**District of Clearwater** 

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



## Message from the Mayor

As mayor, I get pitched a lot of new business ideas. I take a lot of them with a grain of salt; some with a whole shaker of salt.

This is the part of my job that I would loosely consider Economic Development (EC Dev). Ec Dev generally falls on the CAO's desk, or to an Economic Development Officer, but I do get floated ideas before someone goes to the permitting/regulatory process.

Ec Dev, for communities like Clearwater, is generally defined as "programs, policies or activities that seek to improve the economic well-being and quality of life for a community." In simpler terms, it's "How do we help current businesses succeed?" and "How do we help new businesses choose Clearwater?"

When I was in business, about one in eight of my new moneymaking ideas actually became something. After doing a proper business plan, only about one in 16 ideas ended up being a real winner.

Ideas that involve the District of Clearwater investing money in a business generally get a hard pass. The District wouldn't be investing "our" money, we'd be investing "your" money, aka your tax dollars, so no. Regardless, I still listen to the pitch as there's always the possibility to hook them up with an investor or funder.

The same goes with business requests for reduced taxes, no taxes, or free utilities. The problem with one business getting a tax break is that we would have to do it for all businesses, not just as a point of fairness, but as a legal requirement.

So what about the rest, the ideas or pitches that could really become something?

Unless the business owner/entrepreneur talks about them publicly, we don't talk about them. We have a duty, both ethically and legally, to keep ideas confident.

I hear some really great ideas...tourism ideas, manufacturing ideas, resource ideas, small business ideas, food and entertainment ideas. Can't talk about them.

Some things, like the Taseko Yellowhead Mine project, I can talk about a little bit, but only the information that Taseko has given me permission to share. For what it's worth, that project is about five years away—at least. And there are so many variables that could change that. Markets, environmental and First Nations approval processes, financing, power supply, etc.

So why am I bringing this up now? The world is changing in ways we wouldn't have predicted even a year or two ago. With change comes opportunity and council feels we need to have the resources to be ready for those opportunities. We will be discussing

ramping up our EC Dev function into something bigger to get ready for future projects and future opportunities.

We want to hear your thoughts and ideas. What great economic idea would you like to see come to our area?

## Council Highlights

#### October 1 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- Council approved the RZ-24-01 Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Affordable Housing Phase 2), Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 301 and it was introduced and read a first, second and third time.
- Council approved the District of Clearwater Permissive Tax Exemption "Not for Profit" Bylaw No. 306, 2024 and that it be introduced and read a first, second and third time.
- Council approved the District of Clearwater Permissive Tax Exemption for "Housing" organizations Bylaw No. 308, 2024, and it was read a first, second and third time as amended.
- Council approved the District of Clearwater Permissive Tax Exemption for "Clearwater Curiosity Thrift Store and Clearwater and District Food Bank" Bylaw No. 309, 2024 and it was read a first, second and third time as amended.
- Council approved the District of Clearwater Permissive Tax Exemption for "Yellowhead Community Services Society" Bylaw No. 3010, 2024 and it was read a first, second and third time as amended.
- Council approved the District of Clearwater Permissive Tax Exemption for "Clearwater Ski Club" Bylaw No. 311, 2024 be read a first, second and third time as amended.

#### October 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- Council approved supporting the submission of an application to the UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for the Disaster Risk Reduction -Climate Adaptation 2024 stream in an amount of up to \$148,000 and Council directed District staff to provide the overall management of the grant.
- Council approved a project contingency for the Well 3 Generator to be relocated, in the amount of \$20,000 + GST and the budget to be amended and funds are directed from the Growing Communities Fund.
- Council appointed Byron Johnson as the District of Clearwater's Chief Administrative Officer (CAO); and effective October 15, 2024, Byron Johnson be designated with signing authority for District business; and that Jason Johnson be removed from signing authority as of October 31, 2024.
- The Committee of the Whole recommended to Council that Council direct staff to proceed with gathering public feedback on the Draft Cemetery Bylaw No. 305, 2024, to ensure it aligns with the needs of the community, and report back to Council with the findings and any suggested amendments.
- · The Committee of the Whole recommended to

Council that staff be directed to prepare a report outlining the District's current Master Plans, identifying any additional Master plans in the operational and financial plans, providing an anticipated timeline for the completion, with the report to be returned at the next quarterly strategic plan update in December.

