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## Artificial turf getting installed on the Belmont Secondary School field



Artificial turf as donated by the City of Langford was being installed this week on the sport field at Belmont Secondary School.

## Million dollar winner in Sooke

It was a big instant win for Sooke resident Cinnamon Lennox on New Year's Day. Her ticket held the \$1 million 10 Guaranteed Prize Draw numbers for the Lotto 6/49 January 1, 2019 draw. She had purchased the winning ticket at Pharmasave on West Coast Road in Sooke, and went back there to double-check the numbers. She collected her winnings at the BC Lottery Corporation (BCLC) office in Vancouver on January 16 and was presented with a big promotional ticket.



Sooke resident Cinnamon Lennox won \$1 million on New Year's Day.

Lennox's plan is to buy some land and build a new home for her kids, her father, and cousin. "It's going to be a dream house. There will definitely be a hot tub and a pool, and a nice view, of course. It really is an overwhelming blessing to be able to have security for your family," she added. "There will be less stress and a lot more enjoying life. It's a huge change for us." Lottery funds in BC are redistributed through the government for health, education, and to municipalities for infrastructure and community initiatives. <https://westshorevoicenews.com/sooke-resident-becomes-a-millionaire-overnight/>

Presently there are 11 career firefighters and 53 trained volunteers at Langford Fire Rescue, with 10 new recruits (chosen from this year's 40 applicants). The 2019 recruits are presently entering the annual information session which is followed by interviews and training. Volunteers receive training that costs the fire department about \$18,000 per trainee, with full certification taking about three years. Volunteers at Langford Fire Rescue can indicate their hours of availability, so there is balance in their lives between work, family and volunteering.

Mayor Young is pleased about the new partnership between Langford Fire Rescue and Wounded Warriors Canada that helps support the well-being and optimum functionality of both organizations. The partnership does not involve a contribution of city funds, but the business community does pitch in along the way at special events such as the annual WWC run on south Vancouver Island that stops in at Bear Mountain Resort in Langford.

"Business people get it," said Young. "People of the Langford Fire Department put themselves at risk every day. This partnership with Wounded Warriors Canada is good for the community," the mayor said at the podium. "Our community has been great" in supporting the efforts of WWC, he said.

Maxwell sees the move toward shared efforts for mental trauma support as recognizing that it takes both leadership and recognition of the health aspects. The federal government has provided some funding to WWC over the past few years. About \$250,000 remains this year to be spent in the WWC budget to March 31 which is being used to roll out six or seven more Couples Overcoming PTSD Everyday (COPE) counselling program sessions before the end of March.

"In three years you've done an amazing job," Mayor Young said to the WWC organizers. But recognizing what it takes to run a large, growing organization, he added: "You will need more funding and hopefully the provincial and federal governments will get on board."

WWC revenues of \$5 million per year are compiled from a variety of sources including individual giving, third-party donations (including communities), corporate fundraising events, and contracts (e.g. Canadian Coast Guard). Operating funds are used to pay clinicians who operate the various counselling programs, program materials, events and administration. [www.woundedwarriors.ca](http://www.woundedwarriors.ca)

This article is online, with more photos: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/langford-fire-rescue-partners-with-wounded-warriors-canada/>

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## Langford Fire Rescue partners with Wounded Warriors Canada

by Mary P Brooke, Editor  
West Shore Voice News

LANGFORD

In the fire engine bay at Langford Fire Hall #1 on January 15, Langford Fire Rescue Chief Chris Aubrey proudly opened an official gathering with his announcement of a new partnership agreement between Langford Fire Rescue and Wounded Warriors Canada (WWC).



WWC Executive Director Scott Maxwell had made the trek to Langford from Ontario for the announcement. It was important for him to be here; he feels this partnership shows great leadership on the part of Langford and sets a tone for other communities to follow.

Announcing the new partnership between Langford Fire Rescue and Wounded Warriors Canada (from left): Langford Mayor Stew Young, Langford Fire Rescue Chief Chris Aubrey, and Wounded Warriors Canada Executive Director Scott Maxwell.

WWC is a national mental health charity that provides programs to support veterans, first responders and their families. The organization has received consistent support from Langford for several years now, spearheaded by Langford Mayor Stew Young and his council.

