

THE NEW BAMFIELDER

THE 1st of JULY = REMEMBER, REMORSE, REPAIR

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June Affairs, school is out! The 24 Bamfielders who attended the June Community Affairs meeting enjoyed a snappy review of the Agenda and streamlined presentation of the Minutes. Thank you, Admin. Notable items: (**Stefan Ochman**) The Community Forest is seeking \$100 K for micro-mill to be located on **Tanya Porter's** lot (now owned by **Bruce Pow**) and could hire 2 employees to cut Community Forest logs. Harbour Authority (**Rae Hopkins**) The AGM will be held in July and they will be looking for a new dock manager to replace **Amy McConnell**. School (**Julie Bradley**) **Robin Schmidt**, who will be replacing **Kristin Russell**, will be joining her daughter, **Laura Schmidt**, in teaching. Affairs (**Directors**) BCFS bylaws were tidied up. Parking (**John Mass**) Parking grant, month one \$10 K, month two \$15 K and now \$45 K (includes other sources), the Directors will sort this out. Next meeting 20 September by Zoom or by in-the-flesh? **L. Druehl**, abstracted from **Jan Teversham's** Unofficial Minutes.

Thirty-seven boats, ranging from the neat **Mike Elliston's**, **Johnny Johnson-built** rowboat to the blocky **Nova** platform paraded behind the paddled **Huu-ay-aht canoe** from Bamfield to Grappler Inlets. Other craft included the **Jennings** operated **Queen Mary**, the **McKay Lodge** boat complete with a piper, the **Fire Boat** spraying a great arch of water, and along the route, bubbles were launched from the **Baird's Lucky Lander**. The Huu-ay-aht Traditional Speaker, **Wish-Kii**, opened the festivities with a song, and commented on the uniqueness of this July 1st Anacla/Bamfield celebration. A moment of silence followed, recognizing the First Nations children lost to Residential Schools. **Stella Wenstob** sang *O' Canada* from **Eileen Scott's** float, **Tim Masso** explained and sang the *Healing Song* he and **Hjalmer Wenstob** wrote. It was a happening West Coasters could be proud of: respectful, inclusive and fun. **L. Druehl**. Collage by **Marc Phillips**

WHERE ARE THE BATS?!

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**



Marine Station
Marine Library & Lounge



Boardwalk Book Depot



Recycle Depot,
Orphan Books



Shasco Share Shell,
Bamfield Road

Community School Virtue
Library, Tres Cool.(bcsa library)

"I never drank much coffee, but I appreciate the culture," said **Dane Dentoom**. Dane got the idea to roast coffee this January, was roasting by April and had roasted about 230 pounds of Columbian beans by mid June. He is Green: his labels, produced in New Zealand, are printed with soy-based ink on biodegradable backing. He gets a tree planted in the Andes with every order. A contest for roast names, on social media, received 80 responses. Of these 3 for each roast were chosen locally, with the winner being determined on social media. And the winners: **Cape Beale Light, Sunday Surf medium light, Fog Lifter Medium** (Dane's favourite), **Wild Coast Medium Dark** (my favourite), **Powers Out Dark, 100 Fathoms French Roast, and Night Run Espresso Roast**. My prediction is, this Bamfield original, "that started as a hobby", will soon be looking for an employee. Coffee available @bamfieldcoffeecompany. Going public, Dane?. *L. Druehl*



Give a Bear a Break! The biggest cause of human- bear conflict in Bamfield is unsecured bear attractants. WildSafeBC is offering people the opportunity to purchase bear-resistant products like electric fencing, bear-resistant bins and composter at a 50% discount. Help secure garbage, compost, fruiting trees or your chicken coop from wildlife for half price! For more information about the cost-sharing program contact **Mandy Ross** your local WildsafeBC coordinator. Bamfield@wildsafebc.com or 257-720-1808

Look out Poker Club! Cribbage at West Park, second Sunday of the month, all levels welcome. Bamfielders' reviews: "I thought I was going to West Park, but turns out I visited Skunk Town." - **Tom Campbell**, son of renowned crib legend. "I left work early for this." - Hannah Plater, first class enthusiast. Bringing of crib boards and card decks encouraged. Play will begin at 4pm sharp(ish). Full attendance not mandatory. See you soon, *Joyalea Carson-Austin*

Swim for a Cause. On June 21st, National Indigenous Peoples Day, **Daniel Zayonc, Shannon Mendt, Kelly Clement, Hannah Plater, and Justin Demoskof** swam a very meandering 3.8 km. across Trevor Channel, from Dodger Channel to Brady's Beach. The swimmers collected donations for **KUU-US Crisis Line Society**, which serves BC Indigenous communities. Safety vessels were crewed by **Dane Dentoom, Olivia Walker, Renée Gaudet, Jared Higgins, Stella Wenstob, Stella Peters, and Dwayne Hartwell**. Out in the middle of Trevor Channel, the waves were rolling us gently towards Brady's and we made great progress early on (despite a few gillnetter boats passing through). Closer to the Brady's shore, we got slowed in some less favorable currents around the Blowhole. That part really blew. No sign of **Neptune**, just some harmless sea jellies and a thick plankton bloom between us and the abyss. "Just keep swimming" is a line from the movie 'Finding Nemo', and each of us repeated it more and more as we slowly tired. **Daniel's** reasoning was "well, if a deer can do this swim, then so can I". All swimmers completed the journey in just over two hours. Donations can be made at <https://www.kuu-uscrisisline.com/> *Kelly Clement*. Photo by **Renee Gaudat**

