

# THE NEW BAMFIELDER

Celebrating Volunteers and Volunteerism, the Heart of Bamfield  
In Support of Anacla and Bamfield Youth

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**Celebrate with your Friends and Neighbours 150 years of Canada, 50 years of Centennial Park volunteerism, and more. Centennial Park, 1 July: Parade 11:30, O'Canada, Hotdogs/Watermelon, Fire pit dedication, Music, and the 4th Annual Seabeam Pig Roast 5:00**

## Speaking of Volunteerism...

**Who is yoga trim**, studiously taking notes, Madam Secretary. **Rae Hopkins** came to Bamfield because of *Bull Kelp and the Nereo Sisters*, a glass of water and wild roses and stays because of "Pure air, warm community and great buddy reading. But the feeling some have that Bamfield needs to be divided, I disagree with, we are neighborhoods that make Bamfield interesting." You have served as secretary for the Community School Association (13 yrs.), Community Affairs (14 yrs.), Harbour Authority (4 yrs.), and the Historical Society (8 yrs.), why? "I like listening, and being deaf in one ear helps free my imagination when recording proceedings." Rae and **Heather Cooper** started the bi-weekly yoga in the freezing Community Hall that continues in the Health Clinic. Rae and her husband Louis have operated [www.canadiankelp.com](http://www.canadiankelp.com) since 1983, producing sea vegetables and promoting kelp farming. Your family is in Vancouver? "Yes, mostly, 2 of our 3 children (**Toby Reeve** is in Bamfield), 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grand children are close and that



is nice." Rae thinks Bamfield's future would be brighter if there was some economic driver to attract families. If you encounter Rae walking, don't say *Hi* at your own peril. *L. Druehl*

**Following his heart** to Protection Island delivered the stalwart servant of Anacla and Bamfield, **Stefan Ochman**, to BC away from his Quebec home, in 1993. Stefan conducted pulp mill monitoring workshops until 1997 when he joined the Huu-ay-aht First Nations as a Biologist/Fisheries Manager. During his tenor with the HFN, Stefan mentored the Boston University's **Bamfield School for Field Studies**. He retired in 2014. From 1999 to present, he has promoted the Bamfield/Anacla Community Forest Society, being president for the last 5 years. Add to that 10-years president of the Bamfield Road Safety Association, ACRD Regional Director 2006-2011, Bamfield Community Affairs since 1999, being treasurer for the last 4 years. This year, he stepped down from the BCAS. Stefan is a strong supporter of all Bamfield activities. For over 3 years he lived on his boat, Oceano, until the cold and complaints he always smelled of diesel, drove him to dry land. Next? Participating in the **Al Gore** Climate Action Leadership Corp workshop in Washington State, June 26-29. I think we'll be seeing more of Stefan, *L. Druehl*



**Join neighbours and friends for the 2nd Annual Fathers' Day Red-Hot Chili Cook-off.**

**All family fun!**

**Sunday, June 18, 12:00**

**Centennial Park**

**Prizes and Drawings**

**Dinner & Beverage \$10**

**Desserts Welcomed!**

**Contestants contact Tao (604-868-1465) or Louis (250-728-3297) by June 14.**

**Bamfield Community Hall Society**



**Roads and parking and garbage**, the focus of the May Community Affairs meeting. **Keith Wyton** and **Bob Baden**, ACRD, explained the impact of the terrible road conditions on Bamfield: visiting doctors do not want to come and bus operators that transport thousands of marine station visitors per year may not continue to subject their busses to these conditions. Keith will establish a committee to advance Bamfield's position. To relieve peak parking issues, roadside parking, on the south side of Grappler road could accommodate about 100 vehicles. New ACRD requirements, that the target to reduce garbage to zero, and to limit shipping costs it is proposed: we separate organics and building materials from other, alter bin sizes, consolidate business and private garbage, and have restricted hours at the recycle deposit with an on-duty overseer. In response to **Zelda's Clappis'** comments on over-filled bins, Keith said the problem usually rests with the shippers (Call ACRD 250-720-2700 and complain). *L. Druehl*

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 but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. Louis Druehl

## May 20th, Two Hot Parties

**Party 1. Clay Evans, Bamfield Coxswain Emeritus**, gave a lively talk on the history of the Canadian Coast Guard at our annual open house on May 20th. He said we were lucky to have such an amazing coast guard here as well as one of only two state-of-the-art RHIOT schools in the world.



