



Syétsm t'l'a Sxexelhnát

News of the Week

Some Important Upcoming Dates

- SN Constitution Project gathering [\(p. 6\)](#)Apr. 26th
- Songwriting Workshop @ Brackendale Art Gallery (BAG) [\(p. 33\)](#)Apr. 26th
- Environmental Youth Alliance (EYA) Plant Giveaway application deadline [\(p. 30\)](#)Apr. 27th
- Grief & Loss Healing Circle [\(p. 20\)](#)Apr. 29th
- Community Gardening Workshops begin [\(p. 25\)](#)Apr. 29th
- Gathering Our Medicine – Men’s Kinship Circle begins [\(p. 13\)](#)Apr. 30th
- Naloxone Training [\(p. 21\)](#)May 4th
- Institute for the Moving Image – cohort application deadline [\(p. 34\)](#)May 4th
- Seabird SV Diabetes Clinic begins [\(p. 23\)](#)May 5th
- Mother’s Day Dinner [\(p. 27\)](#)May 6th
- Public Safety Fair (Totem Hall) [\(p. 14\)](#)May 8th
- Blessing Ceremony for Señákw [\(p. 8\)](#)May 8th
- Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Movie Night [\(p. 15\)](#)May 10th
- Drum-making Workshop (Part 1) [\(p. 22\)](#)May 12th
- SV Peacekeepers Celebration [\(p. 9\)](#)May 22nd
- Squamish Public Library Art Submission deadline [\(p. 10\)](#)May 22nd
- Drum-making Workshop (Part 2) [\(p. 22\)](#)May 27th
- Ribbon Skirt & Shirt Workshop [\(p. 35\)](#)May 31st

IA Declaration Day: April 15th, 2026
IA Cheque Day: April 29th, 2026






Syétsm t'l'a Sxexelhnát

News of the Week

Table of Contents

- [Elders' Calendar](#) 3
- [Workshop for Junior Elders: Dentalium Necklaces](#) 4
- Syétsm (News & Notices)**
- [SN Services – Satisfaction Survey](#) 5
- [SN Constitution Project Gathering](#) 6
- [Evolve E-Bikes & E-Scooters in Squamish Valley](#) 7
- [Blessing Ceremony for Seńákw](#) 8
- [SV Peacekeepers Celebration](#) 9
- [Squamish Public Library: Call for Artists](#) 10
- [Squamish Valley Community Plan \(SVCP\) Overview & Next Steps](#) 11-12
- Community Events** 13
- Sts'its'áp'newas (Employment & Future Skills)** 16
- Yúustway (Health & Wellness)**
- [Fellowship of the Spirit \(AA\)](#) 18
- [Open Talking Circles](#) 19
- [Ta skwalwentn app](#) 24
- Recreation** 25
- [Boat Tours with Sea Dogs](#) 26
- [Call for Interest: Ready Set Kidz youth preparedness courses](#) 28
- Hich Syétsm**
- [Nch'káy Quarterly Report](#) 29
- [Woodfibre-LNG: Community Safety Info Session Q&A](#) 31-32
- [Free Workshops & Music Sessions @ Brackendale Art Gallery \(The BAG\)](#) 33
- [Institute for the Moving Image – cohort application info](#) 34
- [Ribbon Skirt & Shirt Workshop](#) 35



SUNDAY Sxexelhnát	MONDAY Skwetkalhyes	TUESDAY S'tsamyés	WEDNESDAY Schanxwyes	THURSDAY Sxaa7utsens	FRIDAY Stsiyachis	SATURDAY T'akWentem
			DB 1 Lunch Crafts	Georgina R DB 2	Good Friday 3 Office Closed	 4
 5	Easter Monday 6 Office Closed	Melody H 7 10 Fitness Mary 10:30 Brunch Pottery Class 11:30-1:30	Birthday Party 8 CJM	N'ch Kay 9 Lunch	Community 10 Development 10-1	Heather N 11
12	13	10 Fitness Mary 14 10:30 Brunch Clair Robinson from Health and Fish Fry release 10am Brckendale	Wayne Mah 15 11am Diane 10-12Lunch	Dr Leigh 16 Joseph Solo	Council 17 1-4	18
19	20	10 Fitness Mary 21 10:30 Brunch Pottery Class 11:30-1:30	Lunch 22 10-12	Foot Care 23 9am 15 People max	Art's 24 Pole Raising 12-2	25
26	Chief Dale H 27 Crafts	10 Fitness Mary 28 10:30 Brunch Pottery Class 11:30-1:30	Crafts 29 with Ayas Men Men 11-1	Dr. Leigh 30 Joseph SFU students		

