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In this issue we highlight the 2024 classes and graduates of SD70 and SD72. If you have a student we have missed, or would like to highlight an accomplishment of a student in elementary, high school, or post secondary contact communications@ufn.ca.

Datum Marine Services will be offering Captain's Bootcamp in hitaču from August 19 to 23 and August 26 to 30. This 10 day bootcamp includes SVOP, MEDA3/SDVBS, ROCM (marine radio) and offers practical training sessions on docking, anchoring, person over board, chartwork, pilotage, electronic GPS navigation, search and rescue, and big wave boat handling strategies.

This is an extensive, specialized course that require 100% dedication to finish. More information can be found on page 12. For more information, to sign up, or if you are an urban citizen interested, contact Catie.Bateman@ufn.ca or call (250) 726-7342.

Read on for more events, services, and information.

hitaču Cixwatin Centre & huuḡatu Centre

CLOSED

MONDAY, AUGUST 5
FOR
BC DAY LONG WEEKEND

Government Offices will reopen Tuesday, August 6.



Drop In Community
PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

huupatu Centre
TUESDAY, JULY 16 . 9:00am to 11:00am
Breakfast will be held every other Tuesday until the end of August.

Drop in to meet the YG's new counsellor and community nurse!

CATEGORY 1 FIRE BAN



www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status/prevention/fire-bans-and-restrictions/coastal-fire-centre-bans

Open burning prohibition effective Friday, July 12 at 12:00pm.

All open fires, including Category 1 campfires of any size, will be prohibited in the Coastal Fire Centre beginning on Friday, July 12, 2024, at 12:00pm.

This fire ban includes use of fireworks, sky lanterns, burn barrels/cages, binary exploding targets, air curtain burners, tiki and similar torches, and chimineas. Use of outdoor stoves is not prohibited. Learn more about what is allowed by inserting the below url into your web browser.

blog.gov.bc.ca/bcwildfire/coastal-fire-centre-enacts-camp-fire-prohibition-3/

The District of Ucluelet and all of Vancouver Island fall within the jurisdiction of the Coastal Fire Centre. For information about fire bans in other regions visit:

www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wild-fire-status/prevention/fire-bans-and-restrictions.

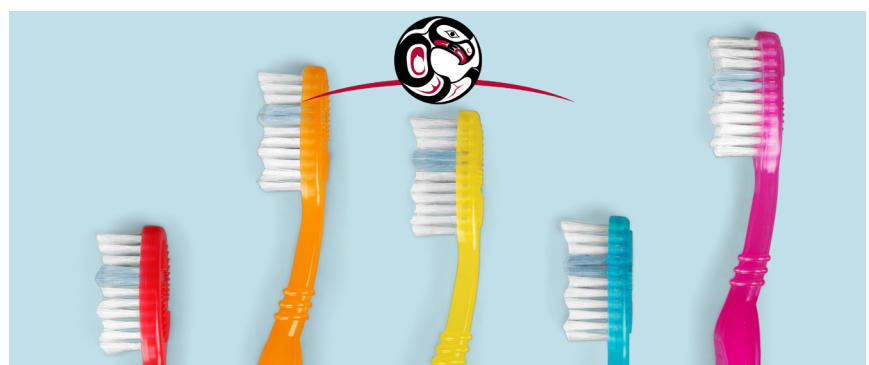
The ban will be in effect until Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 12:00pm, or until wildfire risk conditions allow the ban to be lifted. These fire bans are in place to reduce the risk of wildfires caused by humans and protect our lands.

If a local fire is suspected in Ucluelet, the public is encouraged to report any witnessed outdoor burning. Contact the District of Ucluelet Municipal Office Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm at (250) 726-7744.

For all other concerns in hitaču or on TSL contact Yuuflu?if?ath Government from Monday to Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm at (250) 726-7342.

After hours, call 9-1-1 and request the fire department duty officer to attend. Before reporting a fire, please take the time to confirm if the flame is from an approved propane appliance. To report a wildfire or irresponsible actions that might start a wildfire in British Columbia, call *5555.


łeekoo to everyone for doing your part to prevent wildfires.



DENTAL THERAPIST CLINIC

WITH FNHA DENTAL THERAPIST
MELANIE BRAKER

MONDAY, JULY 22
10:30AM - 3:30PM
ASSETS BUILDING *Down by the Totem*
FOR ALL AGES!



To book an appointment call FNHA COHI AIDE
Evangeline Campbell: (250) 266-2535

Clifford George's čix^watin

Eagle carving to watch over Pacific Rim National Park Reserve.

Written by: Andrew Bailey, Westerly News



Images by: Melissa Boucha

A powerful carving has been unveiled to welcome and watch over visitors to the Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ traditional territories within the Pacific Rim National Park Reserve.

