

HAPPY NEW YEAR,  
BAMFIELD!

# THE NEW BAMFIELDER

In Support of Anacla and Bamfield Youth

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## Xmas 2013 social



**According to Pat Garcia**, long time Hall president, this was about the Hall's 35th annual Christmas Social. For all but the last four years, the Social had been held in our Community Hall. Hopefully, we will soon be able to celebrate together in our new Hall. *L. Druehl*, photo collage by **Marc Phillips**.



**The School Christmas Concert** was attended by about 70 Anacla and Bamfield relatives and friends. It was a snappy performance, in a gaily decorated gym, followed by an authentic **Santa Claus** visit. Congratulations **Kristin Russell** and crew. A silent auction raised \$500 for the Parent Advisory Council's fieldtrip and breakfast programs. It's events like these that spell a happy future for Bamfield and Anacla. *L. Druehl*

### Coastal First Nations are offering a

**\$25,000** reward for information leading to the conviction of those responsible for slaughter of Roosevelt elk. Help protect this valuable, beautiful resource: report poachers 1-877-952-7277. See [www.bamfielder.ca](http://www.bamfielder.ca) Elk Press Release for award details and elk history.



**Eunice Joe - Tla-ah-shuks** - (7 November, 1935 – 22 November, 2013), spent her first years in Dodger's Cove. Then seven years in the TB Hospital in Nanaimo. She lived the rest of her life with her sister **Angie Joe** in *Numakimyis* (Sarita). She was fluent in the Nuu-chah-nulth language and an accomplished artist. Her life in *Numakimyis* was filled with canning, journaling, and playing crib. She and Angie walked on the beach, jiggled in Sarita Bay, picked berries and baked bread. She loved looking out her window at wildlife, particularly swans. She approached her work "from a place of respect that is grounded in teachings of *Hishukish Tsawalk*: everything is one, all is connected." Eunice, you led a good life. R.I.P. *L. Druehl*, photo: Standing:(L-R) **Angie, Tom, and Eunice Joe**. Sitting: the late **Lizzie Happynook**. *Ed. Note an earlier version of this item misquoted aspects of Eunice's life. My apologies. L. Druehl*

**Protect our Shores and our Future.** A group of Concerned Professional Engineers (CPE), of which I am a participant, has studied the marine aspects of the Northern Gateway Pipelines. Many serious and grave doubts of project risks and inevitable damage from an oil spill have been raised at the Joint Review Panel of the National Energy Board hearings by CPE, among many others, such that project approval should **not be granted**. CPE seeks funding to get their message across. *Peter Hatfield* of Bamfield & Vancouver. ([www.bamfielder.ca](http://www.bamfielder.ca) for Peter's full Gateway Pipelines message.)

### Community School Association News

- Community nights: The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. 7-8:30pm. Sports, activities, crafts and workshops, a variety of fun things.  
- January PAC and the BCSA will start a Breakfast Buddy Read Program. You are invited share a snack and read with the kids, Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Sign up to make a snack, read with the kids or both! See posters, talk to **Andrea Butler** or call the BCSA (728 1220). Food donations welcomed.  
- A big thank you **Gord Hawkins** and **Jake Wenstob** for the Motor Maintenance workshop. Twelve community members learned about thermostats, spark plugs and how to do an oil change. Gord had 3 boat motors and lots of tools that we tinkered with...a great learning opportunity. *Catherine Thompson*

**Bamfield societies & organizations, submit your news to TNB and make contact with the approximately 2000 Bamfielders and friends of Bamfield readers.**



**"Purdy Saw Mill"** burns, December 19. According to our Fire Chief **Mark Kelly**, "The fire was started by the cutting torch about 12 hours earlier." One less Bamfield employment opportunity. *L. Druehl*



**Photo: Mill Site, L. Druehl**



**Bamfield Bird Count.** On December 14, 17 Bamfielders observed 3262 birds, representing 63 species (see [www.bamfielder.ca](http://www.bamfielder.ca) Count Summary for details). **Anne Stewart** noted, "We had a few high counts this year such as Snipe, Eurasian Collared Doves, Red-winged Blackbirds and some dreadfully low counts such as Western Grebe." *Heather Washburn*. Photo by a Nice C.G. Man (L→R) **L. Herbig, O. Osborne, S. Gray, S. Clarke, Me, M. Van Boven, A. Stewart**

**Stalwart John!** Long-time West Bamfielder **John Evans** fell in the woodshed and got a nasty scalp cut. Blood streaming, he carried the wood into the house where an alarmed **Emily Wenstob** wanted to call Donna. "Utter nonsense" said John, who doesn't see well, but he did walk to the Coast Guard Station. There he was patched up and carefully conveyed home. "Being in favour of fresh air," said John, "I soon ripped it all off and applied something from a tube of medication. But it might have been toothpaste." John added that his blooded apparition groping towards the Coast Guard Station "galvanized the nice people of Bamfield to come and do firewood for me! Sure as hell better than Kitsilano!" *Heather Washburn*

**Laura Calder**, a frequent Bamfield visitor, delightfully portrays our **John Evans**. <http://lauracalder.com/a-fine-crusty-old-man/#more-1063>.

