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# SAYWARD NEWS

September 2025

## Seniors Luncheons are back!

Wednesday, September 24th 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Come and enjoy a social gathering at the Kelsey Centre.

Lunch, dessert, and refreshments provided. This is a free event.

**Tour de Rock Potluck Dinner & Silent Auction**  
**Monday September 22,**  
**doors open 5:30pm at**  
**Sayward Elementary School!**

**Tour de Pond**  
**9:00am Sept 23**  
 Sayward School children will ride with the Tour de Rock Riders around the Sayward pond!



**Tour de Rock Silent Auction is requesting donations**

Contact:

Catherine Clinton  
 250-282-3314  
 sayward@sd72.bc.ca



The Strathcona Regional District Regional Board Meetings for the year 2025 will be held at **12:30 PM** on the following dates:

January	Wednesday	22
February	Wednesday	19
March	Wednesday	26
April	Wednesday	23
May	Wednesday	21
June	Wednesday	25
July	Wednesday	23
August	Wednesday	20
September	Wednesday	17
October	Wednesday	22
November	Wednesday	19
December	Wednesday	10 @ 11:am

### Elected Officials of the SRD

#### Area A Director

Gerald Whalley (250) 282-3787 [gwhalley@srd.ca](mailto:gwhalley@srd.ca)

#### Board of Directors Chair:

Mark Baker (250) 203-5428 [mbaker@srd.ca](mailto:mbaker@srd.ca)

### Village of Sayward

PO Box 29, 652 H'Kusam Way, Sayward B.C. V0P 1R0

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

Phone: 250-282-5512 Email: [village@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:village@saywardvalley.ca)

Website: [www.sayward.ca](http://www.sayward.ca)

### 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: [info@srd.ca](mailto:info@srd.ca)

Website: [www.srd.ca](http://www.srd.ca)



Village of  
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The Village of Sayward Regular Council Meetings for the year 2025 will be held in Council Chambers at **7:00 PM** on the following dates:

January	Tuesday	7
January	Tuesday	21
February	Tuesday	4
February	Tuesday	18
March	Tuesday	4
March	Tuesday	18
April	Tuesday	1
April	Tuesday	15
May	Tuesday	6
May	Tuesday	20
June	Tuesday	3
June	Tuesday	17
July	Tuesday	15
August	Tuesday	19
September	Tuesday	2
September	Tuesday	16
October	Tuesday	7
October	Tuesday	21
November	Tuesday	4
November	Tuesday	18
December	Tuesday	2

### Elected Officials of the Village of Sayward

#### Mayor:

Mark Baker (250) 203-5428 [mark.baker@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:mark.baker@saywardvalley.ca)

#### Councillors:

Scott Burchett (604) 818-5558 [scott.burchett@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:scott.burchett@saywardvalley.ca)

Sue Poulsen (250) 282-0184 [sue.poulsen@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:sue.poulsen@saywardvalley.ca)

Debra Coates (236) 507-2259 [debbie.coates@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:debbie.coates@saywardvalley.ca)

Jason Johnson (604) 355-1552 [jason.johnson@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:jason.johnson@saywardvalley.ca)



#### Trustee:

Shannon Briggs (250) 282-3364  
[shannon.briggs@sd72.bc.ca](mailto:shannon.briggs@sd72.bc.ca)



#### Provincial Government Member of Legislative Assembly:

Anna Kindy  
[Anna.Kindy.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Anna.Kindy.MLA@leg.bc.ca)



#### Federal Government Member of Parliament:

Aaron Gunn  
[aaron.gunn@parl.gc.ca](mailto:aaron.gunn@parl.gc.ca)



The Royal Canadian Legion of  
Sayward Valley Branch 147 is  
currently looking to fill  
3 Executive Member positions.

Training & direction will  
be provided.

