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Posing For Posterity.

Photo — Kathy O'Reilly

Sointula continued to celebrated its 125 years history Aug. 22 during Salmon Day. For more photographs of the event see Pages 6-7.

Alleged assaulter banished

By Kathy O'Reilly

A woman accused of assaulting a travel nurse in Alert Bay has been banned from all 'Namgis lands after an emergency decision by 'Namgis Chief and Council.

The incident occurred Aug. 21 on Cormorant Island, where Alert Bay is located, and prompted a joint statement from 'Namgis First Nation, the Village of Alert Bay, and the Whe-la-la-u Area Council condemning the assault on a Calgary-based nurse who works at the Cormorant Island Community Health Centre. The woman accused in the assault is in her 20s and is not a resident of Alert Bay or a member of the 'Namgis First Nation, according to the statement. On Aug. 21, 'Namgis Chief and Council held an emergency meeting and unanimously voted to ban the woman from all 'Namgis lands, effective immediately.

"The Village of Alert Bay and the Whe-la-la-u Area Council wholeheartedly agree and support this decision on restricting this individual's access to Cormorant Island," said the statement.

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North Island players signed to VIU women's hockey team

By Kathy O'Reilly

Two North Island athletes have been named to Vancouver Island University's inaugural women's hockey program, giving local players a new competitive pathway close to home.

Jaidyn Hall, 18, of Port McNeill, and Bella Stewart, 19, of Port Alice, will both suit up for the new VIU women's team.

For Stewart, a forward, the opportunity marks a return to competitive hockey after staying prepared through

summer training and ice time. "Being part of VIU's inaugural women's hockey team makes it even more special," said her mother, Natalie Stewart. "It's such a great opportunity for Bella and for all of the women on the team to be part of something new and help build the program from the very beginning."

Hall, who plays defense, had options to play elsewhere but chose to continue her hockey career closer to home.

"She had a couple of opportunities to play in the US,

but she made the decision to stay close to home, and we couldn't be more proud of her for that," said Jaidyn's mother, Kendra Parnham-Hall.

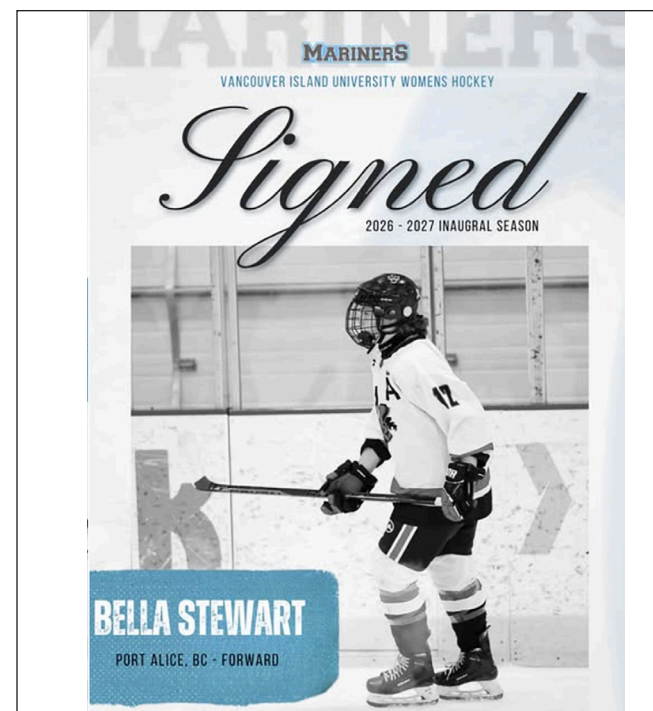
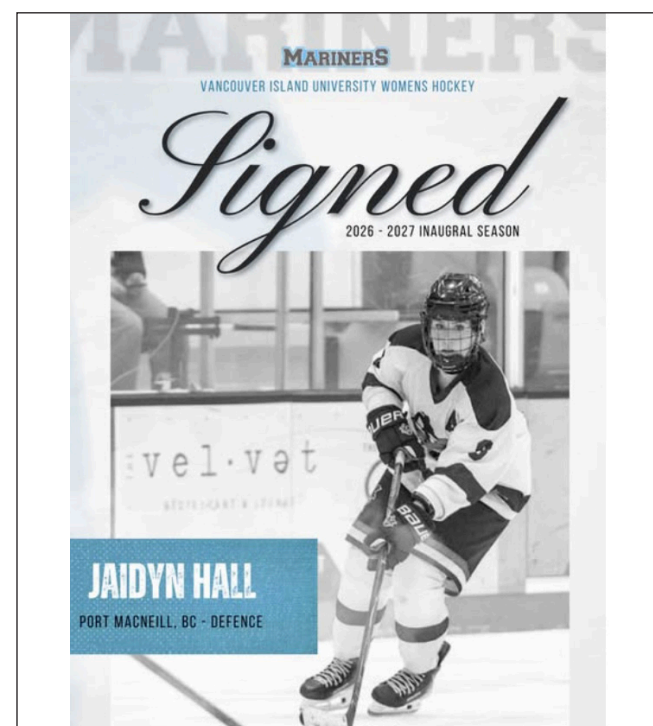
Parnham-Hall said the new program is about more than two North Island athletes; it creates another route for Island players to pursue post-secondary education while continuing to compete in the sport they love.

