

# Mamalilikulla First Nation Newsletter

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 October?  
We would like to wish you a very  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

## A Word from the Chief

Hello Everyone,

Hope your summer was great! Another busy fall approaches with the FNHA Kwakwakawakw Family Caucus meeting in Campbell River on October 11th. Followed by FNHA's VI Regional Caucus on November 6th, in Nanaimo. Look forward to Health news in future newsletter.

I'm very pleased to report that Gwabalish Fisheries Society will be entering into a limited partnership agreement and have a corporate structure, with the Mamalilikulla, Tlasiqkwa and Da'naxda'xw First Nations as shareholders. An important step in legitimizing our group not only for tax and liability issues, but also as we move forward with license purchases, investment and training opportunities. All bands will have a solid viable enterprise beneficial to all.

Since June, Chief Arthur Dick and I have been involved in regular Government to Government discussions outlined in press release below. We're all very hopeful for a positive outcome.

### Province, First Nations extend Broughton government-to-government discussions

The Province of British Columbia and the 'Namgis, Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis and Mamalilikulla First Nations are extending their formalized talks regarding salmon aquaculture tenures in the Broughton Area, following significant progress this summer.

"We are united in our commitment to ensure the protection of our wild salmon and believe that this government-to-government process will allow us to accomplish that goal," said Bob Chamberlin, Elected Chief Councillor of the Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis First Nation. "While we want this work to happen quickly, we must take the time to do it right."

The parties have been working as a formalized table since June of this year, to reach agreement related to historical concerns regarding outstanding open-net pen salmon farms tenures with the Broughton Archipelago.

"The participants at the Broughton Table have been working hard, tackling difficult issues and making progress," said Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture. "It's necessary that they have the time they need to conclude this important process."

Throughout the summer, the First Nations and the Government of British Columbia have maintained a strong partnership and received presentations from the fish farm industry. They are considering submissions from the industry.

Based on the significant progress made to date, the First Nations and the Province have chosen to extend their mandate 60 days to continue their work.

The original mandate from the letter of understanding (LOU) signed by all parties in June 2018, set out a 90-day period to develop consensus recommendations, as well as short-, medium- and long-term actions related to salmon farming in the Broughton Archipelago.

In June, the Chiefs of the three First Nations, as well as three ministers of the Province had signed the LOU: Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development; Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture; and Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation.

#### Learn More:

[https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/environment/natural-resource-stewardship/consulting-with-first-nations/agreements/lou\\_broughtonfn\\_27june2018.pdf](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/environment/natural-resource-stewardship/consulting-with-first-nations/agreements/lou_broughtonfn_27june2018.pdf)

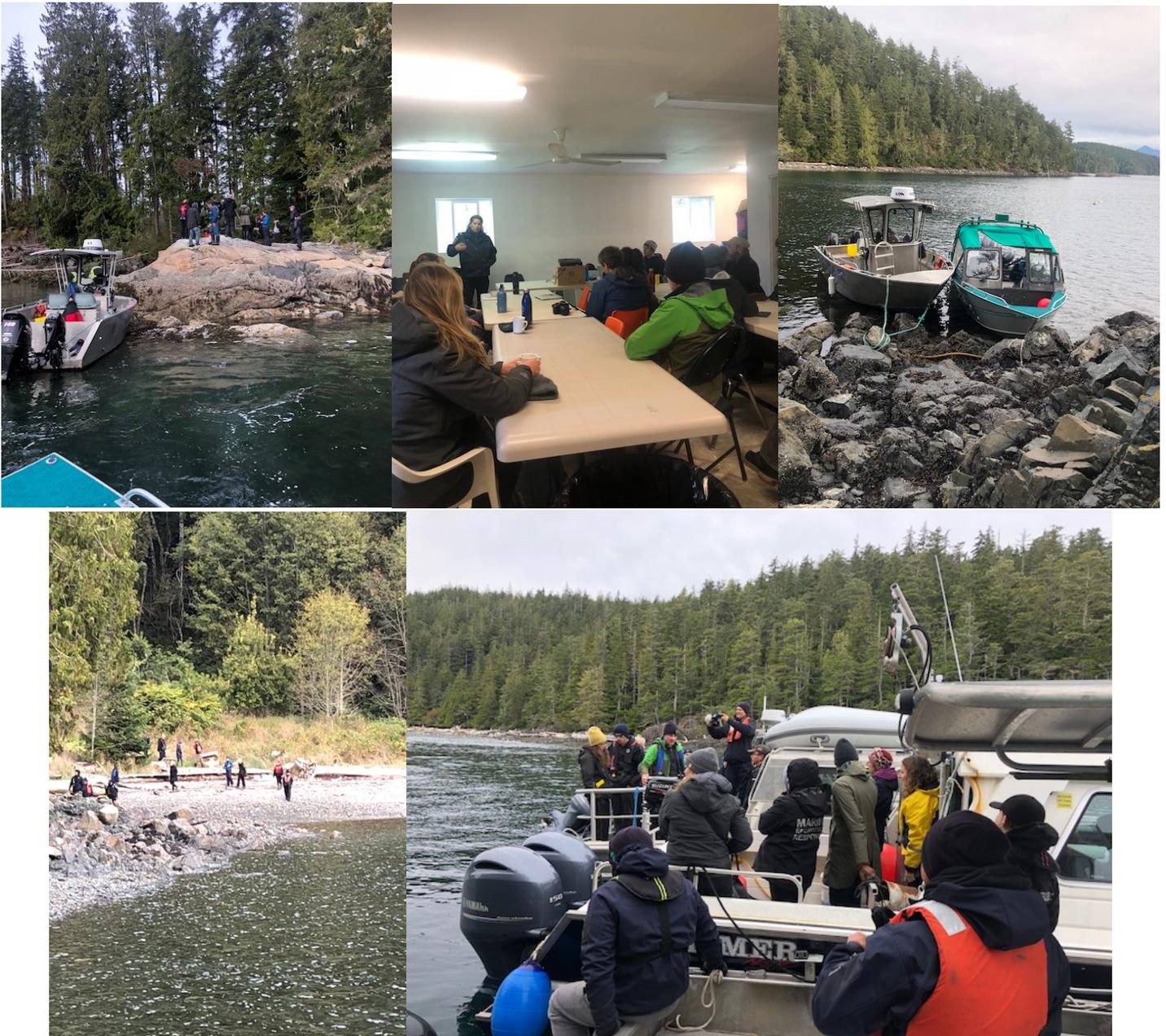
In closing, I'd like to say our Band has grown and progressed a lot in the last two years and I'd like to thank everyone for their help and dedication. But I would also again, like to encourage band members to get involved in the CCP Process – A plan for the people by our peoples. We need everyone to participate for us to realize our dream of a strong, proud, independent, self-sufficient First Nation. Until next month all the best to you and your family.