Under the new agreement, Langford Fire Rescue will share resources and identify or refer their members in need of mental health support to the programs offered by Wounded Warriors Canada.

"This is about building resiliency," said Langford Fire Rescue Chief in his opening remarks to a group of about 20 first responders, members of the WWC team, and Langford Mayor and Councillors Lanny Seaton and Norma Stewart.

"I am very proud to partner with Wounded Warriors Canada in supporting first responders, veterans and their families," said Aubrey. "Those who are serving their communities and their country face unique mental health challenges and this partnership is a commitment that says no member is alone and we are there to support them. They never hesitate to answer the call to serve others and it is critical that we stand together to make sure our first responders and veterans have the access to resources they need to remain healthy and resilient."

First responders are highly trained and skilled professionals who, due to the nature of their work, often face challenging situations that test their physical or mental health and safety. WWC's approach to mental health is considered innovative in that it combines clinical best practices and evidence-informed care to create an environment for healing.

"This partnership recognizes that no single organization can do it all when it comes to mental health support," says Maxwell. "When a first responder is struggling, what matters is that the member and their family knows that we are in this together - working to ensure they receive the help they so rightly deserve. We look forward to working with Langford Fire Rescue in the months and years ahead."

"The effects of trauma downstream are very nearly the same," said Maxwell, whether it's from service in a war zone or working the front lines of fire or policing.

"When it comes to firefighters and police who serve our public, we're there for them," said Mayor Young. "That includes educating politicians and the public as to the need," he told the group in the fire hall.

Chief Aubrey says the two greatest health-related career challenges for firefighters are cancer and mental health. Exposure to chemicals contributes to the added cancer risk, and dealing with urgent often shocking scenarios can impact mental health. "We maintain physical and mental well being through training, education and resources," says Aubrey. He added that Langford has embraced the goals and objectives of what Wounded Warriors Canada stands for.

Langford Fire Rescue is a composite department comprised of career and volunteer firefighters, which allows for a balance of time, interest, skill and availability. The service is equipped to extinguish fires and provide other life-saving resources to the community.

### Still serving in Cabinet is a big deal



Mary P Brooke  
Editor & Publisher

Yes there is a pecking order in politics. But being in cabinet is a big deal, no matter what portfolio you hold. Political chatter this week that former Justice Minister Jody Wilson-Raybould's shift to the Veterans Affairs portfolio was a demotion is one of those bad examples of how swimming in the political capital's fishbowl can produce a distorted lens. More likely it's just careful selection on the part of the Prime Minister as election season ramps up, and Minister Wilson-Raybould has taken a hit for the team.

Ottawa scuttlebutt is that perhaps there were some mismatched perspectives between the PMO and Wilson-Raybould on matters of indigenous policy. Those may not have been small matters. Wilson-Raybould and her husband Tim Raybould authored *Governance Toolkit: A Guide to Nation Building* just one year ahead of the 2015 federal election. Conflict between Trudeau and his now former Justice minister over indigenous self-government would be a big signal about how important the Liberals see indigenous issues being in this fall's election.



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As Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada (2015-2019), Wilson-Raybould pulled off deadline-dependent cannabis legislation, no small feat. Being responsible for the \$4.5 billion Veterans Affairs budget shows she is still welcome in Cabinet. There is no disgrace in moving sideways while still swimming at the top.

### Royal Bay Secondary expansion soon underway



Mary P Brooke  
West Shore Voice News

<< **Royal Bay Secondary School** in Colwood will be expanded at the back of the building by an additional 600 seats. [Photo: January 10, 2019]

Expansion at Royal Bay Secondary is finally showing some traction. The design phase now leads into a construction period set for January 2019 to July 2020. On January 8, Sooke School District 62 (SD62) announced that planning is underway for the 600-seat expansion at Royal Bay Secondary which was first announced with a big event in the school gym in March 2018. The school presently accommodates 1,200 students and is full to overflowing (into portables).

With the construction project led by Knappett Projects Inc (winning a bid over one other construction team), the expanded portion of the school is set to open for September 2020.

