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HUU-AY-AHT FIRST NATIONS

OFFICES CLOSED
FRIDAY, APRIL 3
&
MONDAY, APRIL 6



EASTER WEEKEND

We will re-open Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Based on Anacla Citizen data base list

Stephane Cloutier
April 15

Selena Pye
April 15

Daisy Pirie
April 25

Beverley MacDonald
April 15

Jacqueline Mack
April 9

Zyliss Dick
April 16

Charlene Nookemus
April 18

Judith Johnson
April 15

Nolan Nookemus
April 18

Huu-ay-aht Schedule

APRIL 2026

Friday April 3 Monday April 6	**Huu-ay-aht Offices Closed, No Port Albenri or Anacla Culture Nights**		
Mondays April 13, 20, 27	**House of Huu-ay-aht Culture Night**	**7 - 9 p.m.**	**House of Huu-ay-aht**
	Child & Family Wellness Drop-in	**1 - 2:30 p.m.**	**CFW Office, ʔumʔiiqsu Centre**
Saturday April 4 & 18	**Citizen Led Recovery Circle**	**12:30 - 2 p.m.**	**Soaring Eagle**
Saturday, April 11	**Pet Care Day**	**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**	**Soaring Eagle**
Tuesday, April 14	**Men's Group**	**1 - 3 p.m.**	**Soaring Eagle**
Wednesday, April 15	**Hike to High Ground**	**11:30 - 2:30 p.m.**	**House of Huu-ay-aht**
Sunday April 19	**Port Alberni: Culture Night**	**2:30 - 5 p.m.**	**3747 Church St. Port Alberni**
Wednesday, April 29	**Service Canada & CRA in Community**	**10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.**	**Anacla Government Office**

Community Safety Watch

Witwak are in the community to provide support, guidance, and to ensure safety in the community. They respond, report, and record incidents in the community.
They can be reached at 250-720-5275.
If it is an emergency, please dial 911, then notify Witwak.

NTC Health Department in Anacla



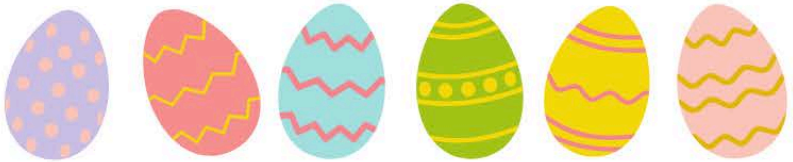
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Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21	**Mothers Support Worker & Early Years Outreach Worker**
Wednesday, April 1	**Community Health Nurse, Harm Reduction, Coordinator, Quu'asa**
Thursday, April 2	**Quu'asa, Home Care**
Wednesday, April 8	**Quu'asa, Harm Reduction**
Thursday, April 9	**Quu'asa**
Wednesday, April 15	**Quu'asa, Harm Reduction**
Thursday, April 16	**Quu'asa, Home Care**
Wednesday, April 22	**Quu'asa, Harm Reduction**
Thursday, April 23	**Quu'asa**
Wednesday, April 29	**Quu'asa, Community Health Nurse**
Thursday, April 30	**Quu'asa, Home Care**

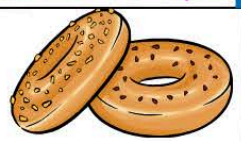
Contact

If you have any questions regarding a service, please contact Kimberly Nookemus at 250-728-3414 or kimberly.n@huuayaht.org or Kristen Young at 250-728-3414 or kristen.y@huuayaht.org

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Bamfield
Community School
Association