The creation of a women's hockey program at VIU is also being viewed as a broader statement about opportuni-

ty and investment in female sport. "It says that women's sport matters, that female athletes deserve opportunities, and that our girls deserve a place to compete, grow, lead, and dream right here at home," Parnham-Hall said.

She said VIU is helping create a pathway for the next generation of Island athletes at an important moment for women's sports.

Any inquiries or prospective players are strongly encouraged to contact viuwomen-shockeyprezgm@gmail.com



DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY PUBLIC NOTICE DISPOSITION OF MUNICIPAL LAND



In accordance with Section 26 of the *Community Charter*, the District of Port Hardy hereby gives notice of its intention to dispose of an interest in land by way of lease.

The District proposes to enter into a lease agreement with Guy and Louise Massey for the use of municipal property legally described as:

**SECTION 06, TOWNSHIP 6,
RUPERT DISTRICT, VIP29205
Civic Address: 5945 Hunt St.,
Port Hardy, BC**

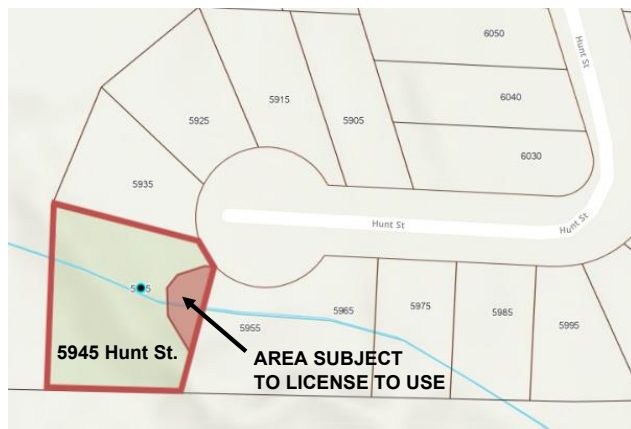
The subject property, located at 5945 Hunt St. is intended to continue to be used as park land.

The proposed lease will authorize the Guy and Louise Massey to manage and maintain a 141.5m² site and the existing site improvement.

The lease is anticipated to be for a term of five years, with the option to renew, with a annual rent of \$300.00 or as determined based on current year taxation.

This notice is being published for two consecutive weeks in accordance with the *Community Charter*.

For more information, contact:
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Phone: (250) 949-6665 Email: general@porthardy.ca



Assault

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"The leadership would like to express their support to the victim and wish her a speedy recovery. Council would also like to extend their sincere gratitude to the two youth that intervened at risk to their own safety and wellbeing, and to the witnesses for their continued support during and after this traumatizing event."

"She was just out for an evening walk and this individual attacked her. And from what we understand, there was no provocation. The individual came out of the house and just started beating on this nurse," said Alert Bay Mayor Dennis Buchanan.

"Kudos to the two young ladies that intervened and helped stop the assault," Buchanan continued. During the assault and intervention, someone recorded video on a phone, which has since been turned over to RCMP.



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Conversations about Tex Lyon bridge continue

By Kathy O'Reilly

The Regional District of Mount Waddington is looking at costly options to replace the Tex Lyon Bridge, including whether a donated bridge span could help reduce the price.

