



Mamalilikulla First Nation Newsletter

July 2018

MAMALILIKULLA FIRST NATION MISSION STATEMENT

Working together to build a strong, proud, and healthy Mamalilikulla community.



Mamalilikulla First Nation Vision

Our vision for the future is to serve our community with respect, fairness, transparency and accountability, promoting equality, prosperity and wellbeing while engaging and supporting our people; honouring our past, present and future generations and creating opportunity for a strong, self-sufficient sovereign Mamalilikulla Nation.

Are you having a
birthday in July?
We'd like to wish you a
very
Happy Birthday!

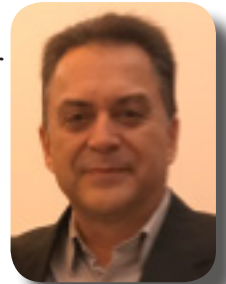
A Word from the Chief

Greetings and well wishes to all. With another month gone and a busy month ahead, things at the Band Office are moving along.

Starting with the 42nd Annual Elders' Gathering held in Duncan from July 10-12th, 2018. Fundraising efforts spearheaded by Councillor Edna Puglas made it possible for us to send 12 Elders this year, all of whom registered last year and spent the year fundraising as well. Thank you, Edna and to all who donated prizes and helped make this happen.

Council and staff, with an invitation from Tim McGrady had a two-day retreat

June 9-11th at Farewell Harbour Lodge in the heart of our territory. For several staff, it was their first visit to our lands, to see what we're all working for. Team-building and a good time was had by all. Thanks Tim and staff for welcoming us and making our stay enjoyable.



Our Guardians are settling into a new season in the field with several interesting projects on the go. One being "installing trail cameras in Hoeya Sound to monitor grizzly bear activity and frequency." The information they gather will help us learn how healthy the bears are and will provide us with other important data.

Big thanks to the Guardians for representing us — and for all the work they do. It will take time, and qualified people, but it is my hope to have more Band members working in the management of our lands and resources, especially in the Tourism sector.

Thank you to all those that come out to the CCP Workshops. This work really does help direct Council to focus on what the community wants. Please join the discussion — CCP for the community, by the community. Until next month, it's an honour to serve as your Chief. ~ Gilakas'la

Richard Sumner

Exciting News!

As you know, we have new docks at both Compton and Village Islands. And we want to CELEBRATE! We are hosting a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Village Island and you are invited to attend. We are planning a day trip to the Village and we are renting the NAIAD EXPLORER from McKay's Whale Watching Tours to take Mamalilikulla members and Government officials to the island and back. Once we get to the island, we will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony, then lunch in the Village, then return to Port McNeill.

Now because the NAIAD only carries 47 passengers, we are limited in the number of members we can take. So, we are going to ask that if you are interested in joining us for this eventful day, **please call Sharon at the Band Office to sign up**, first come, first served. Unfortunately, we are not able to provide transportation to Port McNeill. You will have to find your own way there. However, if you are on the list, you will be able to join us.

Please also note that this is going to be an annual event, so if you do not make it this year, you have an opportunity to go next year. We are going to do our best to ensure that everyone gets a chance to visit the Village.

From the Forestry Department...

Good news! We have been successful in negotiating with British Columbia Timber Sales (BCTS) another agreement to harvest timber on Village Island. The benefits to the membership are many, the most important one being the rehabilitation of the trees



Save the Date

Sept 19, 2018

11 - 4 pm

(to/from Port McNeill)

Join us for the
Grand Opening
of our new
DOCK
at Village Island



located on the island. There was extensive harvesting of the timber resource on Village Island between 80-90 years ago. And at that time, they did not replant. The existing trees on Village Island are of poor quality. There is mistletoe disease and root rot in the trees on many parts of the island. Currently, the value of any timber is at the highest point in history. Even poor-quality timber is selling at a very high price.



Due to scientific research now, it is possible to plant new seedlings that are stronger and will be resistant to climate change. We will plant cedar and fir, which will be of great benefit to the Nation in the future. There was a large fire on the island at the same time that the logging occurred. We will be able to regenerate that area, and at the same time harvest non-timber resources such as salal. In addition to the benefits mentioned, the Band will be able to continue to build up their cash reserves. This will allow for other revenue generating activities, such as tourism, like Grizzly Bear Guiding in the Mamalilikulla traditional territory.

Guardian Program Update

We are pretty busy checking out archeological sites within our territory. We're conducting kelp and eel grass surveys, setting up bear cameras and analyzing water temperatures in Knight Inlet. This monitoring is to see if the conditions are getting worse or better.

We are excited to inform that on July 11th, National Geographic is coming to visit us out on Compton Island to see what kind of work we do within our traditional territories.

We are also hoping to get a cabin built out on Village Island this summer, for the Guardian Watchmen.