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Calendar Notes: • Join the Bamfield Community Hall Society for their annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 4th! • Calling all Babies of Bamfield to join Ranger and Brooklyn for Baby Group on April 12th & 26th! • Juniors soccer runs Wednesday nights from April 15th-June 3rd, Registration is required!			1 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm National Wear Your Shirt Backwards Day	2 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm	3 Good Friday, No School	4 Adult Gym Drop-In, ages 19+ BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm Easter Egg Hunt Eileen Scott Park 11 - 9 pm
5 	6 Easter Monday, No School Dodgeball, ages 16+ BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	7 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Yoga Pacific Sounds Lodge 5-6 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	8 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm 	9 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	10 	11 Adult Gym Drop-In, ages 19+ BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm
12 Baby Group BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm 	13 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Soccer, ages 16+ BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm 	14 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Library Hour BCS ~ 4:30-6:00pm Yoga Pacific Sounds Lodge 5-6 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	15 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Community Lunch BCS ~ 12 - 1 pm Juniors Soccer BCS ~ 6 - 7 pm	16 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	17 Youth Friday Night Chill BCS 7 - 9 pm 	18 Adult Gym Drop-In, ages 19+ BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm
19 	20 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Dodgeball, ages 16+ BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	21 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	22 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Juniors Soccer BCS ~ 6 - 7 pm 	23 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	24 Non-instructional day, No School Student Coastguard Field Trip! BCS ~ Time TBD Cooking Class: Bagel Baking East Firehall ~ 6 - 9 pm	25 Adult Gym Drop-In, ages 19+ BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm 
26 Baby Group BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm Cross Stitch Party BCS ~ Time TBD 	27 School's Out Gr.4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Volleyball, ages 16+ BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	28 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Library Hour BCS ~ 4:30-6:00pm Yoga West Park Pavilion 5-6 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	29 School's Out Gr. 4-7 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Juniors Soccer BCS ~ 6 - 7 pm	30 School's Out Gr. 1-3 BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Ball Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 pm - late	1 	2 Adult Gym Drop-In, ages 19+ BCS ~ 10 am - 12 pm

MAJOR PROJECT REVIEWS

Have Your Say: How Should Major Projects be Reviewed in or near Our Territory?

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Why this matters?

The Government of Canada is proposing a "One Project, One Review" approach that combines federal and provincial reviews of major projects into a single process. As a Modern Treaty Nation, we must ensure that a combined review does not come at the cost of our Treaty rights, our environment, or our economic development opportunities.

We want to hear from you!

Your voice matters! Take part in a confidential survey so we can tell the Government of Canada and the BC provincial government how they should work with us in project reviews. The findings from this survey will be shared with the Government of Canada and our community to shape this new approach together.

$50 Honoraria for Every Survey Respondent

Provide your name for citizenship verification. Names are used for honoraria only and will not appear in the report.
A $50 honorarium is available for 24 draw winners.

Take the Survey Now

https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/62myqPRvrx

Survey QR code



Disclaimer

- Only Huu-ay-aht citizens are allowed to complete this survey.
- Your response will be anonymized before sharing with our community or the Government of Canada.

Funded by: The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada

Dad Central

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Type of support:

- **Building stronger parent-child relationships**
- **Handling toddler meltdowns or teen pushback**
- **Navigating co-parenting and partner communication**
- **Managing your time, energy, and mental health**
- **Developing as a leader—in your family and beyond**

Book your introduction appointment today!

drew@dadcentral.ca

www.dadcentral.ca



Hike to High Ground with us!

Wednesday, April 15, 2026 - 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Take part in a mock evacuation

Join us at the House of Huu-ay-aht for a free community lunch, preparedness tips, evacuation route planning, and lots of prizes!

Bamfield Community School Association

Enjoy cultural sharing from Huu-ay-aht and the Bamfield Community School

BAMFIELD FIRE DEPT VOLUNTEER

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
BAMFIELD COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PROGRAM

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HIGH GROUND HIKE

Paws for Hope & Fantastic Beasts Veterinary Services Pet Care Day!

SOARING EAGLE

Saturday, April 11, 2026

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Citizens can bring their pets for:

- Vaccinations
- Flea & tick treatments
- General wellness visits

Open to all Anacla pets

Paws for Hope accepts walk-ins, but to ensure your pet(s) are seen, please email cassie@pawsforhope.org to make an appointment.

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Please contact Stephen Smith (stephen.s@huuayaht.org) or call 250-728-3414 to provide the following information in advance:

1. Your first and last name
2. Pet's name, age, breed
3. Whether we have seen your pet at a past clinic
4. What concerns you have (e.g. a specific medical issue, or routine care: vaccinations, deflea, deworming)

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Feedback on Communications

Take our short survey!

Submit survey by April 10

If needing assistance, please call the Port Alberni Government Office at 250-723-0100

The **Pacific Salmon Foundation** (PSC) is seeking applications from purse seine fishing vessel owners to participate in a test fishery in Pacific Fishery Management Area 20.

This program supports the in-season assessment of Fraser River sockeye salmon.

Proposal submission deadline is **April 19, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. PST.**

Further information and application requirements, are available on the PSC website (Scan QR Code).

PACIFIC SALMON COMMISSION

HUU-AY-AHT HARVESTERS

Report your catch by April 15, 2026 to win prawning gear!

