

Tla'amin Honors 215 Missing Children

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor

On Monday May 31st, many citizens across Canada gathered to mourn the 215 children found in a mass grave at the Kamloops Indian Residential School.

There are so many unanswered questions. Why were graveyards recommended next to Indian residential schools in the first place? What kind of message does that send? "How many more residential school children have been treated with this torment, shame and humility and are waiting to be discovered as a result of these institutions?"

On Tla'amin traditional territory, many Powell River people gathered with our elders, drummers and singers, youth, and leadership to line the streets at Willingdon Beach to honor the 215 children that had gone missing. People were asked to hold a moment of silence at 2:15 pm.

Hegus, John Hackett has these words for our neighbors. "This week the remains of 215 children were found on the grounds of Kamloops Indian Residential school, a school attended by many Tla'amin children including former Tla'amin Chief Hew'kin Joe Mitchell.

The discovery of these remains is a snapshot of the reality of our history as Indigenous people. We had no choice around the Residential School Program forced upon us.

The remains of 215 children represents the ones that did not make it back to their families. I cannot imagine the questions each of these families had when the young ones arrived back at their communities for the summer and their children were not among them.

215 children that did not get the chance to grow up, to have children and grandchildren, to pass on love, language and teachings. It brings

Matthew sings a prayer song as his proud grandparents John and Mary are feeling the beat of his drum.



deep hurt and sadness to think of the families and communities that were robbed of "what could have been."

We need to stop viewing what is happening in Kamloops as a discreet and historical event because Residential schools are more than a "dark chapter" in the history books. Member of Parliament Suze Morrison said it best "It's not a dark chapter. It's the entire plot." Government of Canada devised and funded provincially sanctioned schools, operated by religious orders. Residential schools weren't a one-off.

While Indian Residential Schools are now part of the provincial curriculum – implementation remains inconsistent. For people of Tla'amin, these are not abstract ideas happening to far away people. This is us, our parents and grandparents. I believe with more local knowledge there would be less resistance to meaningful reconciliation. I believe this starts when all of our kids learn the true history of this place.

Many people are asking me what they can do. I encourage our friends and neighbors to start by reading the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Final Report. Support us by advocating for ground imaging at all other residential school sites including Sechelt Indian Residential School where many of our members attended.

In closing, I look around today and see our young ones in the Tla'amin community. It's difficult to even find words for this discovery of a mass grave of children that attended a residential school. Perhaps residents of our territory can now understand why Tla'amin would like to disassociate our homelands with the name of Israel Powell, who had a hand in carrying out the Residential School policy.

In a letter from Jay Yule of School District #47 to parents and caregivers, he offers support for families.

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Message from Hegus John Hackett



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To start off I want to send my condolences and prayers to Tyrone Wilson & Delora Peters family, and to our whole community. I believe Tyrone and Delora are watching over all of us with the creator guiding us to respect each other like our Ta?aw (life-teachings)

As, we are entering into June I would like to update everyone with the current developments, as well as some of the challenges we are facing, then provide our stance on these challenges. Starting early June, we will be on our second roll out of our Covid vaccine clinic.

Summer is starting to peak around the corner, we are seeing a significant increase of Bears within our community. We are sending notice to everyone on best practices to avoiding attracting bears.

- Utilize the provided bear proof garbage bins
- Do not dump leftover food near your house or in your car
- Gardens do attract bears so plan your lay out of plants to avoid property damage

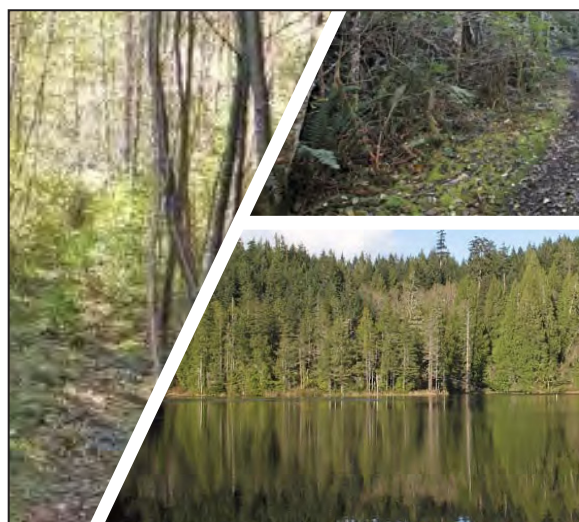
Very excited more and more community members hired recently from Public works crew headed by village maintenance to take on the landscaping and vegetation management

of our Nations Public lands. Also, under housing entry level crews all nation members to tackle the new construction projects, this crew will gain experience to take over some of the outside contracting so we can to these tasks in house. We have Andrea Paul as our new Housing Manger, that will gain valuable experience and foundation to support her role.

A lot of positive development with Tla'amin Community Nation Plan. Staff and Management have inputted a lot of important goals and directives under Governance and under each program, divided up into each house post. Leadership as a whole (Legislative & Executive) has reviewed and provided their valuable input as well.

Another big announcement is the purchase of 111 acers of valuable land that contains Lund watershed. There are 3 exiting options we have as Tla'amin Nation, so we will be dividing this parcel into 3 sections

1. Watershed – NO development – The idea of planting Tla'amin medicinal plants for our community to access
2. A section for light development such as a Eco-park campsite
3. This section of the parcel is suitable for development
 - a. Economic development plan is being developed aimed to gain revenue for Tla'amin Nation
 - i. These options will be presented to the Tla'amin community by Tla'amin Holdings once the plan is developed



Lund Watershed and adjacent area

Challenges

Unfortunately, but not surprising the Province investigation under the Compliance & Enforcement, as wrapped up the Archaeological disturbance at šε?aystən (Emmonds beach) every infraction was cleared, and file is now closed with stop work order lifted.

- We are taking a firm stance opposing any further development to our sacred site of šε?aystən (Emmonds beach)
- Aggressively we are putting forward two workable options
 1. Activate Section 4 of the Heritage Conservation act
 2. Activate provisions that exist in out Tla'amin Final Agreement

These tough issues are on the radar, and I will update everyone as soon as we get results. Fish farms – We are in a battle with fish farm industry and DFO regarding the closure and decommission of 19 fish farms within Discovery passage – with in our Tla'amin Territory.

We won the first battle by closing these fish farms, but industry is fighting us back and putting heavy pressure on DFO. The fish farms are to be closed Summer of 2022. Industry wants to use that window to put more Atlantic Salmon (yuk!) into these fish farms till 2022.

- Again, we are taking a firm stance alongside with Homalco fighting Industry and DFO restocking these fish farms.

With this I will update everyone once we get results good or bad. With DFO sending these requests to restock makes me feel that this is an uphill battle.

My apologies on the length of this update, but I fell strongly to get these updates and developments to everyone. So please share this with loved ones.

