

# THE BAMFIELDER



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## SARITA CAMP OPENING

Jan. 17 Joe Stanhope, Personnel Supervisor of MacMillan Bloedel, Franklin River division, said today that the company hopes to have the Camp at Sarita operational by the latter part of 1975. But, he said, "With the present economic situation I don't think anybody has any approval for spending the kind of money that it will need. So it could be as late as the Fall of '76."

During this coming year, MacMillan Bloedel plans to start facilities for a shop, office, cookhouse, small wharf, bunkhouse and some trailer pads for families.

"It's really a renewal of an old camp site," said Mr. Stanhope, as the new site will be located where the old married quarters used to be. The old camp opened up about 1943 according to Mr. Stanhope and was dismantled about 1959. It had a school, big addition and supported about 50 families.

Mr. Stanhope said that there is quite a lot of interest from people who would like to relocate in the Sarita area.

## BAMFIELD EXTENDS INVITATION

Jan. 20 At the Community Affairs meeting, Pat Carole, Regional Board representative, proposed that Bamfield residents decide whether or not they would like to invite MacMillan Bloedel to build their new camp adjacent to Bamfield rather than at Sarita.

The response was almost unanimously in favour of inviting them and, as a result, a letter will be sent to the company proposing this.

## RECORD RAINFALL

Peter Janitis reports that Bamfield had an all-time record rainfall of 141.33" in 1974. The last record was set in 1968 when 140.21" was recorded. Records measuring rainfall in the Bamfield area go back as far as 1908. These were recorded by C.O.T.C. employees, Messrs. Mack and Scott.

The coldest days so far this winter have been Dec. 28 and Jan. 10 with registered temperatures of 25°F.

The response to the ladies day bus was just fantastic. Angie Blakes' phone was ringing steady and so she now made arrangements for a second bus and there are still a few seats available.

Costs were expected to be approximately \$2.50 return with the bus leaving Echo Centre at 9:30 a.m. this morning and the mountain at 3 p.m.

Some of the gals indicated they were just going for the ride and a day in the fresh mountain air.

Alice Chiko was looking after the arrangements while Angie tries out the snow and "Sunshine."

Another club sponsored event will be Feb. 17. We have made arrangements to bring in a top notch two hour film "How the West was Skied."

This is a really great movie, professionally done, covering all the areas in western Canada.

Tickets are available at \$2.00 each at Woodward's ski shop or Ernie's Cycle and Ski. It is a one night showing at ADSS at 8 p.m.

We think everyone would really enjoy the color and action in this great movie. All proceeds from the show will go towards purchasing a P.A. system for our lodge.

The grand opening is now all set to go with an official bus leaving City Hall at 10:30 a.m. for the opening ceremonies at 1:30 on the chairlift.

Premier Barrett will be at the opening along with our MP Hugh Anderson and MLA Bob Skelly.

Ceremonies will be kept to a maximum of one-half hour so as not to cut in on the skiing time.

The honourable Jack Radford will also be trying out the hill along with his family.

Should be a great day to mark the opening to what we feel will not only be a great recreational facility but also a whole new industry for the centre of Vancouver Island.

Don't forget Saturday, March 1 is the Cherry Creek benefit dance for Arrowsmith.

Their Recreation Commission has kindly offered to sponsor this dance and the club directors have decided that all proceeds would go to the Arrowsmith First Aid Ski Patrol.

For those who are not aware of what this ski patrol does on the hill I would just like to clue you in.

First of all they are a volunteer group dedicated to safe skiing.

There are approximately 27 at present in our patrol and they are all certified first aid persons.

Their duties are to work in shifts five days per week and continually patrol the runs watching for possible hazards or someone needing assistance.

They are responsible for all safety equipment on the mountain, including toboggans and well outfitted first aid room.

In many instances you may see them taking someone down the mountain in a toboggan when in actual fact they could possibly get down on their own.

Their theory however, is that every case be treated as a serious accident until the patient is examined by a doctor.

