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Check out the new columns **Council Corner!**

Special Features inside this issue:

SVFD & PAC Car Wash: June 3 BC Ambulance Open House: June 5 Sayward Sing Along: June 11 Summer Market Returns: June 3 Sayward Futures AGM: June 12 Sayward School PAC AGM: June 22 **BCEHS Hiring Fair: June 24**





















The Strathcona Regional District Regional Board Meetings for the year 2023 will be held at **12:30 PM** on the following dates:

January	Wednesday	11, 25
February	Wednesday	8, 22
March	Wednesday	15, 29
April	Wednesday	12, 26
May	Wednesday	10, 24
June	Wednesday	14, 28
July	Wednesday	19
August	Wednesday	16
September	Wednesday	13
October	Wednesday	11, 25
November	Wednesday	8, 22
December	Wednesday	13* @2pm

Strathcona Regional District Board and Committee meetings are livestreamed and can be viewed in real time on the **Strathcona Regional District YouTube Channel.**

Elected Officials of the SRD

Area A Director

Gerald Whalley (250) 282-3787 gwhalley@srd.ca

Board of Directors Chair: Mark Baker (250) 203-5428 mbaker@srd.ca

Board of Directors Vice-Chair: Ron Kerr (250-)286-5708 rkerr@srd.ca

Village of Sayward

PO Box 29, 652 H'Kusam Way, Sayward B.C. VOP 1RO

Office hours: 9:00am-4:00pm (closed 12-1pm for lunch and Statutory Holidays)

Phone: 250-282-5512 Email: <u>village@saywardvalley.ca</u> Website: www.sayward.ca

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Strathcona Regional District

990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, B.C. V9W 7Z8 Office Hours: 8:30am-4:30pm (closed Statutory Holidays) Phone: 250-830-6700 Email: <u>info@srd.ca</u> Website: <u>www.srd.ca</u>



The Village of Sayward Regular Council Meetings for the year 2023 will held in Council Chambers at **7:00 PM** on the following dates:

January	Tuesday	3, 24
February	Tuesday	7, 21
March	Tuesday	21
April	Tuesday	4, 18
May	Tuesday	2, 16
June	Tuesday	6, 20
July	Tuesday	18
August	Tuesday	15
September	Tuesday	5, 26
October	Tuesday	3, 17
November	Tuesday	7, 21
December	Tuesday	5, 19

Request virtual attendance through a **Teams Meeting** link by emailing the village office at <u>village@saywardvalley.ca</u>

Elected Officials of the Village of Sayward

Mayor:

Mark Baker (250) 203-5428 mark.baker@saywardvalley.ca

Councillor:

Scott Burchett(604) 818-5558 scott.burchett@saywardvalley.caKohen Gilkin(250) 201-1064 kohen.gilkin@saywardvalley.caSue Poulsen(250) 282-0184 sue.poulsen@saywardvalley.caTom Tinsley(250) 898-7067 tom.tinsley@saywardvalley.ca

Trustee: Shannon



Shannon Briggs (250) 282-3364 shannon.briggs@sd72.bc.ca



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Michele Babchuk 1-866-387-5100 or (250) 287-5100

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Rachel Blaney 1-250-287-9388 or 1-800-667-8404



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The MOUHSS is a Mobile Outreach Unit for Health and Support Services.

A mobile unit that provides services like counselling, senior supports, parenting support, financial navigation, mental health practitioner, clothing, snacks/food, harm reduction supplies, access to OAT (Opioid Agonist Therapy), substance use treatment enrollment, victims services, court navigation, & nutrition support



Village (by the Campground) Mondays 9:30am - 11:00 am Junction (by the Gas Station) Mondays 11:30am - 1:00pm. For more information call Leanne McIntee: 250-203-9713 M O U H S S



Local Organization Information

Sayward Valley Folk Music Society: 250-282-0134 Bob Sampson <u>rsampson@saywardvalley.net</u> Sayward Futures Society: 250-282-0018
info@saywardfutures.ca
Sayward Food Centre: 250-282-0063
, info@saywardfutures.ca
Sayward Garden Club: 250-282-3799 Alex Turner
Meets - 1:00pm - 2nd Tuesday each month at Heritage
Hall
Sayward Harbour Authority
250-282-0178 Colin Read Executive Director
250-201-0612 Wharfinger Hans Hoepfner
Meets - 9:30am - Last Sunday each month at Harbour Office
Sayward Health Clinic: 250-282-3815
Sayward Literacy Now
250-282-3851 Jan Bakker: bokkie.bakker@gmail.com
250-282-3450 Ann Vansnick: <u>annv@saywardvalley.net</u>
Sayward Post Office: 250-282-3223
Monday - Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday: 8:30am-12:30pm
St. Bernadette's Catholic Church: 963 Despins Road
Sunday Service at 11 am (3 rd Sunday at 3:00pm)
VI Regional Library: 250-282-5551
Monday: Closed
Tuesday - Wednesday: 10:00am to 8:00pm
Thursday - Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm
Sunday: 12:00pm to 4:00pm



Emergency Phone Notification System

The Village of Sayward in conjunction with the Strathcona Regional District uses **Alertable** as our public emergency mass notification service.

