

ANNUAL REPORT

2025

FANNY BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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2026 AGM Agenda - May 21, 2026

1. Welcome
2. Message from the CVRD
3. Highlights from 2025 and thank you to outgoing board and volunteers.
Thank you to the FBCA volunteers.
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Acceptance of Agenda
 - b. Establishment of Quorum
 - c. Approval of AGM 2025 Minutes
 - d. Approval of 2025 Financial Statements
 - e. Election of Officers – Nominating Committee: Suzanne, Alaine
5. Moving Forward: Plans for 2026 and Beyond
6. Engagement Theme: Community Strong – Celebrating Growth and Change
(community-building, inclusion)
7. Thank you and next steps together.

President's Message

It's my pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 Annual General Meeting of the Fanny Bay Community Association, and to reflect on what has been another active and sometimes interesting year for our community.

First and foremost, I want to acknowledge the incredible volunteers who make everything we do possible. Whether it's organizing events, maintaining the hall and grounds, supporting programs, or stepping in wherever needed - your time, energy, and commitment are the backbone of this Association. Simply put, there is no FBCA without you.

This past year has been a mix of steady progress and planning for what's ahead. We've continued to offer a variety of programs and events that bring people together – fitness classes, workshops, music, food groups, and community gatherings – all helping to keep the Community Centre active and welcoming. We also held a couple of community engagement sessions and really appreciated hearing your ideas and feedback. In fact, both the music and food groups came directly from those conversations.

Behind the scenes, your Board has been hard at work addressing some of the bigger, long-term needs. A key focus has been the condition of the building's foundation. This has been ongoing for several years, and although it's not the most glamorous topic, having a solid foundation is important, both structurally and organizationally! Over the past year, we've been actively pursuing funding strategies, including grants and partnerships, to move this project forward responsibly.

I'm pleased to share that we've secured funding support from the Comox Valley Regional District, and we continue to pursue additional grant opportunities. There's still work ahead, but we've made meaningful progress.

I also want to say how encouraging it has been to see new Board members step forward this year. Fresh energy, new ideas, and more hands on-deck make a real difference – and it gives me confidence that we're building something sustainable for our future.

Now... speaking of building something sustainable, we do still have a couple of key roles to fill – most notably a Buildings & Grounds person and, very importantly, a Secretary.

I want to give a big and heartfelt thank you to Lesley and Teresa, who have both stepped in to share the Secretary role with me over the past while. They have kept us organized, documented, and on track – no small feat.

However, this is my gentle (but slightly persistent) pitch: we really do need a permanent Secretary.

If you're someone who:

- can take notes (they don't have to be perfect—we're not publishing a novel),
- can keep track of meetings and decisions, and
- is willing to help keep the FBCA organized and running smoothly behind the scenes... then we would *love* to talk to you.

It's not an overwhelming role; it's an incredibly important role, and you'll be joining a supportive, collaborative group. And, of course, you'll have my sincere and ongoing gratitude.

We've also taken steps this year to improve how we operate – reviewing our rental booking system, looking at ways to communicate more effectively with our members, and continuing with the ongoing maintenance of our building and grounds. Thanks to a successful grant written by Lesley, we will soon be installing a keyless entry system for the exterior doors of the Community Centre. This will make access easier and eliminate the need for keys. Our goal is to be more efficient while continuing to offer programs and events that serve the community.

Like many volunteer organizations, we do face challenges – recruiting and retaining volunteers, balancing workloads, and managing rising costs. But what continues to stand out to me is this community's willingness to step up, support one another, and figure things out together.

Looking ahead, we're excited to keep building on this momentum – strengthening community connections, expanding programming where we can, and ensuring the long-term sustainability of the Community Centre.

On a personal note, I want to thank our Board members for their dedication, flexibility, and good humour. It truly makes a difference working with people who care as much as you do.

Thank you as well to our partners, funders, and community members who support us throughout the year. Your involvement matters more than you know.

In closing, Fanny Bay is a special place – not just because of the geography, but because of the people who bring it to life. Thank you all for being part of that.

Tammy Mercer - President

Minutes from 2025 AGM

Fanny Bay Community Association
Annual General Meeting
May 15, 2025 - 6:30 pm
Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by President Tammy Mercer at 6:34 pm
2. Welcome

We respectfully acknowledge that the land we gather on is on the traditional unceded territory of the K'omoks First Nation, the traditional keepers of this land.

3. Acceptance of Agenda. Moved Mike Smith. Carried.
4. Establishment of Quorum. Members in attendance: 45 Quorum is:
5. Acceptance of 2024 AGM Minutes. Moved: Debby McRae. Carried.
6. Introduction of current Board. Tammy introduced Michael Achterberg, Alaine French, Kathryn Hardy, Neville Hope, Susannah Howick, Dominique Hrytsay, Teresa Huculak, Lesley Lindberg, Absent: Kathryn Hardy, Judy Starr, Melanie Temple.
7. Thanks to retiring Board. Neville, Melanie, Susannah, Judy
8. Reports:
 - a. President's Report - Tammy gave her President's Report.
 - b. Treasurer's Report

Motion to accept previous fiscal year (2024) statements.
Moved: Harry Hickman. Carried.