In many cases the end result is perhaps only a bruise or sprain, but better to be safe than sorry.

These fellows and girls deserve a lot of respect and should they give you some

advice on the hill by all means take it.

In the near future they will be selling patrol buttons to raise funds so give them your support.

Snow conditions have really improved this past week and the forecast is for a lot more so keep your skis waxed up—we have a long season ahead.

## IN PORT

# Thief hots

The "stripping" of the vital parts of cars on city streets is not unusual, but the experience of one city resident last weekend is not ordinary.

Bill Greenhaugh of 706 Hilton St. reported Sunday morning that his 1967 Oldsmobile had been taken from his yard sometime between 8 p.m.

## Bamfield paper

Bamfield has a new monthly newspaper called The Bamfielder.

"The Community Hall Society started the paper because we needed a better way to advertise coming events than by poster and word-of-mouth," said editor Elinor Rhynas.

"As it turned out though, most of the paper is devoted to news and opinion. We may look like a sleepy little fishing village to visitors, but a lot is happening in the Bamfield area."

At first, it looked as though

the paper would not get off the ground, because the 20 year old machine that was to do the printing had a few aches and pains that made it a bit crotchety.

Peter Greengrass of the Marine Station examined the machine, diagnosed the trouble as a roller that had grown spongy with age and with typical Bamfield ingenuity, put some extra pressure on the roller balance by hanging a 45 lb. trailer hitch from it.

It worked and the presses rolled.

## A LOOK AT THE WEATHER

**Greater Vancouver, Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island:** Mainly sunny today with highs 35 to 40. A few clouds tonight and Thursday with lows 25 to 30. Highs near 40.

**North and West Vancouver Island:** Gale warning continued for Johnstone and Queen Charlotte Straits. Sunny today and Thursday. Highs both days in the upper 30s to mid 40s. Lows tonight 25 to 30.

**Northern Mainland, Queen Charlottes:** Gale warning continued for adjacent waters. Sunny and cold today and Thursday. Occasional strong east winds. Highs both days in the upper 30s to low 40s on the coast and 20 to 25 inland. Lows tonight 10 to 15 except near 25 on the Queen Charlotte coast.

**Thompson, Okanagan:** Mainly sunny and cold today and Thursday. Highs today near 20. Lows tonight 5 to 10 except zero to 5 below in a few valleys. Highs Thursday in the 20s.

**Columbia, Kootenay:** Mainly sunny and cold today and Thursday. Highs today in the mid teens to low 20s.

**Juan de Fuca Strait:** East to northeast winds 15, rising to 25 over eastern entrance. Cloudy, becoming sunny this afternoon. Visibility eight miles.

**West Coast Vancouver Island:** Northeast winds 15. Sunny with a few cloudy periods. Visibility eight miles.

**Johnstone Strait, Queen Charlotte Sound:** Gale warning continued. East winds 20, rising at times to 35 near mainland inlets. Mainly sunny. Visibility eight miles.

## TIDES

### PORT ALBERNI

Day Time Ht.-ft. Ht.-m.

6	0230	5.9	1.8
	0835	10.8	3.2
TH	1545	2.5	.8
	2220	8.7	2.7

### FT. ATKINSON

Day Time Ht.-ft. Ht.-m.

6	0340	14.2	4.3
	0840	11.7	3.6
TH	1300	13.0	4.0
	2040	3.8	1.2

## Reach the Community

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1975  
7 P.M.

**GETTING TO KNOW YOU**—Paula Anderson chatting with Art Lee, Jack Pearsoll and Iono Compognollo.

**AROUND TOWN**—will be concentrating on the Liberal Caucus meeting held at the Hospitality Inn last weekend—Jack Pearsoll will chat with Mrs. Crawford about matters of the Heart Fund and TAWASI Review and hostess Jan Peterson will introduce artists to you.

A program from the Vancouver Art Gallery will round out the evening.

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