Dentalium Necklace Workshop



Contact Frances to Sign up!
 Phone: (604)848-2224
 Or
 Email: frances_baker@squamish.net

Will Start Once Full

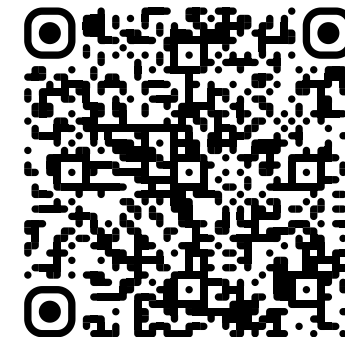
For Junior Elders
 ages: 55-64
 At Education Building: 37679 Sam Baker Dr.
 5PM – 8PM
First 10 people that sign-up, will be accepted to join



What is your experience with Nation services?

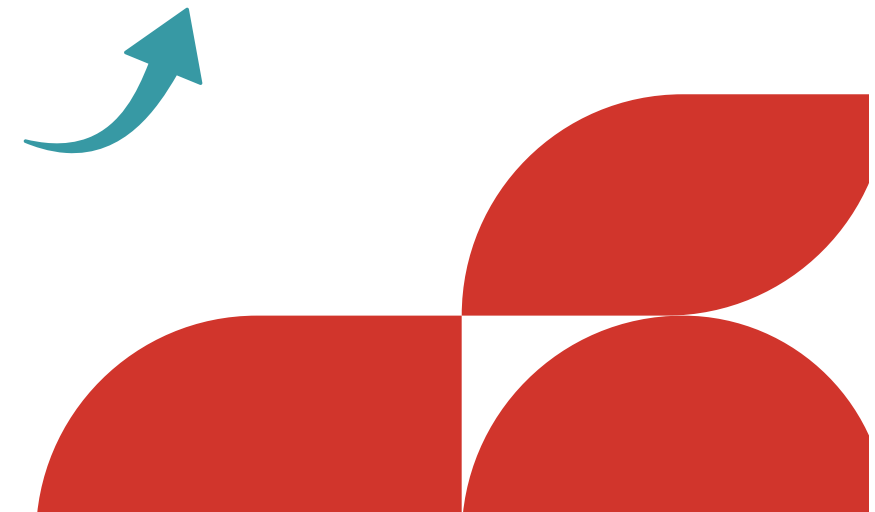
We're inviting all Squamish People aged 16+ who have accessed Nation information or services to complete our 2026 People's Satisfaction Survey.

Your feedback helps shape better services for our community.



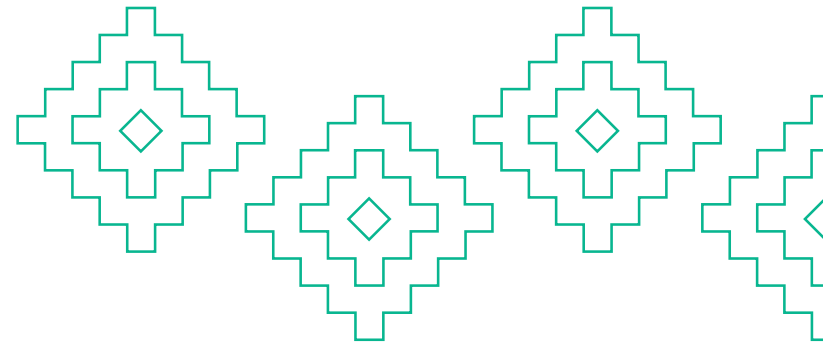
And enter to win 1 of 5 gift cards!

Scan the QR code to complete the survey.



Skw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumíxw
wa lh7tíhá ta
Skw̓xwú7mesh

Squamish Nation Constitution Project



Ha7lh Skwáyel!

In case we haven't met, my name is Danielle Mellish. I'm the Project Manager for **wa lh7tíhá ta Skw̓xwú7mesh** ~ (Squamish Nation Constitution Project). It's nice to be in touch.

I'm reaching out to personally invite you to attend one of our upcoming Constitution First Draft Gatherings happening this spring. We are holding three separate events in order to include as many Skw̓xwú7mesh People as possible. You can join us in person, or online!

SQUAMISH: April 26th, 12:00pm, Totem Hall

Visit www.constitutionproject.net/events to rsvp!

Whether you're familiar with the project or this is the first time you're hearing of it, your voice is wanted and welcomed. This is a fantastic time to get involved.