"We've been hoping for this expansion since the school opened and we're happy the government approved funding so quickly for this project," says Ravi Parmar, SD62 Board Chair. The back section of the school was intentionally designed with a flat concrete wall to facilitate later expansion. "We continue to work closely with the provincial and local governments to add additional learning spaces to our fast-growing school district."

"It is great to see this expansion moving forward," said Minister of Education Rob Fleming.

SD62 has a 2018-2021 Strategic Plan that includes Facilities Planning within the Growth section of the plan. Maximizing the capacity of existing schools is a stated objective. **WSV**

### BC covers more drugs for chronic conditions

New or extended coverage of drugs used to treat chronic illnesses such as multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease and severe asthma has been brought within the PharmaCare Special Authority program. The \$11.8 million cost will help about 4,900 people in BC over 3 years. More: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/bc-covers-more-drug-options-for-chronic-conditions/> **WSV**

### BC Family Day on the third Monday

BC Family Day is coming up Monday February 18. This is the first year since BC Family Day was introduced in 2013 that the statutory holiday falls on the third Monday of February. This shift from being on the second Monday was announced by the Horgan government in February 2018, aiming to line up the day with other provinces. The goal is better alignment for businesses and families over what effectively becomes a long weekend, welcome in mid-winter.

The previous decision to peg BC Family Day on the second Monday in February was in response to a strong lobby from the outdoor winter sport industry. **WSV**

### Nanaimo by-election: Horgan there

It's apparent now that the race toward the January 30 Nanaimo provincial by-election has two frontrunners. Sheila Malcolmson (BC NDP) has Premier John Horgan on board for this weekend, working alongside the ground team. Tony Harris (BC Liberal) has lined up the issues in his policy platform to match the NDP's but with his party's variations. Campaign updates: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/category/news-by-region/vanisle/> **WSV**

### Jagmeet now up against former BC Liberal MLA

It appeared NDP Leader Jagmeet Singh might have a clearer path to winning the riding in the upcoming February 25 federal by-election after the Liberal campaign in Burnaby South temporarily imploded under candidate Karen Wang earlier this week. The now ousted Wang had issued a Tweet that played the race card; she was promptly canned by the Liberals.

That has given the Liberals an opening to bring in a strong candidate in Richard T Lee (a former BC Liberal MLA in Burnaby for 16 years). It shows that the Liberals have no intention of riding easy on the NDP in this race. If they defeat the NDP Leader it would put the progressive left into a tailspin heading into the October 2019 election by giving more room for the adaptive Liberals to hold onto left-leaning voters whose votes they grabbed away from the NDP in 2015.

In recent weeks the political swirl among political pundits, Ottawa media, and even former

### Fostering hope for rebuilding the BC forest sector

With forestry policy reforms as the means to get there, Premier John Horgan hopes to rebuild the coastal forest sector. In a speech to the annual Truck Loggers Association convention on January 17, Horgan announced his government's intention to increase the processing of BC logs on the coast and to reduce wood waste by redirecting it to BC's pulp and paper mills. Coming out of that is the hope that forest sector jobs will see the reverse of their presently declining trend. The goals will be implemented through a series of legislative, regulatory and policy changes over the next two years.

"We can no longer apply yesterday's thinking to today's challenges," said Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. One of the goals is to create new markets for waste fibre that until now has been left in harvest areas. And effective July 1, 2019, the fee charged for log exports will be revised to be based on harvest economics.

More details, including statements from the forestry sector: <https://westshorevoicenews.com/horgan-announces-forest-policy-reforms-to-rebuild-coastal-forest-sector/> **WSV**

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NDP leader Tom Mulcair has been casting doubt on Singh. Singh's style and approach to politics is calm and more big-picture. It's yet unclear why the NDP can't rally around their leader when the stakes are so high. Randall Garrison, MP for Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke (who pushed strongly for Singh to win his party's leadership in 2017), continues to give his support **WSV**



BC Forests: a coastal fibre recovery zone will be established this spring.