Motion to accept Operating Budget 2025. Moved: Neville Hope. Carried.
 - c. Concerts - Alaine French summarized her report, emphasizing that we're looking for others to take over from Alaine and Bill.
 - d. Floor Committee - Alaine summarized the Floor Report
 - e. Pickleball Court - Cher summarized the Pickleball Court report describing the improvements to the outside pickleball court.

9. Nominating Committee Report - Alaine presented the nominations for Director: none.

10. Elections.

- a. Alaine presented nominations for Executive, who were duly elected:
 - i. President: Tammy Mercer
 - ii. Secretary: vacant
 - iii. Vice-president: Lesley Lindberg
 - iv. Treasurer: Teresa Huculak
- b. Alaine presented nominations for Directors, who were duly elected:
 - i. Michael Achterberg
 - ii. Alaine French
 - iii. Dominique Hrytsay
 - iv. Kathryn Hardy

11. Other Business and Announcements:

- a. Daniel Arbour, Area A Director spoke.

12. Questions and Comments from the floor

- a. Appreciation for the discussion process
- b. Suggestion to divide building/grounds director
- c. Question about sponsored FBCA events

Adjournment: 7:02 pm

Fanny Bay Community Association

Balance Sheet - Year-to-Date

As of December 31, 2025

	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
1030 Bank Account - General	29,548.49
1050 Bank Account - Gaming	3,710.41
1055 Bank Account - Capital	0.11
1125 Petty Cash	0.00
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$33,259.01
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
1200 Accounts Receivable	38,097.25
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$38,097.25
1065 UBCU Share Capital	100.00
1069 UBCU Equity Shares	25.00
1300 Prepaid Expenses & Deposits	7,998.88
1521 Inventory - Books	1,017.27
1530 Inventory - Tshirts	60.85
Total Current Assets	\$80,558.26
Non-current Assets	
Property, plant and equipment	
1800 Machinery & Equipment	6,496.60
1801 Accumulated Amortization - Machinery & Equipment	-284.60
Total 1800 Machinery & Equipment	6,212.00
Total Property, plant and equipment	\$6,212.00
Total Non Current Assets	\$6,212.00
Total Assets	\$86,770.26
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable (A/P)	
2100 Accounts Payable	13,136.23
Total Accounts Payable (A/P)	\$13,136.23
2315 GST/HST Payable	-553.02
2460 Prepaid Sales & Deposits	0.00
GST/HST Suspense	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$12,583.21
Total Liabilities	\$12,583.21
Equity	
Retained Earnings	84,970.40
Profit for the year	-10,783.35
Total Equity	\$74,187.05
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$86,770.26

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Profit & Loss - Year-to-Date as at December 31, 2025

	TOTAL
INCOME	
4000 Revenue	
4001 BC Gaming Grant	10,000.00
4003 Gaming - Lions	500.00
4015 Grant - Regional District	10,000.00
4025 Grant - Other (Non-Gaming)	0.00
4035 Donations	5,833.00
4036 Donations - Remembrance Tree	1,030.00
4037 Donations - Pickleball Court	4,412.25
4038 Donations - C-Can Fundraiser	5,127.59
Total 4035 Donations	16,402.84
4040 Memberships	2,276.72
4045 Memorabilia	688.00
4100 Flyer Ads	6,987.00
4115 Hall Rentals	8,479.00
4121 Community Events	4,845.50
4122 Holiday Events	84.00
4123 Concerts	22,772.77
4123A Concerts - Other	1,613.35
Total 4123 Concerts	24,386.12
4124 Children & Family Events	285.00
4125 Fitness Programs	7,658.50
4128 Website Postings	120.00
4130 Interest	2.12
4225 Expense Recovery Income	49,904.50
4610 Capital Projects Grants	25,000.00
Total 4000 Revenue	167,619.30
4700 Miscellaneous Income	200.00
Total Income	\$167,819.30
COST OF GOODS SOLD	
5000 Cost Of Goods Sold	
5120 Resale Item Costs	548.64
5300 Profit Share Expense	307.04
Total 5000 Cost Of Goods Sold	855.68
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$855.68
GROSS PROFIT	\$166,963.62
EXPENSES	
5220 Office Supplies	520.53
5225 Recoverable Expenses	72,404.09
5230 Bad Debt Expense	119.14
5605 Accounting & Legal Expense	2,598.27
5607 Administration & Training Expenses	489.48
5608 Website Maintenance	3,970.81
5609 Hospitality, Gifts, Honorariums	216.84
5610 Capital Projects Expense	25,932.04
5615 Cleaning (Janitorial) Expense	5,431.35
5630 Fitness Programs	1,507.50

	TOTAL
5661 Community Events	874.14
5662A Holiday Events - 2024 Expenses	881.68
5663 Concert Expenses	21,656.48
5664 Children & Family Events - Expense	672.20
5664A Children & Family Events - 2024 Expenses	416.73
5665 Flyer Expenses	7,005.57
5670 Grounds Maintenance	105.00
5675 Insurance	6,019.44
5685 Licences	55.00
5700 Miscellaneous	29.76
5740 Hall Maintenance & Repairs	8,681.48
5740A Hall Maintenance & Repairs - 2024 Expenses	146.01
5750 Hall Supplies	996.56
5760 Utilities	
5761 Hydro	1,732.99
5762 Garbage Disposal	1,942.22
5764 Propane	9,103.69
5766 Portapotty	2,940.39
5768 Telus	475.68
5769 Wi-Fi (Internet)	537.30
Total 5760 Utilities	16,732.27
Amortization Expense	284.60
Total Expenses	\$177,746.97
PROFIT	\$ -10,783.35