RDMW administration completed a preliminary cost estimate for the Tex Lyon Bridge Project after the previous crossing — large downed trees that let hikers walk from the end of Storey's Beach in Port Hardy to the Tex Lyon Trail — was destroyed during a 2024 bomb cyclone event. The District of Port Hardy has been pushing for a solution since then, saying the remaining route is unsafe and has left some people scrambling over logs or crawling across. Administration presented the RDMW board of directors with replacement options at its regular monthly meeting Aug. 18. According to the report, the estimated cost ranges from \$555,000 to \$930,000 for a timber structure and from

\$605,000 to \$1.01 million for an aluminum structure. The estimates include about \$150,000 to \$250,000 for the bridge span, meaning the overall cost could drop if the RDMW can secure a suitable span at a lower price or through donation. "So, it's just a real broad estimate of how much it is without the details," said Port Hardy Mayor Pat Corbett-Labatt. "It doesn't consider, say, if we were able to get a donation from a fish farm, one of their ramps or anything like that." Area A Director Michelle Pottage asked whether one of those ramps could be measured to see if it would be long enough for the span. "If we had an idea, even just as board members, what the span is, if we come across a bridge that might work there, we can say, 'hey,'" Pottage said. "I'm pretty sure if you asked MOWI for a walkway, they would probably just give you one. They have spares around," said Port Alice Mayor Kevin Cameron, who also sug-

gested Western Forest Products may be interested in supporting a bridge project. "I think that would be good publicity

for Western Forest Products. It might be worth a try," Cameron said. The span is approximately 45 feet wide. "There's a few po-

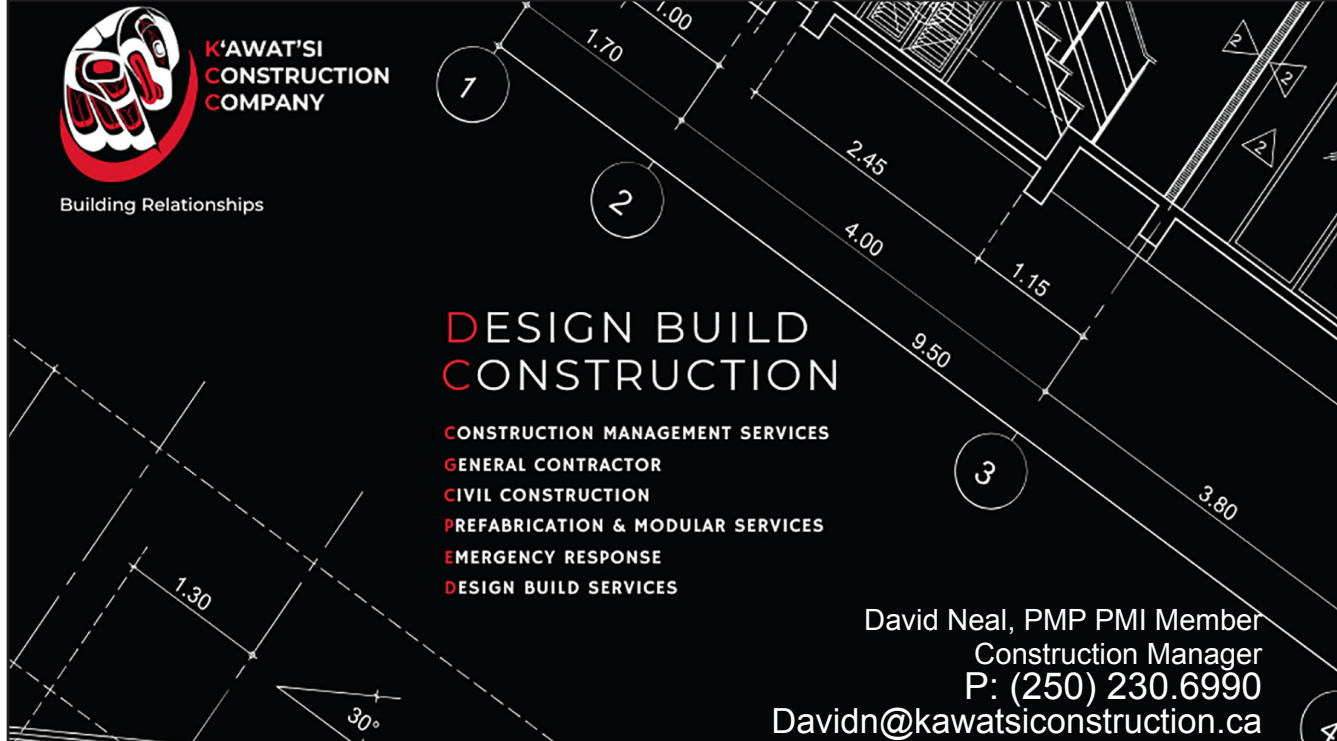
tential options for longer or narrower," Hory said. The board did not make a final decision at the meeting, but the discussion

