

APRIL CALENDAR

- 7 RDN Electoral Area Services Committee**
Board Chambers (webstreamed)
6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo
1 p.m.
- 12 RDN Board Meeting**
Board Chambers (webstreamed)
6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo
1 p.m.
- 26 RDN Board Meeting**
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RDN #DYK

You can watch the the RDN Board, Standing Committees and Select Committees meetings via livestream. These livestreamed meetings are also recorded to watch online later. Visit www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos for information on which meetings are livestreamed, access to available video recordings and the RDN Board and Committee meeting calendar.

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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

National Volunteer Week - April 17 - 23

Thank you to the over 300 hundred RDN volunteers who help make the region a great place to live. From responding to emergencies and watershed monitoring to serving on committees, leading community clean ups and so much more, every volunteer is making a difference for our community.

This year's theme, Volunteering is Empathy in Action - Volunteers Bring Heart to Canada's Communities, reflects the strong connection between volunteerism and empathy and that human connection is at the heart of healthier individuals and stronger communities.

Volunteers in our community continue to give their time and effort when and where it is needed most. Their dedication, compassion and care is greatly appreciated by the RDN and the community we serve.

Thank you for all that you do!

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GOLDEN SHOE HUNT

The 16th Annual Golden Shoe Hunt is back and starts April 15. Clues and instructions will be posted weekly to www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/golden-shoe, RDN Facebook, RDN Twitter and RDN Instagram.



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WATER TO EARTH MONTH

There is still time to celebrate Water to Earth month with us! Water to Earth month runs from World Water Day on March 22 until Earth Day on April 22.

This year's themes are *Groundwater* and *Climate Change* and activities focused on protecting water and our natural environment will be being offered in communities across our region.

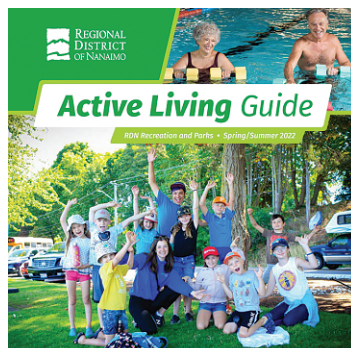
Join us and community partners for a streamside walk, interactive workshop, stream clean-up and restoration party or do some work in your own backyard and enter our online contest for some great prizes!

For a full list of events and activities visit www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart



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RECREATION



Registration for spring and summer programs is ongoing. Visit www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation to view activities for all ages and interests.

Youth Week May 1-7

Local organizations are hosting events in celebration of our young people. Visit REC Connect at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect

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EMERGENCY AND WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Preparedness Week (May 2-8) and Community Wildfire Preparedness Day (May 7)

Did you know, each year there's a whole week dedicated to emergency preparedness? Emergency Preparedness week is coming up, from May 2 - 8.

We'll be hosting several interesting seminars, including an Intro to Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Programs, Building a Grab and Go Kit and an Intro to FireSmart. We're also going to launch our 26 Weeks to Emergency Preparedness, with a chance for you to win some prizes!

For seminar dates, visit www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/nepp or the RDN Facebook page.

Community Wildfire Preparedness Day is also coming up on May 7. It's a great opportunity to get your hands dirty and clean up your yards! For FireSmart information visit www.rdn.bc.ca/FireSmart. Be sure to take a look at our new FireSmart and WaterSmart Landscaping Guide for tips and tricks on how to keep those yards healthy and resilient!

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PARKS AND TRAILS STRATEGY SURVEY

Did we get it right?

Based on public input, a draft vision, goals and actions have been developed. The public is invited to review the information and complete an online survey. Access the survey on the website or scan the QR code.



The survey is open until April 28, 2022.

For more information, visit www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rdnParksTrails or contact us at 250-248-4744 or recparks@rdn.bc.ca



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RDN GRANTS

RDN Oceanside Services Recreation Grants provide funds to organizations located in SD69 requesting financial assistance to offer recreation programs, special events or projects.

RDN Community grants assist registered non-profit organizations in the RDN to provide social programs and services that serve a local community or provide a regional benefit.

Deadline to apply is April 29, 2022. If approved for a grant, organizations can only receive one RDN grant per project. For more information and to download the application forms, visit www.rdn.bc.ca/grants.

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RDN WATER SERVICES

The water system in the River's Edge neighbourhood, located off Kaye Road and behind the Parksville commercial truck weigh scales, has recently had its official name changed. In March 2022, the RDN Board of Directors approved a motion to change the name of the Englishman River Community Water Supply Service Area to River's Edge Water Supply Service Area. This name change should alleviate confusion over the source of the drinking water, which is from groundwater wells located within the neighbourhood, and not from the Englishman River itself. There is a cost of approximately \$250 to update three signs in the subdivision. For more information on RDN water services, visit www.rdn.bc.ca/water-and-utility-services.

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