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Singing about the school code

by Mary P Brooke
 West Shore Voice News



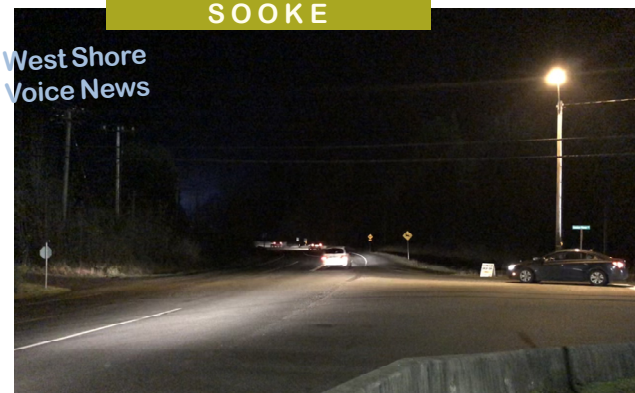
The Lakewood Elementary School Choir sang their own school song, led by music teacher Jim Wilson on guitar, to an SD62 school board meeting audience of trustees, staff and parents, on Tuesday evening, November 27.

● **Students of Lakewood Elementary** in Langford performed their own custom school song at the November 27 evening board meeting of Sooke School District 62 (SD62). The lyrics were based on their school code of conduct that was written "by the kids and for the kids", said school principal Bryan Johnston. He was proud to say that 4% of the students were in that evening's choir performance. The music was composed by fine arts teacher Jim Wilson. Delivering an inspiring performance with a catchy beat and "we are keepers of the code" lyrics, every student was fully engaged in their powerful, note-perfect performance.

After the highly-applauded 3-minute performance, SD62 Superintendent Scott Stinson who genuinely beamed with pride through the performance, said that based on what he heard that evening "the future is not as grim as some people might see it". The school's code of conduct includes an emphasis on safety, being eco-warriors, having respect for property. **WSV**

Sooke River Road to get traffic lights

● **Roadworks upgrade construction** is about to begin at the intersection of Highway 14 (Sooke Road) and Sooke River Road, it was announced this week by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI).



Intersection of Hwy 14 at Sooke River Road, at night.

Safety at the heavily used intersection west of the local EMCS high-school has long been a concern for parents and school officials. Sidewalks have been needed, and motorists and buses have dealt with delays to turn from Sooke River Road onto Highway 14 (especially turning left to go east toward Langford). Residents, mobile business providers and tourists have been impacted (Sooke Potholes is nearby).

"I am glad to see another project starting to improve the safety and functionality of Highway 14," said Premier John Horgan, MLA for Langford-Juan de Fuca. "We have made significant strides along this corridor and we will have more projects to announce in the months ahead."

"This will be a significant safety improvement for our students walking to and from school and for students, staff, parents and visitors turning off of Edward Milne Road in vehicles," said SD62 Chair Ravi Parmar.

MOTI says approximately 16,000 vehicles travel along that stretch of Highway 14 every day, with peak commute times coinciding with school pickup and drop off.

"This can often lead to increased traffic congestion for commuters trying get on and off the highway and visitors travelling to the nearby Sooke Potholes Provincial Park," the Ministry stated in a news release.

The intersection upgrade was part of Premier Horgan's Highway 14 roadside announcement in Sooke on January 19. Local politicians are pleased with it. "Council was approached by local high school students requesting a sidewalk in the area, and I am very pleased to say that we worked with our provincial government to make this happen," said Sooke Mayor Maja Tait.

The overall project addresses several safety and congestion concerns and is part of the Highway 14 corridor improvement project.

More improvements on and around Hwy 14: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/traffic-lights-coming-to-hwy-14-at-sooke-river-road> **WSV**

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Makerspace opens in Sooke

West Shore Voice News with notes by Chelsea Kirkpatrick



Sooke Mayor Maja Tait (with scissors) at the ribbon cutting at the new Makerspace in Sooke November 27, with EMCS Principal Laura Fulton (left) and EMCS Program Society coordinators Anne Bell and Ebony Logins (right).

● **On Tuesday evening November 27**, the new Makerspace within Edward Milne Community School (EMCS) in Sooke held an upbeat grand opening. About 30 people attended to cheer on Sooke Mayor Maja Tait, EMCS Principal Laura Fulton, and EMCS Coordinators Anne Bell and Ebony Logins as they did the ribbon-cutting.