Please submit your interest to:  
**Kawano@live.ca**  
By Monday, September 15th, 2025



Join us at the Sayward Royal Canadian  
Legion #147, 699 Sayward Road at  
1:00pm for BINGO:

September 7  
September 21



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WorkBC Centre-Campbell River  
920 Alder Street  
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102-7160 Rupert Street  
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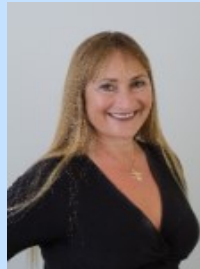
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Cynthia.

Morning Service 11:00 AM  
740 Gentry Rd.

**Everyone Welcome!**

## Sayward Community Food Table Society

### Dates to Remember in September:

**September 11<sup>th</sup>**- Thursday Regular Meeting

**TIME:** 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**September 19<sup>th</sup>**- Friday Food Sort

**TIME:** 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM

**September 26<sup>th</sup>**- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> AGM

**TIME:** 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Place:** Kelsey Centre



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## Local Organization Information

**AA Meetings:** 250-282-0030

**Crisis Line:** 1-888-494-3888 Available 24/7

**Heritage Hall:** 250-282-0192

[heritagehallsca@gmail.com](mailto:heritagehallsca@gmail.com)

**Kelsey Centre:** 250-282-5500

[kelseycentre@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:kelseycentre@saywardvalley.ca)

**Mainroad Contracting:** 1-877-215-7122 Available 24/7

**Oceanview Gallery & Cafe:** 250-282-0018

[info@saywardfutures.ca](mailto:info@saywardfutures.ca)

**Royal Canadian Legion Branch #147:** 250-895-4500

President - Debbie Grill

**Saturday Farmer's Market:** 250-282-3242 Barb

10:00am to 1:00pm Saturdays at Heritage Hall

**Sayward Burial Park:** 250-282-5512

**Sayward Bursary:** 250-282-3465 Marilyn Barry

**Sayward Christian Fellowship:** 740 Gentry Road

Sunday Service at 11:00am

250-282-3301 Bruce Fyfe

250-282-3473 Mark Johnson

Everyone Welcome!

**Sayward Community Food Table Society:** 250-282-5503

[executive@saywardfoodtable.ca](mailto:executive@saywardfoodtable.ca) Meets 10:00am - 2nd

Thursday each month at the Kelsey Centre

**Sayward Community Health Society:** 250-850-7144

Charon Risdale: [charonrids@gmail.com](mailto:charonrids@gmail.com)

**Sayward Fish & Game:** Meets - 7:30pm - last Wednesday of  
each month at Heritage Hall

**Sayward Futures Society:** 250-282-0018

[info@saywardfutures.ca](mailto:info@saywardfutures.ca)

**Sayward Garden Club:** 250-282-3799 Alex Turner

Meets 7:00pm - 2nd Thursday 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 Harbour Office

**Sayward Health Clinic:** 250-282-3815

**Sayward Literacy Now:**

250-282-3851 Jan Bakker: [bokkie.bakker@gmail.com](mailto:bokkie.bakker@gmail.com)

250-282-3450 Ann Vansnick: [annvansick3@gmail.com](mailto:annvansick3@gmail.com)

**Sayward Post Office:** 250-282-3223

Monday - Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm, Sat: 8:30am-12:30pm

**Sayward School:** 250-282-3314

**School District 72:** 250-830-2300

**St. Bernadette's Catholic Church:** 963 Despins Road

Sunday Service at 11 am (3<sup>rd</sup> 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

### *In case of emergency – call 911*

Local Emergency Services Contact information for

Non-Emergencies:



**Sayward RCMP**  
250-282-5522



**Sayward Volunteer Fire Department**  
250-282-5505 [svfd@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:svfd@saywardvalley.ca)



**Sayward Ambulance Station:**  
250-282-3600



**Sayward Emergency Program**  
Emergency Program Coordinator:  
[epc@saywardvalley.ca](mailto:epc@saywardvalley.ca)



**SRD Emergency Preparedness Program**  
Protective Services Coordinator:  
Shaun Koopman 250-830-6702  
[preparedness@srd.ca](mailto:preparedness@srd.ca)



## Emergency Phone Notification System

The Village of Sayward in conjunction with the Strathcona  
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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: [https://www.sayward.ca/municipal-services/  
emergency-services/alertsnotifications](https://www.sayward.ca/municipal-services/emergency-services/alertsnotifications)



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**SEPTEMBER 2025**

**SCRA - Heritage Hall Happenings - 1257 Sayward Rd**

[heritagehallsdra@gmail.com](mailto:heritagehallsdra@gmail.com) 250-282-0192 Become a member! Membership is \$5 a year

**Saturday Summer Market**

10am to 1pm

Every Saturday! September 27th last outdoor market.