pointed to measuring possible donated spans and exploring potential partners before returning with a more refined option.



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editorial



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Visible from shore, a Humpback Whale lunge feeds near Alert Bay.



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Unpredictable Weather

Between sunny and stormy weather changes the Port Hardy Farmers' & Artisans Market Aug. 23 had a steady stream of shoppers.

IUOE Local 115 would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our sponsors, vendors, workers, their families, and Seven Hills Golf Course for helping make this year's Golf Tournament such a tremendous success!

We had a wonderful day of golf followed by an amazing fundraising dinner, and we are grateful to everyone who participated in and supported the event. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise \$813.00 for a local family in need. We are incredibly proud of what our community can accomplish when we come together to support each other.

THANK YOU

A very special thank you goes to Pacific Coastal Airlines for generously donating our grand prize of two round-trip flights from Port Hardy to Vancouver. Your support helped make this year's tournament even more exciting and memorable.

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON



PUBLIC NOTICE

2026 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTION

ELECTOR REGISTRATION & LIST OF REGISTERED ELECTORS

Public Notice is hereby given regarding elector registration for the **2026 General Local Election, to be held on Saturday, October 17, 2026.**

RDMW ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTOR & COAL HARBOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMISSION ELECTIONS

The Regional District of Mount Waddington uses registration at the time of voting.

There is no advance register of electors for the following elections:

- RDMW Electoral Area A – Director
- RDMW Electoral Area B – Director
- RDMW Electoral Area C – Director
- RDMW Electoral Area D – Director
- Coal Harbour Local Community Commission – Four Commissioners

Eligible electors will register at the time of voting.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 85 – TRUSTEE ELECTORAL AREA 2

For the election of **two School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North) Trustees for Trustee Electoral Area 2**, the Provincial List of Voters is used as the register of resident electors.

Beginning **September 1, 2026**, and continuing until the close of voting on **October 17, 2026**, the applicable list of registered electors will be available for public inspection at:

Regional District of Mount Waddington

2044 McNeill Road,
Port McNeill, BC

During regular office hours, Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

Before inspecting the list, a person must sign a statement that they will not inspect the list or use the information contained in it except for purposes authorized under election legislation.

PRIVACY

An elector may request that their address or other personal information be omitted from or obscured on the publicly available list in order to protect their privacy or security. Requests should be made to the Chief Election Officer.

OBJECTIONS TO ELECTOR REGISTRATION

An objection to the registration of a person whose name appears on the list of registered electors may be made by a person entitled to be registered as an elector of the applicable jurisdiction, on the basis that the person named has died or is not qualified to be registered as an elector.

Objections must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, September 11, 2026.

REGISTERING AT THE TIME OF VOTING

Qualified electors who are not already registered may register at the time of voting, subject to the applicable elector qualification and identification requirements.

Further information regarding elector qualifications, identification requirements and voting opportunities will be available from the Regional District of Mount Waddington.

Matthew Arnold

Chief Election Officer
Regional District of Mount Waddington

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Sointula Salmon Day 2026

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Rotary resurrects Diamond Dinner event

By Kathy O'Reilly

The Port Hardy Rotary Club is reviving the Diamond Dinner on Saturday, Oct. 17, as a fundraiser for its Festival of Lights.

The women-focused evening will take place at Seven Hills Golf & Country Club, with doors opening at 6 p.m., and will feature a reverse draw for a diamond necklace, appetizers, desserts, games and dancing.

"The Diamond Dinner was originally hosted by Rainbow Lodge, and the Masons did an excellent job with it. It was always such a classy, special evening, and many of us have missed it," said Rotarian Janet Dorward.