So why create a Squamish Nation Constitution? The short answer is: Working in unity makes our Nation stronger and results in better outcomes. There's even research to back this up. This is our chance to create the future we want—to shape our nation for generations to come. That's why it's so important to hear from *everyone*.

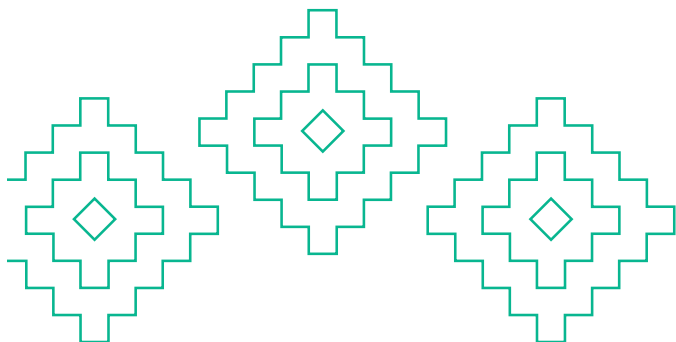
The constitution is still a work in progress. All the feedback gathered so far has been put into this first draft. We want to know if we're on the right track. That's why you and your input are essential.

Don't worry if you are unable to attend one of these meetings! There will be plenty of opportunities over the next few months to let us know what you think: family dinners, community engagement events, and surveys (in-person and online).

If you have any questions, don't be shy! Please reach out. Huy chexw a again for helping to shape our Nation.

chen kw'enman-túmiyap,
Danielle

Danielle Mellish, Project Manager
wa lh7tíhá ta Skw̓xwú7mesh ~
604.982.8600
info@constitutionproject.net
www.constitutionproject.net/events



Evolve Bike-share program Expands in Squamish

Now Includes E-Scooters

The Evolve bike-share program is growing from 17 to 30+ stations across Skw̓xwú7mesh lands and the District of Squamish, now including E-scooters and new stations at Stá7mes waterfront and Healthy Hub at Siyí7ch'em.

Squamish Nation community members and staff are eligible for reduced rates.

To celebrate the expanded services, Evolve E-Bikes and E-Scooters is offering residents of the Squamish Valley free 30-minute rides on Earth Day on April 22. You'll just have pay the \$1.25 unlock fee.

For more details on Evolve's Squamish Valley expansion and the reduced rates for members and staff, scan the QR code.

Scan the QR code with your phone to learn more!

SCAN ME



You're Invited:

Skw̓xwú7mesh Blessing Ceremony for Señákw's first tower

Squamish People are invited to witness a Blessing Ceremony for Señákw's first tower, t'l'eltl'élnup ("real home"). This moment carries deep significance — a return to our ancestral village and the beginning of a new chapter as we prepare to welcome residents in the months ahead.

The ceremony is performed by Squamish knowledge holders and will include cedar bough brushing, singing, drumming, and calling witnesses.

CEREMONY DETAILS

Friday, May 8, 2026
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Señákw

Enter the site off of
1100 Chestnut St.,
Vancouver, BC V6J 3J9

Includes:

Light refreshments

Registration Required:

Scan the QR code to register
your attendance by May 1



Additional event details, including transportation and parking, will be sent to registered Squamish People ahead of the ceremony.

We look forward to gathering together on this land and will continue to share more opportunities to gather together in the months ahead.

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT
communications@senakw.com

Señákw



SAVE THE DATE

Squamish Valley Peacekeepers Celebration

We are hosting a celebration to honour the Squamish Valley Peacekeepers for their years of dedicated service to the safety of Squamish People. All Squamish Nation community members are invited.

Please share information about this celebration with Elders, community members, and those who have a history or connection with the Squamish Valley Peacekeepers.

WHEN: Friday, May 22 | 2 – 6 pm

WHERE: Totem Hall

Contact

Anastasia_Jeffrey@squamish.net

www.squamish.net

Call for Sḵw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw Artists

The intention is for the artwork of a Squamish Nation artist to publicly and permanently acknowledge the Library's location on the traditional territory of the Squamish Nation. This art commission aims to celebrate the art, traditions, culture, and land of the Squamish Nation through the unique vision of the artist.

Submission Deadline:
Friday May 22 2026

Scan the QR code for details and submission requirements



Squamish Valley Community Plan Overview & Next Steps

The Valley's Plan is Approved

Council has recently approved the Squamish Valley Community Plan, which will guide all planning moving forward in the Squamish Valley.