\$3 rental per table.

All vendors selling food need to get a set of VIHA rules to follow. These are available at the market.

First Saturday of every month

Starting Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> Indoor Market.

10am to 1pm

\$2 rental per table. VIHA rules apply.

Kitchen will be open!

**Membership is \$5 a year**

**Next regular meeting**

**October 14th at 7pm**

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**SCRA - Heritage Hall AGM meeting  
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**Come out and join the board of directors or volunteer!**

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Monday to Wednesday: 9:00AM – 5:00PM  
Thursday: 9:00 AM – 4:00PM  
☎ Call 250-282-3815

The following services are available to everyone (you do not need to be a clinic patient):  
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## Sayward Literacy Now 2025

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Watch for our book give aways at local events.

Computer questions, we will try to help! Email, call or text!

Ann at [annvansnick3@gmail.com](mailto:annvansnick3@gmail.com)  
250-203-8332



## September 2025

Clinic Phone: 250-282-3815 Fax: 250-282-0040  
Clinic Hours: 9-5 Monday to Wednesday, 9-4 Thursday  
Public Health Phone 250-850-2110



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Labor Day CLOSED	2	3	4	5 CLINIC CLOSED	6
7	8 Labs 9 – 11:30 NP Enid O’Hara	9 NP Enid O’Hara	10 NP Enid O’Hara	11 NP Enid O’Hara	12 CLINIC CLOSED	13
14	15 Labs 9-12 Phone call appointments	16 Phone call appointments	17 Phone call appointments	18 CLINIC CLOSED	19	20
21	22 NO LABS	23	24	25 CLINIC CLOSED	26	27
28	29 Labs 9-12	30 National Day of Truth and Reconciliation CLOSED	1	2 CLINIC CLOSED	3	4

*This schedule is subject to change.*





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### Kelsey Centre Seasonal Closure - Extension

The Village of Sayward Council recently made the decision to extend the seasonal closure of the Kelsey Centre. The Kelsey Centre will remain available for the Sayward Community Food Table Society's monthly food sort and the Sayward Community Health Society's Senior's lunches, and other events like the Tour de Rock. Stay tuned for more information.



**4  
October**

10am – 1pm

**Sayward  
Farmers Market**

1257 Sayward Road  
Sayward

## Weigh In On Waste Event

Have your say on shortlisted strategies and actions to help guide how garbage, recycling and other waste is managed for the next decade.



Participate in person or online for a chance to win prizes! Survey open until October 16.

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### **The Age Friendly Van keeps on trucking!**

September trips:

Thursday, Sept 11

Thursday, Sept 25

**The Strathcona Regional District recently provided a \$5,000.00 regional grant to aid in the continuation of the Age Friendly Van service. These funds will subsidize fuel, insurance, and maintenance costs.** Until now the operation of the van was solely covered by donations received and funding from the Village of Sayward. The Age Friendly van was initially purchased with a grant from the Canadian Government and the generosity of local residents and businesses from Sayward and Campbell River. This program is also made possible through the dedication of our volunteer drivers. *Thank you!*

The Age Friendly Van is for anyone over the age of 19 years living in the Village of Sayward or the Sayward Valley. The van will pick you up and drop you off at your home. 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 rider's needs. The Age Friendly Van will arrive back in Sayward no later than 5pm unless arrangements are discussed in advance and approved.

Cost is by donation.

Please call the Village Office the day before by **Noon** to reserve your seat on the van.

