

# THE NEW BAMFIELDER

Enjoy Anacla & Bamfield Summer Activities on our Beaches, the Boardwalk, the Boomer Trail and the East-West Connector; meet and greet your neighbours and our visitors...the rains are coming.

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**A great Art in the Park.** Mostly east side attendees; 6 vendors plus the Hysterical Society. They were prepared for rain showers with 2 tents. It did shower for 20 min. The BCS had a BBQ - burgers n hot dogs. Cheap .. \$8 or \$5. **Eddy Johnson** manning the grill; **Charlene** holding court with big smile , **Lisa B** serving & collecting \$. Lots of folks came early - bought up **Sam Lloyd's** farm fresh eggs and cinnamon buns. New to Bamfield and popular **Irene Alforf** sold out of her baked bread; fruit danishes taken away in large pizza boxes. **Quinn Richards** with her aqua hair and sunny **Georgia Bradley** sold Iced Tea and Lemonade + crafted magnets . **Johnny Blue** and his grandkids had made unique driftwood planters with mini succulents. **Siobhan** was aptly turned out in a teal slinky knit dress ( her make ) and sporting electric yellow dress crocs. Her fine jewellery and samples of leather and dried fish! Bolo ties with hammered copper penny & silver slides were impressive. Who knew **John Evans'** discarded copper roof could end up as shiny copper accents in her artisan designs! **Julie Bradley's** pottery designs included intriguing octopi and shell detail; gorgeous glazes and designs on her mugs, plates and platters. Kids occupied the playground after playing with resident dawgs.. all well behaved 'on leash'. More picnic tables would have been nice.. as folks were in a convivial mood wanting to sit and chat. Another successful community event - in the Park! Just imagine how nice the next could be with our covered Volunteer Pavilion. *A Happy Shopper*



**The first Bamfield Marine Station.** In the late 1960s I approached the Bamfield Post office to establish a mailbox for the Bamfield Marine Station.



The postmistress informed me that there was already a Bamfield Marine station on Burlo Island. Dr. **Aubrey**

**Gorbman**, one-time Chairman of the Department of Zoology, University of Washington, and President of the Zoological Society of America, used a converted boat house as a lab for his studies on slime eels, operating under the name of Bamfield Marine Station. Aubrey quickly relinquished his mailbox and became a stance supporter of the second Bamfield Marine Station. His slime eel focus resulted in a brief local slime eel fishery (skin makes the fine leather used in wallets). *L. Druehl*

**Upwards of 30 vessels**, including two spectacular Huu-ay-aht canoes and shepherded by the Canadian Coast Guard, took part of the annual Canada day boat parade starting from the East dock and ending up in Port Desire. Thank you to all the Bamfield Community Hall Society for the food and the volunteers who served watermelon, hot dogs, ice cream and cake in the park on Canada Day and a special thanks to **Eileen Scott** for leading the group singing O Canada! *Marc Philips*, collages too.



Letters and comments are welcome. Submissions will be edited for clarity and taste, and should be brief. Classifieds should not exceed 15 words (no commercial ads). All submissions must have the author's name and telephone number. Submit to [ldruehl@island.net](mailto:ldruehl@island.net). *The New Bamfielder* is a free but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. Louis Druehl

**Best Friends. Donna (Skogman) Landry**, a friend, school classmate and former Bamfielder recently passed away on June 20th just before her 74th birthday in July. She was one of the gang of kids that travelled along the trail from house to house from **Ostrom's** to **Logan's**. We rode the school boat, competed in class, and celebrated our birthdays at each other's houses. Donna was popular, admired for her dresses and her personality! Her house became the Park House but has been torn down. Donna is survived by her husband **Brian Chipperfield**. *Suzanne Jennings*



**Bamfield's May Day Queen, 1960**

**Wow!!** Become a member of the **Bamfield Historical Society**, they are capturing an evolving Bamfield (it looks good on your resume, and you get a Bamfield tidebook). Memberships are now open for 2022-23. Contact [www.bamfieldhistory.com](http://www.bamfieldhistory.com)



**Zelta's Bandana Blanket Raffle** (\$408) and her bake and plant sale (\$135) raised \$543 to be shared by Bamfield First Responders and Bamfield Community Emergency Program. I sent **Michael V. Colyer** and his wife **Barbara Keller**

who had just boated in, to Art in the Park. They purchased two tickets and WON! And they vowed to come back. **Zelta Clappis** who makes great jams and pies, co-operates the wonderful Anacla Community Garden, is a strong supporter of community causes. Thank you, Zelta! *Lisa Bye*, photo L to R, Zelta, MichaelCoyer, Gordie Hawkins. by Marc Phillips.

### Scotch Night challenged by Ice Cream Delight.

To celebrate evolution's greatest by-product, ice cream, a club has formed to eat, discuss and lament over endless flavour combinations. An endeavor once requiring mountain voyages and aristocratic ice



houses, ice cream is now churned out by the billions of litres. The members of ice cream club have contributed 25 litres to date. New members encouraged! For information contact, [i.carsonaustin@gmail.com](mailto:i.carsonaustin@gmail.com). *Joya Carson-Austin*

**Our Globe Trotting Regional Director, Bob Beckett**, visits the Ukraine. A consortium of Langford civic leaders raised \$300 K and in cooperation with Global Medic that contributed \$150 K purchased and shipped equipment intended for rescue from bombed out buildings.

The purpose of the visit was to make personal contact with Ukraine officials (sister cities and schoolboards), defining future interactions/ contributions, and calling attention to the project. Bob "wasn't shocked by the security," as he has visited 2 war zones previously. "Every meeting we had, sirens would go off." Langford Mayor **Steward Young**, commented on touring the New York 9/11 site with Bob. This visit will be the initiation of a long-term commitment.



*Based on a CBC Radio interview, 5 July, 4:30 pm.* Photo end of the table Mayor **Victor Uurdyk** from the city of Horohiv, and the young lady is our Interpreter **Svitlana Makhnovets**. And the gentleman sitting across from me is the Municipal School Director.

**Be Prepared!** The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD), the District of Ucluelet, and the District of Tofino will be even more prepared for an emergency after receiving a \$65,115 grant from the Province of BC to bolster its regional readiness. The grant is part of \$3.2 million in Community Emergency Preparedness funding announced last week. The funding is designed to help communities build or upgrade Emergency Operation Centres (EOCs), purchase equipment, and enhance capacity through volunteer recruitment, retention, and training. The Community Emergency Preparedness Fund supports programs that strengthen the resilience of First Nations communities, local governments, and residents. "This grant will further strengthen the emergency response capacity of the ACRD and west coast communities by providing valuable joint training and upgrades to our Emergency Operations Centre equipment," explains Ucluelet Fire Chief **Rick Geddes**. In addition to this official partnership, this project will offer collaboration through training opportunities with area First Nations, Pacific Rim National Park, the fire departments in Bamfield, Cherry Creek, Port Alberni, Beaver Creek, and Sproat Lake, Emergency Support Services, and the City of Port Alberni. For more information, please contact: **Heather Thomson**, ACRD Communications Coordinator 250-206-5162 [hthomson@acrd.bc](mailto:hthomson@acrd.bc)



Unmanned oceanographic vessel limps into Bamfield. Battery-droven with extra solar power, she can run 4+ days, making measurements.

Photo by R. Hopkins



Joggers, Vendors & lazy Dogs enjoy sunny boardwalk

Photo by M. Phillips