Please submit any questions on any topic to heyhegus@tn-bc.ca

Emote,
Hegus John Hackett



Tla'amin Hatchery

By Lee George
Program Manager

The hatchery is still in operation with crew fulfilling its contribution agreement with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

The crew have managed to get just under 1.7 million Chum eggs this past fall season. The eggs are cared for and monitored for proper waterflows and oxygen levels. After the eggs hatch the crew are parents to the baby fry until release in mid-May. We also provided a donation of 70,000 eggs to our neighbors in Klahoose to assist them in seeding the streams on Cortes Island.

Effective from May 15th to July 15th the Chinook fishery will be closed to non aboriginal fishermen for conservation measures. Our Tla'amin members holding a citizen/ harvest card can continue to harvest food fish during this closure for food social and ceremonial purposes. We ask that the fishermen fly our traditional Tla'amin flag so that fisheries can determine we are Tla'amin members. Tla'amin fisheries staff are in the process of sampling and gathering of DNA from the migrating Chinook. This will tell us where these fish originated from. We are also a head recovery depot for adipose clipped salmon. If you're one of the lucky ones that catches a salmon with a missing adipose, please stop by the hatchery so that we can collect the information. We will be having weekly draws on various prizes for our fishers so please bring in your samples to enter the draw.

On behalf of Tla'amin fisheries staff we want you to stay safe on the water and report your catch.



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First Name	Last Name	Ext./Direct	Other	Numbers
KEVIN	TIMOTHY	105	1116665 BC Ltd	604 483 7777
LEE	GEORGE	101	CDRC Daycare	604 483 3449
LEONARD	HARRY	102	Chiy Chuy Preschool	604 483 3434
QUONSET	HUT	106	Elders Lodge	604 483 9630
SPARE	PHONE	103	Firehall	604 483 2444
VERN	WILSON	104	Hatchery	604 483 4111
			Health	604 483 3009
			Lund Hotel	604 414 0474
KEVIN	TIMOTHY	(236) 327-8026	Thichum	604 483 7777
LEE	GEORGE	(236) 327-8022	TMS (Devcorp)	604 483 7777
LEONARD	HARRY	(236) 327-8023	Tla'amin Nation	604 483 9646
QUONSET	HUT	(236) 327-8021	Water Plant	604 483 4399
SPARE	PHONE	(236) 327-8024		
VERN	WILSON	(236) 327-8025		
			Fax	Numbers
			CDRC Daycare	604 483 3410
			Hatchery	604 483 4115
			Health	604 483 2466
			Health Benefits	604 414 0388
			TMS (Devcorp)	604 483 7741
			Tla'amin Nation	604 483 9769
			Toll Free	Numbers
			Health	1 866 209 6538
			Tla'amin Nation	1 877 483 9646



Fire Hall Update



The fire Tla'amin department would like to welcome our two new recruits Derek Alexander and Brandon Harry to the crew, they have shown great dedication to training and utilizing the equipment to

better protect the community over the last nine weeks. This month we have had the opportunity to participate in the BCFOTA training seminars and FNESS Virtual Fire Fighter Competition, we will not have our results until the judges have had a chance to review the video submissions in June. On May 18th we had the Wildland Sprinkler Protection Unit to practice with the equipment to set up for an urban interface fire, discuss the benefits of Fire Smart and fire prevention, a big thanks for Marc Albert for taking the time to come out and share his knowledge. Practice nights are Thursday at 6pm, everyone welcome.

Just a reminder, for emergencies please do not hesitate call 911

For more information on the Fire Smart program please contact Byron Harry at firehall@tn.bc.ca or Marc Albert at firesmartpr@gmail.com

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Many people in our community are wondering what actions they can take after learning about the 215 children whose remains were found at the former residential school in Kamloops. The news has deeply saddened all people in our community and nation.

As a School District, our staff are planning for ways to honour the memory of the children who died, and ensuring that educators have the tools to address teaching about the truth of Canada's residential schools, and have the ability to foster an understanding of Indigenous histories, world views, and perspectives. All School District flags have been lowered to half-mast while orange ribbons were worn by students and staff to show support.



INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

JOIN US ON JUNE 21ST AS WE CELEBRATE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

THE TLA'AMIN CULTURAL DEPARTMENT & THE STUDENTS FROM THE SKILL-BUILDERS PROGRAM WILL BE GIVING OUT 'INDIGENOUS' TACOS AND GIFT BAGS AT THE TLA'AMIN SALISH CENTRE FROM 1100 AM - 100 PM ON JUNE 21ST

AS WE CONTINUE TO FOLLOW COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLES AND THE ITEMS WILL BE BROUGHT TO YOU.


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Tla'amin Art Contest
send submissions to drew.blaney@tn-bc.ca

To Celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day we are doing an art contest to showcase artists of all ages. Submit an art piece by June 16 to show what makes you proud of Tla'amin culture for your chance to win a prize!



Please send your bio and photos of your artwork to drew.blaney@tn-bc.ca



Connect, Explore and Communicate

Hello Citizens,

We are happy to finally announce the launch of our own dedicated website for the Qames ʔəms tala Settlement Trust. This improves our ability to be more accessible and informative to all of you and provides to you a way oconnecting back to us.

Go to:

www.tlaamintrust.com
for all the latest news and information on the Trust.

OR

Go to the Tla'amin Nation website:

<https://tlaaminnation.com>

Then click on our link:

www.tlaamintrust.com

Our annual AGM has been scheduled for June 28th, 2021 via livestream at 5:30 pm.

Mark your calendars. The link will be on the website.

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The Trustees for the Qames ʔəms tala Settlement Trust

Kristi Thiele Treasurer, Ann Paul Secretary, Alisha Point, Alex Hugenschmidt, Beth Harry

Governance House will be closed on Monday June 21st for Indigenous Peoples Day

TLA'AMIN NATION NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that the Tla'amin Nation has called a By Election for July 26, 2021 in accordance with the **Tla'amin Nation Election Law (TNL04|2016)** for the purpose of eligible Voters electing one (1) Legislative Assembly position for the balance of the current term of the Legislature.

NOTICE OF NOMINATION MEETING

**JUNE 14, 2021
5:00 PM TO 7:00PM
SALISH CENTRE
4885 HIGHWAY 101
POWELL RIVER, BC**

IMPORTANT NOMINATION INFORMATION

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the *Tla'amin Nation Election Law (TNL04|2016)* there are provisions that **MUST** be satisfied in order for a nomination, and candidate eligibility to be approved by the Electoral Officer.

Electors eighteen (18) years and older as of the date of the Election Date may nominate and/or be nominated at the Nomination Meeting, and Vote in this Election – and shall form the Voters List.

AN ELIGIBLE ELECTOR MAY NOMINATE ANOTHER ELIGIBLE ELECTOR FOR THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATOR IN WRITING. NOMINATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE WEBSITE AT THE BOTTON OF THIS NOTICE, AT THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OR BY EMAIL FROM THE ELECTORAL OFFICER.