#### November 5, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- Council directed staff to include a project to obtain a Class-B cost estimate for the Dr. Helmcken Memorial Hospital Medivac Helipad in the draft budget process for the 2025-2029 Five-Year Financial Plan, as outlined in Option 1 of the Draft Air Facility Master Plan presented at the Regular Council meeting on August 20, 2024.
- Council awarded Borrow Enterprises a 3-year Road Maintenance Contract with two possible one year extensions, in the amount of \$799,049.00 for the first year, with a CPI Increase for each of the following years; and the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents.
- Council approved the 2025 District of Clearwater Council and Committee of the Whole meeting schedule as presented; and Council approves the appointment of the Acting Mayor in accordance with Section 130 of the Community Charter, with appointments rotating as presented in Option A; and the Councillor appointed as Acting Mayor for any given month shall also serve as the Chairperson for the Committee of the Whole during the corresponding period.
- Council approved supporting staff to bring the draft 2025 project plan, as presented to public consultation.

#### November 19, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- The Committee of the Whole recommended to Council to direct staff to increase the 2025 water fees by 10%, to increase the 2025 sewer fees by 10% and to increase the 2025 septage receiving fees by 2.8%; and The Committee of the Whole recommended to Council to direct staff to amend the Clearwater Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 109, 2013 to include schedules for the water, sewer and septage fees.
- Council approved to direct staff to require development cost charges for single family detached, duplex and manufactured homes, be collected at time of subdivision.
- Council approved directing staff to remove W3 –

- Sunshine Valley Reservoir & Supply Main from the list of eligible capital water projects.
- Council directed staff to set the Municipal Assist Factor to 1% for all infrastructure category (eg. water, sanitary, roads, and parks)
- Council approved the Draft Memorandum of Understanding with the TNRD to allow the temporary use of District space for library operations; and that the Mayor and Corporate Officer are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents.
- Council approved the addition of a December 2024 newsletter and adopt the 2025 and onward quarterly schedule (March, June, September, December) to support Council's communication priorities and foster timely community engagement.

#### December 3, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- Council approved the Dutch Lake Corridor public engagement plan as presented and directed staff to execute the plan.
- Council approved the DCC public engagement plan as amended to include an additional session in January 2025, and directed staff to execute the plan.
- Council approved staff to distribute \$15,985, representing the Ted Richardson Memorial Bursary fund balance, to the Clearwater Secondary School as a "special" grant in aid. These funds are to be distributed to eligible students that meet the criteria of the Ted Richardson Memorial Bursary within the Clearwater area.
- Council approved allocating a donation of \$1,500.00 to the Clearwater And District Food Bank Society to come from the Council Contingency Fund.
- The District of Clearwater amendment Bylaw No. 314, 2024, to amends Clearwater Improvement District Water and Sanitary Sewer Service Connection Regulation and Charge Bylaw No. 278, 2007, was introduced and read a first, second and third time.
- The District of Clearwater amendment Bylaw No. 315, 2024, to amend Bylaw No. 217, 2019, a bylaw to regulate and manage septage disposal facilities within the District of Clearwater, was introduced and read a first, second and third time.
- The District of Clearwater amendment Bylaw No. 313, 2024, to amend the District of Clearwater Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 109, 2013, was introduced and read a first, second and third time.
- December 17, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