Fanny Bay Community Association

2025 Budget vs. Actual - Year to Date as of December 31, 2025

	TOTAL	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Income		
4000 Revenue		
4001 BC Gaming Grant	10,000.00	10,000.00
4003 Gaming - Lions	500.00	2,500.00
4004 Gaming - Legion		750.00
4011 Gaming - Lions/Regional/Raffles/50/50/etc.		750.00
4015 Grant - Regional District	10,000.00	10,000.00
4025 Grant - Other (Non-Gaming)	0.00	1,500.00
4035 Donations	5,833.00	2,500.00
4036 Donations - Remembrance Tree	1,030.00	200.00
4037 Donations - Pickleball Court	4,412.25	
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4128 Website Postings	120.00	
4130 Interest	2.12	40.00
4225 Expense Recovery Income	49,904.50	
4610 Capital Projects Grants	25,000.00	2,000.00
Total 4000 Revenue	167,619.30	93,621.00
4700 Miscellaneous Income	200.00	
Total Income	\$167,819.30	\$93,621.00
Cost of Goods Sold		
5000 Cost Of Goods Sold		
5120 Resale Item Costs	548.64	400.00
5300 Profit Share Expense	307.04	300.00
Total 5000 Cost Of Goods Sold	855.68	700.00
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$855.68	\$700.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$166,963.62	\$92,921.00
Expenses		
5220 Office Supplies	520.53	410.00
5225 Recoverable Expenses	72,404.09	
5230 Bad Debt Expense	119.14	
5603 Gaming Expenses		102.00
5605 Accounting & Legal Expense	2,598.27	4,200.00
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5675 Insurance	6,019.44	9,030.00
5685 Licences	55.00	725.00
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5766 Portapotty	2,940.39	
5768 Telus	475.68	
5769 Wi-Fi (Internet)	537.30	0.00
Total 5760 Utilities	16,732.27	17,340.00
Total Expenses	\$177,462.37	\$92,921.00
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -10,498.75	\$0.00
Other Expenses		
Amortization Expense	284.60	
Total Other Expenses	\$284.60	\$0.00
NET OTHER INCOME	\$ -284.60	\$0.00
NET INCOME	\$ -10,783.35	\$0.00

Slate of Officers for 2026-27

Tammy Mercer President

Tammy arrived in Fanny Bay in 2007 and joined the FBCA Board in 2012. Her varied career includes 27 years with BC Hydro in customer service, along with experience in home renovation and restoration, and later as a certified Equine Canada Coach teaching riding lessons from her ranch. She stepped into the role of President in 2020 during our unprecedented health crisis and has helped guide the FBCA through change, growth and major projects. She is a deeply committed community volunteer.

Lesley Lindberg Vice-President

Lesley is a prairie transplant to Fanny Bay since 2020 when she retired from her consulting practice in organizational development. She offers a strong background in project management, planning processes, organizational structures and governance, and a commitment to supporting, embracing and building community. The arts, nature, travel, books, dogs and family all figure prominently in her days.

Teresa Huculak Treasurer

Teresa arrived from the prairies to the Rosewall Creek area on Vancouver Island in 2017 and now lives in Bowser. After spending many years in banking and handling accounting for various small businesses; she now enjoys full-time employment with a local Fanny Bay business. Her interests are strongly rooted in nature, spending as much time as possible outdoors. Her attention to detail, and to order and organization, serves her well in her role as volunteer Treasurer of the FBCA.

Alaine French Concert Liaison

Alaine joined the FBCA board nine years ago. Together with her husband Bill, they have been coordinating the well-known Fanny Bay concert series for the past five seasons and creating a team of seasoned volunteers. As a resident in Fanny Bay for 19 years, she has also served in volunteer leadership positions with the Baynes Sound Garden Club and the Ships Point Improvement District. Gardening is her passion.

Kathryn Hardy Flyer Editor & Seniors Liaison

Kathryn was trained as a graphic designer and worked in communications and public engagement for over 30 years, both for government and the non-profit sector. She retired in 2023 after working for organizations including the Better Business Bureau, Tourism Whistler, the Government of B.C. (Multiculturalism and Inclusion Branch), and the Office of the Seniors Advocate. She has lived full-time in Fanny Bay since 2020 and volunteers helping in the community and advocating for seniors.

Michael Achterberg Director at Large & Morning Coffee Program

Michael is new to BC after retiring from 40 incredible years in the Hospitality industry. Over the years he has enjoyed being a youth instructor of hockey, baseball and soccer and is currently a youth mentor. He is a proud Father and Grandfather and loving his new home in Fanny Bay.

Linda Doig Director at Large & Baynes Sound Garden Club Liaison

Linda is joining the FBCA Board this year after six years in the community. A social worker by profession, she spent her career in government service working with children and families. Her varied skills and experiences were gained through developing, implementing and managing community programs and services. Linda is a keen gardener.