Sew things, build things, print things. It is an equipped place where skills can be learned and shared and the inter-generational transfers of skills can be fostered.

Organized by the EMCS Program Society, the Makerspace consists of a workshop, computer and electronics lab, tech shop, and arts and crafts space. Conventional tools and equipment as well as cutting-edge technology such as 3-D printers and a CNC (Computer Numerical Control) machine are available.

The facility is a good fit with the resilience and self-sufficient temperament of the Sooke community, Makerspace is a membership community workshop where people can share ideas, take classes, and use tools and equipment they likely don't have at home to build and craft. An electronic/robotics room is still in the works.

This project was initiated by a small group of local residents. Seed funding of \$75,000 was provided by a donor through United Way Greater Victoria.

Any monetary donations to the Makerspace will be matched by United Way Greater Victoria (call 250-220-3875 for details). Donations of good quality tools and equipment also being accepted – call 250-642-6371. **WSV**

SD62 looks at seatbelts on school buses

by Mary P Brooke
 West Shore Voice News

● **Transport Canada** will -- starting Sept 2020 -- require all new medium and large highway buses to be equipped with seatbelts.

Meanwhile, at the Sooke School District 62 (SD62) board meeting on November 27, there was discussion about requiring seatbelts on school buses. "Are we willing to pay for it," was the question posed to fellow trustees by board vice-chair Bob Phillips. It would cost \$25,000 per bus for a seatbelt upgrade, explained Secretary-Treasurer Harold Cull, suggesting that perhaps as new buses are acquired for the SD62 fleet that those new buses come with seatbelts. Trustee Wendy Hobbs pushed for a staff report on bus safety risk management. The board managed to settle on a motion about gathering more information about putting seatbelts into existing and new buses. **WSV**

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Opening up the inside of team sports

by Mary P Brooke, Editor & Publisher, West Shore Voice News



Mary Brooke, B.Sc., Cert PR

Some riveting and disturbing lengthy interviews with former professional hockey players were aired on national TV this week. In the wake of the abuse scandal that surfaced at the private boys school in Toronto in recent weeks, survivors of horrific systematic abuse variably at the hands of coaches, players and others in the locker room world have come forward. Men now in their 30s and 40s are clearly still traumatized by abuse intended at least in part to galvanize them into on-ice fighters. So we could watch some intense on-ice fights. Wasn't that considered just part of the sport?

This brave coming forward began with the #MeToo Movement which has seen courage injected into women and now men in all levels of society and areas of the career/workworld to bring light to various levels of exclusion, sexual pressure, and loss of career opportunity if they had stood up to it. And let's not think it's just men and a corporate/organized system that fed the toxic 'old boys' network that has driven much of 'corporate America' since the mid-20th century. Oftentimes the women behind these men felt they had as much to protect as the men did, which frequently contributed to the undeserved fall of sisters.

The good news is that people, the school system, the entertainment industry, the sport community and other spheres are being rapidly made aware of how bullying on a wide range of levels is not part of modern society going forward. ■

12th Annual Langford Lightup a big hit

by Mary P Brooke | West Shore Voice News

LANGFORD



Countdown to the Langford Christmas Lightup on Saturday evening, December 1. Led by Councillor Matt Sahlstrom at the microphone. Also in photo: Langford Councillor Norma Stewart, former Langford Councillor Winnie Sifert, Langford Councillor Lanny Seaton (who first planted the lightup-tree with his father 63 years ago), and Alistair MacGregor, MP (Cowichan-Malahat-Langford).

About 1,000 people showed up over the course of the evening at the 12th Annual Langford Lightup at Veterans Memorial Park, December 1.

As every year, the features of the outdoor evening event were an outdoor craft market, the arrival of Santa on a fire truck, hot dogs and hot chocolate, and the countdown to the lightup of the big tree that was first planted 63 years ago.

A relatively warmish winter's night with zero rain probably contributed to the big turnout. Most people stayed to watch the parade of decorated lit-up trucks head by around 8 pm at the corner of Goldstream Avenue and Veterans Memorial Parkway.