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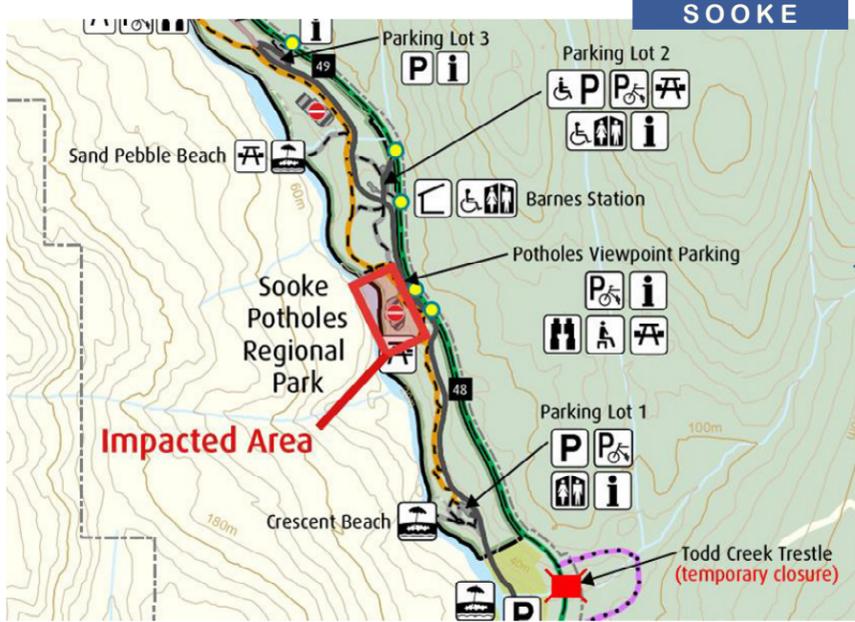
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## Portion of Sooke Potholes lookout closed due to rockslide



One of the viewing areas at Sooke Potholes has been closed as a precaution due to rock slides.

<https://westshorevoiceneews.com/viewing-area-at-sooke-potholes-partially-closed-for-safety/>

● A portion of the viewing area at Sooke Potholes Regional Park was closed on Friday January 18 for reasons of public safety.

The closure is a precaution due to rock slides and concerns about potential slope instability in the area around the old lodge site (see map), says the Capital Regional District (CRD).

This follows a number of weeks with ample rainfall, although most of this week has been fairly dry and sunny. More rain and wind are in the forecast for the days ahead.

The old lodge site remains closed for public safety. Visitors are asked to stay out of the closed area.

There are several viewing platforms located to the north of the closed area that remain open to visitors. Updates: [www.crd.bc.ca](http://www.crd.bc.ca) **WSV**

## Sooke council notes: January 14



An attentive audience of about 25 people attended Sooke council on January 14.

### SERVICE RECOGNITION

● At the January 14 District of Sooke council meeting several staff were recognized for long years of service and given certificates: Leah Giles (9 yrs), Sarah Temple (9 yrs), Teresa Burket (6 yrs), and Brent Blackhall (5 yrs). For 10 or more years of service: Tony Bastone (12 yrs), Laura Hooper (11 yrs), Brian Goble (10 yrs), Stacey Dalep (10 yrs), and Mark Downton (10 yrs). **WSV**

### OCP & ZONING

● A discussion of legal non-conforming businesses in the context of how zoning might change in the District of Sooke -- particularly in what is called the Gateway zone (Saseenos / entry point to Sooke) -- continued Monday night with lengthy debate. A light industrial business operated by Shawn Driver on Sooke Road has been at the focal point of these issues over bylaw compliance. Overall, council looked at updating the Official Community Plan (OCP) through a process Mayor Tait said takes about two years. The last time (up to 2010) completion of a new OCP took about four years. In 2016-2017 an attempt by staff stalled during a massive information gathering stage in response to which Council disapproved of the preliminary list-oriented style of reports and proposals (produced under the watch of Mayor Tait and CAO Teresa Sullivan).

Councillor Jeff Bateman rolled out a vision in some detail of what a gateway in the Saseenos area might look like and Tait said she liked that. Councillor Brenda Parkinson asked for clarification on what would be a realistic length of time for a temporary zoning permit -- could that be six months or would it need to be one to three years. A scenario in Sooke where many businesses continue to operate without business licences continues to plague the municipality with perpetual non-compliance; it's unclear about efforts being made to enforce the licensing requirement. **WSV**

### COUNCIL REMUNERATION IN RESPONSE TO CRA CHANGES

● Changes in tax law now see the stipends of municipal elected officials being fully taxable. Prior to January 1, 2019 mayor and council remuneration enjoyed a deduction of one-third of the year's remuneration. In a presentation to council, local resident and businessman Doug Wittich said that an adjustment to the rate of compensation for mayor and councillors would be "fair to not only to the mayor and council, but also to the citizens of this community."

