

March 27, 2019

Programs and Events

► Career Centre Hiring Fair

Thursday, April 11, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Parksville Community Centre, 132 E. Jensen Ave, Parksville

Join local employers to learn about their businesses and meet those who are hiring!

1. Arrowsmith Lodge
2. Arrowsmith Moving & Storage
3. Aslan Ventures Inc.
4. BC Corrections
5. BC Ferries
6. The Bayside Resort
7. The Beach Club Resort
8. Berwick Retirement Communities
9. Black & White Event Rentals
10. Boston Pizza
11. Canadian Armed Forces
12. Canadian Coast Guard
13. Casino Nanaimo
14. City of Parksville
15. Domino's Pizza
16. Excel Career College
17. Footprints Security
18. The Gardens at Qualicum Beach
19. Horne Lake Caves Provincial Park
20. Inclusion Parksville Society
21. Industry Training Authority
22. Island Health
23. Lefty's Restaurant
24. McDonalds Restaurants
25. Morningstar Golf Club
26. Nurse Next Door
27. Oceanside Village Resort
28. Old Country Market
29. P & R Truck Centre Ltd.
30. Parksville Dairy Queen
31. Pheasant Glen Golf Resort
32. Provincial Health Services Authority
33. Qualicum Bay Resort
34. Qualicum Beach Inn – Managed by Kingsbridge Mgt.Ltd.
35. RBC Royal Bank
36. Real Estate Webmasters
37. Riverside Resort
38. School District 69 (Qualicum)
39. Seaspan
40. Skilled Trades Employment Program (STEP)
41. Springford Farm Ltd.
42. Sprott Shaw College
43. Stanford Seniors Village
44. Sun Life Financial
45. Sunrise Ridge Waterfront Resort
46. Tigh-Na-Mara Seaside Spa Resort & Conference Centre
47. Tim Hortons
48. Town of Qualicum Beach
49. Ucluelet Harbour Seafoods
50. Vancouver Island University
51. Western Forest Products

Included in the Career Centre Hiring Fair are the following information sessions:

► Careers with Island Health Info Session

Thursday April 11, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Parksville Community Centre

Interested in applying to Island Health? Meet with an Island Health human resources representative to learn about upcoming opportunities, the application process and the preferred qualifications and resume formatting. This info session is open to anyone interested in seeking employment with Island Health. Pre-register through the Career Centre 250.248.3205.

► Careers in the Marine Industry Info Session

Thursday, April 11, 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Parksville Community Centre

Join this informative session to learn more about this growing industry and the variety of career opportunities in the marine sector. Representatives from BC Ferries, Canadian Coast Guard, Gowlland Towing, Seaspan and Western Maritime Institute will be in attendance. Pre-register through the Career Centre 250.248.3205.

► BladeRunners Grounds Maintenance Program

NEW DATES: April 29 to May 24, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Career Centre, Unit #328 -198 E Island Highway, Parksville

This program for youth aged 16 – 30 is designed to give participants the skills and certificates they need to obtain work in a Grounds Maintenance/Labourer position. The program includes theory in the classroom, onsite experience, life skills training, job search assistance and related certificates. Call us to learn more or to register for the information session on **Wednesday, April 3 at 2:00 pm.**



► How to Prepare for a Hiring Fair Workshops

Thursday, April 4, 2:00 am to 4:00 pm or

Monday April 8, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Career Centre, 198 E Island Highway, Parksville

Understand what you need to prepare before, during and after the Hiring Fair. Learn networking strategies to ensure your success when you meet face-to-face with local employers.

► SuperHost Workshop Wednesday, May 8, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Career Centre, 198 E Island Highway, Parksville

Customer service skills are highly valued by employers! Gain industry recognized certification. This public SuperHost Foundations of Service Quality course is a comprehensive, practical introduction to the principles of providing a quality service experience. Course fee is \$79.00 per person. Please call the Career Centre at 250.248.3205 to register and for more information.

► WorkBC Nanaimo Job Fair

Thursday, April 4, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 101 Gordon Street, Nanaimo

For a list of registered employers, see <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/workbc-nanaimo-job-fair-tickets-56945531618>.