Electors are reminded that the requirements for nominations and qualifications of candidates are provided for in Section 5 of the *Tla'amin Nation Nomination Regulation (05-04-16)* please review this regulation if you intend to run for office.

All Candidates must meet the eligibility requirements of Schedule D, including the following:

- 1) Meet all of the eligibility requirements and are not, to the best of your knowledge, disqualified from holding office under the Election Law or any other Tla'amin Law or policy, including the requirements set out in sections 2 to 6 below;
- 2) Are a Tla'amin Citizen;
- 3) In good financial standing with the Tla'amin Nation;
- 4) Have not, in the 5 years immediately preceding election day, been convicted of an offence that carried the possibility of imprisonment for 2 years or more, which was not directly related to the exercise of Aboriginal rights, Treaty rights, or Aboriginal title;

- 5) Have not, in the 10 years immediately preceding election day, been convicted of an offence that carried the possibility of imprisonment for 10 years or more, which was not directly related to the exercise of Aboriginal rights, treaty rights or Aboriginal title; and;
- 6) Not serving a sentence in a correctional institution.

A NOMINEE WHO WISHES TO STAND AS A CANDIDATE MUST SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORAL OFFICER BY THE PRESCRIBED DEADLINE – THE FOLLOWING:

- a) Complete Acceptance of Nomination Form (schedule C);
- b) A deposit made payable to the Tla'amin Nation;
- c) Complete Certificate of Qualification (schedule D),
- d) Evidence that they have submitted a request for criminal records check; and;
- e) A complete Candidate Code of Fair Campaign Practices form (schedule A);

which will be available at the Nomination Meeting or electronically at the website at the bottom of this page.

You may obtain a copy of the *Tla'amin Nation Election Law (TNL04|2016)* from the Electoral Officer, by requesting a copy from the TN Government House or by visiting the website address at the bottom of this notice.

A copy of the voters list is available at the TN Government House for viewing and online at the website address at the bottom of this Notice. Any questions about the voters list may be brought to the attention of the Electoral Officer for resolution – including adding or removing a name.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

REGULAR POLL

**JULY 26, 2021,
8:00AM - 8:00PM
TLA'AMIN NATION**

VOTE ELECTRONICALLY

<https://onefeather.ca/nations/tlaamin>

AND TAKE NOTICE: that Electors may vote in person at a polling station or electronically.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 13th day of May, 2021.



Lawrence Lewis, Electoral Officer

For more information or assistance please contact:

Lawrence Lewis, Electoral Officer

Email: support@onefeather.ca

Office: (250) 384-8200 TF: 1-855-923-3006 Fax: 250 384-5416

209-852 Fort Street, Victoria, BC V8W 1H8

<https://onefeather.ca/nations/tlaamin>

Drew Shaw, Deputy Electoral Officer

Email: drew@onefeather.ca

Welcoming our New Staff



Derek Kowalchuk
Referrals Coordinator,
Archaeology Manager

- Born in Princeton, BC
- Studied Archaeology at SFU and graduated with a BA in 1988
- Worked on 60+ archaeological projects here in BC (Bella Coola, Monte Creek), the Arctic (Nain, NL), Hawaii (Maui, Oahu, the Big Island) and in Micronesia (Guam and Saipan).
- Repatriated ancestral remains from the Chicago Field Museum back to Zoar, NL while I was the Director of the Torngasok Cultural Centre, from 2008 to 2010, for the Inuit Government.
- Co-produced the documentary "A Traditional Seal Hunt in Nunatsiavut".
- And, have managed museums in BC (Port Hardy, Port McNeill, Port Moody, Powell River, Sandon), Nova Scotia and Northern Ontario.



Brandon Louie
Public Works Manager

Hello,

Tla'amin jeh jeh's.

I'm very excited to be joining the Public Works department as their new project manager. It's not very often, an opportunity like this comes around, and I would like to acknowledge all the people who helped me get to this point. Most of my duties with Public Works will be focused on new housing initiatives, and infrastructure projects for the Nation. We have a huge amount of work to do, and I look forward to providing healthy homes for all our people. I look forward to seeing everyone around, and thank you for the opportunity. **ᐱᐱᐱᐱ (aka- ka hum)**



Janet Silvey
Chief Financial Officer

My name is Janet Silvey, and I am excited to join the Tla'amin Nation Administration as the Chief Financial Officer. A Chartered Accountant, I have spent the last 13-years leading organizations through significant growth and change in the financial services industry. I am excited to use my skills and experience to serve the community. My husband and I recently moved to Powell River from Vancouver. We both enjoy paddling, and are excited to explore the Tla'amin Nation in our canoe. I look forward to learning more about the rich history and culture of Tla'amin Nation, and I hope to meet the community members in person when we're able to gather.



Dwayne Worthing
Director of Human Resources

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We are pleased to welcome Dwayne Worthing as our new Director of Human Resources with the Tla'amin Nation Government.

Dwayne is a native of the Comox Valley and lived in Europe for 4 years. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in political science and government U-Vic. He went on to study leadership and management at the Justice Institute of BC. He is currently working towards his MBA in Human Resources as well as working towards his Chartered Professional Human Resource designation. Dwayne has over 20 years of experience in various HR roles.

When he is not working, Dwayne enjoys kayaking with his daughters and exploring the great area we live in.

Father's Day Mancake Breakfast

Ingredients

- 8 slices bacon
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil, or as needed
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons white sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 10 fluid ounces dad's favorite beer, or more if needed
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract (Optional)

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil. Place a wire rack on top of baking sheet; place bacon strips on wire rack.
2. Bake in the preheated oven for 10 minutes; remove from oven and sprinkle tops of bacon strips with half the brown sugar. Return to oven and bake 10 more minutes. Remove from oven and flip bacon to other side; sprinkle with remaining brown sugar and bake until bacon is crisp and brown sugar is golden brown, 10 to 15 more minutes. Remove bacon, let cool, and crumble into small pieces.
3. Lightly grease a skillet with vegetable oil and place over medium-high heat.
4. Whisk flour, white sugar, and baking powder in a large bowl; in a separate bowl, whisk beer, melted butter, salt, and vanilla extract. Lightly stir the liquid ingredients into the flour mixture to make a smooth batter. Stir candied bacon pieces into the batter.
5. Pour batter into the hot skillet 1/2 cup at a time and cook until edges are browned, about 2 minutes; flip pancake and cook until golden brown and the center is set, 3 to 5 more minutes.



Registration for 2021-2022 school year for K-8 is open

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Student Application Process

Fill out and return the student application form. After this application form is reviewed and approved, you will receive a confirmation email or phone call. Students will be selected by 'su'luqw'a' Community Cousins, staff and elders from Vancouver Island University.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Complete Application Consists of:

- Application Form
- One Essay answer either a written response or video submission
- One completed letter of recommendation (by school or community leader)
- Copy of student's medical insurance card
- Health History and Medical Consent Form
- Parental Consent

Contact Information:

Email/mail the application with all required materials to:

Attention:

Office of Aboriginal Education & Engagement

Vancouver Island University

900 Fifth Street

Nanaimo, B.C.