To report your catch:

- Drop off your catch form at either office, or
- Email **harvest@huuayaht.org**, or
- Call 250-728-3414 and report to the Natural Resources harvest reporting team.





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Huu-ay-aht Culture Night

Monday
April 13 & 20
7 - 9 p.m.

House of Huu-ay-aht

Bring your shawls and drums!



CITIZEN LED RECOVERY CIRCLE

Integrating AA Principles and Wellbriety Tools

Saturdays,
April 4 & 18

12:30 - 2 P.M.
Soaring Eagle, Anacla

Join Kimmie MacDonald for a supportive recovery-focused group. Open to anyone on the path to recovery or wanting to begin.

Contact Person:
Kimmie_macdonald@hotmail.com

Anacla Men's Group

Tuesday, April 14
1-3 p.m.
Soaring Eagle

Please contact
Cory Howard Sr.
cory.j.h@huuayaht.org
or 250-728- 3414

The skunk cabbage are out which means the čims are returning and foraging for food!





- Report all sightings and encounters to the RAPP line (1-877-952-7277). All reports are tracked so issues can be addressed before they escalate.
- Keep garbage, food and attractants (compost, fruit trees, barbecues) secure in čims-proof locations. **Please dispose of garbage in bins and secure carabiner clips.**
- Scare away čims in the community with lots of noise. It doesn't seem neighbourly, but preventing čims from feeling at ease around humans keeps them safer in the long run.

For more information scan here:

BE ČIMS AWARE



Working together to bring **Government** services to **you**.

Representatives will be in your community:

DATE

Wednesday April 29, 2026

TIME

10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION

Anacla Government Office (170 Nookemus Rd.)

Please come in during the date and times listed above to ask questions about any of our programs.

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)

- Tax Slip information (T4, T5007, T4A -Pension, T4A- OAS and more)
- Notice of Assessments (NOAs) and Assistance with CRA correspondence
- Benefits and Credits information: Disability Tax Credit (DTC), Canada Child Benefit (CCB), GST/HST credit, Canada Worker's Benefit (CWB)
- Account updates (address, contact number, etc.)

Service Canada

- Pension information on Old Age Security and Canada Pension Plan
- Get a Social Insurance Number (birth certificate in most cases will be required)
- Receive an access code to sign up for online My Service Canada
- Canadian Dental Care Plan – Information and Application/Attestation
- New Canada Disability Benefit
- General Government of Canada information

Please bring any ID you have as what is required will depend on what services you are accessing.

Presented by: Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency.

Government of Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

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We're Hiring!

- Local FireSmart Representative
- ʔumʔiiqsu Tenant Support Worker

Full details of these postings are available on our website: https://huuayaht.org/whats-happening/work-with-us/ or scan QR code

2026 Seasonal Employment Opportunities
Bamfield Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses

The Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses (HGB) is now hiring seasonal team members for the upcoming season across our diverse operations in Bamfield. These positions offer an opportunity to work in a beautiful coastalenvironment while supporting Huu-ay-aht First Nations' economic development and creating unforgettable guest experiences across our hospitality businesses.

We have a varietyof seasonal opportunities ranging from 3–6 months, with start dates in April, May, and June. All positions conclude in September.
We offer competitive wages ($20.00–$30.00 per hour,depending on the position), seasonal retention bonuses, learning and development opportunities, and a fun, supportive work environment surrounded by breathtaking naturalbeauty. Limited employeehousing may be available.

For more information about specific roles and responsibilities, please refer to the job descriptions on our website - https://www.hfngroup.ca/careers/

Patient Travel

Please contact Kimberly Nookemus
at 250-728-3414 or kimberly.n@huuayaht.org

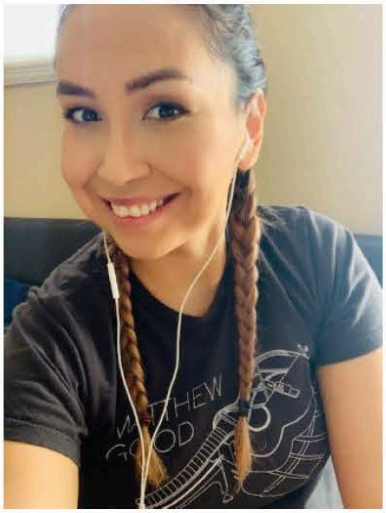
Do you have a medical appointment coming up?