"I contacted one of our local Masons to see how they would feel about us reviving it. After discussions with their past masters and previous organizers, they agreed that passing the event on to Rotary was the best way to see it continue. They simply don't have the membership capacity right now to take it on themselves," Dorward said.

The Masons' Diamond Dinner created something special for the North Island.

"We want to honour that tradition while adding a little Rotary flavour of our own. One of the comments in their lodge communications was that they could be proud of the Diamond Dinner as 'something started here at Rainbow' and I think that's important. We certainly want people to remember where it began."

Organizers are planning an evening that is glamorous, social and a little sparkly - but not stuffy.

When guests arrive at Seven Hills Golf & Country Club, they will be greeted by volunteers in tuxedos who will check their coats and offer a sparkling welcome beverage.

From there, it's meant to be a very social evening. There will be a photo booth/selfie station, and instead of a traditional sit-down dinner, guests can mingle and nibble throughout the evening from gourmet ap-

petizer stations, followed by desserts.

"We'll have vegetarian and gluten-free options as well."

The reverse draw will run over several hours and is the centerpiece of the evening. There will be a number of prizes awarded along the way, but the excitement builds as names continue to be eliminated. The last name drawn wins a beautiful diamond necklace.

The event will include a 50/50 draw and a few fun rounds of Two-Up, which is a two-coin toss elimination game.

"It keeps going until one player is left standing, and she wins half the pot," said Dorward.

Once all the prizes have been won, a DJ will take over and get people dancing to finish off the night.

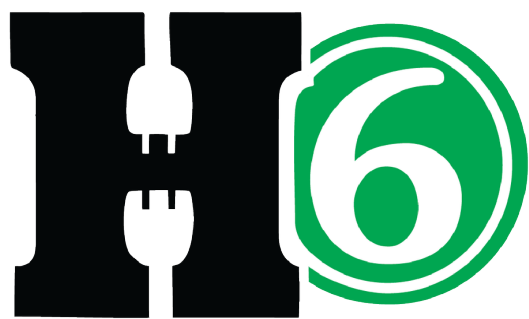
For dress code, "it's not black tie and we don't want anyone worrying that they aren't dressed formally enough. But if you have that great dress hanging in your closet and never seem to have anywhere to wear it - this is your chance! We want everyone to have fun getting dressed up for a night out."

The event is designed for women, and Rotary is hoping to welcome about 120 guests from around the North Island.

Tickets are \$100, or \$108.08 including ticketing fees, and are available through Eventbrite by searching Diamond Dinner.

"So, while we hope the Diamond Dinner will be a fantastic night out in its own right, it's also helping us continue another community tradition," Dorward said.

"I think what I love most about it is that one North Island community organization created this wonderful event, and rather than seeing it disappear, they've passed the torch to another community organization," she continued. "We get to bring back something people have really missed, have a fabulous night doing it, and raise money to light up our community at Christmas."



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North Island Film Festival features afterparty

By Kathy O'Reilly
The North Island Film Festival is giving audiences a reason to keep celebrating after the final credits roll. This year, the festival will host an official afterparty at Devil's Bath, its second venue sponsor, from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. on Sept. 5," said Executive Producer Logan Alexander.
After the festival wraps at the Gatehouse Theatre around 8:30 p.m., organizers invite attendees to continue the evening at Devil's Bath where guests can spend a few more hours discussing the films, celebrating North Island artists, meeting local creatives, and enjoying music from DJ Pantyvibes and DJ Spinehair.
Festivalgoers catching the ferry should consider driving to the terminal after the films end to get their vehicle into the lineup before returning to Devil's Bath. Alexander said an announcement will be made to remind ferry passengers when it is time to head back down.
Visitors from neighbouring communities who want to stay until the afterparty ends may also want to book a shared room with friends at one of the three hotels located within a block of Devil's Bath, Alexander said. Organizers also encourage guests to carpool and, whenever possible, and travel with a sober driver.
Anyone planning to attend can reserve a spot on Eventbrite by searching for "North Island Film Festival."
"We're really excited that this year's evening of arts and culture can extend beyond the theatre and into a beautiful afterparty at Devil's Bath," Alexander said. "It's another opportunity to come together, talk about the films, meet other North Island creatives, and celebrate the incredible arts and culture happening in our communities."