V9R 5S5

Email: Clarissa.peter@viu.ca

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The Powell River Public Library invites school-age children to join Summer Reading Club 2021: Crack the Case! Perce le Mystère!

In light of ongoing physical distancing, PRPL has envisioned this year's SRC as a FREE pick-up-and-go package jam packed with seven weeks of =Top Secret= fun designed to engage school-aged children, ages 5-14, with libraries and reading throughout the summer!



For registration details and more information about Summer Reading Club 2021: Crack the Case! Perce le Mystère!, please visit:

<https://prpl.ca/for-you/kids/programs/summer-reading-club/>

We hope you will help us spread the word by sharing this information with families. Thank you for helping to make this year's BC Summer Reading Club a success in our community!

PRPL is presently operating as a Pop-Up Library with reduced hours but is still open 7 days a week, so don't hesitate to come in! More information and updates to services and open hours can be found here: <https://prpl.ca/pop-up-library/>

PRPL sponsors the BC SRC, in cooperation with the British Columbia Library Association, with funding from the Libraries Branch, BC Ministry of Education, and the RBC Foundation.

Sincerely,

Sonia Zagwyn and Mel Edgar

Powell River Public Library

Children's Services & Teen Services Coordinators

604-485-4796 ext. 212

Watch out for children during their summer holidays

Message from James Thomson

Dear JT Families,

We have a few weeks left before the summer holiday – they should go by very quickly! Thank you again for all of your support to make May week memorable for all of our students. After a long stretch of time, the Falcons won the House Team competition! Students were given access to our OLC Climbing wall throughout May week and our last two classes have their turn tomorrow. A huge thank you to our Student Council members who did a fabulous job running our daily events for cohorts each day last week – they are a wonderful group of students!

We have our School Messenger pilot going "live" tomorrow. Phone calls to parents will be made after our attendance upload at 9:30 am. Ms. McDonald has sent out the following information last week, but I encourage you to read through it again as our pilot begins. With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-566-1226 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

We are patiently waiting for the next update from the Public Health Officer, and will be in touch with Gr. 7 families shortly regarding our Leaving ceremony details. Please tentatively mark your calendars for Friday, June 25th for our Grade 7 Leaving ceremony. I will be meeting with our Gr. 7 classes this week and together with M. Maxime and Ms. Ulmer we will map out our celebration plans in the coming week or so. We hope to have a Gr. 7 parents and guardians zoom meeting to discuss our plans in the near future.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Enjoy the rest of your evening.

Best Wishes,

Lisa Gunn

Principal

Health and Wellness

EH KWA'A'NUNS KYE'AMIEUX
 "When the people in our community are well again, all around us will also be well."

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Tla'amin Receives Second Covid-19 Vaccinations

COVID-19 Vaccine Update May 26, 2021

Tla'amin Nation received our second dose of COVID-19 vaccine clinics on June 1, 2, 3, 2021.

June 1- Elders Clinic (for Elders who received their first Pfizer vaccine on or BEFORE March 12 2021)

- For all Elders who need their second dose, and those who wish to receive their first dose.
- For those medically at risk and staff who need their second dose, or those who wish to receive their first dose.

June 2 and 3- Whole of Community First and Second Dose and youth of the ages 12-17 are now available.

- For anyone who received their first Pfizer vaccine on or BEFORE March 12 2021 from Tla'amin Health and would like your second dose at Tla'amin.
- For anyone who Identifies as Indigenous and/ or resides at Tla'amin or on Tla'amin lands, you qualify for COVID vaccine.

Masks were once again a requirement, and were provided to those who did not have a mask. Preparations were mandatory to wait 15 minutes after each immunization

Additional clinics to follow. For those needing their second dose and received their first dose AFTER March 12, second dose clinics will be offered in the future!

If you have any questions, please call Janice Ashton COVID-19 Liaison for Tla'amin at (604) 483-3009 ext 115



Hundreds of Vaccines are carefully prepared by health nurses at the Salish Centre



Peter Charlie gets his second dose



Brent Tom and Shirley at the registration

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Abby Francis



Silas Hackett



Rianna Louie

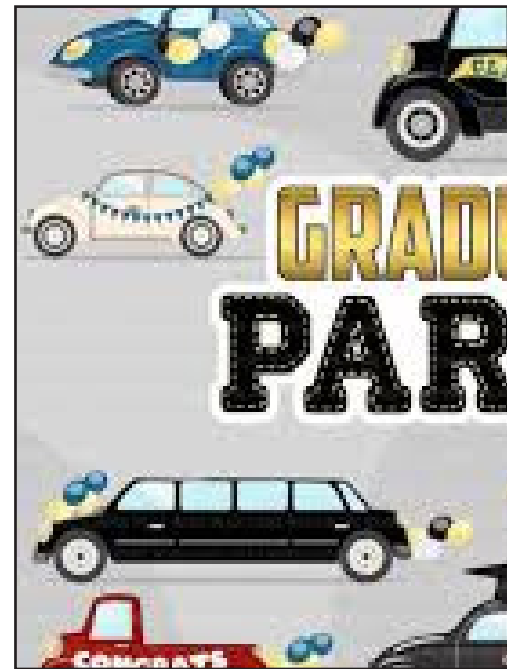


Treyson Malapitan

Congratulations Trey on your graduation, we are very proud of you.

Reach for the stars.