The countdown this year was led by Councillor Matt Sahlstrom. Also on hand for the short formal announcement was Alistair MacGregor, MP (Cowichan-Malahat-Langford) and Langford Councillors Lanny Seaton, Lillian Szpak, Denise Blackwell and Norma Stewart.

Earlier this month, decorative lighting was put up around the central area of town. The white lights stay up year-round. **WSV**

Colwood lightup hotdogs run out fast

This year, the City of Colwood has kept their Christmas Lightup marketing to a minimum, hoping to not run out of free hot dogs so quickly this year.

The annual event will be on Thursday, December 6 at 6 pm, at Colwood City Hall, 3300 Wishart Road. School choirs sing outdoors, Santa arrives on a firetruck, and indoors there are activities for the kids. All that to 8 pm.

Hot chocolate will be provided by Bitez Sandwich Bar, hot dogs by Red Barn Market, and apple fritters provided by the Royal Bay Bakery. **WSV**

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Horgan's annual Christmas open house

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This year Premier John Horgan's open house at his constituency office will collect donations for the Sooke Food Bank. For several years past, the donations have gone to the Goldstream Food Bank in Langford. However, now with two large highschools (Belmont in Langford and Royal Bay in Colwood) collecting donations of non-perishable foods for the Goldstream Food Bank, Horgan will be turning his focus to Sooke area within his Langford-Juan de Fuca riding. The annual event is held at the constituency office, at 122-2806 Jacklin Road in Langford. RSVP is required by December 10 to 250-391-2801 (see ad, page 3). **WSV**

Santa parade & Santa Run in Sooke

The Sooke Santa Parade will be on Sunday, December 2 down Sooke Road to Shields to Eustace, starting at 5 pm.

The Santa Run that sees decorated, music-blaring firetrucks travelling through Sooke on four new routes this year, will be on Saturday December 8 starting around 5 pm, collecting non-perishable food items and cash donations along the way. Donations may also be taken to Fire Hall #1 on Otter Point Road. Route maps: www.sooke.ca **WSV**

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Garrison fights for self harm amendment

With an ongoing suicide epidemic within the Canadian Armed Forces, the NDP say they are "disappointed with the Liberal government's decision to block an amendment to Bill C-77 that would remove an archaic provision of the Defence Act that makes self-harm a disciplinary offence", it was stated in a release from defence critic Randall Garrison, MP (Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke). "The mental health of our Canadian Armed Forces is too important to get wrong and self-harm should not be a disciplinary offence." "The Canadian Armed Forces lose more than one serving member per month to self-harm. This was the best opportunity to ensure that those considering self-harm get the help they need while serving their country with honour, but the government shut it down," said Garrison.

The government will undertake further study.

Garrison thanked his "Conservative colleagues who supported this amendment at Committee". **WSV**

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SD62 looks to increase SSAC's for more school-building revenue

by Mary P Brooke ~ West Shore Voice News

A fee instrument called the School Site Acquisition Charge (SSAC) is available to school districts in BC for raising funds for capital reserves. The funds are used to build new schools and do major facility improvements.

This past week at their November 27 board meeting, SD62 heard from their Secretary-Treasurer Harold Cull that the current level of SSAC funds "are insufficient to support our capital plan".

SD62 has determined that it needs several new schools fairly rapidly over the next few years in order to keep up with population growth in Langford, Colwood and Sooke. Evidence of that: presently there are 55 portable classrooms in use in the 26 schools across the school district.

This September alone, about 500 additional students came into the school system for 2018-2019. This is driven almost entirely by the relatively affordable housing sought by families in the west shore area.

The fees are received by way of Development Cost Charges (DCCs) that are levied from developers when they build new housing. Presently the DCCs bring in about \$30,000 to \$40,000 per quarter, said Cull. "It adds up." The fund had reached \$2.5 million at one point.

This cost ultimately gets passed along to property purchasers but at least in part is considered one way for residents to contribute to the cost of education facilities in their area.

School districts must collaborate with local government throughout the SSAC process. Local municipalities (in this case primarily Langford, Colwood and Sooke) must estimate the number of future 'eligible development units' (how many homes will be built).

"Every increase we do in Langford we discuss with the various groups that are affected and what the increase will be," says Langford Mayor Stew Young. "I'm sure the school district will be consulting with us and construction and housing sector. Increases based on cost of living or rates based on local tax increases are reasonable."