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2026 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTION PORT HARDY



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Mayor: one (1) to be elected
Councillor: six (6) to be elected

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICES OF:

**School Trustee for SD No. 85 Electoral
Area 1: three (3) to be elected**

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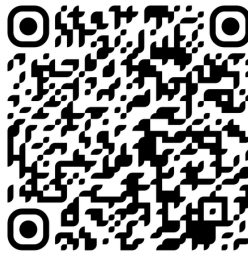
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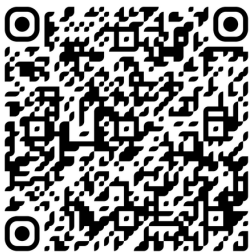
FROM 9:00 am September 1st
TO 4:00 pm September 11th

Candidate nomination packages for Mayor, Council, and School Trustee are available for pick up at the Municipal Hall located at 7360 Columbia St. from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm or can be downloaded from the District of Port Hardy website. It is strongly recommended prospective candidates book an appointment to submit their nomination package to ensure all required documentation has been included. **Revisions to nomination documents will not be accepted after close of the nomination period!**

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CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSION: 6PM WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2026 AT MUNICIPAL HALL



**Candidate Info
Presentation**

Did you miss the last two information sessions, or would you like one more refresher before the election? The District of Port Hardy will be hosting a final information session for potential candidates to learn about the roles and responsibilities of Mayor and Council. Remember, this session is only TWO DAYS before the nomination period ends, therefore it is recommended that prospective candidates pick up a nomination package to fill in ahead of time! If your nomination package is complete and ready to submit, election staff will be on hand to receive it.



For further information on the nomination process, please contact:

Heather Nelson-Smith, Chief Election Officer
Louisa Bates, Deputy Chief Election Officer
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North Island Music Festival

Kathy O'Reilly Photographs



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North Island Farmers & Artisans Market



2026 Market Schedule

Port McNeill - IGA Plaza
• Sept. 5 • Sept. 19

Port Hardy - Carrot Park
• Sept. 20

Port McNeill Markets
Saturdays - 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Port Hardy Markets
Sundays - 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

New life for the Lyons Den

By Kathy O'Reilly
Kira and Joseph Gross fearlessly stepped into the Lyons Den when they moved to Port Hardy.
The couple moved to here at the end of March 2024 and are now operating the recently opened Lyons Den Steak & Seafood Restaurant at the Glen Lyon Hotel, bringing new energy to a once-shuttered dining room.
After they left their home in Yellowknife, the couple travelled around for a year trying to decide on the mountains or the ocean.
“We decided on the ocean and had what seemed like a good opportunity for the both of us here,” said Kira.
Port Hardy is a bit of a change

from Yellowknife where temperatures reached -47 and it was dark most of the time for about eight months.
“Other than the weather I find the communities quite similar in nature. Kind, friendly and very welcoming,” she said.
“I love the people! The small-town vibe. The weather and the ocean are wonderful as well.”
Once here, the couple were given the chance to take over the shuttered restaurant at the Glen Lyon Hotel.
“It was an endeavour that we weren’t planning on, however we were given the opportunity, so we went with it and created an outstanding steak and seafood restaurant boasting a spectacular dining experience,” she said.

The opportunity also gave the couple a place to combine decades of kitchen experience with Kira’s growing passion for the craft.
Joseph has 38 years’ experience in kitchens starting with helping out at a pizza place his mother worked at.
His first actual job was at McDonalds, and he eventually honed the skills required to take on executive chef positions at several 4- and 5-star establishments.

“When we met and got married in Yellowknife. I was the head Chef at a restaurant and pub there. It’s notoriously difficult to gain dependable staff up there and one day I was extremely short-staffed, so I said “Baby, you’re coming to work with me!”
At first Kira was terrified of everything. The knives, the equipment, even the dish machine, but eventually she grew to love it and developed a passion for cooking - even becoming a breakfast Chef du Partie in her own right under a different Executive Chef at a 5-star resort.



Photo — Submitted
Kira and Joseph Gross are operating the recently opened Lyons Den Steak & Seafood Restaurant at the Glen Lyon Hotel.

Getting the Lyons Den ready to open was no easy task. The whole kitchen has been rebuilt from the floorboards up and the restaurant seating area has undergone a complete transformation renovation.
The restaurant offers a high quality, affordable breakfast seven days a week and specializes in premium steaks and the freshest sourced seafood.
“Our menu is a distinctive fusion of French and Italian culinary traditions, thoughtfully enhanced with the rich flavours and ingredients of BC’s West Coast,” Joseph said.