Love from Mom, Dad, and grandparents



Cheer on the grads at
your neighborhood
Saturday, June 2

MISSING PHOTOS

- Chantal Carta
- Torri Paul
- Maci Paul
- Justice Galligos
- Bronson Louie

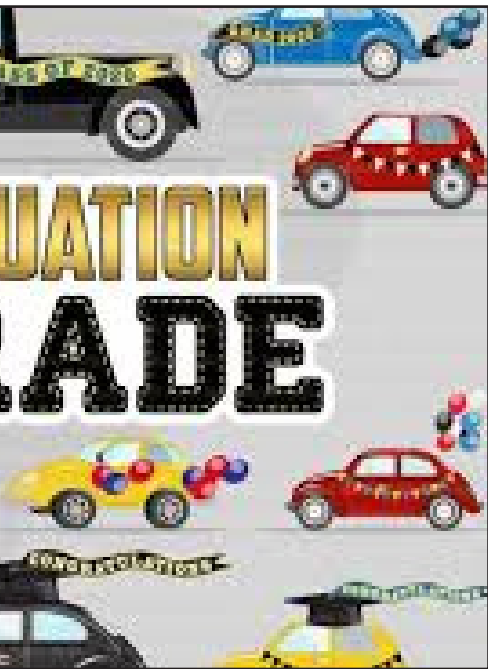
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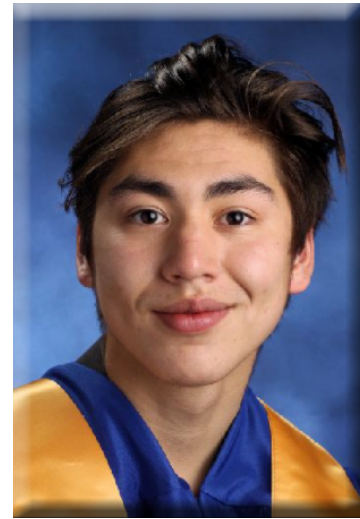
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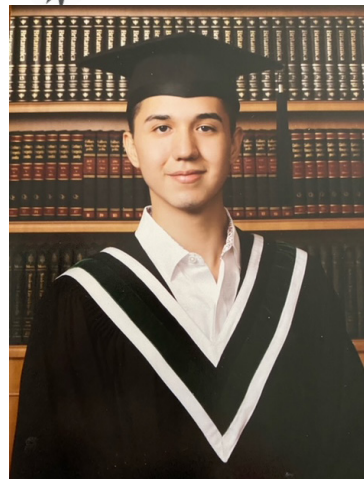
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n be taken.



Marissa Hackett



Hunter Peters



Jayden Harry



Peter Crawford

**COVID SAFETY MEASURES
IN EFFECT**

Grad Week!



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IN HONOUR OF THE MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN, GIRLS, MEN AND TWO SPIRITED

May 5, 2021,

A follow up from 2019, we hosted our first - qahəmštəm tums qʷayεgən- which means “LIFTING OUR SPIRITS IN HONOUR OF THE MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN, GIRLS, MEN & TWO-SPIRITED (MMIWG) - By Cyndi Pallen, MSW

As service providers of Powell River Transition House Society, Stopping the Violence Program, I Cyndi Pallen, MSW, Stopping the Violence Counsellor and Annette Menitti Stopping the Violence Outreach Worker, who worked in collaboration with Tla’Amin Nation, Hehewsin, and Powell River Municipality to implement a 5-10 trail walk.

This year, we registered 9 women from our agency of PRRTHS to participate with TSOW TUN LE LUM Treatment Center, who works with all FN People for A/D Treatment, Trauma, Grief and Loss.

Being proactive, as a counsellor, it was fitting for our staff of Powell River Transition House Society and Powell River Community Services, to support this initiative, which will raise awareness and support to May 5th, which has become National Day of Red Dresses.

We would like to “Thank” everyone who helped putting up the red dresses in Powell River and Tla’amin Community; it was great to see the support in our community as a whole that raises more awareness on these devastating impacts on MMIWG.

Individuals taking initiative was Billy & Dee Barnes, Cheryl, Randolph, Randolph Timothy Sr, Gert, and from Hehewsin Phil Russell, Constable Chris Bakker, Arnie Courtenay, Melvin Mitchell, Miklat Recovery House-Rob Fitzpatrick There are others ... individuals in the background. We raise our Hands to all of you.

Due to COVID 19, we were directed by our agency of PRRTHS to ensure safety measures were put in place, every detail with social distancing, sanitizing, masks, was considered... with the added support in community. All went well. I, “Raise my Hands to everyone”

All my relations, Cyndi Pallen (Chennay), MSW,

Stopping the Violence Counselor Why we wear red

To many First Nations, red is the only color the spirits can see. When we wear red, we are hoping to call back the missing spirits of our women and children so we can lay them to rest.

Wednesday May 5, Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and 2S.

Become a Member of Powell River Hospice

Support Hospice Care in Powell River

When you become a member of the Powell River Hospice Society you join a community that honours the journey towards end of life. Members support our vision of providing compassionate end-of-life and bereavement care to the Powell River Region. Members receive:

- quarterly newsletters
- event invitations
- may attend the Annual General Meetings
- may vote for Board of Directors
- may stand for nomination to the Board of Directors

Go to online website for: Powell River Hospice

- Drop down to -Become Involved
- Click on the link - Become a member
- Complete the application
- Membership fee is \$10.00 for a year
- If you join by May 31st, it puts your name in a draw for Save On \$50.00 grocery card. If your name is drawn you will be contacted.

If no access to computer, call Doreen Hopkins- 604-483-3009 ext.: 126

I can print out application, drop by for completion, pick up the \$10.00 and submit for you.

Elders Corner

Tla’amin Elders Coordinator:

Doreen Hopkins

Phone # 604-483-3009 Extension: 126

Message from Rita Pimlot, Homalco -

Hello to all across the pond. Big Hugs for all.

Into spring we go.....so happy to hear the chainsaws and lawnmowers buzzing. And to witness the gardening / planting being done in the community. Keep up the good work!

The second vaccine for Covid-19 will be coming soon. Notification will go out to the community as soon as it is available. In the meantime continue to practice your safety measures.

Powell River Virtual Walk fundraiser had a tremendous outpouring of support from Tla’amin Nation, Health and the Elders. I, as the Elder’s coordinator did the virtual walk along with my dear friend Cyndi Pallen. Individual pledges totaled \$1,500.00, and the Tla’amin Nation supported this fundraiser by contributing an additional \$2,000.00 –in total we raised \$3,500.00 for Powell River Hospice Society. Great Job! Much appreciation to everyone who pledged. EMOTE!

Graduation 2021 is here again, a new group of young men and women ready to move onto the next phase of their life. The elders would like to share a few words of wisdom. The world is waiting for you to build a future that is bright and successful. For this to happen, you will have to contribute by making good choices and sacrifices. It is time to plan and invest in your future. What will you be doing? Are you moving towards higher education, trade, college or university?

Think about your options and make plans:

- Strengthen your resolve and complete what you start
- Alcohol and drugs have no place in your life

The elders recognize how much work and dedication are needed to be successful in today’s world. And we encourage you to meet the challenges life has to offer.

You can do this! You are ready! Bless you as your life unfolds.

Your success is our success!

Employment Opportunity



The Tla'amin Nation (TN) is seeking a Director of Lands and Natural Resources to join our staff in the Qathet Region of BC. This permanent full-time position reports to the CAO and will oversee all operations of the Lands and Resources Department. You will operate in accordance with TN's self-governed laws, regulations and policies, and will be responsible for the supervision of Lands and Resources (L&R) Departments and key staff members. You have the opportunity to use your experience and education to make a difference with a dynamic, progressive First Nation while situated in this stunning, safe and serene coastal community on BC's Sunshine Coast.