Jess Plensky Director at Large & Building Monitor

Jess moved to Fanny Bay in 2021 from the northwest coast of Vancouver Island. Her background in social work, home health care, end of life and grief support fuel her passion for collaborative, sustainable community-based support systems. Having also worked extensively with postpartum mothers and children, she feels strongly that a healthy community is one with strong intergenerational connections. Her passion is the ocean, and you will find her swimming at Mud Bay all year round.

Charlie Cropper Rentals

Charlie moved to Fanny Bay in 2000. His background experience is in construction, trucking, and sales. He enjoys physical activities including pickleball, swimming, and cycling. He is also active in woodworking and music.

Elaine Dyck Rentals

Elaine grew up on a farm in Alberta, the eldest of 10 siblings. She drove a school bus for several years, and after moving to Abbotsford, started long-haul trucking. Together with her husband, Johnny, they drove tandem for 22 years in Canada and the USA. They then started their company, hiring Owner-Operators to work for them. Unfortunately, her husband Johnny passed away in that first year. She kept the company going with 24 owner/operators working for her at one point. She met Charlie when he came to work in the office with her, and when health issues arose, she closed the business.

Concert Series

The concert series was first started by Neville Hope on July 29, 2013 with a classical Baroque Dessert Concert and the intent to bring live music to the residents of Fanny Bay. Fourteen years and 84 performances later the concerts have become a Fanny Bay fixture. The season runs from the fall of each year to the spring of the following year.

- 7 concerts in a variety of genres made up the 2025-26 season. The final performance of the season, Keith Alessi, “Tomatoes Tried to Kill Me, but Banjos Saved My Life”, will be a fundraiser for the FBCA. Keith donates the ticket sales to the charity of choice of the presenter, which is us!
- Attendance at concerts this season have ranged from 56 to 121, averaging 91 people per concert.
- 25 incredible volunteers make up the concert team, as well as community members who offer hospitality to our musicians by billeting them in their homes.

We are grateful to our concert sponsor, First Credit Union, for their commitment to community and the FBCA in particular. Grant opportunities in the arts have become increasingly competitive and we were not recipients of the BC Live Performance Network Grant this year. Ticket prices increased from \$30 to \$35 for advance tickets and from \$33 to \$38 at the door and online to help meet our costs. Four of our concerts made a profit, two did not.

Moving forward: After six tremendously rewarding years as concert coordinators, we are passing the torch at the end of this season. Experiencing the virtuosity of the musicians and their passion for sharing their genre has left an indelible mark. Experiencing the appreciation of the audience and the teamwork among volunteers is heartwarming.

We now welcome our new concert coordinator, Vanessa Wiebel. Vanessa shares a passion for the arts, music and community and we leave you in her good hands. Vanessa would like a community partner or two who share a love for live music and who might like sponsorship development and/or coordinating a team of volunteers.

Alaine & Bill French - Concert Coordinators

Fanny Bay Senior Society Liaison

This function facilitates communication and collaboration between the two organizations, helping to ensure resources and programs align in the best interests of the community.

Kathryn Hardy

Rentals

Renting the FBCA facilities provides an important community service and generates 1/6 of the core operating revenue for the FBCA. The Centre offers affordable spaces (fully equipped commercial kitchen, dining room, studio, and main hall) for community activities beyond the FBCA sponsored events and programs. A sound system, presentation equipment, athletic equipment and event tents are all on offer. Over the past year the Centre has been rented for weddings, large cultural events, birthday parties, athletic get-togethers for friend-groups, fitness classes, learning classrooms, school events, sales venues, commercial food preparation, workshops and meeting spaces. It's been the site of AGMs and gatherings for many of the other community groups in our area.

Charlie Cropper

Fanny Bay Flyer

Eleven issues of the Fanny Bay Flyer are produced each year, distributed to approximately 700 households and a digital version is posted on the FBCA website (including two years of past issues). The FBCA acts as a communication hub for the community and the Flyer is an essential component. We are grateful for the support from the Province of BC, Community Gaming Grant and local businesses who advertise their services to cover printing and mailing costs.

Plans for the upcoming year include redesigning the Flyer and designing a logo to develop a consistent look and feel in all the FBCA communications.

Kathryn Hardy

Welcome to the Community

After a community meeting in January 2023, Louise Bradshaw initiated the Welcome Program, creating our welcome bags and distributing them to new residents. She dedicated a lot of time to researching information, contacting organizations, merchants and businesses in Fanny Bay to provide new community members with information and gift vouchers. Eleanor Hope shared the project with Louise until moving to Courtenay last year.

Louise has passed the torch to Vi Sharpe and Jan Janzen who are excited to build on this great beginning.

Pickleball Program

The pickleball program is a popular activity, offering consistent recreational opportunities for participants throughout the year. The program serves approximately 30 or more active players, with ages ranging from their 50s to their 80s. Sessions are held five days a week, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Sundays, ensuring regular and reliable access to the facility.

The primary purpose of the program is to offer a structured and enjoyable environment for recreational play. The building plays an essential role in supporting this initiative, particularly during inclement weather, by providing a safe and dependable indoor space. Participation levels have remained steady, reflecting the ongoing popularity and sustainability of the program.

In addition to regular play, the group hosts approximately two tournaments each year, typically during the summer months. These events make use of three courts and provide opportunities for friendly competition and skill development. They are highlights of the annual schedule and contribute to maintaining strong engagement among participants. We also often hold a Christmas tourney and party.