- Council approved renewing a contract with the TNRD for Building Inspection services for 2025 to 2027 inclusive; and Council authorized the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign the contract.
- Council received the Master Plans Update report and provided feedback to staff regarding any desired changes.
- Council allocates \$5,000 annually for Public Art initiatives within the operating budget, starting with the 2025–2029 Five-Year Financial Plan; Council directs staff to prepare a draft Terms of Reference for the Public Art Advisory Committee, to constitute it as a select committee of Council, and present it at the January 21, 2025, Regular Council Meeting; and Council requests staff to develop online and paper application forms for the Public Art Advisory Committee, with applications to be accepted after the Terms of Reference are approved, and appointments to be made by Council in February 2025, prior to the first meeting of the Public Art Advisory Committee in March 2025.
- Council approved the service level change for .5 FTE for the Administrative and Communication position and direct staff to include the position in the 2025-2029 Financial Plan.
- Council received a report for information regarding potential updates to the Council Procedure Bylaw.
- Council approved the following 2025 projects early:
- Annual Roads Capital Project, VT Scada & Instrumentation Upgrades, Fire Training and Equipment, Dutch Lake Corridor Project, Roadway Assessment Study, and the Annual Engineering -Water Infrastructure project.
- Council directed staff to finalize a business case for an Emergency Management Analysis Report and include it in the Draft 2025-2029 5-year financial plan and that the project receives early approval for the 2025 budget.
- Council approved that a letter be sent to the Chair of School District 73 to inquire about the potential sale of the Dutch Lake Community Centre to the District of Clearwater and directed staff to explore potential terms for such a sale and report back to Council.
- The District of Clearwater amendment Bylaw No. 314, 2024, to amend Clearwater Improvement District Water and Sanitary Sewer Service Connection Regulation and Charge Bylaw No. 278, 2007 was adopted.
- The District of Clearwater amendment Bylaw No. 315, 2024, to amend Bylaw No. 217, 2019, a bylaw to regulate and manage septage disposal facilities within the District of Clearwater was adopted.

## **Finance**

#### 2025-2029 Financial Plan Process

The 2025-2029 Financial Planning process is almost complete. There are several ways to find financial plan information. They are:

- Attend a council meeting. Council agendas are posted prior to each meeting and may be attended in-person or through livestream.
- Write us an email at feedback@docbc.ca
- Call Linda Klassen at 250-674-2257

The 2025 Financial Public Engagement Survey will be posted on the District website here: www.districtofclearwater.com/municipal-hall/finance-services/

#### **Grant in Aid Process**

The District recognizes the value of community clubs, groups, non-profit organizations and charities by considering grants in aid applications annually.

The 2025 Grant In Aid application program is now closed. The grants will be issued in May 2025.

#### **Property Taxes and Utilities**

#### **2025 Property Tax Notices**

Property notices for the tax period January 1–December 31, 2025, will be mailed by the end of May 2025.

This year property taxes will be due July 2, 2025.

#### **Outstanding Property Taxes**

As of January 1, 2025, any unpaid 2024 property taxes have been transferred to taxes in arrears, and any unpaid 2023 property taxes are now delinquent. Delinquent accounts are subject to tax sale on September 30, 2025. Daily interest will be applied to both arrears and delinquent accounts at the rate set by the

Province of BC.

#### **Utility Bill Payments**

First Quarter Utility Bill: The District of Clearwater has mailed the first quarter utility bill. Payment was due by March 3, 2025. A 10% penalty was applied to unpaid balances after this date.

Online Payments: If paying your 2025 utility fees online, select the "Water" option.

#### **Outstanding Utility Amounts from 2024**

As of January 1, 2025, any outstanding utility balances have been transferred to property taxes in arrears.

Interest Charges: Daily interest will accrue at the rate prescribed by the Province of BC.

Online Payments for 2024 Utility Fees: If paying outstanding 2024 utility fees online, please use your Property Tax account and select the "Tax" option.

#### **OpenBook**

In an effort to provide greater transparency, the District of Clearwater has launched a new financial transparency tool that dynamically presents the District of Clearwater's financial budget. It presents the information in various graphical formats that can be selected by the user. The information includes the District's projects and operating budgets. Good to the District website to launch OpenBook. Finance Services: District of Clearwater.

Scan the QR code to learn more about the District's new, interactive OpenBook website.



#### YCS FOOD SECURITY | CLEARWATER FARMER'S MARKET







# APRIL 5, 2025 | 10AM - 1PM THE DUTCH LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

10:00 - 11:30 | GARDEN BASICS: FROM SEED TO PLATE | Jane Krickan, Two Crows Farm

11:30 - 1:00 | SAVE YOUR OWN SEEDS

Candus Graffunder, Spoiled Rotten Ranch

COMMUNITY SEED SWAP
SEED CLEANING (BRING YOUR SEEDS!)
BIO-CHAR KILN DEMO
THOMPSON-SHUSWAP MASTER GARDENERS
KIDS GARDENING CONTEST
LOCAL FOOD AND ART VENDORS
SEEDY CAFE | KIDS ACTIVITIES | DOOR PRIZES

For more information or vendor inquires 250-674-1472 or clearwaterfarmersmarket@yellowheadcs.ca

## **Operations**

Spring is here! The District of Clearwater is dedicated to maintaining and improving our public spaces and utilities to ensure a vibrant, safe, and functional community for all residents. Here's an overview of our planned activities in the coming months.

