

AUGUST 2022

# Stewart News

District of Stewart Newsletter



## ***The celebrations continue!***

*Stewart Community Connections Society and other community organizations are hosting the annual Stewart Community Days event and it's going to be a great one this year!*

To celebrate our wonderful community, come out for evening ball games and the Stewart Public Library fundraiser BBQ on Friday. On Saturday, start the day with delicious pancakes at the Memorial Park & Pavillion, come and support our local artists at the Artisan Market, and watch the Ducky Races at the Rainey Creek Bridge. Other events include Cops for Cancer BBQ Fundraiser, Arts and Crafts in the Park and GooseChase Scavenger Hunt. End the day with some drinks and great music at the Beer Garden. On Sunday, visit the Stewart Museum to learn how to make a sourdough starter!



## Newsletter Highlights

Soccer Camp for Kids- still time to register!

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Business Survey- need your feedback!

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Cognitive Care Kits Available at Stewart Public Library

## REGISTER YOUR KIDS FOR SOCCER CAMP!

(AUG 8 - 12, 2022)

Cost: FREE

Email [recreation@districtofstewart.com](mailto:recreation@districtofstewart.com) or visit the main District office.

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## COUNCIL MEETING DATES

**AUGUST 8 & 22 - 7 PM**

Meetings will be held in Council Chambers at 705 Brightwell Street

# BUSINESS CORNER

## Stewart Business Owners- We Need Your Feedback!

Please submit by August 19, 2022

Do you own a business in Stewart? The Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine (RDKS) is looking for your help!

By filling out an online survey about your business, you will provide RDKS information on how well you enjoy doing business within your community and the challenges you are experiencing. Information from this survey remains confidential and will give RDKS direction to programs and services offered by the Regional District Economic Development Commission.

Visit: <https://getinvolvedrdks.ca/businesssurveys> and scroll to the bottom of the page to 'District of Stewart Business Survey'.



## Digital Marketing Tools for Small Business

Operating a business without online presence can be difficult in this day and age. And once you establish an online presence, what is next? Gone are the days of throwing valuable advertising dollars at the wall and hoping something will stick. Instead, the rise of data and technology has allowed marketers to optimize their spend and reach the desired audience more effectively than ever before.

Finding the right digital marketing tool to optimize reaching your target audience/customers can be a daunting task. Instead Small Business BC created a list of tools that's been working for them. Some of the tools include Google Analytics, Yoast, Moz, Keyword Finder etc. For social media marketing tools, you can check out Hootsuite, Canva and Bitly. To learn more, visit <https://smallbusinessbc.ca/article/digital-marketing-tools-for-small-business/>

## Community Services - Hours of Operation

**\*\* Hours are subject to change \*\***

### Border Town Residents Society (Thrift Store)

720 King St (Old Pool Building)

Thursday 5 PM - 7 PM

Saturday 1 PM - 3 PM

Pat: 250-636-2767 / [patriciagrue@hotmail.com](mailto:patriciagrue@hotmail.com)

### Bottle Depot

Thursday 5 PM - 7 PM (Old Pool Building)

Pat: 250-636-2767 / [patriciagrue@hotmail.com](mailto:patriciagrue@hotmail.com)

### Food Bank Contact

To receive a monthly or emergency food box, please contact Pat at 250-636-2767.

### Transfer Station

Tuesday & Thursday - 12 PM - 6 PM

Saturday - 12 PM - 4 PM

See [www.rdks.bc.ca](http://www.rdks.bc.ca) for holiday hours

### Stewart Public Library (Bayview Hotel)

Monday to Friday: 1 PM - 5 PM

### STEWART MUSEUM / STEWART

HISTORICAL SOCIETY (703 Brightwell St)

Please contact for availability

### Golden Triangle Gym (613 6th Ave)

Open 365 days 24/7



## Campfire Regulations in BC

Effective July 28, 2022, category 2 and category 3 open burning have been prohibited until October 15, 2022 (or until the order is rescinded).



Prohibited activities also include fireworks, sky lanterns, binary exploding targets, burn barrels or burn cages of any size or description, and air curtain burners.

The good news is campfire, as well as cooking stoves that use gas, propane or briquettes, are still allowed. Campfire cannot be larger than 0.5m by height and 0.5m by diameter. Anything larger would be considered category 2 fire.

