at 6:30am.



Lady Rose water taxi services

Sailings on Mondays - Wednesdays - Friday

Departing from Bamfield:	**West Fisheries dock at 7:45 am** **East dock at 8:15 am**
Arriving Port Alberni:	**Lady Rose dock 9:45 am**
Departing Port Alberni :	**Lady Rose dock 3:30 pm**
Arriving Bamfield:	**West Fisheries dock 5:00 pm**

RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY

Reservation cut off will be 2 pm Friday for Monday sailing.
2 pm the day before Wednesday and Friday sailings.

Residents of Anacla and Bamfield no charge.
Non residents $50 one way. $100 round trip.

This is a passenger vessel only. Freight limited to a carry on.

Please call 250-723-8313 for reservations or more information

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School's Out Program



WITH THE BAMFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

School's Out is a fun and engaging after-school program for children ages 6–12, designed to inspire, support, and spark creativity!

Starting on **Monday, September 8th**, Children will enjoy two dedicated days of programming each week, including an after-school snack and a variety of exciting activities that the kids will look forward to!



GRADES 1–3: TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
GRADES 4–7: MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

3:00PM – 4:30PM AT THE SCHOOL

This program is proudly delivered by the BCSA, in partnership with United Way British Columbia (UWBC) and School District 70 (Pacific Rim).

PROGRAMMING WILL FOCUS ON...



- Identity Development
- Community Engagement & Land Stewardship
- Skills & Competencies
- Health & Wellness
- Social & Relational Well-being

Questions? Email Taylor at bcsalitfacilitator@gmail.com

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

United Way British Columbia

BCSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

BEGINNER SLAB-BUILDING CERAMICS WORKSHOP

Bamfield Community School Association

Learn how to make 4 functional stoneware pieces with Julie Bradley (Seastar Ceramics), ready in time for holiday gift giving!



MON & TUES NIGHTS
6:30-8:30PM
@ BCS

October 27th and 28th (building)
November 3rd and 4th (building)
November 10th and 11th (building)
November 24th and 25th (glazing)

JOIN JULIE AT THE SCHOOL FOR A SERIES OF 8 HANDBUILDING CLASSES, OVER 4 WEEKS. SPACE IS LIMITED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS!

REGISTER ASAP TO SECURE A SPOT!

SEA STAR CERAMICS

$200 per person, includes use of tools, clay, glaze, firing, and instruction from Julie. Ages 18+

Contact BCSA (managerbcsa@gmail.com) to register.

Huu-ay-aht First Nations Online Training

Kim Barthell and her team from Relationship Matters are offering online seminars that the Huu-ay-aht First Nations' Child and Family Wellness Team has purchased for citizens to access.

Citizens will have access to all the seminars for one year and can watch them at their own pace. The access will expire on **February 15, 2026**.

Huu-ay-aht First Nation has created a login for all citizens to access these seminars. If you want to participate, please contact the Child and Family Wellness Team at 250-736-5066 for the login information.

Topics include:

- Becoming a Behavioural Detective: Understanding and Supporting Complex Behaviour
- Conscious Parenting
- Connection and Resilience
- The Impact of Sexual Abuse
- Self-Harm & Suicide
- Aggression in Childhood and Adolescence
- Grief and Loss
- Addiction
- Community of Support



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Patient Travel

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Due to some changes in the eligibility for accessing Medical Patient Travel
We will require the following documentation upon a Patient Travel request.

For regular appointments to the nearest provider (3-5 days to process)

Check list:

- Confirmation of appointment
- Confirmation of travel arrangements
- Confirmation of attendance, once visit is complete

Transportation

- Standard mode of transportation is by private vehicle and mileage rates
- Francis Barclay is not an approved mode of transportation, if it is the only way to and from Medical appointments, will then need to do as a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval (5-7 days to process)
- Taxi Service will need to be submitted as a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval (5-7 days to process)

For Specialists or Service Providers outside of the nearest provider (5-7 days to process)

Check list

- Confirmation of appointment
- Referral to the Specialist from your General Practitioner, Dentist or Optometrist
- If not nearest provider please note that we will be submitting to FNHA for approval though the Benefit Exception process (5-7 day process)
- Confirmation of travel arrangements
- Confirmation of attendance , once visit is complete.

Dental

- Dentist appointments are considered a day trip, please book appointments to allow time to get to and from in one day.
- If referred to a Oral Specialist you will need to send appointment confirmation and referral so we can do a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval

Please contact Kimberly Nookemus, kimberly.n@huuayaht.org, or anyone from the Health team, 250-728-3414, to ensure all information is given correctly and plans are in place.

Patient Travel & Direct Deposit

Did you know Patient Travel funds can be sent through EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)?

If you're interested in using this service, please provide your Direct Deposit form from your bank to Finance. If your Direct Deposit form is already on file for another purpose, please inform the Finance Department, 250-723-0100, that you would like it to be used for this service as well.

For all other Patient Travel inquires, please contact Kimberly at kimberly.n@huuayaht.org or 250-728-3414

Income Assistance Notice

Community members who need to apply for Income Assistance or renew as a client of the program have the following responsibilities (Section 1.3 of Income Assistance Policy)

•To conduct themselves in a prompt, courteous and respectful manner.
•To actively seek work and attend programs, training and sessions as directed.
•If employable, to actively seek work. Clients must be available for any job they are capable of.
•To have or promptly apply for a social insurance number and to provide the appropriate identification for themselves and other family members as required.
•To provide all necessary information to the Social Development Worker and sign the application form.
•To pursue any other income that they may be entitled to, for example, employment insurance benefits, workers compensation, family maintenance, or spousal support.
•To first use any assets and income before seeking assistance from the Income Assistance Program.
•To take personal responsibility for becoming self-supporting.
•To be involved in the process of establishing eligibility for their benefits.
•To provide documentation to support their application when requested. All documentation is subject to verification. Clients providing false information will be subject to criminal charges.

Clients who meet any of the following criteria are not eligible for IA benefits: (Section 2.2 of Income Assistance Policy)

Healthy, employable, able-bodied persons between 19 and 55 years, who do not seek employment or accept available suitable employment, education, or training.

a.Persons who quit work, except with just cause.
b.People who are terminated from their job because they did not comply with reasonable job requirements (for example, by not showing up for work).
c.People who do not apply for Employment Insurance (EI) benefits, or who are disqualified from EI benefits because they failed to comply with program requirements.
d.A person who receives an unforeseen fortune or substantial monetary gain.
e.People who do not submit Monthly Renewal Forms as required.
f.Persons with monthly income or assets more than the allowable maximum (see 2.5, Income and Exemptions).

2025 payment schedule

~~January 15, 2025 (for February 2025)~~
~~February 19, 2025 (for March 2025)~~
~~March 19, 2025 (for April 2025)~~
~~April 16, 2025 (for May 2025)~~
~~May 21, 2025 (for June 2025)~~
~~June 25, 2025 (for July 2025)~~
~~July 23, 2025 (for August 2025)~~
~~August 27, 2025 (for September 2025)~~
~~September 24, 2025 (for October 2025)~~
October 22, 2025 (for November 2025)
November 19, 2025 (for December 2025)
December 17, 2025 (for January 2026)