#### **Regular Maintenance Items**

Trail and Street Sweeping: Kicking off in the first week of March, the Public Works team has commenced the sweeping of our multi-use pathways, continuing this essential cleaning into April as schedules permit. Following closely behind, street sweeping is on the calendar for May. Last year we introduced a new approach to street cleaning for Clearwater. The District is currently in the process of procuring a contractor to complete in the same fashion as last year using a pickup sweeper. A mechanical sweeper will be deployed, designed to remove sand completely off-site. This method is a departure from previous practices, which often resulted in sand and gravel ending up on residents' lawns. We're committed to keeping our streets and pathways clear and clean for everyone's enjoyment and safety.

**Line Painting:** Once road sweeping is completed then roadway line painting can begin. The roadway line painting procurement process is currently underway and we anticipate to begin as early as June 1. This effort is crucial for the safety and efficiency of our roadways, providing clear guidance for drivers throughout the District.

**Pothole Patching:** After the sweeping operations are complete, Public Works will tackle pothole patching starting in June, ensuring our roads are safe and smooth for travel. This essential maintenance will continue throughout the summer as needed, addressing any issues that arise from wear and tear on our roadways to maintain the integrity and safety of our streets.

**Roadside mowing:** Once the weeds sprout up, our road maintenance contractor Borrow Enterprises, will be mowing them down.

**Sign Maintenance:** Our public works crew will be weed whacking around sign posts, then pressure washing the District signs.

Flushing & Hydrant Maintenance: With the infrastructure that keeps our District running smoothly, we're embarking on





two critical maintenance programs. Our annual hydrant maintenance will begin in March and will proceed through April, ensuring that these vital components operate effectively in emergency situations. Concurrently, the practice of water main flushing will begin, employing a strategic process to clear our water distribution pipes of sediment. This essential maintenance, lasting 8–10 weeks, is pivotal for maintaining the quality and safety of our water supply.

Water Conservation: As always, we urge residents to be mindful of water use and to stay informed about any necessary water restrictions. It's our collective responsibility to conserve water.

#### 2025 Projects

**Capital Road Construction:** This year we will be completing road reconstruction on Murtle Crescent between Park Drive and Helmcken Street. Once the procurement is completed, we will let residents know the affected dates.

**Backup Power:** The backup power project is now complete, with two new generators installed. The first is at the Dutch Lake Community Center and the second at our booster station at Reginald Small Park. The Dutch Lake Community Center is used as our command center in the event of an emergency. The second generator at our booster station site will keep water flowing in the event of a power outage.

Roadway Assessment Study: Consultants will use a road assessment vehicle (RAV) to complete a detailed roads assessment within the District of Clearwater. The assessment will provide the District with crucial technical information about the condition of road surfaces. This information will be used to strategically create our capital plan.

**Dutch Lake Corridor:** The project reviews the Dutch Lake Road/ ONT Intersection which is too close to Lakeview Road and the Small park/Well House access and impacts traffic negatively. This Conceptual design will further look at the traffic calming that has been done around the beach area, issues at the boat launch and 37 East parking area.

**Desludging of the Lagoons:** This is the Final Phase of the Desludging project, In Phase 1, The District built a sludge drying bed, in Phase 2, a contractor was procured to remove the sludge from the lagoon and place in the drying bed. Finally, now in Phase 3, the sludge is dewatered, and it will be hauled away to a suitable facility.

Clearwater River Bridge Rip Rap Replacement: The District of Clearwater received a grant to replace the undersized and diminishing rip rap that was placed to protect the Clearwater River Bridge on the Old North Thompson Highway. Engineering is being completed with construction most likely happening in the winter months. A contractor has not yet been procured for this work.

VT SCADA & Instrumentation Upgrade: The District's SCADA and Instrumentation system is in need of upgrades and modernization to keep it current and to make it robust as possible. This year we are completing safety upgrades such as warnings and alarms, as well as improving pump operation for cost savings and extending the life span of pumps. We are completing upgrades at Well 3, the booster station, and the reservoir.