**Catherine's January Events**  
 5th- Wet Felting Workshop. \$5. RSVP  
 13th- Toastmasters  
 14th- Computer class, 6:30, school  
 14th- 1st Community Night, 7:00,  
 20th- Community Affairs, 7:30  
 25th Robbie Burns Dinner, Firehall  
 27th- Family Day/Community Lunch  
 27th- Toastmasters  
 28th- Community Night, 7:00, Computer class, 6:30 *Catherine Thompson*, Coordinator, BCSA

**Centennial Park News.** **Fiona Hawkes** has completed reproducing 20 of the original 37 Smiley Arena panels. **Dave Gerbrandt & JP Hasty**



pour pads for 10 commemorative benches to be located in front of the Memorial Pavilion. **Joe Cooper** continues creating the Pavilion's grand staircase. *L. Druehl*

**A New Face!** This January stop into the BCSA office and welcome **Marton Jalkoczi!** Catherine will be taking a 4 month leave of absence from BCSA and Marton has been hired to hold down the fort along with our new CAP Youth Intern, **Fiona Hawkes**. He is an international student from Hungary studying International Studies at Simon Fraser University. Look forward to a Hungarian Cooking Class and some new ideas. *C. Thompson*. *We wish Catherine an enjoyable and informative break.* *Ed.*

**Bamfield's 32nd** Bamfield Christmas Craft Fair packed the community school gym December 1st with nearly 20 tables of handmade wares. As well as the tried and true standards - **Hedy's** pottery, **Marie's** pictures and sweets - the fair benefitted from new vendors and crafts - photos from **Dane**, calendars from **Stella**, hand-painted china from **Fiona**, to name a few. A goodly crowd filled the gym and I was assured by vendors that sales were brisk! The festive spirit abounded with live Christmas music from locals **Phil Lavoie** and **Malcom Richards**, along with a set from visiting east coast musician **Alicia Penney**. Chicken soup and plenty of goodies provided lunch fare. Thanks to **Michelle van Boven** for organizing yet another stellar craft fair and to all the talented artists willing to help us out with our Christmas shopping! *Jean Robertson*

**Purdy's Woes Continue.** According to a government document released Dec 2 (see [www.bamfielder.ca](http://www.bamfielder.ca)), Mr. Purdy's company has been given an extension on bankruptcy to Feb 7, 2014. Mr. Purdy's previous deadline to pay back his creditors was Dec 2, 2013. *Heather Washburn*

Letters and comments are welcome. Submissions will be edited for clarity and taste, and should be brief. Classifieds should not exceed 15 words (no commercial ads). All submissions must have the author's name and telephone number. Submit to [ldruehl@island.net](mailto:ldruehl@island.net). *The New Bamfielder* is a free paper but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. *Louis Druehl*

ous do- nations from Calgary, Paris and the Bamfield Christmas Craft Fair launch TNB 2014 Youth Programs. Empha-

TD Friends of the Environment Foundation



**This past spring**, the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre was awarded a grant from TD Friends of the Environment fund to help build a staircase on our rainforest trail. Our trails are a great teaching resource, but with many feet comes much erosion! This staircase was built to help keep the erosion in check, and hopefully allow that part of the path to recover. Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre would like to thank TD FEF for their support in this project! *Phil Lavoie*, Public Education

**Christmas Crafts Sale 2013**



**Jerry's Weather.** A mild late fall and early winter. We had a nice snow in early December—maybe 10 cm—and a brief cold spell down to minus 5 C. And little rain: December 4 inches, November 7 inches and October a piddling 2.15 inches. This rainfall of 13 inches for the 3 months falls way short of normal: 41 inches. WOW! Less than 70 inches for the year, 102 inches is normal. I hope your holidays have been pleasant. The beach with the mild temperatures, little rain and even some sun has been very nice. With quite a few locals making a holiday show at the beach, enjoying this nice weather. *Jerry Baird*, at home on Bradys Beach