For more info call the Village Office: 250-282-5512



Village of  
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## 2025 Watering Restrictions

**The Village of Sayward is implementing watering restrictions.**

Authority to restrict water usage is set out in Water Regulation Bylaw No. 391. The following water restrictions are effective from July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025:

**Watering\* is only permitted between the following hours on your designated day:**

**6 AM to 10 AM; and**

**6 PM to 10 PM**

Residences with address numbers ending in an even number (e.g. 110 Dyer Dr.), watering is allowed on even days of the month (July 2, 4, 6, 8, etc.).

Residences with address numbers ending in an odd number (e.g. 111 Dyer Dr.), watering is allowed on odd days of the month (July 1, 3, 5, 7 etc.).

These restrictions are intended to ensure that ALL residents receive an adequate supply of water throughout the summer months and that sufficient reserve supplies are available should they be required for emergency firefighting purposes.

PLEASE NOTE: The washing of parking lots, driveways, automobiles, boats etc. is discouraged, and if pursued, is only permitted on the residents' designated days before 10:00 am and after 6:00 pm.

*\*Watering is defined as using lawn irrigation or the use of a sprinkler, soaker or weeper hoses. Hand watering using watering cans or hoses with automatic shut off valves is currently permitted at any time, on any day.*

## Garden Club News

The recent rains have revived our gardens and relieved our watering tasks. Now is the time to pay close attention to the details of growing. Our flowers need to have the dead blooms removed. This is called "dead heading" and encourages the plant to put out more blossoms. Some types like zinnias may get stalled on the first bloom and will concentrate on maturing that flower to seed. Picking that first bloom encourages the plant to branch out and produce more blossoms; as a bonus you get a bouquet for the house.



The vegetable garden always needs some attention. Green beans, cucumbers and zucchinis need constant picking to avoid over mature fruit. Apple trees can be summer pruned and the fruit thinned to assure a crop of good sized apples. If the tree has an over sized crop one year, it may have a poor crop the next year and fall into an every second year habit. This is avoided by thinning the crop to a reasonable size.

Close attention to the details of the garden keeps us in touch with what is happening in the patch. This includes noticing when the slugs get active after the rain. These pests can be controlled with slug traps, slug bait and removing by hand. Early morning and late evening are the best times for slug hunting.

The Garden Club will get back to regular meetings starting with Thursday, September 18 at 7:00 at the Heritage Hall. We plan to have a series of interesting guest speakers this fall and winter. Please join our friendly group.





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🛶 **TLOWILS LAKE** - About 20 km north of the Junction, this serene site sits in a small grove of ancient cedar - ideal for canoeing, picnicking, or simply soaking up nature.

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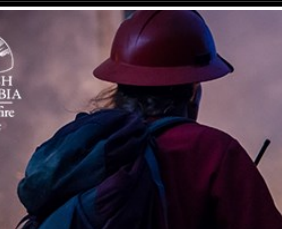
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### Information Bulletin

A **campfire ban is in effect** for most of the Coastal Fire Centre in British Columbia, starting July 17, 2025, at 12:00 PM. This ban applies to all areas within the Coastal Fire Centre's jurisdiction, with the exception of Haida Gwaii.

The prohibition is being enacted to help prevent human caused wildfires and protect public safety. The ban will remain in effect until October 31, 2025, or until rescinded.

**REPORT A WILDFIRE:**  
**1-800-663-5555 or \*5555 on a cell**



*In September, BC Lung Foundation will be visiting Sayward to install a new outdoor air quality monitor through Carter's Project. Carter's Project is an initiative in honour of Carter Vigh, which funds the free distribution of air quality monitors throughout British Columbia.*

*In the summer of 2023, in 100 Mile House, 9-year-old Carter Vigh sadly passed away due to an asthma attack exacerbated by poor air quality. The nearest air quality monitoring station was 100km away; the skies were clear, but the air over 100 Mile was, invisibly, very poor. Local, real-time air quality monitoring would likely have saved his life.*

*With the closest outdoor air quality monitor located in Campbell River, about 75km away, Sayward is an ideal location to be supported by this initiative. Once installed, local residents will be able to access real-time air quality monitoring in Sayward through [purpleair.com](http://purpleair.com) or [IQair.com](http://IQair.com). This will allow the community to make more informed decisions about their lung health during wildfire smoke events and other times of poor air quality.*