Business Buzz

The following are the new businesses that opened in Parksville this February:

| NAME | LOCATION | CONTACT | PHONE |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <i>February 2019</i> | | | |
| Captain George's Seafood | 9 102 Island Hwy East | Frances Carrat | 250 586 6555 |
| Island Wide Transport | | Jody Chambers | 250 937 1986 |
| KDCleaning | | Kristen Rogers | 250 927 0809 |
| Island Upholstery | 102 425 Stanford Ave | Marvin Haftner | 250 937 0781 |
| Salve Health Care Services Inc. | 188 McCarter St | Maria Solas | 604 783 9215 |
| Monkey Business Gymnastics | | Leah Sieben | 250 616 1725 |
| Sunbeam Timberworks | | Ben Sundby | 250 327 4636 |
| Unicorn Health Bridge Consulting | | Victoria Morris | 509 593 3026 |
| Karl J. Wall | | Karl Wall | 250 228 5774 |
| Sherwood Electric | | Timothy Sherwood | 250 739 9360 |
| McCormack & Sons Electrical | | Anthony McCormack | 250 240 1945 |

<https://www.parksville.ca/cms.asp?wpID=57>

► An application to operate a non-medical cannabis retail store in Coombs has been referred to the Regional District of Nanaimo for review. The business is proposed to be in an existing building located at 2254 Alberni Highway. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday March 27 at Arrowsmith Hall at 6:00 pm. Parksville Qualicum Beach News, Thursday March 21, 2019, A13.

► The construction of Ricky's new restaurant on Island Highway in Parksville has broken ground.

► Lantzville residents will soon have an easier time walking down Peterson Road. Councillors voted to award the Peterson Road rehabilitation and pathway construction project contract, worth \$810,448, to IWC Excavating Ltd. Once completed the rehab project will see one kilometre of road replaced on Peterson

Road between Harby Road East and Venture Road. A walkway will also be constructed along Peterson Road from Lantzville Road and Harby Road East. <http://bit.ly/2TxUJPY>

► Orca Place, the supportive housing building located at 222 Corfield Ave. in Parksville, is moving ahead with construction. The second delivery of the modular building units for the site were delivered on March 21. Parksville Qualicum Beach News, Thursday March 21, 2019, A8.

► Coombs Junction Furniture and Mattresses has reopened their store after undergoing major renovations. They have also added a new showroom at 2701 Alberni Highway in Coombs. Business Examiner Vancouver Island, February 2019, pg 33.

► Mid Island Cabinets has opened a new showroom located at 1500 Springhill Road in Parksville. Business Examiner Vancouver Island, February 2019, pg 33.

► March 8th saw the arrival of the first Pure Car and Truck Carrier (PCTC) from Europe into the Port of Nanaimo. The cars will be offloaded and prepared to send to vehicle dealerships on Vancouver Island and the lower mainland, eventually expanding throughout western Canada. Nanaimo was selected as it provides direct short-sea connections to the Lower Mainland, as European Automotive Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) are experiencing significant capacity constraints and other issues elsewhere. <http://bit.ly/2U8hrTi>

► PEG Companies (“PEG”) a Utah-based commercial developer, announced plans to begin construction in Nanaimo on a nine-storey Courtyard by Marriott hotel. PEG Companies was founded in 2003 and is now one of the fastest growing commercial real estate development firms in the West. The property, located at 100 Gordon St. across from the Vancouver Island Conference Centre, will consist of 172 rooms and offer industry-leading amenities including a charming street-level cafe, large pool, luxury spa, and all-inclusive fitness center. The \$22 million project is set to start construction in April this year. <http://bit.ly/2FsKeZc>

General LMI

► In Port Alberni, and the rest of Vancouver Island, forestry jobs have been on the decline for the past two decades for reasons that include everything from increasing mechanization to shifts in global markets.

But a short drive down Port Alberni's waterfront from the closed Somass mill, which halted production indefinitely in 2017, construction is starting on a brand new sawmill that is bringing some hope for new jobs.

A BC company called the San Group is investing about \$70 million to build the new mill and associated remanufacturing plants. It plans to produce high-value engineered wood products from smaller logs.

"We will be processing with special sizes, and all species, and turn it into finished product right in Port Alberni. That is what our plan is," said CEO Kamal Sanghera. <http://bit.ly/2Oo5ovN>

► Construction of purpose-built rental apartments in Nanaimo is happening at a pace that hasn't been seen in decades, and just when the community seems to need it most.

Housing data released by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation on Friday shows 138 apartment unit starts in Nanaimo during the first two months of 2019, a 710 per cent increase from last year when there were just 17 during the same time period.

Braden Batch, senior economics analyst with Housing Markets Insights West, said the number is significant for Nanaimo, and most of those units are purpose-built rentals.