Cull said that orientation sessions would be held with municipal councils, though noting that Sooke still is without a Chief Administrative

Officer (CAO). In six months, Colwood will be hiring a new CAO when Ian Howat retires. The CAO with Langford is Darren Kiedyk.

Cull reported to the SD62 board that he had heard from the Victoria Home Builders Association on this, saying that the proposed rates are "significantly higher than inflation". Cull explained that the cost driver is not inflation but the cost of land. He reported that the cost of an "average house" in the Greater Victoria area had gone up 57% in the last 10 years (2008-2018), from \$594,000 to \$935,296.

SD62 administration has been actively engaged with Langford in particular regarding housing development in the last few years; that has fairly accurately informed SD62 as to the number of new students expected in the growing school district for the last couple of years by assessing population growth and age profile of communities, including geographic distribution. This helps determine the best locations for new school sites.

A board resolution will be required in order to identify increased SSAC rates.

SSAC funds can be used for up to 35% of the purchase price of land for schools. SD62 needs to add about \$50 million worth of land to their assets "in very short order", said Cull.

SD62 Vice-Chair Bob Phillips said he didn't think the proposed rates were "untoward". He said that the municipalities "will see the challenges we have as an education system".

Trustee Wendy Hobbs said she felt that developers are "not sympathetic to us", with "200 houses equal to 400 kids, and we have to try and catch up", she said at the board table Nov 27.

Board Chair Ravi Parmar said there have been "conversations with the mayors", with presentations to municipal councils coming up in the new year.

Public input on SSACs may be brought to the board at their December 18 meeting. Contact the school board office at 250-474-9800 for details. **WSV**

Langford turf

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As the City of Langford upgrades their Goudy Field, they're donating the present Goudy artificial turf to SD62's Belmont Secondary right next door; installation in January. Belmont Principal Jim Lamond called it "an incredible donation". **WSV**

Referendum ballot returns at 37%, deadline is December 7

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On Friday November 30, an estimated 1,225,000 completed Electoral Reform Referendum ballots packages had been received by Elections BC as of 8:20 am.

That reflects about 37% returned (not including packages that have been received by Canada Post but not yet transferred to Elections BC).

Of those, 31.1% had been screened (opened and processed). There are approximately 3,297,395 eligible voters.

The original ballot deadline was extended due to the impact of the

postal workers strike action. Completed ballots are now due by 4:30 pm on Friday December 7, 2018.

In the Victoria area, ballot packages can be dropped off in person at the Elections BC Referendum Service Office at 100 - 1112 Fort St. They're open to December 6 from 8:30 am to 6 pm Monday-Friday and Saturday 10 am to 6 pm. On Friday December 7, ballots can be dropped off 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

There's a 24-hour drop box at the Service BC Office at 403-771 Vernon Ave in the Gateway Village. Also open 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday. **WSV**

COLWOOD

Setting a tone for getting down to business

Colwood: committee appointments, priorities



Colwood council (inaugural Nov 5, from left): Michael Baxter, Cynthia Day, Doug Kobayashi, Mayor Rob Martin, Dean Jantzen, Gordie Logan, Stewart Parkinson.

Colwood council is moving ahead as a decision-making entity with a defined direction, the support of staff, and identified priorities for the handling of bylaw complaints.

At their November 26 meeting, council unveiled a new seating arrangement with just Mayor and Councillors at the decision-making table, with staff at other tables "to keep the focus on Council as decision makers".

Aiming under Mayor Rob Martin to attract business and housing development to Colwood, there are now Development Permit fee reductions for developments already in process when the new OCP was adopted. And outreach has already been made to potential new businesses that might call Colwood home.