*In addition, on September 16th, 2025, BC Lung will be in Gold River, where we will hold a Town Hall event at Gerry Morgan Memorial Centre and distribute indoor monitors, host a [DIY air cleaner workshop](#), and share practical lung health tips. We'll also be installing an outdoor monitor in Gold River.*



Chris Lam, CEO at BC Lung, as well as Carter Vigh's parents

To learn more about Carter's Project visit [bclung.ca/cartersproject](http://bclung.ca/cartersproject).

*"We want to continue Carter's Legacy and make a difference in BC because air quality affects everyone." - Amber Vigh, Carter's Mom*





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## Public Announcement

**Tuesday August 12, 2025**

### **Council approves a new Chief Administrative Officer and Corporate Officer**

Council is pleased to announce that Mr. Andrew Young has been selected, through an extensive independent executive search, as the new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and Corporate Officer for the Village of Sayward. He will be assuming his new role and responsibilities on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Mr. Young possesses a Masters in Arts (Planning) from the UBC, a Bachelor of Arts from Simon Fraser, local government training through MATI School for Statutory Approving Officers, and Supervisory and Leadership Skills training through the BC Institute of Technology. Andrew commenced his career as professional planner working in various municipalities in British Columbia and progressively attaining more senior municipal planning roles. In 2014 he held the portfolio of Planner and Corporate Officer and in 2016 he was hired as a Chief Administrative Officer, a career path he continues to enjoy.

Mayor Baker said about the search process and outcome, "We were pleased to have a good slate of candidates, but Council was impressed with Mr. Young's overall depth and breath of municipal leadership experience, his commitment to community engagement and residing in the Village, his track record of collaboration with stakeholders, his fiscal awareness and accomplishments, his ambition to help improve and strategically address challenges, and his overall respectful, professional and genuine personality."

Mr. Young offered this statement, "I am very pleased to have been selected as the CAO and Corporate Officer for the Village of Sayward. I am looking forward to working with Sayward Council and staff and collaborating with others in the community to build on our strengths to create new opportunities for the future."

Council wishes to thank Mr. John Thomas for his leadership and support as interim CAO for the past year. His work in helping address key matters and prepare the municipality for the future has been very transformative.

Please join us in welcoming Mr. Young to the Village of Sayward.

Mayor Mark Baker



## Village of Sayward

**Media Statement—August 19th, 2025**

The Village of Sayward has entered into a lease agreement with the Campbell River Search and Rescue Society (CRSAR) to lease a DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise Drone to CRSAR.

"The Village values and appreciates the dedicated volunteers of CRSAR who provide a vital lifeline to those who are lost or injured in the beautiful wilderness of northern Vancouver Island" said Sayward Mayor Mark Baker "For decades CRSAR has provided a crucial service to Sayward from helping stranded hikers to staffing check-points along the route of the [Kusam Klimb](#), which is an annual endurance event in Sayward, where over 500 participants hike a 23 km course up and over Mount H'Kusam".



"This particular drone has a high-resolution camera that is capable of centimeter-level positioning accuracy and will provide incredible benefits to the CRSAR team" said CRSAR Drone Team Leader Jesse Katz-Totton "Drones can cover large areas in a short amount of time, and provide real-time visual data to CRSAR members. They can also access areas that may be difficult for rescue personnel to reach, due to factors such as terrain and weather conditions. Having a quickly deployable drone allows you to cover a lot more ground with less people. Using drones for these missions is relatively low in cost, as compared to a rescue team with several people, and especially as compared to using a helicopter to search from above".

Anyone wishing to learn more about Campbell River Search and Rescue is encouraged to visit [www.crsar.com](http://www.crsar.com)



**Left to Right**  
**Jason Holland**  
**Karl (pup)**  
**Jason Swain**  
**Jesse Katz-Totton**  
**Mark Baker (Mayor of Sayward / SRD Board Chair),**  
**Jeff Ternan**  
**Daryl Beck**