The program operates efficiently with the support of dedicated volunteers. Weekly scheduling is coordinated with minimal variation, ensuring smooth operations. Elaine maintains a comprehensive volunteer log, documenting hours and contributions that support the program's continued success.

Looking ahead, the pickleball program will continue for the foreseeable future. Planned improvements include enhancements to the outdoor court surface. This spring, a paving company will work to improve the asphalt to the best of its ability, increasing safety and playability for participants.

Cher Kuss

Aerobics

In 2009 Marj Campbell began a Monday morning exercise class. When she no longer wanted to continue the FBCA Board sponsored me in a fitness course so that an affordable local fitness program could be continued. In October 2009 with certificate in-hand, I took over. Monday and Thursday morning classes have become a fixture ever since.

Over the years we have had so many incredible women, and a few brave men, participate twice a week. Between 20-30 people turn out regularly and fill the centre with happy chatting and visiting before the class, so it's a social group as well. It's casual, it's drop-in

and everyone is welcome, regardless of age or fitness level. I am grateful to the Board for sponsoring this class so we can keep the fees low (\$5.00 for FBCA members, \$7.00 for non-members and almost everyone is a member). People come from Fanny Bay, Buckley Bay, Deep Bay and Bowser and even, for part of the year, from California. We often have visitors from other parts of Canada as well.

It's my great pleasure to continue these classes as long as people want to come. They're so much fun!

Suzanne Murray

Fanny Bay Christmas Market

The Fanny Bay Christmas Market is a long-standing tradition usually held mid- to late-November. The dates for this year are November 28 and 29, 2026. The market will be open from 10 until 4 on Saturday and 10 to 3 on Sunday.

The market hosts 30 to 35 vendors selling a variety of hand-produced items from tables in the hall as well as outside the main entrance. Most of the vendors are from the local area, while others come from further afield (from Campbell River to Parksville in 2025).

While every year brings a number of new vendors, some have been returning for years. Among the regular vendors are the Fanny Bay Seniors who hold a very popular bake sale on the Saturday; over the weekend, they also have a raffle to raise funds for their group. For many years, the Seniors have been running the concession out of the kitchen at the market, serving up their famous handmade scones, among other things.

The Fanny Bay Quilters, another regular, have been setting up shop on the stage for years, offering a beautiful array of colorful quilted items.

In recent years, attendance has been around 1200 shoppers over the two days. Vendors are generally pleased with the event and many of the vendors reported record sales at the 2025 market.

The Fanny Bay Christmas Market is an FBCA event and, as such, the vendor fees contribute to the FBCA budget. FBCA has a table at the market where memberships can be bought or renewed. There are usually copies of "Shingles and Shells" for sale, along with other items.

Volunteers Debby McRae and Jackie Dunham, with help from other volunteers in the community, have been running the market since 2021. Last year was meant to be their last, but they have agreed to stay on for 2026. The FBCA will be looking for new organizers for the following year. Anyone with an interest in taking over please contact a FBCA board member.

Family Program

Over the past year, the Fanny Bay Community Centre continued to provide opportunities for local families to connect, create memories, and build community through a variety of fun and welcoming events. While this year was slower than previous years, we were still proud to host several successful gatherings that brought smiles, laughter, and togetherness to many families in our community.

Throughout the year, we organized 10 Kids Drop-In events featuring games, crafts, a Kid's Kanteen, and opportunities for children to spend time with both new and familiar friends in a safe and welcoming environment. These casual gatherings continue to be an important way for families to connect and for children to socialize and have fun within the community centre setting.

Special events throughout the year also saw wonderful community participation. Our Family Movie Night brought families together for an evening filled with popcorn, snacks, fuzzy pajamas, and fun. During the holiday season, we hosted a Gingerbread House Decorating Event where 20 children and their families, decorate festive gingerbread houses. The evening was made even more magical with more of our community attending a visit from Santa during the Volunteer Fire Department Parade of Lights. In the spring, our Easter Egg Hunt welcomed more than 130 attendees, with 500 eggs hidden for children to discover, creating another memorable day for local families.

These events would not be possible without the dedication and support of volunteers. To continue offering meaningful family programming and community events, it is imperative that we recruit additional volunteers. Volunteers are the heart of these activities and play a vital role in making each event successful. We are grateful to everyone who contributed their time and energy this year and look forward to growing our volunteer team so we can continue creating positive experiences for families in our community.

Dominique Hyrtsay

Social Club

The Fanny Bay Social Club, originally The Fanny Bay Music Club, has supported many events for the Fanny Bay Community in the past year:

Fanny Bay Valentine Dance 2026 - "Love Our Hall" Fundraiser

On Jan 4, 2026, a group of approximately 13 volunteers from Fanny Bay met to discuss organizing a Valentine's Day dance to raise funds toward the reparation of the foundation of the Fanny Bay Community Centre.

The FB Social Club, led by Annette Wertman, undertook the bulk of the organizing. A food preparation contingent, led by Jill Seldon, was formed to prepare and serve the food. Our own home-grown band "THE LOCALS" (Glenn Coffin, Glen Brown, Mark Lindholm, Mike Smith and Richard Thompson) played set after set of covers and their own tunes, and in live-band style got the dance floor moving. They graciously donated their entertainment fees back to the fundraiser!

