

THE NEW BAMFIELDER

KIDS, Easter Egg Hunts 11:00 Saturday, Centennial Park & 11:00 Monday, Pachena Beach

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32 Bamfielders considered March Community Affairs.

Steelhead and the HUU-ay-aht presented an update on the Sarita LNG project and responded to questions by locals (see www.bamfielder.ca, Affairs Minutes). **Bob Baden**, representing Reg. Dir. **Keith Wyton**, informed Bamfielders the Bamfield funds towards water treatment project had been approved. **Jeff Cook** noted that Steelhead donated \$10,000 to HFN for Anacla/Bamfield walkway and **Charlie Clappis** said they are looking at options for a route and expect to see work starting soon. The Directors voted unanimously YES for a \$2000 grant-in-aid for computers for the Bamfield Historical Society. Note: Affairs AGM May 19. From minutes by *K. Russell*.

Centennial Park Directors wish to thank **Bruce Powell** of Kingfisher for excavating stumps and stabilizing the campground.

Chinese New Year, 19 February 2015, year of the sheep, saw 59 Bamfielders sharing a Chinese lunch and thanking **Catherine Thompson** for all her contributions as BCSA Co-ordinator. Catherine fought off a total meltdown as she responded to the thanks and hugs. photo *M. Phillips*, BCSA directors thank Catherine (right)



Letters and comments are welcome. Submissions 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. *The New Bamfielder* is a free paper but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. *Louis Druehl*

"The Real DeCoy," joked **Scott Martin**, describing his fishing plug and duck decoy collections. His interests are in working folk arts, objects created to meet a need and not as decorative pieces (www.bamfielder.ca for M. Phillips' collage). He frequents flea markets, associates with U.S. collecting clubs, and stumbles on opportunities (ex-Bamfielder, **Peter Brown**, gave him several duck decoys). Scott became aware of Bamfield in the



1970s when he worked on seine boats and in the herring fishery with **Ken Bodaly**. For about 10 years he managed high-end housing construction in Whistler. Then, renovating/finishing of the **Jennings, Phillips, Deveson** and **Bodaly** homes, along with other projects kept him Bamfield focused until he was hired by the Marine Station as Facilities Manager. He thoroughly enjoys working at the station, and speaks highly of the value of the station to the community and marine sciences. About Bamfield: "... catch a couple of springs on the way to work?. It's great...an end of the road type of place. I'm here to stay." *L. Druehl* photo, Scott with fishing plugs, hand painted in Bamfield.

Huu-ay-aht Councillor appointed Treaty Commissioner.

Huu-ay-aht First Nations is proud to announce that Executive Councillor **Tom Mexis Happynook** has been appointed Treaty Commissioner for British Columbia. Happynook is the Hereditary Whaling Chief of HUU-ay-aht First Nations. He has been a member of HUU-ay-aht Executive Council since 2011 and served as the HUU-ay-aht Treaty Implementation Team Leader from June 2009 to March 2011. "I am thrilled to have been selected to be the B.C. Treaty Commissioner," he says. "I have spent the last 24 years fully engaged in treaty negotiation and implementation." "We would like to offer our sincere congratulations to Tom on his appointment as a B.C. Treaty Commissioner," Elected Chief Councillor **Jeff Cook** says. "During the many years he served HUU-ay-aht, he has proven to be a very valuable asset to our organization. Although we will miss him as he moves on to a new venture, we wish him well." *Heather Thomson*, Communications Coordinator, HUU-ay-aht First Nations. www.bamfielder.ca for full news release and more about Tom Happynook



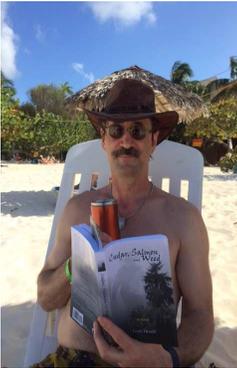
Aurora Borealis, from the deck of the Lamb House. Streaks + bands + columns of white light in the northern sky, 17 March, 1-2 a.m. *Carolyn May* and *Jan Teversham*.

New Bamfielder spared!

Black Press closes the Campbell River Courier and Parksville Oceanside Star. *L. Druehl*

Janet's April Events (250-728-1220 for details).

