



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT

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Bamfield celebrates the opening the newly renovated Eileen Scott Playground

ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT – The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) marked a proud moment in Bamfield on Sunday, September 10 when it joined the Bamfield Parks Commission to officially re-open Eileen Scott Playground.

This was a true community project, supported by the ACRD through a \$100,000 grant from the Canada Community-Building Fund managed by UBCM. Thanks to a big contribution from the community in the form of donated materials, equipment, time, and labour, the Bamfield Parks Commission was able to build a much bigger playground than expected.

“Some of you were on site when the playground installer announced that due to the great involvement of community members, we saved \$35,000,” explained Sheryl Mass at the ribbon cutting event Sunday, pointing out this covered the cost of the swing set. “Your efforts allowed the park to stay within the grant budget and the money saved was turned into more playground equipment for the children of Bamfield/Anacla and our visitors.”

Mass thanked more than 20 volunteers who helped with the work and the many businesses and organizations who offered their expertise in the project.

Michael MacGregor, the ACRD’s lands and resources coordinator, echoed Mass’ remarks acknowledging the hard work of the volunteers.

“The community volunteer work right from the beginning of the project with planning the playground to the community build installation enabled us to provide the best possible playground facility and offer more to the young people of Bamfield and Anacla,” he said.

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