"This job comes with giving up a lot of your personal time... we are talking about seven individuals who give up family time to make decisions on behalf of the community, ... making difficult decisions after hours of research to understand what the domino effect is for each discussion or decision will be on the members of our community."

Wittich proposed that council vote in favour of adjusting their level of pay to ensure no loss from the tax change. This helps see that council "in the future stays diverse... [and] so the stipend will not be a reason [a potential candidate] wont run." **WSV**

West Shore Voice News Compiled by Mary P Brooke and Chelsea Kirkpatrick

### SOOKE MAYOR'S REPORT

● Mayor Maja Tait kicked off January 14 council meeting with a few comments about the council and municipality as they find their way into 2019.

With windstorms over the holiday season, Tait acknowledged the efforts of first responders and rescue fire volunteers, and in-house waste water services staff, as well as BC Hydro for dealing with storm impacts on the community.

Welcoming him as a "new face" at the table, Tait introduced interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Don Schaffer who will fill that top staff position "while the quest for a permanent candidate is underway". There was a "strong response" of applications for the position, and Tait said it could take a few months for a new CAO to be welcomed to the community.

Tait thanked three senior staffers -- Carolyn Mushata, Brent Blackhall and Fire Chief Kenn Mount -- who served in the CAO role over many months after the position was left vacant when former CAO Teresa Sullivan departed last year and council under Mayor Tait chose not to refill the position for the rest of 2018, perhaps for budget considerations and awaiting a new council after the October election.

The 2018-2022 council is largely new to the job (four of six have no previous experience in political office). "Councillors have been busy with orientation, field work, and workshops at CRD and various committees that councillors have been assigned to," said Tait.

An RFP for Strategic Planning has been posted.

Tait wished to "highlight" that "council is aware that we have backlog in our building permit department". She said that Schaffer will be doing "a process review and will come back with some solutions". While Tait acknowledged "this is frustrating for those who are waiting", a ticking clock for developers means more interest payments on borrowed funds and holds up construction schedules for housing and other projects.

Mayor Tait said she accepted an invitation to go on an international mission to Cambodia for 10 days. She left on that trip three days later (January 17); Councillor Bateman is the Acting Mayor in Tait's absence. Entirely paid for by the federal government, the trip was organized by the Union of BC Municipalities and is administered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities on behalf of Foreign Affairs Canada. The purpose of the trip -- with Sooke being one of four municipalities represented -- is to nurture political leadership among local government leaders, empower women and youth, and help with implementation of strategies. **WSV**

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## Mid-day house fire in Sooke

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● A minor house fire in Sooke on Friday January 18 was handled quickly by firefighters. Under a mutual aid agreement, Sooke Fire Rescue was supported with members from Otter Point, Metchosin and East Sooke fire departments.

At the home on Eakin Drive in the older residential area not far from Fire Hall #1, the fire was contained mainly to the garage with some minor extension in to the attic space, said Sooke Fire Chief Kenn Mount. The cause of the fire is under investigation, said Chief Mount.

The fire was reported at 12:28 pm and crews arrived on scene at 12:33 pm. Two people and their cat were home at the time. All got out safely.

In total there were 25 firefighters on scene, with four of those being career members from Sooke supporting the incident in senior operational roles. Ambulance and RCMP were also on scene.

Equipment used at the event were Sooke Fire Engine 1, Engine 3, Ladder 1 and utility 1 along with an Otter Point engine. Metchosin and East Sooke served as backup resources.

Emergency social services were provided as required. The house was insured. **WSV**



Firefighters attended to a house fire on Eakin Drive in Sooke, January 18. [Photo by: Sooke Fire Rescue]

## Children's book fines waived at Sooke Library

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● No more fines for overdue children's books at the Sooke Library!