*Richard Sumner*

## Guardian Program Update

I would like to mention that our guardians are winding down and coming to an end soon. They have done an outstanding job this summer and I would like to thank them for all their hard work and dedication. A big thanks to Darren Puglas, Dave Puglas, and Marvin Puglas.

Another guardian gathering was held from October 2-4 out at Compton Island and New Vancouver. We got to meet the people that help fund the guardian program (MaPP, Tides Canada, Hakai Insta, etc.), and we got to show case our work, and what we have done all summer. The guardian gatherings are about team building, capacity building, etc. Here are a few pictures of our recent gathering.



**Word of the Month**

**baḱw̄alawi**

Pronunciation: [ba] (k̄w̄a) (la) (wi)  
Definition: Bat



## Mamalilikulla First Nation is proud to announce the arrival of one of our newest members:

### [Ayden Carl Lariviere-Vachon](#)

Born: October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 5:09 PM

Weight: 9lbs

Proud parents: Rabecca Lariviere and Jonathan Vachon

Happy sibling to: Donovan, Jude, Kyra and Eliza

## Comprehensive Community Planning...

The CCP workshops in November will be the final series. The workshops will be hosted in Campbell River, we will also broadcast the meeting via Livestream for those who can't attend in person. Logging in via Livestream will count towards getting your name in for the \$500 draw. Dates and locations to be determined. Stay tuned...

## From the Forestry Department....

The new log dump for the harvesting of timber on Village Island is now in the process of getting approved. We hope to be able to harvest timber in early 2019. We are also looking for another harvest opportunity in the Great Bear Rainforest South. The relationship with BCTS is ongoing. We were able to tour the territory recently with all their staff. The tour included a walkabout on Village Island, where Councillor John Powell explained the history of the island to the BCTS staff. Chief Sumner also talked about his family's history living on Village Island. We had lunch at Knight Inlet Lodge and the BCTS staff thanked Richard and John for the tour. We are thankful to BCTC for sponsoring the boat crew of the Naiad. We will keep everyone informed about the progress that we make in getting the harvesting completed. The revenue we are able to generate will go towards many economic opportunities for the membership in the near future, such as land acquisition, tourism, employment, environmental protection and other membership directed opportunities.

Mark McIntyre

BUILD YOUR CONFIDENCE WITH

# ESSENTIAL SKILLS TRAINING

This 3 week program in Campbell River will walk you through the 9 essential skills you need for work & life!

Participants receive the following:

1. Practical, Hands-On Training
2. "Essential Skills for Work & Life" College Certificate
3. Travel Support for Eligible Participants

**PHASE 1:** October 29 - November 2 &  
November 5 - November 9

**PHASE 2:** November 26 - November 30  
*Monday to Friday, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm*

For questions and to register contact  
[jamiebryant@nanwakolas.com](mailto:jamiebryant@nanwakolas.com) or call 250.286.7200

Registration ends Monday, October 22

**SPACE IS LIMITED!**



## Health News

### First Nations Health Authority

Provides travel to medical appointments. You must give the Band Office 10-14 days' notice for us to make the arrangements and provide any funding.

**T: 250-830-7436**

**E: [candy-leachickite@fnha.ca](mailto:candy-leachickite@fnha.ca)**

**C: Candy Lea Chickite**

Any questions or concerns about your prescriptions or anything health related, please contact Candy Lea Chickite

### Intertribal Health Authority

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

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

**534 Centre St.**

**Nanaimo, BC V9R4Z3**

**T: 250-753-3990**

**C: Shannon Hallet**

### Wheels for Wellness

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

**T: 250-338-0196**

### KDC Health Walk-In Clinic

All KDC Member Nations are welcome to see the Resident Doctors in the Campbell River Clinic, **every Friday, 9:00-11:30.**

Patients will be seen on a first come, first serve basis, unless you have booked a scheduled appointment prior to your visit. All patients are required to provide their status card and care card number. To book an appointment call 250-286-9766

Councillor Edna Puglas has the Health Portfolio. If you have any questions or concerns about your health or that of a family member, please contact her at:  
**[edna@mamalilikulla.ca](mailto:edna@mamalilikulla.ca)**

## Just for Laughs



Have someone you want to congratulate? A Birthday? Anniversary? Birth or Death of a family member? If you would like to put it in our newsletter email: [communications@mamalilikulla.ca](mailto:communications@mamalilikulla.ca)

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## Community Corner

Kwakwala Language  
(Victoria)  
1128 Wychbury Ave.  
Tuesdays @ 7 PM  
For more info: 250-704-6777

Kwakwakawakw 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 Bighouse/Gukwdzi)  
Tuesdays @ 6:30