We offer:

- A comprehensive health & dental plan and disability insurance fully paid for by the Nation.
- An optional pension plan with matched contributions from the Nation.
- Competitive salary, to be determined based on the applicant's qualifications

Duties

- Oversees the registering of land interests.
- Implements and enforces land-related laws and regulations.
- Takes a lead role in the development of related policies, procedures, regulations and laws.
- Provides expertise and strategic advice on lands and resources related matters.
- Manages capital assets, municipal-type lands and planning functions.
- Manages/oversees Hatchery and Fisheries departments
- Ensures that appropriate compliance, training and development is undertaken.
- Supervises senior staff in the L&R departments.
- Assists with the development and management of all natural resource-based initiatives.
- Manages contracts related to lands, preparing proposals, reports and budgets for leadership and outside entities.
- Develops an annual department budget.
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- Successful completion of a Degree in Business Administration or Natural Resource Management with a minimum of 3 years experience managing reserve or treaty lands or commensurate experience and education.
- Successful completion of the AANDC Land Management Program or similar accredited program preferred.
- Excellent financial management and budgeting skills.
- Ability to multi-task.
- Strong project and time management skills.
- Considerable high-level contacts within all levels of government, other First Nations organizations, and funding agencies.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills.
- Must be highly motivated and proactive in dealing with large volumes of work.
- Ability to use tact and good judgement in dealing with sensitive and complex issues.
- Should possess conflict resolution skills.
- Ability to maintain strict confidentiality.
- Experience working with First Nations communities.
- Class 5 Driver's license.

A criminal record check and driving abstract which are acceptable to the Nation will be required from the successful candidate.

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Deadline: This opportunity will remain open until the position is filled.

Please submit resume and cover letter, using "Director of Lands and Natural Resources" as the subject, to:

dwayne.worthing@tn-bc.ca

or, marked with "Director of Lands and Natural Resources" to:

4779 Klahanie Road, Powell River, BC V8A 0C4

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted

Absolutely no phone calls please

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

March 17, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom

Attendance: Hegus John Hackett, Dillon Johnson, Erik Blaney, Losa Luaifoa, Lori Wilson

Legislators: Gloria Francis, Larry Louie, Tyrone Wilson, Brandon Peters

Resource: Rod Allan, Sheena Rossi, Alex Sutcliffe (IT)

Hegus Hackett called the meeting to order at 11:22 am.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1. Motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of the following items:

Signature for DRIPA Action Plan

Moved by Councillor L. Luaifoa
Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
CARRIED

2. Disclosure of conflict of interest: No conflicts were declared.

B. MINUTES: Motion to adopt March 3rd Executive Council (EC) meeting minutes.

Moved by Councillor D. Johnson
Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Herring Fisheries Management

Department of Fisheries representatives: Bryan Rusch, Regional Pelagic Coordinator, Marisa Keefe, Regional Herring Officer, Peter Hall, Area Coordinator–WCVI/SOG and Terry Palfrey, Resource Manager –SOG Herring GN, provided a presentation on the management of Herring.

- Cllr. E. Blaney expressed concerns with herring habitat and inquired if there are any scientific studies to address issues habitat like eel grass and bull kelp in the area.
- Peter Hall advised that the dive team was sent only to areas where herring were observed spawning.

2. Jouta Performance Program

Sheri Kashman, Jouta, provided the following update to EC:

- 93% of survey participants feel the program is a good tool for career enhancement.

- Employees would ideally would like the performance program to achieve the following: relationship building, constructive feedback, professional career development, accountability and fair pay.

3. Delegation Request: Steve Miller, Townsite Ratepayers Association - TABLED

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance

i) Indigenous services Canada (ISC) Funding Amendment #31 re: FLEX – TABLED.

Action: The CAO will provide more details to EC about the agreement.

ii) Indigenous services Canada (ISC) Funding Amendment #32 re: COVID.

Motion to Endorse ISC Funding Amendment #32.

Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor E. Blaney
CARRIED

iii) Fire Department Estimate for AutoEx Tool (CAO R. Allan)

- The CAO is seeking approval on a purchase order for an auto-extraction tool for the Fire Hall, typically used for auto accidents.
- The estimated total is \$15k.

EC, by consensus, approves the purchase of an AutoEx Tool for the amount of approximately \$15k.

2. Community Services

i) Memorial Bench (Cllr. L. Luaifoa)

Cllr. Luaifoa is seeking EC endorsement to research ideas for a memorial bench to be located at the waterfront. This bench or memorial piece is to honour our jeh jeh's that have passed away during the COVID pandemic.

Action: Cllr. L. Luaifoa to research ideas for a memorial piece and provide a report to EC.

ii) Treaty day Video Update/Video Contest (Cllr. L. Luaifoa)

- Due to COVID restrictions, the Nation is limited in hosting any celebratory events for the upcoming 5th anniversary of Treaty.

- Cllr. Luaifoa advised that Cllr. Blaney suggested a video contest be hosted by the Nation to members/citizens. Submissions of short videos clips of what Treaty means to people will be eligible for the grand prize of \$1000.

EC, by consensus, agrees with the proposal.

Action: Cllr. L. Luaifoa and Cllr. E. Blaney will work on the proposed guidelines for a video contest.

iii) Helmet Campaign (Cllr. E. Blaney)

- Cllr. Blaney is seeking EC approval for \$2k to fund a Helmet Campaign for the community.
- These funds will cover costs for safety gear for ATV riders and to create educational pamphlets.

EC, by consensus, approves a \$2k budget to create a Helmet Campaign.

3. Education – Scholarships (CAO R. Allan)

- The CAO is seeking confirmation of EC's approval to budget for three (3) \$500 scholarships for Tla'amin youth.

EC, by consensus, approves of three (3) \$500 scholarships to be budgeted.

4. Lands

i) Snaw-Naw-As First Nation/Lasqueti Woodland License (Cllr. L. Wilson/Cllr. E. Blaney)

Snaw-Naw-As proposed 25-year woodlot tenure agreement on Lasqueti Island

Cllr. E. Blaney will be attending a meeting with Lasqueti on March 24th re: Indigenous history of the island.

ii) Grant of Home and Land Ownership with a Mortgage for Private Builds

- The Lands Manager is seeking EC's approval of a document form for members who have built their homes privately.

Motion to approve the document form as presented.

Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor L. Luaifoa
CARRIED

iii) EC Resolution #14-2021 re: Ottawa Community Research Project - Climate Adaptation Study/Food Security

- The Lands Department is seeking approval of EC Resolution #14-2021 to enter into a partnership with researcher Karen Fidiuk on Climate Change and the impacts it has on food security.
- The project will fund a full time Coordinator position and two summer students.

Motion to approve EC Resolution #14-2021.

Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor E. Blaney
CARRIED



5. Treaty Implementation - DRIPA Action Plan

- Alliance technical team working with BC reps. on what each Modern Treaty Nation would like included in the Action Plan for the UNDRIP Legislation.
- Seeking support from each Nation for submission to BC.

EC, by consensus, supports endorsing a letter for submission to the Province of BC.

6. 3C - Meeting date / Agenda

Cllr. Luaifoa advised the next C3 meeting is scheduled for May 12 at 10 am to 12 noon and requested that agenda items be submitted to Sheena Rossi or Losa Luaifoa.