As of January 1, Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) has -- with the elimination of fines (including outstanding fines) -- removed what they call "a significant barrier", to give more children access to important literacy resources. "We are helping to ensure that library services are available to some of our customers who need them most," says VIRL's Executive Director, Rosemary Bonanno. The Sooke Library is one of 39 VIRL branches. **WSV**



More: [www.virl.bc.ca/get-help/borrowing-tips/](http://www.virl.bc.ca/get-help/borrowing-tips/)  
Children's section mid-day at Sooke Library this week.

<https://westshorevoiceneews.com/all-fines-on-childrens-books-waived-by-vancouver-island-regional-library/>

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**Family Literacy Week.** Sun Jan 20 – Sun Jan 27. [www.virl.bc.ca](http://www.virl.bc.ca)  
**City of Langford Regular Council Meeting.** Mon Jan 21, 5:30 pm. [www.langford.ca](http://www.langford.ca)  
**SD62 Public Board Meeting.** Tues Jan 22, 7 pm. [www.sd62.bc.ca](http://www.sd62.bc.ca)  
**Transition Sooke Book Club.** Wed Jan 23, Sooke Library, 6:30 to 8pm.  
**Story Walk - Family Learning Tour.** Sat Jan 26, 10 am to 12 noon. [www.westshorerecreation.ca](http://www.westshorerecreation.ca)  
**Learn CPR and how to use an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED).** Free session. Mon Jan 28, 7 to 9pm. Metchosin Fire Hall. [www.metchosinfire.ca](http://www.metchosinfire.ca)  
**Blood Donor Clinic.** Mon Jan 28, 510 Mount View Ave, Colwood. Check times: [www.blood.ca](http://www.blood.ca)  
**City of Colwood Regular Council Meeting.** Mon Jan 28, 7 pm. [www.colwood.ca](http://www.colwood.ca)  
**District of Sooke Regular Council Meeting.** Mon Jan 28, 7 pm. [www.sooke.ca](http://www.sooke.ca)  
**Nanaimo Provincial By-Election.** Wed Jan 30, Polls close 8 pm. [www.elections.bc.ca](http://www.elections.bc.ca)

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**Island Health Board of Directors meeting & public forum.** Thurs Jan 31, 1:30 pm. JdF Rec Centre Fieldhouse, 1767 Island Hwy, Colwood. Public submissions were due Jan 10. [www.islandhealth.ca](http://www.islandhealth.ca)

**SEAPARC Licenced Preschool Open House.** Thurs Jan 31, 3:15 to 4:15 pm. 2168 Phillips Rd. Registration opens Wed Feb 6 at 9:30 am. [www.seaparc.ca](http://www.seaparc.ca)

**Sooke Community Arts** monthly meeting. Mon Feb 5, 1911 Murray Rd, 7pm. [www.sookecommunityarts.com](http://www.sookecommunityarts.com)  
**BC Legislative Assembly.** Throne Speech. Tues Feb 12. [www.leg.bc.ca](http://www.leg.bc.ca)

**Awareness Film Night** and Transition Sooke present the film "What Is Democracy". Wed Feb 13, 7 pm at EMCS Theatre. [www.awarenessfilmnight.ca](http://www.awarenessfilmnight.ca)

**JDF Performing Arts Centre Society AGM.** Sun Feb 17, 2 pm, Juan de Fuca Library, 1759 Island Hwy, Colwood. All welcome. [www.jdfartscentre.ca](http://www.jdfartscentre.ca)

**Family Day in BC.** Mon Feb 18, Statutory Holiday.  
**SPEAC** (district PAC for parents in SD62) meeting Wed, Feb 20. At Colwood Elementary, 3000 Wishart Rd.

**Americas Rugby Championship.** Canada vs Chile. Fri Feb 22. Westhills Stadium, Langford.

**Burnaby South Federal By-Election.** Mon Feb 25. <https://westshorevoicenews.com/category/election-tracker/by-elections/>

**SAFARS Pet Food Drive.** January 10 to 25. Five drop-off locations: [www.safars.com](http://www.safars.com)

**Sheringham Point Lighthouse winter hours** 9 am to 4 pm. [www.sheringhamlighthouse.com](http://www.sheringhamlighthouse.com)

**Construction continues along Hwy 14**

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**Improvements continue on Highway 14 continue to April 30.** Above (January 17): Across from Sooke River Road where intersection traffic lights will be installed, improving access to Edward Milne Community School, Sooke Potholes and Charters River Salmon Interpretive Centre. **WSV**



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**Pacific FC signs three internationally-experienced BC players**

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**Pacific Football Club (Pacific FC)** has continued building its inaugural season lineup with now signing a trio of BC soccer players who have international experience.

