

THE NEW BAMFIELDER

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CONSIDER SUPPORTING LOCAL ARTIST & WRITERS & THE HALL RAFFLE FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS



A Big Step Forward. The plant being constructed is a Moving Bed Biological Reactor wastewater treatment plant; a newer sewage treatment process that uses a screen plant, high surface area media in a series of aerobic reactor tanks, solid separation and UV disinfection. Solids will be trucked to Port Alberni for disposal. The plant

is equipped with an odor abatement system. The resulting effluent is extremely clean. The plant will service between 400 to 1100 people. Subsequent phases to connect other parties is in the feasibility stage. Āeko (ti-eko, Thank you!) **Torrance Gilmour** – Infrastructure Manager of Operations. See bamfielder.ca for full description. Photo: ancient stump, a tombstone of Logger Baron Colonization or a totem to the lost magnificent forest, marks the access to the Anacala Wastewater Treatment plant on marine station land.

30 folks zoomed a Community Affairs meeting with a lot of low-lying fruit. In particular, an awareness of changing times, mostly influenced by the prospect of an improved road: escalated property sales, hopefully accompanied by new resident families, and an expected tourism onslaught. **Robert Dennis** moved and **Sally Mole** seconded that we host a series of workshops to develop a new 5-year strategic plan. The issue is how do we want to develop? Can we look to Tofino and Ucluelet for strategies? Regardless, we want to be in the driver's seat. Otherwise, **Sheryl Mass** noted **Marnie McAughtrie** raised \$3500 in GoFundMe for West Park improvements. Further planning is ongoing between **Andrea Butler** and ACRD. **Sean Rodgers** encouraged all to fill out the Affordable Housing Survey once available. **Mandy Ross** encouraged folks to respond to a Bear Hazard Assessment she is preparing. Abstracted from **Jan Teversham's** minutes.



Josie Osborne, ex-mayor of Tofino (where she was elected on the Green Party ticket) is our Mid Island Pacific Rim MLA. And after a day or two as a back-bencher, she became BC's Minister of Municipal Affairs. **Congratulations, Josie.** When you have a few spare minutes you might check our Affairs. *L. Druehl*

Zoomacracy. Affairs' Directors are considering, continuing with Zoom post-COVID, at least in part. Zooming spares us going out on cold nights and opens the door to us who are away. But I have yet to see the vigorous debate characteristic of 'in-person' meetings. Some major decisions are facing Bamfield, and these must be aired effectively. *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. The New Bamfielder is a free but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. *Louis Druehl*

BAMFIELD COMMUNITY HALL RAFFLE

THE CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF



THREE GREAT PRIZES

INDIGENOUS BASKETRY & COLLECTABLES (\$2800)

MCKAY BAY LODGE PACKAGE: BAMFIELD, BC
2 NIGHTS/2 PERSONS, LODGING, MEALS & FISHING CHARTER
(\$3000)

CHRIS FRYE & CO: PRIVATE HOUSE CONCERT, SOUTHERN
VANCOUVER ISLAND (\$1800)

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E-transfer payment available for ticket purchases in quantities of 8 or more to: bamfieldcommunityhall@gmail.com

\$10 EACH

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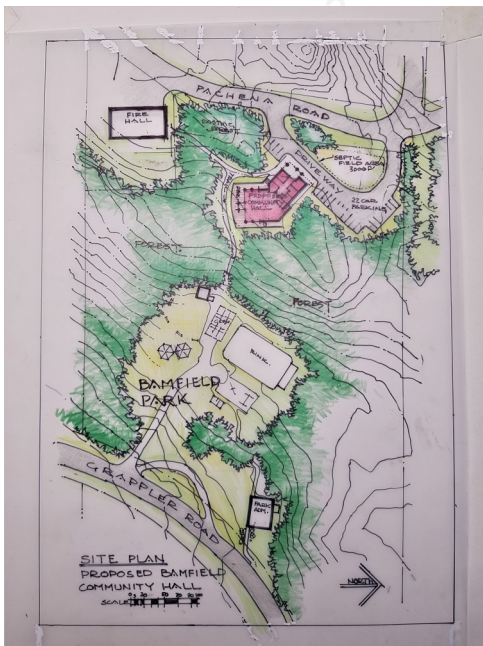
June 5,
2021

ALL PROCEEDS TOWARDS SOUND SYSTEM &
ACCESSORIES FOR OUR NEW COMMUNITY HALL

BC GAMING LC: 127428

Tickets Sold in Bamfield, BC
Bamfield Mercantile & Marine
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The Market
Breakers Marine

