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In this issue, we have an exciting announcement about a new land acquisition.

Yuutu?it?ath Government has purchased two parcels of land totalling 452 acres along Port Albion Road. Read on to learn more about this exciting purchase and what it means for Yuutu?it?ath citizens.

Also in the issue, the schedule for Yuutu?it?ath Day weekend is here! Festivities will take place over **September 19-21** at the Cix?atin Centre and K?isitis.

Please keep in mind that Yuutu?it?ath Government offices will be closed on **Monday, September 22** in lieu of Yuutu?it?ath Day.

Yuutu?it?ath Government offices will also be closed on **Tuesday, September 30** to mark the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Read on for more events, services, and information.

*Cix?atin Centre, huu?atu Centre & hi?stiis hupii?u? Satellite Office*

**CLOSED**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**  
IN LIEU OF  
YUUTU?IT?ATH DAY  
*Government Offices will reopen Tuesday, September 23.*



NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH YUULU?IL?ATH LAW

HITACU ASSEMBLY

In accordance with Sections 2.24 of the Yuulu?il?ath Constitution and 4.2 of the *Government Act* YFNS 2/2011, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the hitacu Assembly has been called for the following date:

**Date:** Friday, September 19, 2025  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Cix<sup>o</sup>atin Centre Gym, hitacu / Zoom

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**DRAFT AGENDA**

*The agenda is in draft form until approved by the Citizens at the meeting of the hitacu Assembly. Additional items may be added at the time we adopt the agenda.*

1. Call to order
2. Opening Ceremonies/Welcoming remarks
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Update on Citizen Requests
5. Executive Reports
6. Financial Update
7. Other
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Adjournment

**Zoom Instructions**

**Dial In #:** 778 907 2071  
**Meeting ID:** 854 4193 7606  
**Passcode:** 921657

**Voting on Zoom**

When the Chairperson calls for a vote, the Chairperson will request that Zoom attendees use the "raise hand" feature on Zoom (click *Reactions > Raise Hand*), or state their full name followed by "yay" or "nay".

*Notice Date: July 18, 2025*

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# Land acquisition announced

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## *Yuułu?i?ath Government has acquired two parcels of land totalling 452 acres*

On Wednesday, September 10, 2025, Yuułu?i?ath Government acquired two parcels of land totalling 452 acres along Port Albion Road. This land acquisition supports Yuułu?i?ath Government’s long-term land use, culture and traditional harvesting, governance and initiatives to bring citizens home to Yuułu?i?ath ḥaḥuuti (traditional territory) for many generations to come.

The \$5,450,000 purchase is the result of careful planning to take advantage of the unique opportunity presented when the parcels were listed for sale. With the prospective purchase on the horizon, YFNS 89 Annual Budget Act, 2025-2026 Amendment Act No. 1 was enacted on June 25, 2025, amending the annual budget to accommodate the capital asset acquisition.

The parcels include waterfront property and traditional place names, such as:

- Čaawaap - “Flowing water” a small river.
- ĺiismaquḥsu?a - A small falling creek
- ĺaĺaaphinačišt - Mercer Lake

The location of these parcels, with proximity to hitaču,

opens many possibilities for future use. Potential opportunities include new housing, economic development, community services, recreational areas, or lands reserved for cultural purposes.

Our citizens will guide our leadership decisions, with extensive community engagement to ensure future development reflects the vision and priorities of our people.

In the coming months citizens will be invited to visit the newly acquired lands and take part in a cultural blessing ceremony. This gathering will mark the return of the parcels to Yuułu?i?ath stewardship and honour their place within our ḥaḥuuti.

It will also serve as an opportunity for citizens to connect with the land, share perspectives, and begin shaping the vision for how these lands will support our people and future generations

To see footage of the land, and to watch interviews with Yuułu?i?ath Government Executive Members, visit our YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/@uclueletfirstnation8310](http://www.youtube.com/@uclueletfirstnation8310).