Alertable can notify residents, visitors, and businesses of emergencies in a timely manner to people who subscribe to receive these alerts. It can also be used to notify residents of other non-emergency items such as scheduled road closures, power outages, water and sewer alerts, and much more. This service is free.

The system is compatible with mobile phones, tablets, computers or smart speakers. It can also send alerts via text message, voice calls to land lines, and e-mail.

The link to **sign up** for this system is located on the Village website here: <u>https://www.sayward.ca/municipal-services/</u><u>emergency-services/alertsnotifications</u>



Village of Sayward





Emergency Preparedness Corner



Hot Tips for the Hot Season!

As we now are in the warmest months of the year in our area the world, here are some things to consider or action for your own safety and protection.

- 1. To report a wildfire or irresponsible behaviour that could start a wildfire in British Columbia, please call: <u>1 800 663-5555</u> or (<u>*5555</u> from a cell phone) **as soon as possible.**
- 2. Have a person who has agreed to be your contact outside of this area, and ideally outside of BC, so they will be the person you can call to let them know your status and location in case of any emergency evacuation.
- 3. Prepared BC has a number of Emergency Preparedness Guides available including one titled The Extreme Heat Preparedness Guide. The path on the internet to get to all the guides is – <u>gov.bc.ca</u> / then go to the headings - public safety and emergency services/emergency management /public preparedness and recovery.
- 4. Key Extreme Heat considerations include the following:
 - A. Drink water regularly / at least hourly whether you feel thirsty or not.
 - B. Shade your windows during the hottest part of the day and let cool night air in later.
 - C. Check on seniors who are living alone.
 - D. Avoid heavy exertion and protect yourself from the damaging rays of the sun.
- 5. Have your Grab & Go Kit contents adjusted for the summer season and be sure to include any needed medications and/or important papers.
- 6. Consider joining our Emergency Social Services (ESS) team of volunteers available to support our community in times of emergency. Enjoy free courses, great support, and great people.
- 7. Consider attaining one of the affordable Walkie Talkie Radios which require no license and can be used as another tool of communication in emergencies or at other times too.

Note – Every Wednesday Evening from 6:30PM to 7:00PM is "Walkie Talkie Wednesday" in Sayward. Turn your radio on to Channel 4 in that time slot and see who you can hear and transmit too. The Sayward EPC will be live on-air at those times out of the Sayward Village Office and will now be going by the "handle" of "Wailin' Walker" but you can talk to any one you hear on Channel 4.

Stay Careful and Cool!

If you would like to learn more about ESS please contact your Emergency Program Coordinator (EPC), Tom Tinsley, at 250-898-7067



The Sayward Volunteer Fire Department is accepting APPLICATIONS FOR RECRUITMENT.



<u>You must be:</u> Living in the Sayward District Fire protection area, team oriented, healthy/physically fit, and of good character (RCMP security check required).

<u>We offer:</u>

Involvement in community activities ranging from fire fighting, rescues, first responder medical service, to public education events. Paid training is provided.

We are flexible to meet your time commitments, we work around our members lives to make it easy as possible for you to be part of our team. Insurance plans available for both on and off duty. New friends and acquaintances guaranteed. **And lots of fun!**





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Sayward Christian



Morning Service 11:00 AM 740 Gentry Rd.

Mark Johnson 250-282-3473 Bruce Fyfe 250-282-3301

Everyone Welcome!



Spring & Summer Schedule

Bi-Weekly Trips to Campbell River June 15th (Driver Diane) June 29th (Driver Wayne) July 13th (Driver Diane) July 27th (Driver Wayne) August 17th (Driver Wayne) August 29th (Driver Wayne)

The Age Friendly Van is for anyone over the age of 19 years. The van will pick you up and drop you off at your home. Pick up time after 9am at your location.

The driver will take you to appointments, shopping or any other destinations required.

Return time to Sayward may vary from trip to trip, depending on the riders needs. Sayward Van will arrive back in Sayward no later then 5pm unless arrangements are discussed in advanced and approved.