Hall Notes. The major thrust leading to construction is concluding a lease agreement with the Regional District for access to park land for the new Hall. **David Irwin** has guided us through the labyrinth 14-page Ground Lease document. Parallel discussions with **Charlie Clappis** on expanded public parking and possible hookup with the Anacla sewage line continue. The drawing, below, illustrates the approximate layout for the new Hall at the corner of Nuthatch and Pachena Roads. The basic building, as designed by **Wayne Wenstob**, features a large banquet/performance/indoor recreation hall, some office and meeting space and a commercial kitchen. Interest has been expressed to accommodate museum displays, crafts, senior lounging and children activities, and other. Soon, COVID-19 willing, invite your input on the new Hall components. Our first fund drive focuses on accessories for the Hall stage, please help us make this a success. Let us know your thoughts. *J.P. Haste*, bamfieldcommunityhall@gmail.com

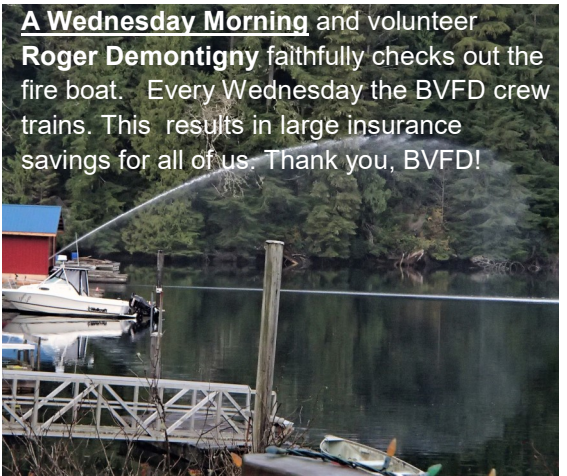


Onward & Upward! The Bamfield Community School Association's AGM elected new members: **Duane Nookemis, Edward Johnson, Rachel Young, Chelsea Locke, Julie Bradley, Charlene Wolff** and **Nancy Sherry**. They join existing board members, **Christine Gruman, Lisa Bye** and **Andrea Butler**. As we are unable use the school for our programs, we have been searching for programming space and are happy and grateful that **The Market** will allow us to use some of their area

for programming. At this point we are thinking of art classes, relaxation and gentle movement for adults, and a preschool program. This will likely not start until the New Year and will follow strict covid protocol. We are always looking for new programs and instructors, don't hesitate to contact me. Wishing all a safe and Happy Holiday season. *Sally Mole*.

HOW IS HOUSING IN BAMFIELD? The ACRD is working with Vancouver Island University, and the Bamfield community, to develop a Bamfield Housing Needs Report (HNR) to help identify gaps in the housing supply. It is important we hear from you! Please take approximately 10 minutes to complete the Bamfield housing needs survey by January 3, 2021, for a chance to win 1 of 2 \$50 gift cards: www.surveymonkey.com/r/C8L6CXR. Learn more about the HNR project here: www.acrd.bc.ca/bamfieldhousingneeds.

Bruins snooze. It was a quiet year for bears. People did a great job of securing attractants! I have put together a survey on how the community feels about bears. With growth in tourism from the new road upgrade we can also expect to see an increase in human-bear conflict. I am working on a Bear Hazard Assessment which will help inform the community in developing strategies to reduce conflict. If you are full-time or part-time resident of Bamfield or Anacla please complete this survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XC99C9G>. If you would like to do the survey on paper or over the phone please contact **Mandy** the Bamfield Wildsafe BC Coordinator at 250-720-1808



A Wednesday Morning and volunteer **Roger Demontigny** faithfully checks out the fire boat. Every Wednesday the BVFD crew trains. This results in large insurance savings for all of us. Thank you, BVFD!

A quiet Remembrance Day, but no less heart-felt. **Eileen Scott** and her daughter **Gall Hogarth** share reminiscences with visitors. And on the boardwalk, a small gathering joined **Chuck Spooner** to honour fallen comrades.



Maybe the Pony Express or Stalwart Voyagers.

"The Government of Canada will work with partners to achieve universal 50 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload speeds for all Canadians"...but it takes over two weeks to bring in a computer repair man to fix the Bamfield Postal computer, freezing local commerce. Photo, **Rae Hopkins** and **Tory Pritchard** boating long- delayed kelp orders to the P.O.,



Sir Galahad of the Bamfield Roads, **Kerr Bodaly** & his trusty 461 Stihl with a 33 inch bar, bucks a wind-broken alder from Tower Road. He went on to buck another fallen alder in the park. in the park.



This Red Rock, according to our Water System Manager, **Les Butler**, indicates and protects a water valve. It is one of several rocks that seem to move, maybe an elves' checker game?