- 4th- Easter Egg Hunt, 11am, Centen. Park.
- 6th- Easter Egg Hunt, 11 am, Pachena
- 7th- Linda Gilkeson, Backyard gardening workshop. School 9:30- 4pm.
- 9th- Fiona Chambers, Ethnobotany workshop. School 3pm-4:15 & 5-6:30 tour of Pachena.
- 13th- Open Computer class, School 5pm.
- 16-18th- Dental Hygiene Student Community Program, VIU, School, Community Meeting Thursday TBA; Friday morning 9-12 a.m. students and Saturday morning community members-TBA.
- 18th- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner,5-7 pm by invitation, School.
- 20th- Community Affairs, School, 7:30.
- 22nd- Earth Day beach clean up. Contact School.
- 25th- Community Night, School, School. 6pm-8pm. Events TBA .
- Circuits Tuesdays, School, 5:15pm.
- After school club, Thursdays 3-4:15pm.
- BCSA closed Easter weekend.
- J. Simpson-Cooke, Coordinator, BCSA



Cedar, Salmon and Weed, Bamfield's novel, enjoys a Cuban beach with **Gary Saunders**. Gary lent his nickname, **Gaz**, to the book's main character, **William Charles**. Books may be purchased from Bamfield stores &

www.cedarsalmonandweed.ca.



Fawn Lilies revisited. In the first issue, June 2011, of this paper, **Rae Hopkins** reported on the presence of this species, *Erythronium revolutum*, at km 57 on the Bamfield Road. March of this year they appear again with a single white Trillium blossom (photo above, *R. Hopkins*). Global warming, seasonal shifts? *L. Druhl*

"It's the worst road I've ever seen..." uttered by the BC Hydro supervisor who attended the Bamfield Road Safety Association AGM the 21st of March. He was appalled that he sends Hydro trucks down the Bamfield Road. It was the first time he had driven it. There was a good turn-out for the AGM:13 Bamfielders, 5 Headquarters Bay people, Ministry of Forests,Lands & Natural Resources, Ministry of Transportation, **Justin Kumagai** representing Western Forest Products and a supervisor from BC Hydro. Reports on road conditions, repairs & traffic counts were given. Among other items it was



noted that there is new legislation that requires off-road vehicles (eg. ATVs) to display current license plates, have \$200,000.00 liability & a valid driver's license. The current Board

of Directors consists of **Stefan Ochman, Charlie Clappis, Keith Wyton, Bob Baden, Jane Bremner, John Bremner, Dean Mapstone**. *R. Hopkins*, photo km 51 Bamfield Road, *R. Hopkins*

Good food (beef stew and a strudel), good company, and a great chance to catch up on local gossip. The Community School Association monthly lunch is a winner.



Backyard Bounty Workshop, The complete Guide to Year-Round Organic Gardening by renowned **Linda Gilkeson**, 7 April, 9:30—4 pm, School, Free!, bring lunch and rain gear. Also a 5 pm potluck. Gardeners unite!

Pacific Seaplanes Inc. will start regular weekly flights from Nanaimo to Bamfield on a scheduled basis in April. We can provide charter flights from departure points including Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo and elsewhere. We fly Cessna 180 and Twin engine 10 seat Beechcraft seaplanes. Our main base is Nanaimo BC. See: www.pacificseaplanes.biz

Hold that hose. A training plan for 2015: get all current members through the Fire Fighter I program. The exam for the first training module will be completed by March 18th. Study and examinations for subsequent modules will occur throughout the remainder of the year so new members are welcome to join at any time and can get on board with the training. Two new members of the department have completed their probationary period. **Charlie Clappis** and **Tao Eastham** were welcomed as our newest full members. BVFD has ordered a LifePak 1000 AED from St. John Ambulance. This unit will be housed on the East Side pumper truck. Cardiac issues (heart attack, stroke and heat induced heart failure) are the number one cause of Fire Fighter mortalities. It will be accessible for any incidents that may occur at the hall during community events, dances, etc. The fire hall on the West side needs of a new roof. The East side continues to be well utilized for various events like the cooking classes, etc. Comments, concerns, queries? Please contact bamfieldfirechief@gmail.com or call 250-728-3433. Cheers, *Eric Clelland*, BVFD Fire Chief



Bon Voyage! Munro's Book Store in Victoria hosted a book launch for **Louis Druhl's** novel *Cedar, Salmon and Weed*. It was held at the Bard and Banker Pub on Government Street the 25th of February. It was a very festive event with Bamfielders past and present in attendance along with a number of other interested people. Louis gave an entertaining reading from the book and the evening concluded with Bamfield brownie snacks. *R. Hopkins*, photo *M. Phillips*.

Photo, Community Garden Crop.