Please contact medical travel with:
- ☑ Date
- ☑ Time
- ☑ Doctor's name
- ☑ Travel plans

Gentle reminders to also :
- ☑ Send in confirmation of appointment
- ☑ Confirm travel plans are in place prior to appointment with medical dept.
- ☑ Send in confirmation of attendance once visit is done

VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION
First Nations Health Authority

Do you have a complaint/compliment?



Desiree Holmes,
Quality & Safety Analyst

Desiree is a member of the Lheidli T'enneh Band. She supports the Vancouver Island Region on a journey to quality care. She provides culturally unique supports while coordinating feedback and concerns to all involved. By working directly with individuals, she is able to bring forward stories and experiences that require attention. She provides individuals and communities with resources to support healing during the complaint and resolution process. She actively looks for opportunities to hear from communities regarding quality care to support, develop and coordinate next steps for improved experiences in the health care system.

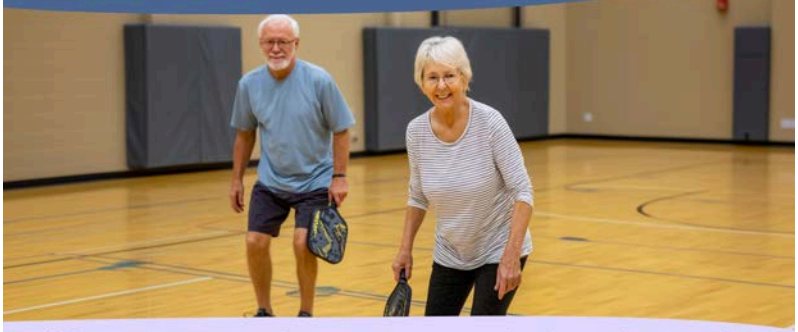
Desiree works out of the West Coast General Hospital in meeting room C twice a month. Ask the Indigenous Patient Navigator or ILN when Desiree is here next to speak with her directly.

Contact Desiree:
Text/Call – 250-637-1070
Email – Desiree.Holmes@fnha.ca

BCSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

SATURDAY MORNING GYM DROP-IN

JOIN CHARLENE FOR A FUN MORNING OF SPORTS & PLAY



Many community sports are during the week, late at night, and can be a bit competitive...

Come to the school on Saturday mornings to move your body, play games, & enjoy a fun, active time with your neighbours!

SATURDAY MORNINGS

10 AM - 12 PM AT THE SCHOOL

- This is a free event! Ages 19+.
- Please note that the school's heating will be OFF - dress appropriatly!
- Questions? Please contact Taylor at bcsalitfacilitator@gmail.com

BCSA PROGRAMS

JUNIORS SOCCER! 4-8 YEAR OLDS



Wednesday Nights
6 PM - 7 PM

Runs for 8 weeks
April 15th - June 3rd

Coach Julie, Coach Sam, and our volunteers are excited to teach your child the game of soccer/football!
You bring cleats (no metal studs) or runners, we'll provide shin pads, balls, and t-shirts.
Practices run on Wednesdays from 6-7 pm at the Bamfield Community School field, with a wrap-up BBQ after the final practice on June 3rd.

Register by emailing managerbcsa@gmail.com

Registration Deadline: April 13th

Training opportunities available with the Support of Community Services

Need support with the Registration fee? Contact Community and Citizen Services at 250-723-0100.



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INTRODUCTION TO LIGHTING

Training Session

Join our expert-led session, with no experience needed! This is a practical, approachable, and grounded in real-world experience.

ANDREW TAYLOR
Technical Operations Director

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Lunch Provided)

THE KCC
4090 Hollywood St. Port Alberni, B.C.

Open to the public, cost is decided on a sliding scale from $25 -$60.

Please register at fiveacre.tickit.ca

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).

2026 payment schedule

~~January 21, 2026 (for February 2026)~~
~~February 25, 2026 (for March 2026)~~
~~March 25, 2026 (for April 2026)~~
April 22, 2026 (for May 2026)
May 27, 2026 (for June 2026)
June 24, 2026 (for July 2026)
July 29, 2026 (for August 2026)
August 26, 2026 (for September 2026)
September 23, 2026 (for October 2026)
October 21, 2026 (for November 2026)
November 18, 2026 (for December 2026)
December 16, 2026 (for January 2027)

UNITED WAY'S

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

** CANCELLED FEBRUARY 23 **