The totem was carved by renowned artist Clifford George through a collaboration between Parks Canada and the Elders Working Group with Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ elders choosing a čix^watin, eagle, to be placed within their territory at the Park Reserve's southern border.

"The way I saw it in my mind is just the way it is as you see it," George told the Westerly News after a June 28 unveiling celebration. "I was looking forward to this day. I'm so happy that they chose me to do the pole for them. Today is a really exciting day."

Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Government's Director of Culture, Language

and Heritage, Carey Cunneynworth, told the Westerly that the čix^watin was chosen because of its ability to watch over everyone.

"The eagle flies above with great sight. It sees all and it's the being that can see everything. It's observing every one of us when it flies up high and it watches everybody passing in and out of the Park Reserve protecting everybody," Cunneynworth said.

The Park Reserve's superintendent Dave Tovell told the Westerly that the Elders Working Group had provided a myriad of advice throughout the construction of the recently completed ʔapsčiiik ʔašii multi-use path that spans the 25 kilometres between the Park Reserve's southern and northern borders. Through the group, Tla-o-qui-aht and Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ elders collaborated on the commemoration of both Nations through carved monuments that reflect the connection between the two communities and the Park Reserve, according to Tovell.

"They gave the direction that it shouldn't be a Parks led commemoration piece, it should be Indigenous led," he said. "Parks Canada came up with the mechanisms to provide funding to both Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ and Tla-o-qui-aht to do what they wanted to do in their territory to represent what they wanted to represent...The Elders Working Group really gave this whole project direction and guidance on how to work together in a good way."

He noted that Tla-o-qui-aht carver Joe Martin had carved the stunning wolves located near Incinerator Rock on the other end of the Park Reserve within the Tla-o-qui-aht's traditional territories

"It's a nice match to Clifford's and Joe's work and the connection of the two Nations," he said. "We're super proud of the relationship between the Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Government, Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation and Parks Canada and how this project has kind of tied it and created a closer relationship between the three governments."

He added George's čix^watin was placed to be seen by all the drivers, cyclists and pedestrians heading into the Park Reserve to raise awareness of whose traditional territories they're in.

"That awareness is extremely important and that they can

show ʔiisaak, which is respect in Nuuchahnulth and that they're aware that it's not just a National Park Reserve but the traditional territories of the Yuuʔiʔath," he said. "It's amazing...To see the finished product out here has absolutely been incredible."

Yuuʔiʔath Government President Charles McCarthy opened the celebration by welcoming the audience to the Nation's territory and said the ʕixʔatin would watch over all within it.

"I raise my hands up to Clifford. It's been a long time coming and I know there's been difficulties throughout getting

things to this point. I want to acknowledge Clifford for his effort. He's always been one to stand up and do things for the community," McCarthy said. "He's always been there to lift us up with his art and this is reflective of what is in all our hearts as Yuuʔiʔath."

Cunneyworth served as the MC for the unveiling and thanked those who came to celebrate the new carving.

"There was a lot of back and forth and quite a few barriers, but we got through it and this is the evidence of doing it in a good way," he said. "Really, truly thank you all for coming out to witness this. I'm so happy to see it up here."



M E N T A L
H E A L T H



CLINICAL COUNSELLORS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Amber Severinson and Cole Schafer are clinical counsellors who are offering Mental Health Services to all citizens and YG employees.

Both counsellors are available to book via phone or in person in hitácu. Booking contact and dates are available below.

AMBER SEVERINSON

(236) 544-0464

Available dates:

- July 23 & July 24
- Tuesday, July 30

COLE SCHAFER

(250) 616-2254

Available dates:

- July 22 to July 24
- August 6 to August 8
- August 12 to August 14

Warriors Games

Warriors games, another outstanding success!

Written by: Mark MacDonald

One of the best Warriors Games yet took place in hitaču from May 24 to 26, and coordinator Jason Sam says the axe throwing competition stood above the rest.

The fourth annual event featured 65 young men competing from the Yuuḷuʔiʔaḥ, Huu-ay-aht, Clayoquot, Toquaht, Tla-o-qui-aht and Ditidaht Nations.

“The highlight of the weekend was our axe throwing competition,” says Jason, the Community Coordinator for the Warriors program. “All of our Nations compete regardless of age, and it was the two youngest kids that were in the axe throwing finals. They were no older than 8 years old, and they beat out 16 and 17 year-old boys.

“The competition was over three rounds, so they had to win a round, win another round, and then win a round again,” he adds. “It was so amazing to see these young boys win. Everybody was cheering. It was amazing.”

The team from Huu-ay-aht won the Warriors Games, which featured archery, sling shots, wood chopping and log balancing besides axe throwing. It also included an event called the Warriors Run.

The Warriors Run was another important feature of the games.