E. HOUSE POST REPORTS:

1. Lands & Resources - Councillor L. Wilson reported the following:

Proposed developments:

- EC and staff working together as a group to handle proposed developments Lasqueti Island and Emmonds Beach.
- Worked with Lands Director on request for proposal for 5- year forestry operational plan
- Session on cultural sensitivity training with Powell River and Sunshine Coast BC Park operators
- Mar. 3rd Wildfire risk reduction project meeting – interested in continuing relationship with TN; potential for assessment project.
- Mar. 4th Water study project presentation
- March 10th internal Lands and Resources staff meeting 4 presentations
- March 29th next BC Joint fisheries meeting
- April 14th Lands and Resources staff meeting – 2 presentations with MIRR and FLNORD
- Seeking update on Feb. finance committee meeting re: referrals software

2. Finance – Councillor E. Blaney reported:

- Wrap up of Audit
- Finance committee meeting re: capital projects
- New changes at Tla'amin management services resulting from audit finding more structure now in place

- Emails with Lasqueti re: indigenous history of lands on march 24th
- Calls from proponent wishing to lease lands from TN- forwarded to TMS
- Looking at annual budgeting processes for all departments
- Budget survey results in 81 members responded – community safety and housing common theme.
- Cultural signage project – with BC parks, continuing on with work and using historical Tla'amin images in the maps and ref. to heritage conservation act.
- Worked on Herring article with Indigenews – picked up by APTN and Toronto star

3. Community Services - Councillor L. Luaifoa reported the following:

- Health hosted a vaccination clinic which was a success. 160 doses were administered on March 4 and on March 8, 350 doses were administered. Next clinic is March 23.
- Met with Hegus and Alofi! re: the development of the qathet Regional Poverty Reduction Strategy. Alofi! is seeking a community member to be a part of the committee.
- Attended workshop re: Child Welfare Law Policy.
- Participated in various meetings with staff and different departments.

4. Public Works - Councillor D. Johnson reported:

- Opportunity for grant funding to help with costs of new field house
- Rapid Housing initiative application was not successful
- Friday March 19th Housing committee meeting
- Cllr. D. Johnson would like to acknowledge extensive work done with the Vaccination Clinic.

F. HEGUS' REPORT

Xyntax update:

- Xyntax serves over 100 Indigenous governments and organizations that range in size from 200 to over 14,000 members
- Financial and Administration Management Solutions for Indigenous Governments
- Xyntax Chair's request sent on March 4, 2021, please find the zoom link information below for the NTC board meeting

- Two position replaced on to the Xyntax from NTC committee, Gordon Plane – chair, Roxanne Harris
- Qathet regional district called a meeting; Committee of the Whole – topic was Coastal Flood Mapping risk assessment; Flood Mapping was shared to show a visual of exactly where the water level will be the year 2100, 79 years from now
- The presentation also showed data used to predict the ocean water table rise
- Off Shore data
- Wave assessment
- Wind modeling
- Shore erosion – sand silt clay table
- Slide potential was not taken in consideration after review and question period
- The visual map was reviewed from focusing in on village
- Finance committee march 12th
- I-CWG meeting: update from Nancy Morgan on citizenship law amendments, and update from Murray Brown on Community Safety Law
- Poverty Reduction - Cllr. L. Luaifoa and I were invited to attend the Poverty Reduction Committee meeting on March 16 by Alofi; Christen Kaaij, April 27 is first meeting.

G. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Omningo - Patrols Software package (CAO R. Allan) – TABLED.
- Director of Community Services is seeking approval to purchase \$8000.00 USD software for the purposes of tracking case by case management for enforcement officer, beach monitors, and guardian watchmen.
- Cllr. E. Blaney would like clear guidelines on what information is stored and where it will be stored.

H. INFORMATION – Monthly RCMP Report (February) TABLED for review.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor L. Luaifoa
CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 3:44 pm. The next EC meeting is Wednesday, April 7th at 9:00 am.



SUMMARY OF RCMP CALLS FOR SERVICE FOR APRIL/MAY 2021

This summary of police calls for service is intended to advise community members of what is occurring in the community and to encourage community members to report all suspicious activities.



	Powell River RCMP Non-Emergency (604)485-6255	In Case of Emergency Call 911
APR 16	HARWOOD DR	While making patrols, police received a report of a gathering at a residence. Police attended the residence, but there was no gathering taking place.
APR 16	HOMALCO RD	Police received a report of a vehicle taken without consent. The vehicle was located the next day and returned to the owner.
APR 16	SALISH DR	Police received a report of a large gathering at a residence. Police attended and determined that there was less than 10 people in the back yard. This did not violate any COVID measures at the time.
APR 17	HOMALCO RD	Police investigated a report of an assault at a residence.
APR 17	HOMALCO RD	Police received a report of a violation of provincial COVID measures. Police attended the residence and determined there was no violation.
APR 18	WATERFRONT RD	Police received a report of a violation of provincial COVID measures. Police attended and determined the residence were in violation. As a result, a \$575 violation ticket was issued.
APR 21	EAGLE DR	Police responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence. Both parties were split up by the time police arrived on scene.
APR 26	EAGLE DR	Police investigated a threats complaint.
APR 29	HARWOOD DR	Police received a report of an unwanted person at a residence. Police attended and located the person. He was asked to leave, and did without any problems.
MAY 01	BEACH RD	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. It was determined to be false.
MAY 01	HWY 101	Police received a 911 call at a residence. Members attended and determined the call to be for medical reasons. EHS was then notified and attended.
MAY 02	HARWOOD DR	Police assisted Tofino RCMP with the execution of a warrant.
MAY 06	WATERFRONT RD	Police received a report of a computer fraud.
MAY 10	EAGLE DR	Police received a report of a lost license plate.
MAY 15	HARWOOD DR	Police responded to a report of an item stolen from a personal mailbox.
MAY 16	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a noise complaint. Police attended and located a small group of people.
MAY 19	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. It was determined to be false.
MAY 22	HWY 101	Police responded to a report of an abandoned vehicle. An investigation determined that the plates had been removed and placed on another vehicle. Police located and spoke to the owner about the ramifications of misusing plates.
MAY 23	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a suspicious person. Patrols were made, but police were unable to locate the person.
MAY 23	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. It was determined to be false.
MAY 23	HWY 101	Police received a report of an unwanted person at a residence. Before police could attend, they were advised that the person had left the house.



14 Rhinoceros Beetle Facts for Kids

Rhinoceros beetles are scarab beetles that are members of the Dynastinae sub-family.

Rhinoceros beetles are also called Hercules beetles, horn beetles, rhino beetles and unicorn beetles.

Entomologists estimate there are over 300 species of beetles worldwide that are considered rhinoceros beetles.

Rhinoceros beetles are famous for the large size and often unique body shapes.

While all species of rhinoceros beetles look intimidating, they do not sting or bite humans.

Male rhinoceros beetles are known for their fierce battles over a potential mate.