Cost is by Donation

Please call the Village Office the day before by Noon. 250-282-5512 ext. 0





Join us at the Sayward **Royal Canadian Legion #147,** 699 Sayward Road for BINGO:

1:00 pm Sunday, June 11 1:00 pm Sunday, June 25





SAYWARD TOUR DE ROCK IS **STILL TAKING EMPTY CANS AND** BOTTLES

THE EMPTIES CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE RCMP DETACHMENT AT THE ENCLOSED WIRED COMPOUND. THERE WILL BE A SIGN.



If you are coming to the clinic for lab work, please bring photo ID. This is a requirement of Island Health.

As the Seniors Community Lunch program has come to an end for

this season, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Liz, Garth, Sophia and Crystal for all their help and support in making this program a success. Thank you to all the attendees for continuing to come out to the lunches and for your donations. We will start up again in the fall. Enjoy your summer! – Sincerely, Tracey Payne, NP(F)

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This Schedule is subject to change...

Clinic Corner News

Masks are no longer mandatory in Island Health Facilities, but if you are having respiratory symptoms- we ask that you do wear a mask. Thank you



Village of Sayward

According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, much of the country is in for a "*sizzling summer*". **Watering restrictions** within the Village of Sayward may come into effect at any time. Stay up to date by visiting us on Facebook or www.sayward.ca/news **Open burning**—or burning outdoors—is now **restricted until October 31, 2023.** Campfires are still permitted, but this may change at any time. Stay up to date by visiting https://www2.gov.bc.ca/ and searching Coastal Fire ban or visit www.sayward.ca/news

Property Tax Notices have now been mailed. Some of you received pink reminders to update your mailing address (PO Box #) with BC Assessment. If this is you, please go to: https://info.bcassessment.ca/Services-products/update-your-property-information or call: 1-866-825-8322



Sayward Recycling Depot



Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 7:30 am to 8:30 pm Sunday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Thanks to our new camera system, we have observed many residents climbing into the large Sea Can metal bin. This is an extremely dangerous activity and should it continue, the privilege of having metal recycling in Sayward may be revoked. It would be a shame for all residents to suffer due to a handful of culprits.

Also, we have witnessed many residents dropping off items that are garbage, not recycling. These items include, but are not limited to: fiberglass truck canopies, linoleum flooring, carpet underlay, rocking chairs, bags of rotten food, clothing, mirrors, window glass, garden hoses, dinner plates, and coffee mugs.

If you are unsure if something is recyclable, visit https://www.cswm.ca/recycling/what-cani-recycle or https://recyclebc.ca/

Remember to sort all your recycling and ensure items are *rinsed clean*. Bears are active in our area, so let's minimize attractants as much as possible.



Sayward Valley Folk Music Society News

SAYWARD FUTURES SOCIETY Our Community, Our Future



On Sunday, June 11, at the Kelsey Centre, we are pleased to be featuring the folk group **The Awakeneers** in concert.

Traveling through North America and Europe, this nomadic group of 6 multi-instrumentalists and singers has been recognized and applauded by appreciative audiences for their genre bending blend of acoustic folk. Segueing from foot stomping fiddle tunes to songs of mindfulness, or meditative songs of nature, their music centers on honest vocals with rich harmonies and diverse acoustic instrumentation. If you have not had the pleasure of hearing the Awakeneers in concert, you are in for a real treat. They have been performing in the Campbell River area and will be featured at Musicfest in July. We are fortunate to have been able to book them for our June concert.

As with all our concerts, we bring talented acts to perform in Sayward for the community to enjoy. These are family events and we work hard to put together these concerts for the entire family to enjoy.

The Awakeneers take the stage at 7:00, Doors open @ 6:30 Advance tickets are \$20 and are available until 2:00 the day of the concert, at the Fisherboy Store, the Kelsey Centre, and The Music Plant in Campbell River. Admission at the door is \$25.

If you would like to be a volunteer or to host our musicians please feel free to contact Bob Sampson @ 282-0134.



We would like to thank everyone who attended our programs and helped make this year special. We look forward to bringing you even more special events and programs this coming fall.

Reopen Monday September 11th 2023. Stay tuned for our September calendar to find out more.