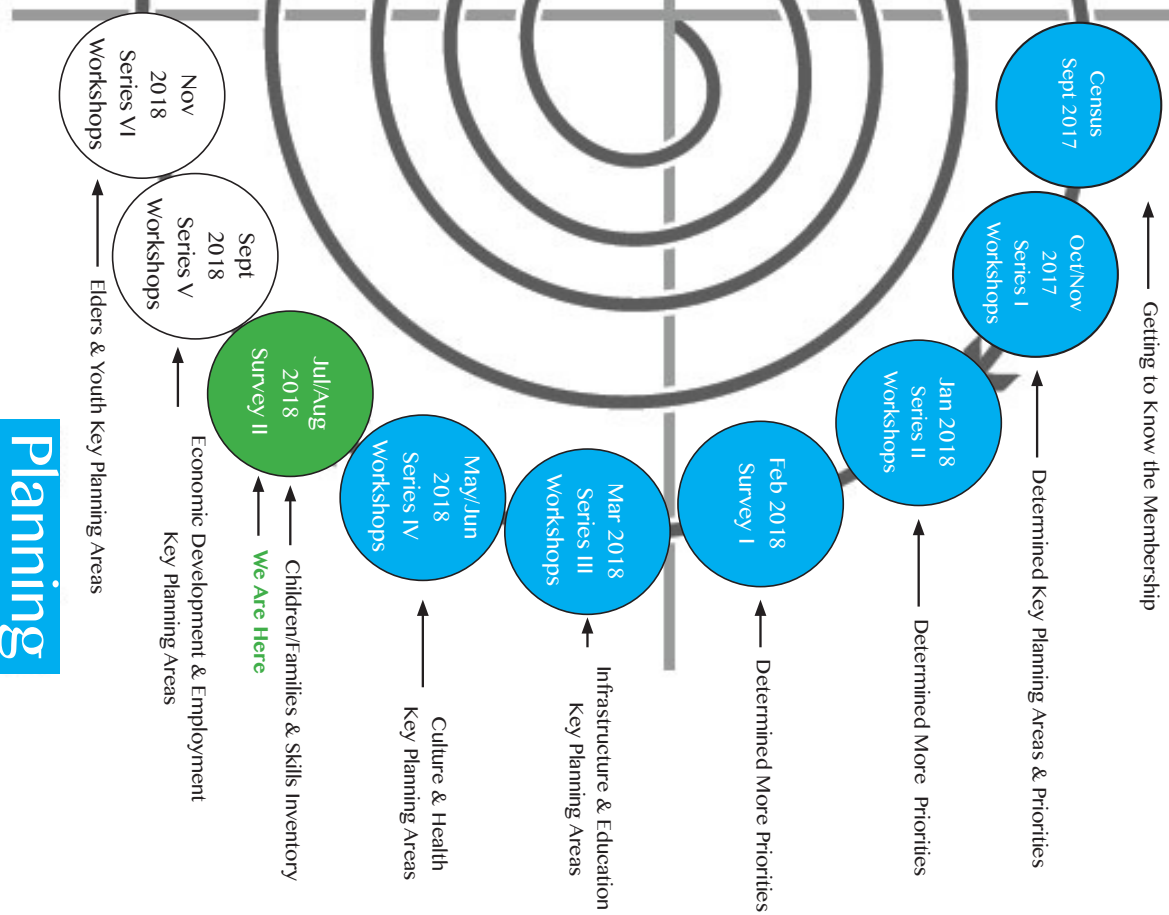


C C P U P D A T E

Monitoring & Evaluation

Pre-Planning

Implementation



Planning

Health News

Health Directory

First Nations Health Authority (FNHA)

Provides travel to medical appointments. You must give the Band Office ten days to two weeks' notice in order for us to make the arrangements and provide any funding.

T: 250.830.7346

E: candy-leachickite@fnha.ca

Contact: Candy Lea Chickite

Any questions or concerns about your prescriptions or anything health-related, please call the Band Office or contact Candy Lea Chickite.

Inter Tribal Health Authority (ITHA)

Provides eye exams and glasses, medical supplies and equipment and repairs on Vancouver Island.

*ITHA does not manage Dental or Pharmacy or Medical Travel.

534 Centre Street
Nanaimo, BC V9R 4Z3

T: 250.753.3990

Contact: Shannon Hallet, Mgr

Wheels for Wellness

Provides transportation to and from doctor appointments for residents living on Vancouver Island.

T: 250.338.0196

Councillors Edna Puglas and Hazel Ettagiak each share the Health Portfolio. If you have any questions or concerns about your health or that of a family member, please reach out to them at edna@mamalilikulla.ca or hazel4ettagiak@gmail.com.

WORLD of the MONTH

t'tisala

Pronunciation: t' ee' sala

Definition: sun



Community Corner

Have someone you want to congratulate? Is there some news you'd like to share with the membership?

Put it in our newsletter!

Email: admin@mamalilikulla.ca

Language Groups

Kwak'wala Language

(Victoria)

1128 Wychbury Ave

Tuesdays at 7 pm

For more info: 250.704.6777

Kwakwaka'wakw Culture Nights

(Victoria)

950 Kings Rd (CDI College Gym)

Every second Friday 6-8 pm

Contact Seneca: 250.508.8173

Bukuemgyala Language Group

(Campbell River)

Old Kwanwatsi Preschool

(behind the Big House/Gukwdzi)

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

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Just for Laughs