We are moving ahead with the Quick Start actions, including forming the advisory committee, appointing the project lead, and developing the Squamish Valley Plan Communications Framework (a process for regularly communicating what's happening in the Squamish Valley).

The Squamish Valley Community Plan will guide staff on what the Community needs and what projects should be prioritized, based on Squamish Valley voices.

It will also inform the strategic plan currently being developed by Council, which ties into our Úxwumixw 2050: Sḵw̓xwú7mesh Generational Plan.

What is the Squamish Valley Community Plan?

A first of its kind, the Squamish Valley Community Plan (also known as The Valley's Plan) gathers all current planning and clearly explains what is to be accomplished in the Squamish Valley during the next 10 years.

The Valley Plan is organized into three elements:

- Quick Start Actions
- Next Steps
- Seeds" (representing future projects).

Learn more: <https://bit.ly/sv-community-plan>

Squamish Valley Community Plan Overview & Next Steps



The Squamish Valley Community Plan was built on planning from the past few decades, 50+ documents, community engagement over the past 16 months, and co-development with a Community Advisory Group.

It brings various initiatives under one umbrella and sets the vision for the future. The Nation is committed to honouring our Skwxwú7mesh ways, incorporating a health and wellness view of things and opening doors for our Community to have job opportunities.

What's next?

Staff are working on the Quick Start actions:

- Creating a 10-person Squamish Valley Community Advisory Committee
- Appointing The Valley's Plan Project Lead
- Developing Squamish Valley Plan Communications Framework

Timeline

- Squamish Valley Community Plan approved: February 2026
- Begin working on the Quick Starts: April 2026
- Advisory Committee Meetings: Fall 2026
- Appointing a Project Lead: Fall 2026 (budget approval)

Questions? Email:
SVCommunityPlan@squamish.net

Learn more & read the plan:
<https://bit.ly/sv-community-plan>



LEARN MORE

SCAN HERE

GATHERING OUR MEDICINE

MEN'S KINSHIP CIRCLE



Every Thursday
April 30th-June 25th
5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

41139B Government Road
Facilitated by Ayás Ménmen family
wellness workers and Elders' support.

Intended for: Fathers, grandfathers, uncles, nephews and sons.
caring for Squamish Children and Youth.

The GOM program supports men in understanding how colonial history has influenced men's roles, including fatherhood, within family and community, while honouring the healing and resilience held in Skwxwú7mesh ways of knowing and being.
Meal will be provided. Child-minding available on request. Please register via the Jot Form.



**Skwxwú7mesh
Úxwumíxw**
Squamish Nation



amm_wellness@squamish.net

<https://form.jotform.com/260697347235263>

PUBLIC SAFETY FAIR

Community members, families, and children will have the opportunity to connect with Nation staff, and Nation partners and external agencies committed to keeping Skwxwú7mesh People safe and to learn about the work they do.

This event is being held during Emergency Preparedness week, a national awareness initiative.



Door prizes



Earthquake simulator



Dinner, games, give-a-ways & much more!

Totem Hall
MAY 8, 2026
3:00pm – 6:00 pm

Chief Joe Mathias Centre
MAY 13, 2026
3:00pm – 6:00 pm

Need more information
public_safety@squamish.net



Follow us on Facebook



Follow us on Instagram

men wé7us chap kwis ch'áwatap wa estéteýwilh ta úxwumíxw cht
Help keep our community safe

Youth Advisory Council

Join the YAC for a movie night

Come enjoy pizza from Big Mama's and Papa's and watch the film "Night Raiders". Learn about the Squamish Nation Youth Advisory Council (YAC) and how you can get involved.

What's in it for you?

Pizza and an honorarium for your time and input.

Why Join the YAC?

We're looking for new members, especially those with experience in foster care or unstable homes. Your insights can help improve our youth services.

WHEN: Sunday, May 10 | 5 - 8pm

WHERE: Chief Joe Mathias Centre



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw
Squamish Nation

New Job Postings

Squamish Nation

Senior Health Care Assistant

Term Full-Time | Yúustway Health & Wellness | North Vancouver, BC

Education Administrative Officer

Permanent Full-Time | Sts'its'áp'newás Employment and Future Skills | North Vancouver, BC

Administrative Coordinator

Permanent Full-Time | Ta na wa Ns7éyxnitm ta Sne'wiyálh Language & Cultural Affairs | North Vancouver, BC

Driver

Casual | Ta na wa Ch'awát ta Sxwéxwel Squamish Valley Operations | Squamish Valley, BC