Appointments of Councillors to various committees and community initiatives sees the following: • CRD Board - Mayor Martin, Director (Alternate: Doug Kobayashi) • CRD Climate Action Inter-Municipal Task Force - Michael Baxter • Capital Region Emergency System Telecommunications - Gordie Logan, Director Mayor Rob Martin, Delegate to Annual General Meeting • Greater Victoria Labour Relations Association - Stewart Parkinson, Director; Doug Kobayashi, Alternate Director Rob Martin, Delegate to Annual General Meeting • CRD Regional Water Commission & JdF Water Distribution Commission - Rob Martin • Emergency Planning Committee - Michael Baxter • Board of the Greater Victoria Public Library and Juan de Fuca Branch - Doug Kobayashi • Intermunicipal Advisory Committee on Disability Issues - Cynthia Day (Alternate: Dean Jantzen) • Pioneer Cemetery Board of Trustees - Stewart Parkinson (Alternate: Michael Baxter) • School District Liaison Committee - Cynthia Day (Alternate: Gordie Logan) • St John the Baptist Cemetery Board of Trustees - Stewart Parkinson (Alternate: Michael Baxter) • Te'mexw Treaty Advisory Committee - Cynthia Day (Alternate: Rob Martin) • Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee - Cynthia Day (Alternate: Stewart Parkinson) • Council rep to West Shore Chamber of Commerce - Dean Jantzen (Alternate: Michael Baxter).

Processing of bylaw complaints will be addressed in order of priority: 1. Health, safety and security of the public 2. Damage to the environment 3. Impact on the community (community standard) 4. Impact on the complainant 5. Nature of the complaint and the allegation (e.g. repeat offence)

Through November, Council has been busy with regional and local orientation sessions and internal strategic planning sessions. Mayor Martin did say in

his speech at the November 5 inaugural that he would be working his council hard and encouraged them to come prepared, to listen, and be open to making difficult and/or different decisions.

Council will soon be engaged in finding a new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for when current CAO Ian Howat retires in June 2019. **WSV**

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Sooke Santa Parade. Sun Dec 2. Starts 5pm at Sooke Elementary, along Sooke Rd, onto Otter Point Rd, to Eustace Rd.

Pro-D Day Activities at SEAPARC. Mon Dec 3. Skate 11:30 am to 12:45 pm, Family & Friends Hockey 2:15 to 3:45 pm. Swim 1 to 3 pm. www.seaparc.ca

Mitzi Dean, MLA holiday season open house. Mon Dec 3. Drop-in 4 to 6 pm. Esquimalt-Metchosin constituency office, #104-1497 Admirals Rd (Admirals Walk). Light snacks. Bring donation of non-perishable food item. Info: 250-952-5885.

City of Langford Regular Council Meeting. Mon Dec 3, 5:30 pm. www.langford.ca

City of Colwood Committee of the Whole. Mon Dec 3, 6 pm. www.colwood.ca

Traffic Alert - Langford. Tues Dec 4. Jacklin Rd & Jenkins Ave intersection. Signal lights down day & evening (8:30 am to 10 pm) for work by BC Hydro.

Festival of Trees 2018 kickoff. Tues Dec 4, 5 pm at SEAPARC Leisure Complex In partnership with Sooke Professional Fire Fighters L4841 to support BC Children's Hospital. Display runs Dec 2 to 28, vote for your favourite tree. Take photo with Santa on fire truck (by donation). Hot chocolate & snacks. www.seaparc.ca



Public Hearing Tues Dec 4 regarding Land Use Bylaw amendment for development of lands at 2330 - 2344B Sooke Rd. 6 pm. Colwood City Hall, 3300 Wishart Rd.

4th annual 10,000 Tonight Food Drive Wed Dec 5 at Royal Bay Secondary School. 5 to 10 pm.

City of Colwood Lightup. Thurs Dec 6, 6 to 8 pm. Donations for Christmas Backpack Project & Goldstream Food Bank accepted. www.colwood.ca

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. Thurs Dec 6.

Belmont Food Drive. Fri Dec 7, 7am-7pm. Drop off non-perishable food items & gently used clothing to Langford Legion, 761 Station Ave.

'Winter Heart' concerts by Sooke Community Choir. Fri Dec 7 at 7:30 pm. Sat Dec 8 at 7:30 pm. Sun Dec 9 at 2 pm. Tx \$20 at Shoppers (Sooke) or online at www.eventbrite.ca (free < 16). www.sookecommunitychoir.com

3rd Annual Goldstream Farmers Market. Christmas Craft Fair. Sat Dec 8, 10am-5pm. Our Lady of the Rosary Church Hall, 798 Goldstream Ave. \$2 or food bank item.