“It was epic,” Jason recalls. “Usually they do a forest run. Last year it was pretty much a flat out run in the forest through a campground and sand and back up. It was relatively easy. This year we wanted to challenge the youth, so we kept the forest run pretty hard and we only cleared anything dangerous out of the way. They had to run a loop starting from the fire area, and they had to get a small bucket of water and had to run back with it. It was pretty cool.”

“All of the events were amazing and 100 percent well attended,” Jason states.

The location for the Warriors Games changes each year and all participating Nations are invited to apply to host the event.

They rotate locations every year. It gets posted out each nation as to who wants to host. “Yuuḷuʔiʔaḥ hosted the youth leader gathering this year in February, which was the most successful meeting ever,” Jason says.

The event took place in the Warriors training area in hitaču.

“Initially, the Warriors had built a trail to the lake within our traditional area, and we started to use for training for Warriors games because the young men were interested in developing their skills.

“We have two archery ranges, a space for axe throwing, one for sling shot practice, a camp fire area and wood chopping area, and we’ve added a log balancing area,” he states. “We’re working on camping spots.

“It’s kind of like a circuit, where they can go from short archery range for beginners to the axe throw, to long archery range for advanced archers, to sling shots, to chopping wood, to fire building and log balance,” he adds. “It’s all in our safe area, a place where we can sit and relax and enjoy food. We’ve lined the safe areas with smaller trees that have fallen, and created areas where people can train and walk in a safe area without walking through a crossbow range, or where axe throwing is taking place.”

Jason, who has been working for the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust for the past three years, started volunteering with the Warriors program several years ago.

“I knew all of the boys from when I used to work at the (Ucluelet) High School, so I’ve known them all from when they were little, tiny kids until now,” he notes. “They were asking me to join in and I couldn’t for the longest time because I was involved in other volunteer things, like Search and Rescue and Surf Riders. It took a while to get here, but it’s been amazing working with the Warriors.”

While Jason coordinated the Warriors event, he had plenty of help from his team along with Ricardo, Julia, Monique and other volunteers. What pleased him about everything was “just how the event went, as well as the cultural support that the community provided.”





FOODSAFE COURSE: LEVEL 1

FRIDAY, JULY 26

8:30AM TO 4:00PM

SIX-PLEX COMMON AREA, HITÁĆU

For youth 12 to 19 years old

Foodsafe Level 1 will cover food handling, sanitation and worker safety appropriate for food service workers. This is often the first step to securing entry level positions as a cook, server, busser, dishwasher or deli worker.



SIGN UP NOW



Limited spots available!

To register, call huúpatu reception: (250) 726-7343

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF

ʔuʔaatukhʔiʔaata - Take Care.

2024



Yuutuʔitʔath



ʔapsčiikeʔicuu ʔašii - You all are going down the right path.

Yuutuʔitʔath Graduates from ADSS!

Congratulations to Yuutuʔitʔath graduates of 2024! Cheyenne Biederman (pictured left) and Byron Roberts (pictured right) both pictured with Manager of Education Services,

Jennifer Touchie, graduated from ADSS in Port Alberni, this June.

Cheyenne will be attending the University of British Columbia this fall in the Bachelor of Science program and Byron noted to have been happy to graduate.

Congratulations to you both and all your future success!



SD70 & SD72



2024 CLASS GRADUATES!

KINDERGARTEN

Rosita Black
Calvin Graham
Cici Klotz
Trinity Mountain
Kendrick Mundy
Lance Williams

GRADE 1

Kai Touchie
Dominic McCarthy
Zoey Clutesi
Hazel Joseph
Carter Graham
Abel Jackaway
Ryan Martin McCarthy
Byron Patrick
Nathaniel Touchie

GRADE 2

Richard young
Beckett Poilievre
Eric Campbell
Micah Jack
Taleah Touchie
Richard Young
Beckett Poilievre

GRADE 3

Alexis Hjelholt
Luis Baquedano
Preston George
Taya Patrick
Nathan Lafortune Louie
Daryl McCarthy

GRADE 4

Kendrick Williams
Carter Johnson
Liam Baquedano
Emily Campbell
Kasen McCarthy

GRADE 5

Syler Mundy
Kiana McCarthy
Chenoa McCarthy-Tom
Timmy McCarthy-Tom
Christopher Williams

GRADE 6

Ronan Currey
Damian McCarthy
Samara Randall
Cynthia Thompson
Cadence George
Victoria Thompson
Jordan Touchie
Phillip Williams
Tiani Touchie

GRADE 7

Jaime Williams
Weston Wesley
Abigail Dargatz
Khia little
Leanne Meanney
Jack Sean Patrick
James McCarthy
Katrina Sam