Child & Youth Worker – Life Skills

Permanent Full-Time | Ayás Méhmen Early Years & Youth Services | Squamish Valley, BC

Cultural Support Worker – Facilitator

Permanent Full-Time | Ayás Méhmen Early Years & Youth Services | North Vancouver, BC

Hiyám Housing

Director of Finance & Administration

Full-Time | Admin Office | North Vancouver, BC

Director of Communications and Engagement

Full-Time | Admin Office | North Vancouver, BC

Senior Manager of Operations

Full-Time | Admin Office | North Vancouver, BC

hiyamhousing.com/career-opportunities

Develop your career with the Nation

Questions? Need help applying? 604-985-8335 | careers@squamish.net

Chéchenstway (Human Resources) connects with all Squamish People who apply for positions with Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw. We look forward to receiving your application and supporting your professional growth with the Nation.

squamish.net/careers



**Skwxwú7mesh
Úxwumíxw**

Sts'its'áp'newás
Employment & Future Skills
Nexw7áystway Training & Trades Centre

**Nexw7áystway
Training & Trades Centre**
#3-1500 Railway Street
North Vancouver, BC

TRY A TRADE

July 6 - September 25, 2026
Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Try a Trade program offers students hands-on experience to help them discover their interests and potential career paths. Trades may include carpentry, electrical and plumbing. Programming includes Squamish cultural learning, essential skills, technical training and job readiness.

What is included:

- free tuition & training allowance
- meal plan, childcare & transportation subsidy

Apply by June 22



August 4 - November 6, 2026
Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

INTRODUCTION TO CARPENTRY



Introduction to Carpentry is designed for students who have little or no experience/education in the carpentry trade. Our curriculum incorporates cultural workshops, job readiness, safety training and 8 weeks of technical training with a Red Seal Carpenter! This program ladders into Carpentry Level One.

What is included:

- free tuition & training allowance
- meal plan, childcare & internet subsidy

Apply by July 21

Empowering Indigenous people to learn a trade and build a successful future

tradescentre@squamish.net

604-980-7946

[sntrainingandtradescentre](https://www.instagram.com/sntrainingandtradescentre)



Scan for website



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw
Squamish Nation

Fellowship of the Spirit

To the members in the Valley who are looking for some support to achieve sobriety and be around like-minded people:

You are welcome to join us in the Fellowship of the Spirit meeting to share or just to listen. No pressure to commit, but just to get your foot in the door and start your journey to healing your mind, body, and spirit.

At the meeting we alternate between nights where we read from the AA book and share, and nights where we have a Talking Circle. We are looking forward to greeting you with an open mind, and open heart, and open arms.

**We have childcare available for young or single parents to further support their needs.*



**Meeting @ the Shaker Church —
1365 Chief Billy Dr.
Every Friday night, starting @ 6:15pm**



Squamish Valley Weekly

Open Talking Circle

TUESDAYS
5:30pm-7:30pm



MARCH 3 -
MAY 26, 2026

@HA7LH SKWALWNAWTXW
SIYICH'EM (HEALTHY HUB, 41139B
GOVERNMENT ROAD)

A SAFE SPACE FOR BOTH MEN & WOMEN TO COME AS THEY ARE, SHARE SNACKS, AND RECEIVE SUPPORT. TOPICS WILL COVER TRADITIONAL VALUES & WELLNESS, HEALING AND MORE.

FACILITATED BY JESSICA BLOIS & DALLAS GUSS
ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT
WELLNESS@SQUAMISH.NET



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw
Yúustway
Health & Wellness
Community Health & Wellness



Grief and Loss Healing Circles

Please join us in a Healing Circle as we learn how to move through grief in a good way. These Circles are open to all Community Members, and will be facilitated by Elder Gene Harry.

Dates:

North Vancouver:

Wednesday, April 22, 5 – 9pm

Wednesday, May 20, 5 – 9pm

Wednesday, June 17, 5 – 9pm

Location: Shaker Church, 104 Mathias Rd

Squamish Valley:

Wednesday, April 29, 5 – 9pm

Wednesday, May 27, 5 – 9pm

Wednesday, June 25, 5 – 9pm

Location: Shaker Church, 1365 Chief Billy Drive

Food and refreshments will be provided.