Tickets were \$25 per person, which included "snacks" and there was a cash bar. Permits were obtained to serve food and liquor. Two volunteers from the community who had "Serving it Right" certificates tended bar. Jill earned a Food Handler's certificate to meet the requirements of Island Health for serving food to the public.

At least 30 people from Fanny Bay and the surrounding community volunteered to make this event happen. One volunteer came from Vancouver to help prepare the food.

The guests were all welcomed by a splendid romantically decorated venue; beautiful, dimmed lighting, as well as table and wall décor, all spread a cozy welcoming feeling. Ambient joyful music in the background put together by our treasured sound team Bev and Dave let people settle in.

Emcee, Phil Adams, led us through the evening, assisted by the 50/50 Raffle/Dance Game Lady, Vanessa Wiebel. The balloon dance was a winner, entertaining the crowd on and off the dance floor. People drifted around socializing, eating and to quench their thirst purchased beverage tickets from Jess, Madeleine and Sherry. Our bar was managed by Jamie and Arlene, two servers from the Fanny Bay Inn, who donated their time. A big thank you goes out to them for giving up a Saturday work-shift to volunteer for us! Throughout the evening, we gave out 6 door prizes, which were graciously provided as follows: metal art (in the shape of a heart) by Brad Alan; glass tower patio art by Erna Smith; acrylic painting by Sherry Harrill; an original framed print by Madeleine Wood; Dorothea gift art cards by Dorothea Gorden; and three (3) yoga classes with Annette Wertman.

The event was a sell-out and a total of \$4,522.35 was raised: all together in ticket sales, the silent auction for the table vases, the 50/50 raffle (big thank you to our out-of-town US-guest who donated her winnings back because she had so much fun!), drink sales and a \$1,000.00 donation from a community member who was unable to attend. A special thank you to Brenda O'Brien for so skillfully managing the bookkeeping.

It was great to see couples, friend groups, and singles alike share a fun evening out. We are all part of this thriving community and showing our love for the Fanny Bay Community Centre. The community feedback has been very positive, and many are asking "when is the next one?" ... stay tuned.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who made this event possible and such a HUGE success!

Annette Wertman

The Resonation Drop-In Song Circle (led by Wendy Nixon Stothert)

This program met weekly on Thursdays (1:15-2:15) through April and will continue through to the end of May. So far, attendance has varied from 5-9 singers per week. Although it's been small, I am told that the experience is very meaningful for those who come and they regularly tell me they are grateful that I'm coming down to lead it, which is gratifying.

Fanny Bay Supper Socials

In March 2026, the Fanny Bay Social Club learned that the FBCA had been approved for funding from the Government of Canada, New Horizons for Seniors program, to run a series of ten community dinners over the next 12 months.

The committee decided to call the events the Fanny Bay Supper Social. All members of the Social Club undertook various tasks: forming a committee to set up the hall and clean up after the event; finding a musician for entertainment; forming a cooking crew to make and serve the food; social media management; designing posters; distributing posters; etc.

The May dinner went well, though the cooking crew were not prepared for the number of people who came. All the volunteers worked very hard and agreed that it was exhausting but wonderfully satisfying because everyone who attended seemed to really enjoy themselves.

We are planning the next Social Supper for June 3 and the subsequent one for July 8. We have a solid core of volunteers but need a few more people to work effectively.

Jill Seldon

Acoustic Jam

The acoustic music program started out of a small group of friends who had been meeting at one of their houses for years to play tunes out of two very large song books. The concept was a good one and when the opportunity came to expand by moving to the community centre kitchen, Mike Smith, the mover and shaker of the group, scanned all of the tunes from those huge songbooks on to his laptop which allowed him to use a projector to put them on a screen for multiple people to be able to play the tunes at the same time.

A very simple concept that has been very effective, the numbers of participants have grown to as high as twenty players to an average of ten or twelve each week.

During the flu shot clinic, we moved the music into the main auditorium and serenaded the people eating before and after their shots.

We continue to meet weekly for the pleasure of the participants and for the betterment of all our skills. A terrific success for the community.

Social Club Plans for the coming year:

Gala Fundraiser (November)

Supper Socials

Annette Wertman

Our Volunteers, Donors & Sponsors

The Fanny Bay Community Centre is the heart of our community. The tasks are many to keep our Centre not only open but thriving. Some of the tasks involve several hours a month, some are event related and seasonal and sometimes it's for something special. Regardless, you are there.

We take this opportunity to thank our cadre of volunteers for their commitment and time and willingness to be involved.

Below is a summary of the work being done to keep the FBCA humming:

The FBCA Board of Directors currently has 10 members standing for re-election for 2026-2027. The portfolios of board members include president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, rentals, concerts, flyer editor and seniors' liaison, family liaison, community liaison, building and grounds director and directors at large. We are seeking community leaders to take on some of these governance roles.

There are volunteers supporting governance and administration by maintaining our policy & procedures manual, keeping our website functioning, maintaining the archives, building our electronic records management system and collating volunteer hours.

