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Huu-ay-aht First Nations

Public Notices

Call for Nominations
&
Posting of Voters List

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Based on Anacla Citizen data base list

Zyliss Dick
April 16

Nolan Nookemus
April 18

Charlene Nookemus
April 18

Daisy Pirie
April 25

Huu-ay-aht Schedule

APRIL 2026

Mondays April 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 18	Citizen Led Recovery Circle	12:30 - 2 p.m.	Soaring Eagle
Sunday April 19	Port Alberni: Culture Night	2:30 - 5 p.m.	3747 Church St. Port Alberni
Thursday April 23	Together in Loss Circle	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	House of Huu-ay-aht
Friday April 24	Student Coast Guard Tours	8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. 12 - 3 p.m.	Bamfield Coast Guard Station
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.

Youth program Schedule with Jacquie Dennis

April 2026

Sundays	Port Alberni Culture	All Ages	12 - 7 p.m.	Alberni Valley United Church
Mondays	Anacla: Culture Night	All Ages	7 - 9 p.m.	House of Huu-ay-aht
	Soaring Eagle Drop in	Youth ages 5 and 6	2 - 6 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Tuesdays (except April 21)	Free Play *Snacks Provided*	All Ages	2 - 6 p.m.	House of Huu-ayaht
Tuesday April 21	Free Play *Snacks Provided*	All Ages	2 - 6 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Fridays	Frybread Friday	All Ages	12 - 3 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Saturday April 18	Board Games	All Ages	6 - 10 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla
Saturday April 25	Movie Night	All Ages	6 - 10 p.m.	Soaring Eagle, Anacla

NTC Health Department in Anacla



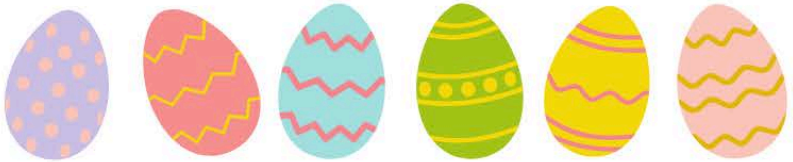
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Tuesday, April 21	**Mothers Support Worker & Early Years Outreach Worker**
Wednesday, April 22	**Quu’asa, Harm Reduction**
Thursday, April 23	**Quu’asa**
Wednesday, April 29	**Quu’asa, Community Health Nurse**
Thursday, April 30	**Quu’asa, Home Care**

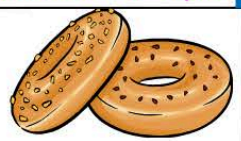
Contact

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

APRIL 2026
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

Deadline April 22



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

BCSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bamfield Community School Association

COAST GUARD TOURS

STUDENTS! COME CHECK OUT THE STATION & MEET OUR COAST GUARDS!

APRIL 24TH 2026



Join us for a fun day of activities with our Bamfield Coast Guards! We will tour the station, try out exciting equipment, explore the boats, practice our rope throwing, and more!

GROUP 1	GROUP 2
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	12:00 PM - 3:30 PM
AGES 5-10	AGES 11-18

This is a FREE field trip but **registration is required.**
To register email managerbcsa@gmail.com

Please note that there is **NO BUS** for this fieldtrip.
Parents/Guardians are responsible for pick-ups/drop-offs

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



Come together to honour each person's journey with grief.

House of Huu-ay-aht
Thursday, April 23, 2026
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

MAIL PICK-UP

NOTICE April 8, 2026:
Anacla citizens, please pick up your mail at the Anacla Government Office until further notice.
We apologize for the inconvenience.

Contact the office

170 Nookemus Rd, Anacla

250-728-3414

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HAPPY Anniversary

to my beautiful

wife Clara,

39 years!

Ben Clappis

House of Huu-ay-aht

Mondays

7 - 9 p.m.

Alberni Valley United Church

Sundays

2:30 - 5 p.m.

Bring your shawls and drums!

CITIZEN LED RECOVERY CIRCLE

Integrating AA Principles and Wellbriety Tools

Saturdays,
April 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

Mount Underwood Wildfire Community Meeting & Update

Hosted By ACRD

Thursday, April 30, 2026

5 P.M.

The Rix, Bamfield Marine Science Centre

For more information, email communications@acrd.bc.ca



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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Three Star Dark Sky Concert & Community BBQ

May 8 - 10, 2026

Join us on the edge of the Pacific at Pachena Beach in Huu-ay-aht Territory for the Three Stars Dark Sky Festival.

Based in the villages of Anacla and Bamfield, this gathering brings together Indigenous knowledge and western science to explore our connection to the cosmos through storytelling, art, and astronomy.

Led by Huu-ay-aht First Nations and HFN Group of Businesses, the Three Stars Dark Sky Festival is part of a broader vision to protect and share the night sky.

Science, art, and cultural knowledge come together in a place where the stars still lead the way.

Not just what you'll see overhead. What it means to protect it.

Come experience it as it unfolds.

Anacla Residents free admission, tickets are avaiable at hgb.tickit.ca

Huu-ay-aht Warriors discover SCUBA diving!





In March 2026, the Nuu-chah-nulth Youth Warrior Family Society partnered with the Kelp Rescue Initiative and Storm Coast Diving to inspire youth to take their first underwater breaths. Three instructors led a Discover SCUBA (Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus) Diving course for six Warriors at the Port Alberni Echo Aquatic Centre. Participants learned about essential diving equipment, how to properly use it, and explored potential careers in SCUBA diving.

During an hour in full scuba gear, the Warriors practiced key skills such as clearing their masks, recovering lost regulators, and controlling their buoyancy, while also enjoying games underwater. These foundational experiences mark the first steps toward eventually bringing these skills into the ocean—offering the opportunity to view the ḥahuuł̓i from a completely new perspective.

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

We're Hiring!

- Legislative Clerk
- 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

BCSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bamfield Community School Association

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

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)



Green Building Foundations & Manufacturing

May 19-June 19, 2026

Get equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to work in the construction and manufacturing industry. Learn how to handle hazardous materials, perform general labour and use construction tools and equipment with a focus on reducing waste and saving natural resources.

Worker Safety & Certificates include:

- Hazard Identification & Control
- Ladder & Scaffold Safety
- Rigging and Crane Safety
- Respiratory Protection & PPE
- Combustable Dust
- Confined Space Entry
- New & Young Workers OH&S
- Forklift Operation
- Fall Protection
- Respirator Fit Testing
- First Aid -OFA Level 1

NIC CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING

For more information, contact:
Leanne Moore
250-724-8705
leanne.moore@nic.bc.ca

This training is fully funded for qualified applicants. This project is in partnership with Synergy Foundation and funded in part by the Government of Canada's Canada Retraining and Opportunities Initiative.

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 **