*Aerial footage of the land on Port Albion Road. Image credit: Geoff Johnson, UkeeTube*



## Yuulu?i?ath Day Weekend

Friday, September 19 to  
Monday, September 22

*K'wisitis will be closed to public and open to citizens from Wednesday, September 10 to Wednesday, September 24.*



### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY: CIX<sup>W</sup>ATIN CENTRE

700 Wya Road  
hita?u

### SUNDAY: K<sup>W</sup>ISITIS

485 Wick Road  
Pacific Rim National  
Park Reserve

### FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Centre Reception  
Call: (250) 726-7342 Dial 1 or 0  
Email: Reception@ufn.ca

## FRIDAY

All Day K'wisitis Open

*K'wisitis will be closed to public and open to citizens for harvesting and other traditional activities.*

5:00pm Dinner  
6:00pm hita?u Assembly

## SATURDAY

8:00am Breakfast  
8:45am Opening Comments  
9:00am Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Activities

*Bounce-A-Rama, Wild Onyx Nails & Spa, Photo Booth, Cedar Weaving with Rose and Brian, hair cuts and face painting!*

12:00pm Catered Lunch  
2:00pm House Post Raising  
*Raising of the new female House Post carved by Clifford George and Hjalmer Wenstob at the Mini-Bighouse.*

4:00pm Culture Group  
5:00pm Dinner and Gifts  
6:00pm Closing Remarks

## SUNDAY

All Day K'wisitis Open  
9:00am Medicinal Plant Tours  
10:00am Beach Games  
12:00pm House Post Resting  
*Old House Post will be laid to rest at its former village site at K'wisitis .*

## MONDAY

All Day K'wisitis Open  
Yuulu?i?ath  
Government  
Offices Closed

# K<sup>w</sup>isitit closed to the public

## Beach access remains open to Yuułu?if?ath community members

K<sup>w</sup>isitit and the surrounding area at the south end of Wickaninnish Beach will be closed to the public from Wednesday, September 10 to Wednesday, September 24, 2025, inclusively, in recognition of Yuułu?if?ath's historical and modern connection to their ɥaɥuuli [traditional territory].

This closure includes the K<sup>w</sup>isitit Visitor Centre, the K<sup>w</sup>isitit Visitor Centre parking lot, the South Beach trail, the Nuuchah-nulth trail, and the southern end of Wickaninnish Beach (including Lismer Beach and South Beach).

The three Wickaninnish Beach parking lots and Beach Accesses A, B, C, D, and E will remain open. The Shorepine Bog Trail and Florencia Bay will also remain open.

Yuułu?if?ath Government - Ucluelet First Nation and Parks Canada thank you for respecting these closures.

For more details: <https://ow.ly/h4Nb50WTzgj>.



This map shows the area that will be closed. Image credit: Pacific Rim National Parks Reserve, Parks Canada



**Free  
Event!**



# Jay Genaille

*Professional Hoop Dancer & Entertainer*

## HOOP DANCE PERFORMANCE

**Wednesday, September 17 . Cixwatin Centre**

6:00pm - Hoop Dance Performance  
6:30pm - Hoop Making Workshop  
7:00pm - Hoop Dancing Workshop

Part of the Pacific Rim Arts Society's Cultural Heritage Festival.

pacific rim arts society



# Clayoquot Biosphere Trust

## 25th Anniversary Gathering

Submitted by: Marianne Lowen, Clayoquot Biosphere Trust

The Clayoquot Biosphere Trust and łaʔuukʷiʔaṭṭ (Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations) invite you to a regional gathering in recognition of the 25th anniversary of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere. This free public event will include a community meal, presentations, educational booths, and fun activities for all ages. There will be a bouncy castle for the kids!

- Saturday, September 20, 2025
- łaʔuukʷiʔaṭṭ will start with songs at 10 a.m.
- The event will go until dusk (lunch at 1 p.m.)
- Wickaninnish Community School Field
- Načiks / Tofino

This public event is designed to bring together Nations, communities, partners, and visitors to honour the region's global significance and the values of sustainability, reconciliation, and cultural exchange. All ages are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

Need a ride? We're grateful to BC Transit and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District for offering free West Coast Transit bus service on September 20th so everyone can travel with ease to and from the event.

To learn more, visit <https://clayoquotbiosphere.org/25th-anniversary>.



Funded by the  
**FIRST PEOPLES'**  
CULTURAL COUNCIL

## Beginner Language Class

Bi-weekly: First and Third Thursday of each month

6:30pm to 8:30pm

hiłstiis hupiṭuł Satellite Office

*Are you interested to learn Nuu-chah-nulth language?*

*maḥima [Maira Barney] will be teaching an in person class for citizens residing in Port Alberni!*

*All ages and experience levels are welcome.*

huuḥtakšiiḥin quuquʔaca

*We are learning to speak Nuu-chah-nulth.*



Operating on the territory of the Tseshaht & Hupačasath First Nations

Interested? Call (250) 266-6399 or email [Yanny.Poillievre@ufn.ca](mailto:Yanny.Poillievre@ufn.ca) to register.