“The big story is that there is an elevated number in apartment starts,” he said. “It’s not hard to see it being elevated because it was essentially zero for 30 to 40 years. I am not even joking.

“It is not just Nanaimo, purpose-built rental was not built since the late 1970s in most of the country. We don’t know why that is and we’re still trying to figure that out.”

The vacancy rate for purpose-built apartment buildings in Nanaimo is around 2.5 per cent.

Batch said while he expects an overall slowdown in B.C. construction starts due to a decline in population growth, apartment starts and purpose-built rental units in Nanaimo are expected to continue at a high pace.

There were 41 apartment unit starts in Nanaimo last month alone according to CMHC data, which only counts purpose-built apartments. Rental units in secondary suites or other types of housing are not calculated.

Nationwide, the annual pace of overall housing starts in Canada continued its descent. The monthly seasonally adjusted annual rate of housing starts in February was 173,153 units, a 16 per cent decrease from January, according to the CMHC. <http://bit.ly/2Ot2Ts3>

► Forest communities will see more jobs and opportunity from BC’s proactive adoption of building code changes that allow the safe construction of taller wood buildings.

“Companies like Structurlam are leading the way with innovative engineered wood products that create jobs in the forest sector and opportunity for people in communities throughout BC” said Premier John Horgan. “Changes to the national building code that allow for taller wood buildings take effect next year, but we’re not waiting to get started. Our government is ready to work with communities to build safe, secure and green tall wood buildings that will create jobs, grow BC’s value-added sector and realize our low-carbon future.”

Eligible local governments throughout BC are invited to become early adopters of mass-timber technology for construction of buildings up to 12 storeys, up from the current allowance of six storeys.

A mass timber building is one where the primary load-bearing structure is made of either solid or engineered wood. Encapsulated mass timber is where the mass timber components are surrounded by fire-resistant materials like drywall.

“Mass timber technology allows faster construction where large sections of a building can be manufactured in a plant and then assembled on site,” said Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs

and Housing. “The faster we can deliver the homes that people need, the better for communities right across BC”.

Mass timber buildings can be one-fifth the weight of comparable concrete buildings, while still meeting performance standards for safety, structural resilience and fire protection. Studies have shown the environmental benefits of using mass timber. The estimated carbon benefit from the wood used in the Brock Commons building was equivalent to taking 511 cars off the road for a year. The development of innovative and cost-effective low-carbon building solutions — like construction using mass timber technology — supports government’s CleanBC goal of making every building more efficient, while creating more jobs and economic opportunities for people, businesses and communities. <http://bit.ly/2UXeO3N>

Local Job Leads and Postings

Parksville and Area

- ▶ CAD Drafter – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2U4bmqU>
- ▶ Amazing Caregivers - Parksville/Qualicum <http://bit.ly/2Ua3292>
- ▶ Red Seal Heavy Duty Mechanic – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2HGOkAo>
- ▶ Powder Coating Painter – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2FCzWY1>
- ▶ Forming Carpenters - Nanoose Bay <http://bit.ly/2U9UEpT>
- ▶ Sales Associate - FIELDS - Parksville <https://indeedhi.re/2Wh6uMy>
- ▶ Garden Centre Staff Assistant - Buckerfield's - Parksville <https://indeedhi.re/2FrOqsn>
- ▶ Stock Room Employee/Administrative Assistant - Culture Craze - Qualicum Beach <https://indeedhi.re/2UYokUg>
- ▶ Warehouse Order Selector - Quality Foods – Errington <https://indeedhi.re/2upbf12>
- ▶ Stucco Plasterer - Pro-Line Stucco – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2rRLOi2>
- ▶ Baker/Barista - The Brew Coffee House – Bowser <https://indeedhi.re/2Wr7Owa>
- ▶ Custom Success Specialist - Pixton Comics – Qualicum Beach <https://indeedhi.re/2JGyyay>
- ▶ Full Time Meter Reader – Olameter – Parksville <https://indeedhi.re/2TCSs5X>
- ▶ Sawmill Labourer - Longhouse Specialty Products – Parksville <https://indeedhi.re/2XcbKIY>
- ▶ ADMN O 24R - Communication and Engagement Specialist - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2FwIONl>
- ▶ Palliative Care Coordinator - Vancouver Island Health Authority – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2HIqGDE>