### Few important things to note:

- You MUST keep at least eight litres of water or a hand tool on hand at all times while your campfire is lit.
- Before you leave the area for any amount of time, your campfire MUST be fully extinguished. The ashes of your fire must be cool to the touch.
- You MUST have a fuel break around your campfire. This area must be cleared of debris and anything combustible. It needs to be wide enough to stop the spread of the fire. A rock ring around the fire can also help prevent it from spreading.

## Help Us Reduce Human-Bear Conflict in Our Community!

**WildSafe Bear Tips**

**Garbage** is the most reported attractant involved in human-bear conflicts.

Bears that access garbage may be injured, cause property damage or become a risk to the community.

- Keep garbage, recyclables, compost and other attractants secure - indoors is best!
- Keep containers that store garbage and recycling clean and odour free.
- If you have curbside pick up, do not place containers out until the morning of collection.
- Freeze smelly items until the morning of collection or when you can transport to a solid waste depot.



Keeping Wildlife Wild and Communities Safe [www.wildsafebc.com](http://www.wildsafebc.com)

Garbage left outside unsecured or set on the curb the night before pickup is an easy target for a hungry bear and other wildlife. By removing access to these attractants we can help prevent food-conditioning wildlife. With the absence of the food reward, bears are less likely to return which helps keep wildlife wild and improves community safety for our neighbours, friends and family. Without addressing the root cause of conflicts, bears may continue to be destroyed as relocation is rarely an effective solution.

## Cognitive Care Kits To Support Living With Cognitive Decline

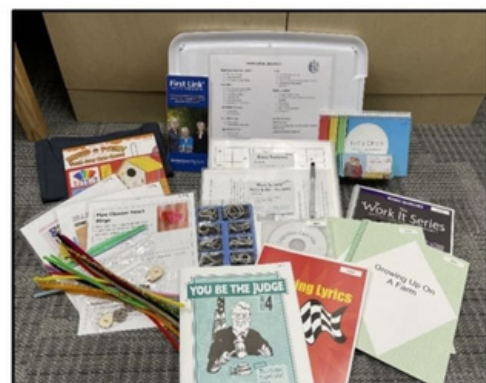
Currently, over 500,000 Canadians are living with dementia and that number is expected to rise to 912,000 by 2030.\*

Cognitive Care Kits are great resource tools designed to help people with early, mid and late stage dementia and contain a variety of games, conversation starters, workbooks and crafts that encourage social skills, as well as skills the disorder has not affected, such as fine and gross motor skills, reading, spelling, and sorting. Proper use of the kits stimulates engagement and cognitive activity, and supports memory.

\*Reference: Page 23, Table 2c in Prevalence and Monetary Costs of Dementia in Canada.

## Cognitive Care Kits Available at: Stewart Public Library

ENGAGE ● STRENGTHEN ● CONNECT





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## Stewart Museum / Stewart Historical Society Events for Stewart Community Days

August 6 & 7, 2022



*Stewart Museum / Stewart Historical Society, with the help of our wonderful community volunteers, is hosting a number of fun activities for Stewart Community Days.*

On Saturday, start the day with a hearty pancake breakfast, topped with homemade berries and head to Rainey Creek Bridge to watch ducky races in the afternoon. Kids will also be able to pick their own rubber ducks in person and win prizes! Make sure to purchase your lucky ducks in advance at the Harbour Lights Grocery Store (\$2 per duck).

On Sunday, visit the Stewart Museum to sample sourdough bread and learn how to make your own sourdough starter! If you are not into sourdough, come by for some coffee and tour the museum. Open House from 11 am - 3pm.

### AUGUST EVENTS

JUL 22- AUG 14 **StoryWalk® "Suzie's Sourdough Circus"** (Stewart Museum grounds)  
Hosted by STEWART MUSEUM / STEWART HISTORICAL SOCIETY

5 - 7 **Stewart Community Days**

8 - 12 **International Soccer Camp for Kids**

17 **Last Summer Reading Club (Stewart Public Library)**  
Hosted by Stewart Public Library. Email [stewartpubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:stewartpubliclibrary@gmail.com) or call 250-636-2380 for more details

24 **Book Club "This Close to Okay" @ 6PM (Stewart Public Library)**  
Hosted by Stewart Public Library. Email [stewartpubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:stewartpubliclibrary@gmail.com) or call 250-636-2380 for more details