As announced Tuesday January 15, the three BC-born players now added to the growing Pacific FC roster are Alessandro Hojabpour, Matthew Baldisimo and Terran Campbell. These members of Canada's youth U17 national team will return to Canada to play this spring. The inaugural Canadian Premier League season with seven teams across Canada starts in April.

"These three are solid young players in their age group and we are glad to have them join us to continue their careers back in Canada," said Michael Silberbauer, head coach, Pacific FC. "They bring energy and excitement to our growing team."

Attacking midfielder Hojabpour returns to Canada from the Bulgarian league where he has been playing for Lokomotiv Plovdiv U19 team since 2017. Raised in Vancouver, the 19-year-old made his debut with the Canadian youth national team in 2014. He scored the team's only goal against Cuba in the U17 match in Panama City in 2017.

Baldisimo and Campbell come to Pacific FC from Fresno FC of USL Championship. Twenty-year-old Baldisimo, a midfielder who was raised in Burnaby, captained the Canadian youth national team in 2015 at the CONCACAF U17 Championship in Honduras. Campbell was also raised in Burnaby. The 20-year-old striker first played internationally for Canada in the 2013 Copa Mexico de Naciones.

Each of the players was part of the Vancouver Whitecaps youth residency programs and played on the team's reserve team early in their careers.

"We are fortunate to be bringing young players like this back to BC where they can become the future stars of the game on Canadian soil," said Rob Friend, CEO, Pacific FC. "They are hard workers and will be fun to watch."

The trio of new players join Kadin Chung and Marcus Haber who were signed to Pacific FC in the last few months.

Over the coming weeks, the team will continue to build its roster preparing for spring training in March.

Founded in 2018, Pacific FC brings professional football to Vancouver Island. Playing out of a renovated, 6000-seat Westhills Stadium in Langford, the club will provide an outlet for young Canadian soccer players to realize their dreams of playing at the professional level. Fans will be able to enjoy the thrilling, fast-paced sporting atmosphere associated with the sport when the Canadian Premier League season kicks off in April 2019. For season ticket information: <https://pacificfc.canpl.ca/pacific-football-club-ticketing>

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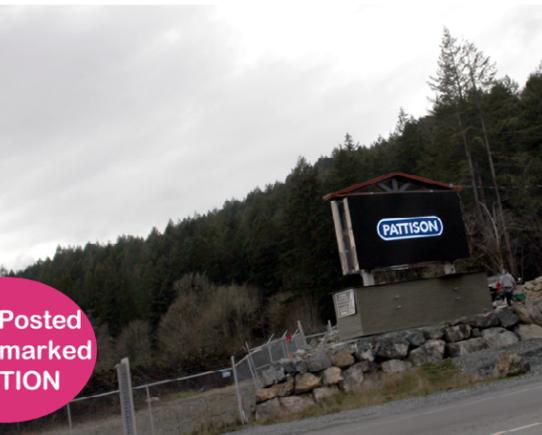
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**Three new players** joined the inaugural Pacific FC roster this week (from left): Alessandro Hojabpour, Matthew Baldisimo and Terran Campbell.

**Big LED signage installed on West Shore Parkway at Hwy 14**



**A new LED signage board** was being installed Thursday on West Shore Parkway: commercial marketing visibility from Hwy 14 in both directions. **WSV**



**Road construction on Edward Milne Rd** near Sooke River Rd & nearby high school [January 17].

**LANGFORD ON THE MOVE**

**TRAFFIC INFO**



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**Winter, and into Spring 2019.** Langford Parkway adjacent to City Centre Park and Westhills Stadium (access to Langford Lanes and City Centre Park is open). Construction and underground utility work continues at the future signalized intersection with Leigh Road.

**Continuing in January 2019.** Various roadway adjustments around in and around the Belmont Market/Residences construction zone [Jacklin Road, Kelly Road, Jenkins Aveue].

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