FBCA programs, events and activities are successful because of the coordination and support of our dedicated volunteers in the following areas: Aerobics, Pickleball, Family Program, Welcome to Our Community Program, Flu Clinic, Remembrance Tree, Concerts (with its team of 25+ volunteers), Social Club and Cooking Crew, the AV/sound/stage team, Christmas and summer market organizers and workers, water systems operator, handyman, building monitor, grounds monitor, kitchen volunteers for events, flyer pick up and distribution people, merchandise and sales monitors, marquee management, Spirit Grove garden maintenance people, creator of entry hall cabinet displays, mowers of the

field, Spring Clean-up of the grounds and summer garden produce collection for the food bank.

Each month in the flyer and on the bulletin board in the hall entry way are updated lists of available roles or tasks where help is needed. Volunteering is fulfilling because everything you do is important, it touches someone and it builds community.

To our volunteers: We thank you, we salute you, we appreciate you. You make this community a great place to live!

To our donors and sponsors: Your generosity fuels the engine of our efforts and keeps this community hub alive and vibrant.

Comox Valley Regional District

New Horizons for Seniors Grant, Government of Canada

Community Gaming Grant, Province of British Columbia

First Credit Union

Strathcona Tree Service

Fanny Bay Inn

Chinook Forest Products

Pilon Tool Rentals

CanWest Mechanical

Strategic Planning Progress

Over the past 10 months the Board has been gathering and processing information to support a long-term strategic plan for the FBCA. Here is an update on where we are and what we have left to do.

Strategic Planning Components

Needs Assessment:

- Community feedback from individuals, organizations and businesses: Two community conversations have been held with minutes/reports developed from both.

Left to do: Survey organizations, businesses

- Trends and best practices in community centres, government, technology, communication, recreation, community development: Information has been provided in Board packages and this will continue.

Left to do: Provide specific information pieces regarding technology, government priorities and volunteer development.

- Current state of facilities and programs: Two key reports have been commissioned (Energy Audit 2016, Structural Engineering Report 2025)

Left to do: Secure contractor options for moving forward.

Left to do: Provide a summary of the Needs Assessment information to use in the Situational Analysis (SWOT).

The Plan:

Mission: Purpose – Why are we here?: Updated the concept.

Left to do: Agree on specific wording.

Vision: Where do we want to be?: Established a FBCA vision

Core Values: What guides our decisions and actions?: Updated/refined the values

Conduct Situation Analysis: Where are we right now?: Have begun SWOT analysis.

Left to do: Develop and deliver a survey to stakeholders. Create summary of Needs Assessment. Use the Needs Assessment to complete the SWOT Analysis.

Set Goals (Strategic Priorities) and SMART Objectives: What do we want to achieve?

Left to do: This is not started. Completed SWOT Analysis required.

Develop action plans (activities, timelines responsibilities): How will we do it? 2026 operational plan will align with strategic priorities.

Left to do: Broad 5-year actions to achieve the objectives.

Establish Key Performance Indicators to track progress: How are we doing?

Left to do: This is not started.

Adjust plan based on evolving priorities: What do we need to change?

Communities have a range of needs - social, cultural, recreational and informational. Strong and healthy communities are built on their capacity to meet these needs through encouraging participation, forming relationships and imbuing a sense of belonging. Traditionally one way of meeting these needs has been to provide a base, from which to deliver services, that also acts as a focal point for community activities. The spaces themselves can become concrete symbols of community cohesion. Thus, community facilities are not just about buildings and space – they are the arena for a range of services that provide opportunities for people to come together to meet, play, learn, share information and help each other. They are venues for arts, cultural, educational, recreational, and leisure activities, provide accommodation for voluntary groups, and are important gathering points in civil defense emergencies. Access to community facilities is vital as they play a critical part in strengthening districts by bringing people together.

Community facilities extend the community's capacity to conduct activities, develop links amongst people, and build self-help and mutual support.

Organizational Team Structure

Goal: To build and maintain a sustainable organization where core functions are supported by strong leaders and backed by teams of task-driven volunteers.

Governance: Lead – President

Core Functions: Policy, Financial Management & fiduciary obligations, Strategic Planning, Operational Planning, Community relations, Board Development, Contract management

Administration: Lead – Secretary

Core Functions: Electronic Records Management System, Coordination, Record development/minutes, Human Resources (HR records management, succession planning, job descriptions), Archives, Track volunteer hours

Communication: Lead Writer & Coordinator (branding, social media, public relations)

Core Functions: Flyer (Content development, Design & publish, Advertising sales and management, pick up & distribution), Website (Update content, Develop new content and functionality), Digital presence, Posters, banners and promotions, Marquee, Photographer, Directory and Welcome Program

Rentals: Lead – Rentals Director

Core Functions: Client development/promotion, Client management, Viewing, Scheduling and advertising, Close-out – final check, AV/sound/stage equipment

Memberships and Volunteers: Lead

Core Functions: Membership development, Membership care, Volunteer development (Shadow Board, Recruitment), Volunteer care (Volunteer Orientation, Volunteer Training program, Volunteer Appreciation)

Fund-raising and Philanthropy: Lead (Fund-raising, donor relations, partnerships)

Core Functions: Sponsorship & Donor Development, Fund-raising initiatives, Philanthropy promotions, Partnerships, Remembrance Tree, Merchandise and sales monitors

Building and Grounds: Lead

Core Functions: Building monitor, Marquee, Handy person, Ground maintenance team, Entrance hall display cabinet, Water systems operator, Preventative Maintenance Schedule, Project manager – Capital Projects