He asked if we knew where this picture was taken, we mostly guessed Pachena River, do you know? Eight new members signed up for the Historical Society. At the gala annual open house, You may sign up or renew and receive your 2017 water re-

sistant tide book (contact 250-728-3143, or [bamfieldmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:bamfieldmuseum@gmail.com)). Membership is a minimum donation of \$5 or \$10 for a family. You may choose one of 25 historical matted prints, for donations of \$25 or more. *Marc Phillips*

**Party 2. Lauderdale North.** The Fringe Dweller Beach Bash at Brady's Beach on May 20 celebrated several birthdays and the sunny weather with panache. Local revelers, marine station folks, and long-weekend out-of-towners grooved into the wee hours, with live music by Fiddlah da Crab (**Owen Newsom**), mud+murdoch (**Sarah Osborne**



and **Mike Murdoch**), **Phil Lavoie**, **John E. Blue**, and DJ Colton (**Colton Hughes O'Brien**). A light show by **Justin Demoskoff** lit up the night sky above the log, plank, and pallet stage built by **Lake** and **Skye Butler**, and the Butlers treated the crowd to a

fireworks display. Big thanks to organizers Osborne and Hughes O'Brien, to the Butler boys and Demoskoff for all their work organizing and cleaning up, and everyone who helped make the third annual event such a fantastic night!  
*Anon*

### June Upcoming events:

2, 7pm @ BCS - Soccer  
5/12/26, 7pm @ Health Clinic - Yoga  
8, 6pm @ BCS - Adult Computer Class  
9, 12pm @ Rix - Unveiling of the Valencia Plaque  
13/27, 6pm @ BCS - Board Game Night  
19, 7:30 pm @ school, Community Affairs  
22, 5pm @ Fire Hall - Italian Cooking Night  
23, 6pm @ BCS - Badminton  
29, 12pm @ BCS - End of Year BBQ & Community Lunch  
\*Special note that June's Community Lunch will be held THURSDAY June 29 followed by BCS Sports Day!  
Janessa Dornstauder, Coordinator, BSCA

### SPECIAL MEETINGS

**New Bamfield Solid Waste Proposals, ACRD, May 19, 6:30, School, followed by last Community Affairs of the season**

### Five Sharp Graduates.

The DARE class of 2017 (photo L to R: **Andrew Clappis**, **Seth Nookemus**, **Grace Geall**, **Alexyss Howard**, **Teagan Zannet** with Constable **Pete Batt**, **Kristin Russell**, and **Cory Howard**),



read their assessments of the harm reduction program for youths and received their diplomas. Const. Batt compared this class with a Port Alberni group. "If I ask a PA student how they would behave if, while shopping with their mom, they encounter a group of kids, what would they do? The PA child would be confused, whereas the Bamfield kid would say, "What, no question, I'm shopping with my mum!" Const. Batt went on to explain the purpose of the program is to give the children tools to assess risks, this is not denying they take chances, just understanding the risks. A great program with great participants. *L. Druehl*

The Bamfield Community School sponsored Pachena Beach clean-up celebrating Earth Day was well attended and everyone enjoyed sun and hotdogs.



### I wanna go back to school! May 11th, students enjoyed

Science World's *Fantastic Forces Show* where they learned about forces through fun and exciting hands on experiments such as sling-shooting a rubber chicken, sitting on a bed of nails, creating a bottle rocket, and shooting a canon. A big thanks to Science World for coming to our little school. We hope to have them back next year, and in years to follow.  
*Kristin Russell*



**Bamfield Voters Decisive.** 114 (65%) of the eligible 176 Bamfielders voted in person, giving the NDP a clear mandate: 54 NDP, 29 Liberal, 14 green and 4 other. Locals **Stefan Ochman** and **Eric Geall** conducted the polling station. "Lots of young people were seen to cast ballots." Photo. **Megan Geall** shows proof of residency to her husband, Eric and friend Stefan.