**Security Upgrades:** We are completing some upgrades to improve security and improve safety for the water system and the entire SCADA Network. Items such as installing lockable kiosks and fencing will be installed.

As we forge ahead, the District of Clearwater is committed to proactive maintenance and improvement initiatives. These efforts not only enhance the aesthetic appeal and functionality of our community but also ensure the safety and well-being of all residents. Stay tuned for further updates and thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

## Facilities, Parks and Arena

#### **North Thompson Sportsplex**

Thanks to all the volunteers, supporters and sponsors for making the 50th anniversary of the Sportsplex such a successful year. We hosted 13 youth and adult tournaments, two Curling bonspiels, two skating exhibitions, hockey school, 235 hockey games for all ages and 75 Family Skating sessions. We couldn't have done it without the great support of the community. We are looking forward to next season!

#### **Parks and Trails**

The District is preparing all parks for an early opening this season and most trails are available year round. Parks and playgrounds are open now and washrooms will be opened when weather allows. Doggie bags are available, please clean up after your pets. Danger tree assessment is conducted on all parks, trails and District properties annually and dangerous trees are removed. If you have any concerns please contact the District office at (250) 674-2257.



## FireSmart Program Update

The snow is nearly gone and Spring will be quickly upon us, and with it comes the need to be proactive about wildfire safety. The FireSmart program in Clearwater is here to help you protect your home and community.

A critical first step is understanding your property's risk, which is why we offer FREE FireSmart Home Assessments. Our trained professionals will visit your property and provide personalized recommendations, focusing on key areas like creating a non-combustible zone within 10 meters of your home and clearing flammable materials in the immediate zone around your house. This includes removing dead branches, pine needles, and other debris that can easily ignite.

We have FireSmart events coming up:

Free Chipping Program: Dates to be announced soon. Take advantage of this opportunity to dispose of dry branches, brush, and other potential fuel sources.

Wildfire Preparedness Day: Wildfire Community Preparedness Day is a national campaign that encourages citizens to take actions that increase their home, neighborhood and community's resilience to wildfire. With that, we will be planning a neighborhood event to bring folks together for a clean up/BBQ event. Stay tuned for more information.

As always, keep an eye out for our FireSmart team at upcoming community events, including the Farmers Market and other local gatherings. We'll be on hand to answer your questions, provide resources, and help you take the necessary steps to make your home more FireSmart. We will be posting more events as they are scheduled, so watch for posters, social media, and local media announcements.

Remember, wildfire preparedness is a

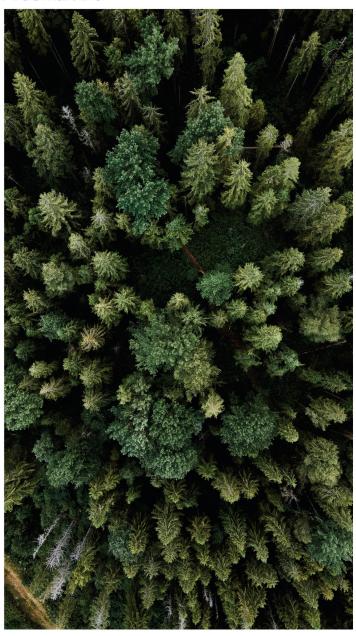
community effort. By working together, we can make Clearwater more resilient to wildfires.

To book your free FireSmart Home Assessment or for more information about upcoming events, please contact us a cbreckenridge@docbc.ca and/or 778-208-0246. Let's work together to keep Clearwater safe!

Thanks,

Chance Breckenridge

FireSmart BC



## **HOME IGNITION ZONE**

**EXTENDED ZONE** 

10m to 30m



#### THERE ARE MANY FACTORS THAT MAY IMPACT YOUR PROPERTY'S RISK TO WILDFIRE

Check out the FireSmart Begins at Home Guide for an in-depth look at how you can build wildfire resiliency.