Hosted by:

Justice Services, Member Services Department

For further details, or any questions, contact:

Nicasio Campos:

604-369-4220, Nicasio_Campos@squamish.net

Stacey Williams:

604-762-4905, Stacey_Williams@squamish.net



t'útenamtsut xwínilh s7i'xi

'Medication instead of shame'



NALOXONE TRAINING

WHEN: MAY 4, 2026 (MONDAY)

*(*and it's Star Wars Day. Wear a costume if you feel like it!)*

WHERE: TOTEM HALL, STAWAMUS ROOM

TIME: 1:30 – 3:30 PM

Scan the QR code to learn more and to sign up.



To sign up or if you have any questions contact:
236-788-1977 or wellness@squamish.net





Wa Chet Eskékxw Kwis Tahím Ta Manáts'a We Gather to Make a Drum

WHERE: Totem Hall
DATES: May 12 & 27
TIME: 5:00PM - 8:00PM Each Day

Come and learn how to make and paint a drum. Drum making facilitated by Alice Guss. All materials provided. We kindly ask that you can commit to both dates in order to finish your project.

Scan the QR code to learn more and to sign up!



Registration opens April 29th 1:30PM - May 6 1:30PM

You can also contact us to sign up or if you have any questions:
wellness@squamish.net

Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team



Living · Well · Together

Where: Totem Hall

When: May 5th
and 6th 2026

Contact: Caroline

Number: 236-877-7782

SV - Diabetes Clinic Notice

May 5th & 6th, 2026

(Tuesday and Wednesday)

Totem Hall, Stawamus Room

Who Is It For: People Living with Diabetes

People Who Are Curious About It

What The Appointment Includes:

Testing Blood Sugar and Cholesterol Levels

Checking Kidney Function

Diabetes Education

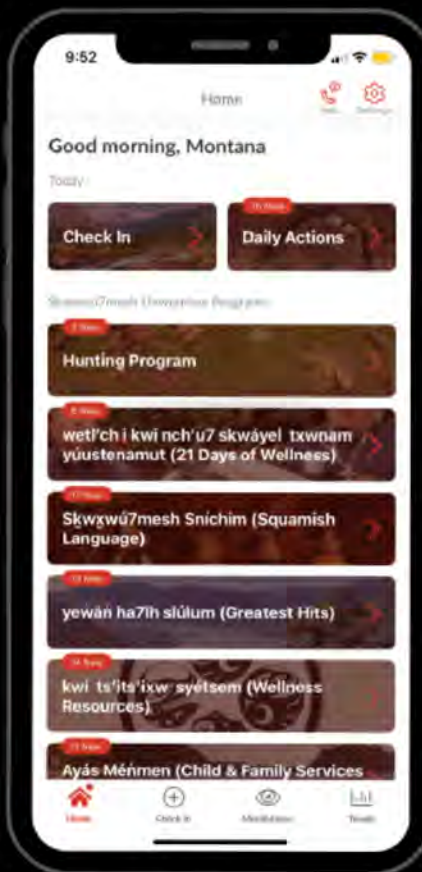




ta skwálwentn

Our voices. Our language. Our stories. Our teachings.

ta skwálwentn is your Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw wellness app. It is a confidential and safe place for you to connect with our ancient teachings, learn from our elders and knowledge keepers, and lift up our Skwxwú7mesh community members.



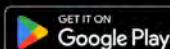
New Teachings: Youth Centre - Lessons and Gratitude

Join us for a program celebrating the impact of the youth centre across generations, featuring Elder Natalie Baker sharing her journey, reflections, and lessons from decades of support. Four youth who have attended the centre for up to ten years will also share what it means to them and why they love it.

View all of the teachings by April 30th for a chance to win \$250 worth of Skwxwú7mesh tála to put toward a prize of your choice from a local Skwxwú7mesh vendor.

Download the app today

Scan the QR codes or search: ta skwalwentn in the App or Play Store.



For more information visit our website taskwalwentn.com

Need help? Have questions? Call or text: 613-888-7986, or email: hello@taskwalwentn.com



Dates for 7 session in total

Brackendale: April 29th, May 9th, 16th, 20th

Garden bed cleanup, soil rejuvenation & seed transplant

Stawamus (Totem Hall): May 2nd, 13th, 23rd

Garden bed clean up, soil rejuvenation & seed transplant

Weekends: 10:30am–12pm

Weekdays: 5:30–6:30pm

Reserve a slot via email or telephone!