Community and Program Development /Management:**Lead (service development, delivery and evaluation)**

Core Functions: Concert Program, Family/Kids program, Pickleball, Aerobics, Music/Social Club, Food Crew & Community Cafes, Welcome Program, Markets & Festivals, Events and workshops, Flu Clinics, Summer Garden Produce collection for food bank, 100th Year Anniversary Project

2026 Operational Plan Highlights

1. Public Programs: To offer programs and events for all ages to enrich community life.
 - a. Seeking lead organizer for a workshop series: Information Technology for Beginners.
 - b. Seeking lead organizer & team members for Family Programs.
2. Public Service: To provide affordable rental spaces for community use.
 - a. Improving administration and marketing
3. Public Service: To provide a communication hub for Fanny Bay and surrounding areas.
 - a. FBCA branding, seeking Communications Team Leader, increasing Flyer contributions & revenue, developing local business and service directories, enhancing website with on-line ticket sales, additional membership categories and fillable forms.
4. Building and Grounds: To manage the assets for today and tomorrow.
 - a. Foundation Project: Secure additional funding, develop project scope & plan. Valentine Dance raised \$4,500 & \$200,000 commitment from CVRD.
 - b. Complete outdoor courts, install electronic locking system.
5. Memberships, Sponsorships and Donor Care: To increase community involvement and revenue by providing increased value.
 - a. Seeking lead and team to research, develop & implement sponsorship program and develop and implement the sales and marketing plan for increasing memberships across all categories.
6. Volunteer Development: To provide opportunities for meaningful volunteerism and philanthropy.
 - a. Develop the team and lead to create & administer a volunteer development program that includes workshops for skill-building (meeting management, event planning, team-building, etc.), opportunities for on-line volunteering, and a youth shadow board.

7. Community-building: To participate in building and maintaining a cohesive, supportive and engaged community that collaborates toward shared objectives.
 - a. Continue to implement community engagement activities including community conversations, focus groups and surveys and deepen our collaboration with local businesses and organizations.
 - b. Implement reconciliation actions by building relationships with our First Nations and hiring an Indigenous artist to paint the storage container.
 - c. Develop the team to plan the FBCA 100 Year Celebration.

8. Governance and Management: To build and maintain the structures that support a dynamic and responsive community organization.
 - a. Finalize key job descriptions and fill vacancies. Fine tune existing governance & administrative systems. Implement the Electronic Records Management System.
 - b. Develop sustainable funding sources, especially with the CVRD.

Company name: Fanny Bay Community Association
 Budget name: 2026 FBCA Operating Budget (Final Draft)
 Budget type: Profit and loss
 Period: FY 2026 (Jan 2026 - Dec 2026)

Consolidated

Accounts	Budget totals
4001 BC Gaming Grant	\$10000.00
4003 Gaming - Lions	\$2000.00
4004 Gaming - Legion	\$1000.00
4011 Gaming - Lions/Regional/Raffles/50/50/etc.	\$1000.00
4015 Grant - Regional District	\$30000.00
4025 Grant - Other (Non-Gaming)	\$13500.00
4035 Donations	\$8000.00
4036 Donations - Remembrance Tree	\$1400.00
Total 4035 Donations	\$9400.00
4040 Memberships	\$5000.00
4045 Memorabilia	\$850.00
4100 Flyer Ads	\$9000.00
4115 Hall Rentals	\$10000.00
4121 Community Events	\$4600.00
4122 Holiday Events	\$2550.00
4123 Concerts	\$22500.00
4123A Concerts - Other	\$1650.00
Total 4123 Concerts	\$24150.00
4124 Children & Family Events	\$6100.00
4125 Fitness Programs	\$8400.00
4128 Website Postings	\$2500.00
4130 Interest	\$40.00
Total 4000 Revenue	\$140090.00
4700 Miscellaneous Income	\$11624.00
Total Income	\$151714.00
5120 Resale Item Costs	\$400.00
5300 Profit Share Expense	\$300.00
Total 5000 Cost Of Goods Sold	\$700.00
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5220 Office Supplies	\$500.00
5603 Gaming Expenses	\$100.00
5605 Accounting & Legal Expense	\$2000.00

Accounts	Budget totals
5607 Administration & Training Expenses	\$9402.00
5608 Website Maintenance	\$9782.00
5609 Hospitality, Gifts, Honorariums	\$1980.00
5615 Cleaning (Janitorial) Expense	\$5600.00
5620 Furniture & Equipment Expense	\$4700.00
5630 Fitness Programs	\$2500.00
5661 Community Events	\$7680.00
5662 Holiday Events	\$1200.00
5663 Concert Expenses	\$22740.00
5664 Children & Family Events - Expense	\$6200.00
5665 Flyer Expenses	\$17500.00
5670 Grounds Maintenance	\$11500.00
5675 Insurance	\$10000.00
5685 Licences	\$1000.00
5700 Miscellaneous	\$1680.00
5740 Hall Maintenance & Repairs	\$9200.00
5750 Hall Supplies	\$1550.00
5760 Utilities	\$21800.00
5769 Wi-Fi (Internet)	\$2400.00
Total 5760 Utilities	\$24200.00
Total Expense	\$151014.00
Total Other Expense	\$0.00
Total Net Income	\$0.00

Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 2:45 PM PDT