Sooke Santa Run. Sat Dec 8. Decorated firetrucks picking up donations around Sooke. 5pm. www.sooke.ca

District of Sooke Council Meeting. Mon Dec 10, 7pm. www.sooke.ca

Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce AGM. Tues Dec 11. www.sookeregionchamber.com

Hon John Horgan, MLA Langford-Juan de Fuca Constituency Christmas Open House. Wed Dec 12, 4:30 to 6:30 pm. 122-2806 Jacklin Rd. Bring food bank donation. RSVP required by noon, Mon Dec 10 to 250-391-2801 or John.Horgan.MLA@leg.bc.ca

10,000 Tonight food drive by EMCS in Sooke. Wed Dec 12, 5 to 9 pm. emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca

Holiday at Hatley's casino-style evening, silent auction (proceeds to West Shore Chamber & Goldstream Food Bank), gourmet treats. Wed Dec 12, 6 to 9 pm at Hatley Castle, Royal Roads. \$45 pp. 250-478-1130

Awareness Film Night at EMCS. "Picking Up the Pieces: The Making of the Witness Blanket". Wed Dec 12, 7 pm. www.awarenessfilmmight.ca

Skate with Santa & Festive Family Art Event. Sun Dec 16, 1 to 2:30 pm at SEAPARC. Admission by donation of food item or cash for Sooke Food Bank. www.seaparc.ca

Blood Donor Clinic. Mon Dec 17. Sooke Legion, 6726 Eustace Rd, Sooke. www.blood.ca

SD62 Board Meeting. Tues Dec 18 at the board office. Public input on SSAC's. 7pm. www.sd62.bc.ca

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Three highschool food drives this holiday season

The three highschools of Sooke School District 62 (SD62) will be doing each their own version of the annual Christmas season food drive, with donations going to local food banks.

10,000 Tonight food drive Wed Dec 5 at Royal Bay Secondary School. 5 to 10 pm. Donations to the Goldstream Food Bank. **Belmont Food Drive** in partnership with CBC food bank day. Fri Dec 7, 7am-7pm. Drop off non-perishable food items & gently used clothing to Langford Legion, 761 Station Ave. **10,000 Tonight** food drive by EMCS in Sooke. Wed Dec 12, 5 to 9 pm. Donations will be given to the Sooke Food Bank. **WSV**



Food drive at Royal Bay Secondary (WSV file photo: Dec 2017).

Pacific FC opens downtown storefront

A bright spacious storefront has been opened by the new Pacific FC pro soccer club in the heart of downtown Victoria, right across from the Bay Centre in the tourism hub of the capital city. There is ample promotional merchandise for sale, as well as memberships that will soon lead to ticket sales.

On hand for the six-hour retail opening was 20-year-old Kadin Chung, the first player to be signed to the Pacific FC roster.

Hosting the event were Pacific FC President Josh Simpson and CEO Rob Friend along with assistant coach James Merriman.

Chung was hand-picked by Pacific FC coach Michael Silberbauer after a university-level game in Vancouver earlier this month. Trials over two days November 5 and 6 at the UVic stadium saw 225 hopefuls go through the hoops for contract offers.

"I love the culture and atmosphere of soccer, just being out on the field," says Chung. "It's being in your own space," he explains, similar to the total absorption of a creative art.

"Michael's style of play fits well with how I like to play," Chung told West Shore Voice News. "It's possession-based (loving to have control of the ball), attack-minded, and quick," he explained.

Chung has played at the professional level for four years. Originally from Port Coquitlam in the Greater Vancouver area, he played for three years with the Vancouver Whitecaps2 and then for one year with the FC Kaiserslautern2 in Germany, returning to BC this past summer.

Simpson was pleased with the lineup of shoppers ahead of noon today to get into the store at 665 Fort Street, for prize giveaways and a first chance to purchase T-shirts, sweatshirts, ball caps and more. There are two logo themes — the full-colour purple, teal and white, as well as black/grey monotone.

Memberships are selling well. Exclusive-seating suites at the Westhills Stadium location were grabbed up by sponsors at a pre-opening event at the store last night, attended by Langford VIPs and the business community.

The first Pacific FC season starts in April 2019 at Westhills Stadium, with 15 games in the lineup. Web: www.pacificfc.canpl.ca | Twitter @pacificfccpl **WSV**



The first player signed to Pacific FC is Kadin Chung (left), on November 30 celebrating the new Pacific FC storefront with Pacific FC Assistant Coach James Merriman.

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