Phone: 604-892-5166

Email: Squamishrecreation@squamish.net



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw

Ta na wa Chawát ta Sxwéxwel
Squamish Valley Operations
Recreation



What: Family boat tour

Who: For Squamish Nation & Community families residing in Squamish Valley

When: May 2nd or 9th @ 11am–4pm

Where: Squamish Government Dock, 37778 Loggers Lane Squamish, BC



<https://form.jotform.com/250976969982079>



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw

Ta na wa Ch'awát ta Sxwéxwel
Squamish Valley Operations
Recreation

squamish.net

Happy Mother's Day

What: Celebrating Mother's Day Dinner
When: May 6th @ 6–8pm,
Where: Totem Hall
Who: Squamish Nation Mothers

Music 🎵 Bingo!

TV THEME SONGS
 Prizes for best dressed, come as your favourite TV character.
 Dinner, prizes and more.

Registration closes April 28th, 4 pm



Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumíxw

Ta na wa Ch'awát ta Sxwéxwel
Squamish Valley Operations
Recreation

squamish.net

CALL FOR INTEREST

We are looking for at least 12 participants each to register for these two classes:



HOME ALONE PROGRAM

Give your child the skills and confidence to stay safe and make smart decisions when home alone.

Course Details:

- For ages 8-12 years old
- Manual & Certificate Included

BABYSITTING COURSE

Give your child the skills and confidence to stay safe and make smart decisions when home alone.

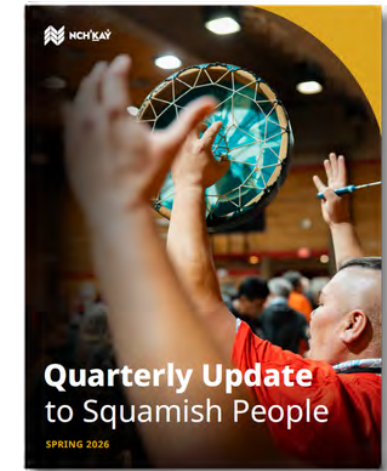
Course Details:

- For ages 12-15 years old
- Manual & Certificate Included



The newest issue of our *Quarterly Update to Squamish People* is now available!

Scan the QR code or visit www.nchkay.com to read it online



INSIDE THIS ISSUE, YOU'LL FIND:

- Housing application information and artwork from Seńákw
- Sqomish Forestry's seedling donation program
- Upgrades to Mosquito Creek Marina
- Photos from the 2025 Annual Gathering
- Promotions and professional achievements at Nch'kay
- And much more!

Prefer to read it in print? Pick up a copy in-person at the North Vancouver or Squamish Valley Elders Centres, the Squamish Nation Main Office, Eslha7an Learning Centre, Training & Trades Centre, Totem Hall, or CJMC — or, you can sign up to receive one in the mail.

If you or a family member would like to have a printed Quarterly Update delivered to your home, email us at communications@nchkay.com.

Please note, mail service is offered upon request to Squamish People only.

Classes will be at Totem Hall. Dates TBD. Requires a commitment to attend for both days of a weekend (Sat. – Sun.)

If you would be interested in taking part in these classes, please contact SquamishRecreation@squamish.net



Plant Gifts for the Community

Youth-grown native plants for food & medicine sovereignty & habitat restoration projects!

Choose a plant bundle or custom order
Complete request form by April 27th, 2026
Pickup from Strathcona Community Gardens

Available to:

- Indigenous-led garden projects across the Lower Mainland
- Black-led garden projects across the Lower Mainland
- Schools and community groups based in East Vancouver



Learn more and order your bundle:
www.eya.ca/plant-gifts-to-community



APRIL 2026

WOODFIBRE LNG & FORTIS BC EAGLE MOUNTAIN GAS PIPELINE PROJECTS

Update from Ta na wa Yúus ta Stitúyntsám | Rights and Title Department

SKWXWÚ7MESH ÚXWUMIXW COMMUNITY SAFETY INFO SESSION: QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Rights & Title staff met with community members at Totem Hall (Jan 20) and Chief Joe Mathias Centre (Mar 25) to discuss community safety on both projects. We appreciate all those that attended. We recognize there are likely other members with similar questions, so we wanted to compile responses for distribution in a newsletter. We will share responses in the April and May 2026 newsletters.

Q: How are WoodfibreLNG maintaining Henriette dam?

A: WoodfibreLNG is responsible for maintaining the Henriette dam. Plans for 2026 include repairing the concrete in various places and reinforcing the struts between the dam's buttresses. This is likely to be several months of work. In the meantime, the dam gets a surveillance inspection every week and an engineering safety inspection twice a year. Numerous engineering studies have been completed / provided since WLNG took on ownership.

Q: What's being done to mitigate lighting effects on herring at WoodfibreLNG?