GRADE 8

Olivia Patrick
Kaiden Burnie
Isabella McCarthy
Marcus Mundy
Mathew Touchie-Edgar
Maxine Small
Breanna Thompson
Terrance Williams

GRADE 9

Kaydance Titian
Tammy Talia Charleson
Annabelle Chester
Hannah McCarthy
Sean Nelson Patrick

GRADE 10

Mathew Jack
Jaysen Touchie
Hector Williams
Serena Sam
Jordan Louie
Kaila Louie
Monty Mundy
Jonquil Currey
Christopher Roberts
Michael Stanley
Katherine Williams
Destiny Boucha

GRADE 11

Dallas Louie
Nicole McCarthy
Deagan Thompson
Calianna McCarthy
Leon Nelson Patrick
Adam Touchie-Randall
Daryl Tate
Ravyn Robersts
Annastaia Mickey-McCarthy
Cydney Gagnon

GRADE 12 - ADSS

Cheyenne Biederman
Will be going to UBC for the
Bachelor of Science Program.

Byron Roberts
Happy to have graduated!

Congratulations

Candid Students!

Yuulu?it?ath day of celebration for Ucluelet elementary and high school students!





Yuutu?it?ath

JULY 22-24, 2024

CIXWATIN GYM



LUMARA
GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT CARE

HISIK?ITQ K^wATYIIMIS

(GRIEFS JOURNEY)

Youth Sessions (10-17)

Monday - Wednesday
9:30am - 4:00pm
Lunch Provided

Adult Sessions (18+)

Monday & Tuesday
5:30pm - 8:00pm
Dinner Provided

Closing Ceremony (All)

Wednesday, July 24
4:00pm

Contact Gloria Valentine

Phone: 250-726-7948

Email: gloria.valentine@ufn.ca



CAPTAIN'S BOOTCAMP IN HITAĆU

10 DAY COURSE

August 19 to 23 & August 26 to 30, 2024

Includes SVOP, MEDA3/SDVBS, ROCM plus practical training

Datum Marine Services is excited to offer this Captain's Bootcamp in hitaću!

Captain's Bootcamp is designed to replicate stressful situations for students to remain calm in the dark, in the fog, in rough weather, and when others are panicked. Building beginner and intermediate boaters up to a small vessel commercial captain level of professionalism.

The practical sessions will include training on:

- DOCKING
- ANCHORING
- PERSON OVER BOARD
- CHARTWORK PILOTAGE
- ELECTRONIC GPS NAVIGATION
- SEARCH AND RESCUE
- BIG WAVE BOAT HANDLING STRATEGIES

100% attendance is required to pass the course. Every lesson builds on the lesson before. Every day builds on the day before it.



LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

To register or for more information, email Catie.Bateman@ufn.ca

Hosted by the YG nursing and early childhood education staff who will be on hand to answer any questions about the young ones' health and development.

MONTHLY BABY GROUP

nanayaᑕaatuk

"taking care of babies"

An informal gathering where parents and caregivers with babies up to 2 years old can meet to socialize, share stories, and enjoy a healthy snack while the children play!

MONDAY
JULY
15

3RD MONDAY
EVERY MONTH

10:00am to 12:00pm
huupatu Centre

Light lunch provided.



For more information, contact Cynthia Fitton, RN: (778) 942-0579
or email Jennifer.Touchie@ufn.ca

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**TUESDAYS
AT HUPATUU**

Health & Social Services Programs

July 2024



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday Sunday
1 Stat Holiday YG Offices Closed	2	3 Counselling with Amber Severinon	4 Dr. Marshall	5	6
					7 AA & NA 3:00pm
8 Outreach Optometry Brushings 10:00am-3:00pm	9 Massage Therapy kakawinminh	10 Elders Health Lunch 11:30am	11 Dr. Marshall Child & Youth Counselling with Jason Lefevre 1:00pm to 3:00pm	12	13
	Counselling with Amber Severinon				14 AA & NA 3:00pm
Counselling with Cole Schafer					
15 Brushings 10:00am-3:00pm Baby Group 10:00am-12:00pm	16 Massage Therapy kakawinminh Pancake Breakfast 9:00am-11:00am	17	18	19	20
					21 AA & NA 3:00pm
22 Brushings 10:00am-3:00pm Dental Clinic 10:30am-3:30pm	23 kakawinminh	24	25 Dr. Marshall	26 Foodsafe Level 1 8:30am-4:00pm	27
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Counselling with Amber Severinon					
Counselling with Cole Schafer					
29 Brushings 10:00am-3:00pm	30 kakawinminh Pancake Breakfast 9:00am-11:00am Counselling with Amber Severinon	31			

*Programs offered during regular operating hours of the Yuutu?it?ath Government, 8:00am to 4:30pm, unless otherwise noted.