Village of Sayward





Sayward Valley Resort Fisherboy Park 1546 Sayward Rd

Saturday JUNE 3, 2023 10 am to 2 pm Merville Mennonite Church

Invites you to join us for a <u>Sing-Along</u> Location: <u>Sayward Heritage Hall</u> 1257 Sayward rd. <u>June 11, 2023</u> <u>4:00-5:00 pm.</u> Refreshments served afterwards For inquires contact : Nevin Zimmerman 250-201-1889



Garden Club News

Regular Meeting <u>& Pot Luck</u>

5:30pm Thursday, June 8th at the Heritage Hall

Opportunity Table

Please join us for the last meeting of the season

SCRA – Heritage Hall Happenings

1257 Sayward Rd 250-282-0192 heritagehall@saywardvalley.net

June 12th, 2023 Monthly meeting at 6pm *All Welcome*

Upcoming Events

Sayward Summer Market Starting June 3rd

Every Saturday from 10am to 2pm

No market on June 24th

All Year Round Grounds Keeper Position

Yard and hall maintenance. Minor repairs. Removal of snow. Basic lawn care.

Submit your resumes to:

SCRA- Heritage Hall, 1257 Sayward Rd Sayward BC VOP 1R0

Or email heritagehall@saywardvalley.net

Any questions please send to the above addresses



Congratulations to the Sayward Graduating Class of 2023!

Adriana Campbell Caitlyn Newman Carter Hubbard Carter MacKay Chase Pringle Isaac Bergeron Mitch Claybourn Jr. Samantha Houghton Taylor Pringle

You've only just begun...



Council Corner



Community Garden Update

The hot weather has arrived in Sayward and it's time to fill up the Community Garden! With only a couple of plots left, check in with the Village Of Sayward office or contact me directly and I will help you out. The community garden is a great place to grow your own fruit, herbs and flowers that support bees. Water is provided and there is a hose that reaches all raised bed plots. You will have to do a little weeding and soil preparation as any gardener does before planting. This is a great opportunity to learn to garden or for children to participate in food production. All the current community gardeners are friendly and always looking to share tips and information.

The community garden is located behind the Village of Sayward Works



Yard so come have a look.

Plant, Grow, Eat!

Councillor Scott Burchett









Open House! June 5th 11:00am - 3:00pm. Located at your ambulance station @ 630 Kelsey Way. Come out and learn about the ambulance service. You can apply onsite.



Hiring Fair: June 24th 9:00am - 1:00pm. Located at the start/finish of the Kusam Klimb event at the Heritage Hall @ 1257 Sayward Road.

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- Provide care for your community
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NAME Aggie Pringle

[w] bcehs.ca/careers

in BC Emergency Health Services







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SAYWARD FOOD CENTRE

Sayward Futures Society continues to support food insecurity through our partnership with Loaves & Fishes Community Food Bank every month. The astronomical rise in food costs is having a terrible impact on people. If you or someone you know is experiencing food insecurity, please register, with complete anonymity, with the Sayward Health Clinic ~ 250.282.3815 or the Sayward Ambulance ~ 250.230.4501. When you register please indicate whether you wish to pick up your box or have it delivered right to your door.

In addition, we would like to gratefully acknowledge the Heritage Hall board of directors as they have graciously opened their doors to the Sayward Futures Society volunteers in order to accommodate the sorting and distribution of our monthly food boxes — thank you!

Sayward Futures Society AGM ~ June 12, 2023 at 7:00pm at Kelsey Bay Wharf

CANADA DAY ~ THANK YOU!

We would like to thank the Village of Sayward Mayor, Council, Administration & Public Works staff, and our District Area Representative for the support provided for this year's Canada Day Celebrations! Your support has made this year's Canada Day Celebrations possible and it promises to be fantastic! We look forward to seeing everyone there!

* CANADA DAY ~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED * Call Sheri Braun: 250.282.5503 or Email: info@saywardfutures.ca

What is... The Sayward Community Food Table??

We are a group of citizens interested in *Food Sovereignty* and long term *Food Security* here in the Sayward Region. We are working toward creating a board of directors so the Sayward Community Food Table can become a registered BC Society. Once we are a registered society we can access grant funding to support food security initiatives such as the development of community gardens, workshops for food literacy, food gardening, food processing and food preservation.

Whether you're a farmer, a jam maker, a chef, a business owner, or simply an individual trying to feed your family, please join us in the creation of this vital community asset that will benefit our whole community!

> For More Information Call Sheri Braun: 250.282.5503 or Email: info@saywardfutures.ca





CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS!! Please join us for the Canada Day Celebrations!!

Canada Day Parade ~ 12:00pm

To participate in the parade OR volunteer please Email info@saywardfutures.ca

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- Salmon BBQ ~ 1:00pm
 - Live Music
- **Children's Activities**
- Hot Dogs, Snacks & Ice Cold Drinks
 - A Cake & Fireworks ~ Dusk!