A: Herring are in Átl'ka7tsem as early as Feb each year until around April and are surveyed by WoodfibreLNG and Howe Sound Marine Stewardship Initiative (MSI). We noted concerns regarding light impacts on marine life and asked WoodfibreLNG to do a review of all lights on site. This resulted in removal of unnecessary lights. Lights are needed at night for safety reasons as construction work is happening. In addition, many other mitigations were used such as the installation of timers and motion sensors, light was directed inward and away from the water, lights are set back from water's edge, LED/long tube fluorescent lights are used to mitigate UV, and light shields were installed.

Q: What are the risks to herring with the second floatel being near herring spawning grounds at WoodfibreLNG?

A: The area around Foulger Creek (~1000 m south of the Certified Project Area) has been a reliable spawning location pretty much every year. Some years that high-density spawning has extended very far south and some years more to the north, as far as Woodfibre Creek in 2021 and 2024. The most intensive herring spawn around Swiyát in the last decade was around 2016 and 2017, and most of that spawning was on the thousands of old creosote-coated piles that were left behind from the pulp and paper mill days – those piles were since removed in 2019.

APRIL 2026

SKW̓XWÚ7MESH ÚXWUMIXW COMMUNITY SAFETY INFO SESSION: QUESTIONS ANSWERED CONT.

Biologists are monitoring (via snorkel and scuba diving) bi-weekly until July for any spawn through the Certified Project Area and at two areas outside the Certified Project Area. If herring do spawn on either floatel, this will trigger a renegotiation of the habitat compensation work that will follow construction. Those compensation plans are already very focused on providing abundant new spawning habitat around Swiyát.

Q: What is the carbon footprint of the floatels?

A: Floatel 1 = 2,368 tonnes of CO2e in 2024

This represents emissions from diesel powered generators prior to being connected to BC Hydro/shore power in Dec 2024.

Floatel 1 = 1,179 tonnes of CO2e in 2025

There were BC Hydro power outages that resulted in diesel powered generators being used.

Floatel 2 = 739 tonnes of CO2e in 2025

This represents emissions from diesel powered generators prior to being connected to BC Hydro/shore power in Feb 2026.

Both Floatels are now connected to BC Hydro as the main source of power and therefore emissions are expected to be much less going forward.

Q: Is the FortisBC EGP project still planning to go through the Little Stawamus River despite it having fish in it?

A: Surveys conducted by FortisBC's Qualified Professionals in 2025 verified that the fish bearing status of the Little Stawamus Creek went farther upstream than was originally determined in previous surveys. FortisBC altered the project routing through this area accordingly to avoid crossing the Little Stawamus in the area that was reclassified.

Please keep an eye out for May's newsletter which will include the remaining questions and answers from the info sessions!

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Have you been impacted as a result of the current construction activities that are taking place?

Please report to:

Whitney Joseph, Skw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw:

swiyat@squamish.net or 778-966-1117

Woodfibre LNG:

info@wlng.ca or 1-888-801-7929

Fortis BC EGP:

egp@fortisbc.com or 1-855-380-5784

EGP Community Conduct Line

(specific to conduct in Squamish):

EGPWCC@rubinthomlinson.com or 1-855-514-6644

Free Workshops & Jam Sessions @ THE BAG

presented by the Brackendale Art Gallery Society

supported by an Arts & Culture grant from Squamish Arts
funded by the District of Squamish

Harmony Singing
4pm - 6pm Sun April 19
with Rita Kyle, Sam Sinanan & Catherine McInnes



Songwriting
4pm - 6pm Sun April 26
with Marc Charron & Catherine McInnes



Bluegrass
4pm - 6pm Sun May 3
with Mark Vaughn & Jody Kramer





Presented by **VIFF**

viff.org/institute

Deadline Extended For All Cohorts — Apply by May 4

We've extended the application deadline for all three inaugural cohorts:

Animation
Cohort

Documentary
Cohort

Creative Business
Cohort

Regalia Connections Squamish

Please Join Us RIBBON SKIRT & SHIRT WORKSHOP

May 31, 2026 | At 10 AM

📍 St'a7mes Reserve

For Indigenous adults and teens who have never made a ribbon shirt or skirt. Instructions and basic materials will be supplied.

Learn more at:
<https://subscribepage.io/m87mPN>



Registration opens May 1 @ 9 am



With generous thanks to our sponsors:





In case of after-hours emergency:

- **Public Safety:** 604-982-9938
- **Health & Wellness:** 604-982-7806
 - **Comm Ops:** 604-815-7116
- **Member Services:** 604-505-3776