#### **IMMEDIATE** ZONE

0 m to 1.5 m

The Immediate Zone is a non-combustible area that starts at the house and extends to a 1.5 metre perimeter around the home and attached structures, including decks. Reduce the chance of wind-blown embers igniting your home by starting with these proactive steps:

- Choose non-combustible building materials when constructing or renovating your home.
- Clear vegetation and combustible material down to mineral soil and cover with non-combustible materials like
- Avoid planting woody shrubs or trees. If any are present, prune and maintain them regularly.

#### INTERMEDIATE ZONE

1.5 m to 10 m

Elements in the Intermediate Zone are managed so they don't transmit fire to your home. Here are a few actions you can take to reduce your home's vulnerability:

- Plant fire-resistant vegetation and select non-combustible landscaping materials.
- Avoid incorporating any woody debris, including mulch.
- Keep combustible items like firewood piles, construction materials, patio furniture, tools, and decorative pieces out of this zone.
- Move trailers, recreational vehicles, storage sheds, and other combustible structures into the Extended Zone. If that is not possible, store firewood inside your mitigated garage, shed, or other ember-resistant structures.
- 🥚 Create a non-combustible ground cover, like a gravel pad, underneath and 1.5 metres around trailers,

## **EXTENDED**

10m to 30m

The goal in the Extended Zone is not to eliminate fire, but to reduce its intensity. If your property extends into this zone, a few important steps you can take include:

- Selectively remove evergreen trees to create at least 3 metres of horizontal space between the single or grouped
- Remove all branches to a height of 2 metres from the ground.
- 🍐 Regularly clean up accumulations of fallen branches, dry grass, and needles to eliminate potential surface fuels.
- Continue to apply these principles if your property extends beyond 30m. Work with your neighbours in overlapping zones and seek guidance of a forest professional if affected by other conditions, like steep slopes.

Get started on your FireSmart journey!

**WWW.FIRESMARTCANADA.CA** 









## Recreation, Culture, and Events



#### **Spring Recreation Schedule**

The District of Clearwater Recreation, Culture and Events department has worked very hard in bringing a variety of activities to the residents and visitors of Clearwater. Over the next few pages are a list of activities and sports available. For more information, contact the RCE Coordinator at lculp@docbc.ca or (250) 674-8881 (call or text). To register in non-drop-in activities, head to app. bookking.ca/clearwaterpub/ or scan the QR code.

#### RCE Programs March 2025 to May 2025

Day	Program	Time	Session Dates	Cost	Location	Instructor
Monday	Mindful Yoga	5:30-6:30 p.m.	Jan 6 - Mar 17 Apr 28 - Jun 23	\$104.50/11 classes \$85.50/9 classes	Wellness Studio	Sylvia Arduini
Wednesday	Yogalates	5:45-6:45 p.m.	April 2 - May 7	\$57/6 classes	DLCC Gym	Denica Kelly
TBA	Cycling	TBD	2025 Dates TBD	TBD	CSS Upper Gym	Denica Kelly
Monday & Wednesday	Yellow Belts	3:10-4:10 p.m.*	Jan 8 - Mar 12 Mar - May TBA	\$162/18 classes	Wellness Studio	Myrna Harrod- Taniguti
Monday & Wednesday	Green Belts	4:15-5:15 p.m.*	Jan 8 - Mar 12 Mar - May TBA	\$162/18 classes	Wellness Studio	Myrna Harrod- Taniguti
Tuesday & Thursday	White Belts (news students)	3:10-4:10 p.m.	Jan 7 - Mar 13 Mar - May TBA	\$180/20 classes	Wellness Studio	Myrna Harrod- Taniguti
Tuesday & Thursday	Orange Belts	4:15-5:15 p.m.	Jan 14 - Mar 13 Mar - May TBA	\$162/18 classes	Wellness Studio	Myrna Harrod- Taniguti
Tuesday & Thursday	Evening Class (Adults and Teens)	7-8 p.m.	Jan 7 - Mar 13 Mar - May TBA	\$162/18 classes	Wellness Studio	Myrna Harrod- Taniguti
Friday	Guided Painting Class	1-4 p.m.	TBA	\$40/class	DLCC	Pam Campbell
Weekdays After School	Kids Art Classes	TBD	ТВА	TBA	DLCC	Arlet Devisser

Drop-ins are welcome for fitness programs. Please contact RCE Coordinator prior to attending to see if there is space. The fee to drop-in is \$10/class. You can bring cash to class or purchase a punch card at the DOC front desk at the DLCC.