Inspired by the culinary heritage of Indigenous peoples, each dish celebrates the region’s natural bounty with contemporary elegance and authentic local character.
Kira and Joseph not only serve the public food, they strive to be a part of the community that has welcomed them so hospitably.
That includes working or volunteering at the Salvation Army or Loaves & Fishes, helping out at the Seniors Centre, participating in special events or supporting local businesses.

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The Port McNeill Slo Pitch Society would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to every business, organization and individual who supported Orcafest 2026. Your generosity and commitment to our community helped make this year’s event possible. From the players and volunteers to the families and spectators who enjoyed the weekend, we are incredibly grateful for the support shown by our local sponsors.

The success of Orcafest is a true community effort. Your sponsorship helps us continue to bring teams together, provide a great weekend of slo-pitch, and create an event that our community can look forward to year after year. We are proud to have so many local businesses and organizations standing behind Orcafest and Port McNeill.

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The Gumboot Gardeners hosted their annual afternoon tea at Shirley Ray's garden Aug. 23.

Tea-riffic floral fund-raiser

By Robin Quirk

Alert Bay residents had a tea-riffic opportunity to support community beautification efforts.

The Gumboot Gardeners hosted their annual afternoon tea at Shirley Ray's garden Aug. 23.

The Gumboot Gardeners are a group of friends who came together to help beautify the boardwalk gardens along Fir Street. The event featured fancy hats, sipping tea with pinky up, summer dresses, hats, music, homemade baking, flowers, colourful tablecloths, teacups

and a lot of laughter. The Gumboot Gardeners baked up a storm and went to work to serve scrumptious desserts and tea. Shirley's garden is the perfect spot to host a tea. It is filled with a plethora of colourful flowers. The event, which cost \$5 per person, had a good turnout and perfect weather. The Gumboot Gardeners are Shirley Wray, Margaret Harvey, Wendy Peterson, Marilyn Roberts, Diana Bichel, Pooja Kanth, Maureen Towers, Judy Cadrin, Janet Hauser, Ed Jackson and Robin Quirk.

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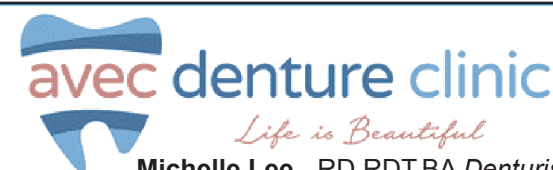
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Obituary

— Heidi Falconer-Mathieson —

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Heidi Falconer-Mathieson, age 57. Heidi passed away August 2, 2026 after a long battle with metastatic breast cancer. She was surrounded by family at the home of her daughter Whitney Falconer (39) in Langford, BC. She was born March 20, 1969 in Bracebridge, ON. The daughter of Elizabeth (Falconer) Maurage, and Andreas Noerenberg.



Heidi served her community of Port Hardy, BC for over 20 years as head coach and owner of Funtastic Gymnastics. She had a passion for horses, music, and singing. She also enjoyed mechanics and was similarly skilled in many trades. Never shying away from a difficult home renovation. Heidi would often be found working on her properties, vehicles, or piloting her tractor.

Above all else, Heidi was passionate about family. As a North Island parent, Heidi was no stranger to driving the long commute down island for hockey tournaments with her son Riley Mathieson (29), spending many hours in the gym coaching trampoline with her daughter Brittany Falconer (36), or chauffeuring her daughter Whitney's volleyball team to and from. Heidi took on many community volunteer roles with organizations such as the Port Hardy Figure Skating Club, Youth Soccer, and Lions Club. Heidi was incredibly hard working, talented, and kind. We will miss her greatly.

She is preceded in death by her father, first husband Robert Mathieson, and late husband James Balmer. Heidi is survived by her mother, brothers Scott and Roland Noerenberg, and sister Karin (Noerenberg) Parakin. As well as her son, daughters, son-in-law, and three grandchildren. In addition, Heidi is remembered by many extended family who will miss her deeply.

The family would like to extend gratitude for the immeasurable community support in Heidi's final days through her GoFundMe page and private donations.

A memorial service date is still to be determined.

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