# YUULU?IŁ?ATH LANGUAGE CLASSES



Are you interested to learn Nuu-chah-nulth language in West Barkley dialect?  
Drop-in to an in-person or online language class!

**huuhtakšiihin quuquu?aca**  
We are learning to speak Nuu-chah-nulth.

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## In-Person Classes

### WEDNESDAY

**hitaču Beginner Language Class**

Weekly on Wednesday. 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Taught by Čak<sup>w</sup>aasiqḥwīłim [Jeneva Touchie] in the Cultural Library.  
Snacks provided.

### THURSDAY

**hitaču Where Are Your Keys Language Class**

Weekly on Thursday . 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Taught by Čak<sup>w</sup>aasiqḥwīłim [Jeneva Touchie] in the Mini-Bighouse.  
Snacks provided.

## Virtual Classes

### MONDAY

**Beginner Language Class**

Weekly on Monday . 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Taught by Čak<sup>w</sup>aasiqḥwīłim [Jeneva Touchie] via Zoom

### WEDNESDAY

**Drop-in Language Class**

Weekly on Wednesday . 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Taught by Trinity Babichuk and Kimberly Baines via Zoom.

### THURSDAY

**Drop-in Language Class**

Weekly on Thursday . 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Taught by Trinity Babichuk and Kimberly Baines via Zoom.

### MONDAY & THURSDAY

**Advanced Language Class**

Weekly on Monday and Thursday . 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Taught by łukša [Adam Werle] via Zoom.

Priority to Yuulu?ił?ath citizens. Contact [Jeneva.Touchie@ufn.ca](mailto:Jeneva.Touchie@ufn.ca) for more information.

YUULU?IL?ATH? GOVERNMENT

Community Safety and Trespass Act



**NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
YUULU?IL?ATH? LAW**

**EXCLUSION ORDER**

**Order Issue Date: September 3,  
2025**

**Order number: YFNO 59/2025**

**TAKE NOTICE** that an Exclusion Order has been issued against Warren Douglas George pursuant to section 3.8(a) of the Community Safety and Trespass Act (the “**Act**”).

**Warren Douglas George is prohibited from entering onto or remaining on all Yuulu?il?ath? lands.**

This order is in effect until September 10, 2030.

More information:

The chief administrative officer has applied, pursuant to section 3.1 of the Act, for an exclusion order against Warren Douglas George (the “**Excluded Individual**”).

After conducting a hearing in accordance with the Act, the Executive has determined to issue an exclusion order against the Excluded Individual on the basis that

1. the Excluded Individual poses a significant threat,
2. issuing an exclusion order will materially reduce the threat, and
3. there is no less intrusive way available to the Yuulu?il?ath? Government to materially reduce that threat.

**The Excluded Individual is prohibited from entering onto or remaining on all Yuulu?il?ath? lands until September 10, 2030.**

The Exclusion Order will be strictly enforced. Any sightings of the Excluded Individual on Yuulu?il?ath? lands should be immediately reported to the RCMP and the Yuulu?il?ath? Government.

Any questions regarding the Exclusion Order can be directed to the chief administrative officer at [cao@ufn.ca](mailto:cao@ufn.ca) or the Yuulu?il?ath? administration office.

# hiłstiis hupii?ut YG Services



## September 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday Sunday
1 <b>Statutory Holiday</b> YG Offices Closed	2 Office Closed	3	4	5	6 7
8	9	10 Corey Rich Economic Development Officer 9:00am to 3:00pm	11 Kimberly Touchie Outreach Support Coordinator	12	13 Shawl-making Workshop 9:00am to 4:00pm with YG staff 14
15	16 Counselling with Amber Severinson 11:00am to 1:00pm	17	18 Melissa Hall Human Resources Manager 1:00pm to 4:00pm Language Classes resume with maħima 6:30pm to 8:30pm	19	20 YG Days Festivities in hita'cu 21 YG AGM in hita'cu
22 YG DAY YG Offices Closed	23	24	25 Kimberly Touchie Outreach Support Coordinator Nicole Burtini Social Worker Jennifer Touchie Educations Services Manager 10:00am to 12:00pm	26	27 28
29	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation YG Offices Closed				