## Drop-in Sports/Activities March to May 2025

Day	Program	Time	Session Dates	Cost	Location
Monday	*Badminton	7:30-9:30 p.m.	Oct 2-Spring TBD	\$2	Clearwater Secondary School Gym
Monday	*Basketball	6-7:15 p.m.	Ongoing to Spring 2025	\$2	Clearwater Secondary School Gym
Monday	Carpet Bowling	1-3 p.m.	Ongoing	\$2	Legion
Monday	Indoor Pickleball	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Ongoing until May 2025	\$2	Dutch Lake Community Centre
Tuesday	Parent/Preschool & Home School Skating	9:30-11:30 a.m.	September 24- March 18	FREE	North Thompson Sportsplex
Tuesday	Indoor Pickleball	12-2 p.m.	Ongoing until May 6, 2025	FREE	Dutch Lake Community Centre
Tuesday	Indoor Walking Club	3:30-4:30 p.m.	September 2024 - June 2025	FREE	Clearwater Secondary School
Wednesday	*Indoor Soccer	6-7:15 p.m.	Ongoing until April 2025	\$2	Clearwater Secondary School Gym
Wednesday	*Badminton	7:30-9:30 p.m.	Ongoing Until Spring 2025 TBD	\$2	Clearwater Secondary School Gym
Thursday	Indoor Walking Club	3:30-4:30 p.m.	September 2024 - June 2025	FREE	Clearwater Secondary School
Thursday	Indoor Pickleball	12-2 p.m.	Ongoing until May 6, 2025	FREE	Dutch Lake Community Centre
Friday	*Youth Ball Hockey	6-7:15 p.m.	February 28 - June 13	\$2	Dutch Lake Community Centre
Friday	Public Skating	4:30-5:45 p.m.	Last Day March 21	FREE	North Thompson Sportsplex
Friday	Indoor Pickleball	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Ongoing until May 2025	\$2	Dutch Lake Community Centre
Sunday	Public Skating	4-5:30 p.m.	Last Day March 23	FREE	North Thompson Sportsplex

You can bring cash to drop-in or you can purchase a drop-in punch card at the DOC front desk at the DLCC to use! All drop-in sports hosted at CSS DO NOT run during spring break (March 17-28, 2025)

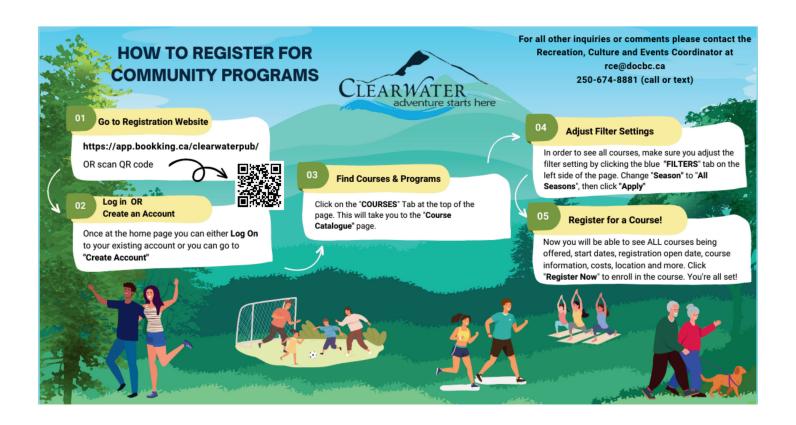
<sup>\*</sup>Drop-in sports are open to youth grade 6 and up!

## Senior Activities and Programs March to May 2025

Day	Program	Time	Dates	Cost	Location
Monday	*Chair and Mat Yoga	9-10 a.m.	Ongoing	FREE (with membership)	Evergreen Acres
Monday	Carpet Bowling	1-3:30 p.m.	Ongoing	\$3	Legion
Tuesday	Indoor Walking Club	3:30-4:30 p.m.	September 2024 - June 2025	FREE	Clearwater Secondary School
Wednesday	*Chair and Mat Yoga	9-10 a.m.	Ongoing	FREE (with membership)	Evergreen Acres
Wednesday	*Healthy Aging Yoga	10:30-11 a.m.	Ongoing	FREE (with membership)	Evergreen Acres
Thursday	Indoor Walking Club	3:30-4:30 p.m.	September 2024 - June 2025	FREE	Clearwater Secondary School

For more information on Senior offerings in the community, please contact Lynne Frizzle at seniorsnetworkcoordinator@gmail.com or 250-674-8185.