Rhinoceros beetles are herbivores, adults and larva feed on different vegetation, decaying plant matter and nectar.

Rhinoceros beetles are a popular pet in Asia among children. They are safe to handle, very clean, make little mess and overall very easy to maintain.

The Atlas beetle (*Chalcosoma atlas*) is known for its very aggressive larva that will bite if touched.

The Hercules beetle (*Dynastes hercules*) has the longest length of any living beetle species.

The Japanese rhinoceros beetle (*Allo-myrina dichotoma*) is used as sport in Japan. Two of them are placed on the log, and the winner knocks the loser off the log.

The eastern Hercules beetle (*Dynastes tityus*) was featured on a United States postal stamp in October 1999.

Rhinoceros beetle larva has two times more protein than chicken and beef.

Some rhinoceros beetles can make a loud hissing noise when disturbed. They produce this hissing noise by rubbing their wings covers against their abdomens.

Hell Yeah Powell River (HYPR)

Lee Edmonds · 1h · 🌐

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A shout out to to the Tla'amin Nation and Scotty, for the great experience we had today at the Provincial campground at Okover. Scotty was so passionate yet diplomatic about monitoring the area for shellfish abuse. What a super ambassador for the nation. He is obviously informed and educated and has a gift for teaching. The Guardians are a wonderful, valuable addition to this region.

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WildSafe Bear Tips

Garbage is the most reported attractant involved in human-bear conflicts.

Bears that access garbage may be injured, cause property damage or become a risk to the community.

-  Keep garbage, recyclables, compost and other attractants secure - indoors is best!
-  Keep containers that store garbage and recycling clean and odour free.
-  If you have curbside pick up, do not place containers out until the morning of collection.
-  Freeze smelly items until the morning of collection or when you can transport to a solid waste depot.



Keeping Wildlife Wild and Communities Safe www.wildsafebc.com

MEDIA RELEASE
April 29th, 2021

The bears are out of hibernation and mingling with our community...so is WildSafeBC!

qathet Regional District - With the approaching warm weather, the bears are coming out of hibernation, as is the qathet Regional District (qRD) WildSafeBC program.

WildSafeBC is the provincial leader in preventing conflict with wildlife through collaboration, education and community solutions and is delivered by the BC Conservation Foundation in communities across BC. Krystle Mitchelitis is back this season as the WildSafeBC qathet Regional District Coordinator. While the COVID-19 pandemic may be keeping many of us at home, bears and other wildlife that live nearby are becoming active. As Community Coordinator, Krystle will be working hard to reach out to community members in new and innovative ways that maintain physical distancing and safety for the community.

From April to November, Krystle will be involved in a number of WildSafeBC modified program initiatives including door-to-door information delivery campaigns, public display booths, and webinar delivery of our highly requested WildSafe Ranger Program for school-aged children as well as our Wildlife Awareness and Safety Education sessions. Please email Krystle for more information on how to register for these free programs. The qRD WildsafeBC program will continue to provide local wildlife activity news and tips as the season progresses on our local Facebook page. We look forward to hearing from you. With your help, we can reduce conflict with wildlife and keep our community safe.

For further information on wildlife and how to reduce human-wildlife conflict visit www.wildsafebc.com, follow WildSafeBC qathet Regional District on Facebook, or contact your local Community Coordinator, Krystle at qrd@wildsafebc.com or 250.898.7451.

PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

JULY
6 - 30
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THURS
10:00 -
2:00

AGES:
7 - 14

AUGUST
3 TO 31
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SUMMER FUN PROGRAM



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

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FUN GAMES



We may require 2 separate camps depending on the number of registrants. Overfill will be registered in 2nd camp.
1st Camp in July 6 - 30.
2nd Camp Aug 3 - 31
Contact: Shirley Louie at Tla'amin Health
Telephone 604-483-3009 Extension: 104

2021 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE



NOTE: Meetings are subject to change.

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- Leadership Council
3rd Mondays
- Statutory Holidays
- Christmas Closure
Dec. 23 - Jan 3
- Executive Council
1st and 3rd Wednesdays
- Red Ignorance Peoples Day
June 21st

Remaining Statutory Holiday: July 1st, August 2nd, September 6th, October 11th, November 11th

The Lazy Gardener



Ingalisa

Tai

Abby

Let's Talk Trash.ca

WHAT IS WASTE?

Spring has more than sprung. As we approach the summer solstice this month lawns are growing ever taller, unplucked weeds are laughing at us from their flower-topped heads, and the list of garden 'shoulds' may be long. Fear not, there are plenty of lazy garden techniques to make quick(er) work of outside chores while also benefiting the soil.

If your grass has started to swallow your four legged friends, you are probably considering tackling it with a weedwacker soon. You may be dreading the raking more than the mowing, but we may have an escape hatch for you - grass cycling. It's the latest trend in permaculture gardening that has a growing audience. Essentially it involves leaving your grass clippings be. By allowing cut grass to compost in place, we make all of our lawn care simpler. Less watering is needed, as the grass prevents moisture evaporation. Less top dressing is needed, as the grass itself is quickly broken down and incorporated back into the soil as food.

Those areas of the lawn that get lazied about on or frequented

by toddlers might need a quick rake, though, and these clippings are a fantastic addition to our next lazy gardener technique, hugelkultur. Mound or hill culture is an old European method of creating a growing medium from logs, grass clippings, leaves and other yard 'waste'. In short, you determine where your new garden bed is going to go, either at ground level or in a ditch - both are great, the later just lends to less need for watering the first season. Large logs (6-9" thick) can be used to outline the bed, but only if you have these around and looking for a job. Start with a layer of branches and twigs 1 - 2 feet high. Stomp on these to compact, then start layering on any amendments you have around. Grass cuttings, spent hay, leaves, and compost are all great. Top dress with an inch of soil and you are ready to plant. Wildflowers and squash are good choices for the first season. The large leaves of the squash will shade out and prevent moisture evaporation, while also enjoying the heat created by the composting mound. With each passing year, this bed will become more productive as logs host microorganisms, trap moisture, and provide nutrients.

Weeding is an inevitable part of lawn care and gardening, and every green thumb has a different definition of what qualifies. Whatever your definition, non-invasive weeds are often full of nutrients because their roots grow deep. As you weed your beds and lawn crops of dandelion, plantain, comfrey, horsetail, and the like, toss them into a barrel of rainwater. Stir occasionally. Add urine or manure if you dare, and in a week you will have an incredible liquid fertilizer that can double as a natural pesticide. Water it down about 5:1, so it is light brown in colour and pour or spray onto your veggy and flower friends.

Gardens inevitably take some sweat, but we can work with nature, by keeping materials on-site, and mimicking the nutrient cycle of the forest. Skip your next trip loading up the truck to dispose of yard waste, and use that time instead to create some black gold!



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We try to cope the best we can

But were missing you so much

If we could only see you

And once more feel your touch

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