Nanaimo

- ▶ Western Forest Products – <http://bit.ly/2DFYbzZ>
- ▶ BC Public Service - Job Opportunities <https://bit.ly/2A1TJ1Y>
- ▶ Virtual Recruiter Position – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Tw5Cll>
- ▶ Tree Service Groundsman (2 Positions Available) – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Wk1Ywl>
- ▶ Fence Installer - Surrounding Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2HE6z9V>
- ▶ General Labourers, Apprentice Carpenters, and Experienced Carpenters for a Residential Contracting Company – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2U2umGn>
- ▶ Motivated Labourers for Outside Work - Central Vancouver Island Company - <http://bit.ly/2CCz6bP>
- ▶ Scale Attendant – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2JEhC4E>
- ▶ Shop Assistant/General Labourer – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2HGORUT>
- ▶ Office Administrator Part Time - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2Ymc2qW>
- ▶ Production Manager – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2UboHxl>
- ▶ Service Advisor - Mercedes-Benz Nanaimo – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2uqLpmV>

- ▶ Customer Service Representative - Nordia Inc. – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2FyQvtI>
- ▶ Inventory Associate - WIS International – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2UdkvgP>
- ▶ Service Assistant/Labourer - Calais Spa Pools & Billiards – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2utTJSQ>
- ▶ Accounting Clerk/Data Entry - Alair Homes – Nanaimo <https://indeedhi.re/2FuuLrF>
- ▶ General Labourer - Slegg Building Materials - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2FzaVeH>
- ▶ Insurance Advisor - Western Financial Group – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2rRLOi2>
- ▶ Business Analyst – Quality – Tilray – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2rJ6oz2>
- ▶ Receiver Store Full Time – Sobeys – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2UfeOyX>

Port Alberni and Area

- ▶ Corporate Sponsorship & Fundraising Coordinator – Job Number #19600 - Hugginz By Angel Children's Charity - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Receptionist/Administration - Job Number #14112 - Alberni Toyota - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Women's Counselling Program (STV) - Job Number #19590 - Alberni Community & Women's Services Society (ACAWS) - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Class 3 Ltl – Delivery Driver - Dumas Trucking Ltd. <http://bit.ly/2CEz5nx>
- ▶ Adult Outreach Worker (Regular Part-Time) - Job Number #17687 - Alberni Community and Women's Services Society - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Dental Receptionist - Job Number #19589 - Valley Dental - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Aircraft Maintenance Engineers M-Cat and/or A&P - Coulson Airplane/Coulson Aviation (USA) Inc. – Port Alberni <https://indeedhi.re/2FAIpdV>
- ▶ Community Health Worker - Vancouver Island Health Authority – Alberni <http://bit.ly/2IETbm1>
- ▶ Laboratory Technologist I - Vancouver Island Health Authority – Alberni <http://bit.ly/2HIuhBT>
- ▶ Transportation Operator/Labourer - Terrapure Environmental – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2wHkKWV>

Camp Jobs

- ▶ Camp Attendant - Sitka Civeo Pacific Northwest Employees LP – Kitimat <http://bit.ly/2HUovwi>
- ▶ Janitor/Utility - Sitka Civeo Pacific Northwest Employees LP – Kitimat <http://bit.ly/2YqhHw9>
- ▶ Haul Truck Driver - Red Chris Development Company Ltd. - Dease Lake <https://indeedhi.re/2JQIR0S>
- ▶ HSE Coordinator - Horizon North - Kitimat <http://bit.ly/2WqHpPm>
- ▶ Mill Maintenance Lube Service Technician - Red Chris Development Company Ltd. - Dease Lake <https://indeedhi.re/2Wrzu4m>
- ▶ Mobile Maintenance Steam Truck Operator - Red Chris Development Company Ltd. - Dease Lake <https://indeedhi.re/2Ujbxex>
- ▶ Tailings Dam Survey Control Technician - Red Chris Development Company Ltd. - Dease Lake <https://indeedhi.re/2YqjZLL>
- ▶ Surveyor - Peace River Hydro Partners - Fort St. John <http://bit.ly/2Ub76pr>
- ▶ Earthworks Superintendent - Peace River Hydro Partners - Fort St. John <http://bit.ly/2UVOK9I>
- ▶ Heavy Duty Mechanic - Coeur Mining Inc. - Northern British Columbia <http://bit.ly/2Wne8VB>

Job Search Tips

- ▶ Want a New Job in 2019? Become a Healthy Business of One <http://bit.ly/2YfMJ9K>.