<sup>\*</sup>Classes will not run mid March - mid April. Email for exact date closures.



### Drop-in Activities and Community Programs/Events

Day	Program	Ages	Time	Dates	Cost	Location	Partner/ Facilitator
Monday	Art Club	CSS Students	3-5 p.m.	Sept - June	FREE	CSS Art Room	Clearwater Secondary School
Tuesday	Diabetes Support Group	All Ages	7-8 p.m.	First Tuesday of every month	FREE	TBD	Gerda Faber
Wednesday	Drop-in Painting	All Ages	3-6 p.m.	March 12 April 15 May 14	Donation	DLCC	Valley Pride
Saturday	Tabletop Games Night	All Ages	5-10 p.m.	March 15 & 29 April 12 & 26 May 17 & 31	Donation	DLCC	Valley Pride
Sunday	Volunteer Brunch	Invitation	10 a.m 12 p.m.	April 27	FREE	Ski Hill	RCE
Friday	Easter Egg Hunt	All Ages	Noon	April 18	FREE	Clearwater Fire Department	Clearwater Fire Department
Saturday	Wildfire Preparedness	All Ages	11 a.m 3 p.m.	May 3	FREE	Splash Park	FireSmart Coordinator
Saturday	May Day Parade	All Ages	TBA	May 19	FREE	DLCC	Valley Pride
Week Long	Bike to School Week	All Ages	Week Long	June 2-6	FREE	Community Wide	RCMP for Bike Safety
Sunday	Father's Day Brunch	All Ages	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	June 15	FREE	Splash Park	Clearwater Fire Department
Saturday & Sunday	Footy Fest	Youth	Daytime	June 7-8		CSS Fields	CYSA

#### **District Services**

- Bylaw Enforcement
- Cemetery/ Columbarium
- Development Services
- Economic Development
- Fire Protection
- ICBC/Motor Vehicle Agent
- North Thompson Sportsplex
- Parks and Recreation
- Public Works (Water/Sewer)
- Road Maintenance
- Street Lighting
- Transit Service

#### District of Clearwater

Dutch Lake Community Centre 209 Dutch Lake Road PO Box 157 Clearwater BC V0E 1N0

Phone: 250.674.2257 Fax: 250.674.2173 admin@docbc.ca

#### Hours

Monday 9 am-4 pm Tuesday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday, Sunday & Stats No Service

After hours emergency number:

250.674.3015

## make great garden soil from branches

# COMMUNITY BIO CHAR KILN

## available to borrow from

Yellowhead Community Services Food Security Program



• kilns can be moved by two people and a small pick up truck

to book your time, contact Joanna at 250-674-1472 or joanna.h@yellowheadcs.ca

for more info go to pixelmap.ca/biochar



Canadian Red Cross







**WINTER 2025** 

# Clearwater Library FREE PROGRAMS



#### **HOURS UPDATE**

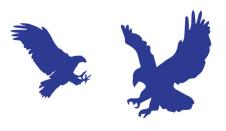
MON CLOSED

TUE 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM WED 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

THU 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM FRI

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM SAT 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

SUN CLOSED



Scan here for the full calendar and to register for programs.



#### **EARLY YEARS**

#### **Storytime**

Learn literacy skills through stories, songs, fingerplays, and rhymes. For children and their caregivers. Ages 3-5.

Tuesdays - Weekly Jan 28 - Apr 29 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM



#### **SCHOOL AGE**

#### **Comics Workshop**

Explore comics as a storytelling art and make your own. Ages 8-12.

Tuesday Mar 18 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Registration Required** 



#### **FAMILIES**

#### **Lego Club**

For all children (and their caregivers) who love LEGO! Build, design and create together.

Fridays - Weekly Jan 24 - Apr 25 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM



Check out more at tnrl.ca!





## Saturdays 9am - Noon

AT THE DUTCH LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE 209 DUTCH LAKE ROAD



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local food | artisans | bakers | crafters | music | special events