
Subject: AVICC 2017 Convention - Registration is Now Open!

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Please distribute to all AVICC elected officials, the Chief Administrative Officer, Corporate Officer and their support staff.

Attached is the brochure and draft program for the 2017 AVICC AGM & Convention. This brochure is also available to view or download from the AVICC website at [Brochure](#)

Registration is now open online at <https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2017/AVICC>

This year's Convention is being held at the City of Campbell River's community centre right in the downtown core. Thank you to Mayor Andy Adams and Council for hosting this year's event and to the City staff who have been helping with planning. The City will be managing the partner programs directly, and information will be posted on the www.avicc.ca website as available.

Thank you to those members who forwarded session proposals, we received many more than could be included in the program. The AVICC Executive is pleased to present a wide variety of informative sessions for delegates this year. Any program updates will be added to the website at www.avicc.ca as they become available.

Please note that March 17 is the early bird and cancellation deadline.

We look forward to seeing you in Campbell River!

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ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES

2017 AGM & CONVENTION Campbell River, BC
April 7-9, 2017



We are looking forward to returning to Campbell River for our 2017 AGM and Convention in April. Campbell River is the civic gateway to Northern Vancouver Island and the fifth largest municipality in the AVICC. The City is generously hosting AVICC members for the Convention at their Community Centre in the downtown core.

We have a thought-provoking program in place for our members this year. Please take a look through this brochure to see what's on offer, and then register on-line at:

www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2017/AVICC

We'll be sending out more information with further details on the program in the next few weeks. Updates will be posted on the website at www.avicc.ca

Keynote Speaker

Chris Turner, Sustainability Expert



Chris Turner is one of Canada's leading writers and speakers on sustainability and the global green economy.

He draws on recent breakthroughs in state-of-the-art renewable energy and urban design to paint a vivid portrait of a new, sustainable world order that will allow individuals and businesses alike not only to survive but to thrive in the twenty-first century economy.

A two-time National Business Book Award finalist, his most recent book is *How To Breathe Underwater: Field Reports from an Age of Radical Change*, a collection of his award-winning essays and feature writing. His 2013 book, *The War On Science*, was a co-winner of the Writers' Union of Canada's Freedom to Read Award.

He is also the author of *The Leap: How to Survive and Thrive in the Sustainable Economy* (which *The Globe and Mail* called "one of the most arresting arguments for building a green economy yet in print"), *The Geography of Hope*, and the international bestseller *Planet Simpson*.

Turner was a 2013 Berton House writer-in-residence in Dawson City, Yukon, and a 2010 Paul D. Fleck Fellow at the Banff Centre. He was also named one of Alberta's "Next 10" Most Influential Albertans by Alberta Venture magazine. He lives in Calgary with his wife and two children. His book *THE PATCH*, the definitive story of Alberta's oilsands, will be published in Canada and internationally by Simon & Schuster in 2017.

2017 PROGRAM IN BRIEF

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017

9:00 am	Pre-Conference Study Tours
2:00 pm	Official Opening, Keynote Address, UBCM President's Address, Presentations
5:30 pm	Welcome Reception

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017

7:30 am	Hot Breakfast - Choice of Networking or Working
8:00 am	Elections for Table Officers
8:30 am	AGM and Resolutions
Noon	Delegate Lunch
12:45 pm	Elections for Directors at Large
1:30 pm	Concurrent Workshops
6:30 pm	Reception
7:30 pm	Dinner & Band

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

7:30 am	Networking Hot Breakfast
8:30 am	Resolutions & Late Resolutions, Elections for EA Representative, Address by the Leader of the Opposition (TBC), Address by the Leader of the BC Green Party, Closing Session, Installation of New Executive & Grand Prize Award
12 noon	Adjournment

FRIDAY MORNING PRE-CONVENTION PROGRAM

Joint Study Tour: BC Hydro's John Hart Generating Station and City of Campbell River's new Water Supply

9:00 am – noon, Friday, April 7, 2017

Cost: \$40

BC Hydro is undertaking a \$1.1 billion replacement of the John Hart generating station which is on track for completion in fall 2018. Stephen Watson from BC Hydro will lead a tour of the interpretive centre and viewing platform. Safety gear is not required, and this tour will not go underground. Outdoor clothing and good footwear are recommended.

Necessitated by the generating station replacement, the City of Campbell River is developing a new community water supply. This is the largest single capital project ever undertaken by the City and is now nearing completion. Last year, a new lake in-take structure was attached to a 150-metre long section of 1.5-metre diameter pipe, which was submerged and fixed onto the lake bottom to connect to a further 135-metre section of 1.5-metre diameter pipe tunneled under the lake bed and connected to the location of the future new water treatment facility. The final stage of the new \$26.2 million water supply project includes construction of the \$10.8 million water treatment building in 2017. On the tour City staff will explain what's involved and how the City is managing this major capital project. The Water Supply Tour will include the following locations:

1. John Hart Water Quality Centre – City's existing chlorination facility and lower point of connection for new large-diameter water pipeline. This technology will be replaced with a new system located at the new lakeside facility.
2. Elk Falls Water Quality Centre – City's existing ultra violet disinfection facility will be decommissioned, and all existing process equipment removed, relocated and re-commissioned at the new facility.
3. New Water System Intake and Water Treatment Centre – City's new facility construction site and upper point of connection of new large-diameter water pipeline. Work is currently underway on the final phase of the project, which includes the new pump station and water treatment facility.



Mayors Caucus

10:00 am – noon, Friday, April 7, 2017

Cost: \$30

The AVICC Mayors Caucus was first held at our 2016 Convention in Nanaimo. Based on positive feedback from the members, we have scheduled this again as a pre-convention offering. The Caucus is an opportunity for AVICC Mayors to get together and discuss common issues and concerns.

This session is open to all Mayors.

FRIDAY MORNING PRE-CONVENTION PROGRAM CON'T

Study Tour: New Campbell River & District Hospital

9:00 - 11:30 am, Friday, April 7, 2017

Limited to 15 Participants

Cost: \$40

The \$606.2 million North Island Hospitals Project (NIHP) is the largest project that Island Health (VIHA) has undertaken to date. The Public-Private Partnership will provide new and expanded healthcare infrastructure that will ensure enhanced quality and safety, greater efficiency, flexibility, adaptability, and maximum recruitment and retention potential for Island Health. The NIHP is responsible for the design and construction of a new \$331.7 million, 153-bed Comox Valley Hospital and a new \$274.5 million, 95-bed Campbell River & District Hospital, both slated to open in the fall, 2017.

Along with major innovations in building design and technology, the project is also unique in the efforts placed on community consultation and information sharing through quarterly community information sessions, the formation of a Public-Patient Advisory Committee, an Aboriginal Working Group, Art Committee, and extensive clinical design consultation with over 35 user groups. Nearly 90% of the total workforce on both sites comes from Vancouver Island.

Chief Project Officer Tom Sparrow will provide delegates with insights and lessons learned showcasing some of the unique demands placed on the municipalities and local communities and discuss the processes required to assist municipal leaders and staff with regards to effectively managing those demands when large infrastructure projects of this scope and magnitude are planned for their communities. The delegates will be able to tour the new Campbell River & District Hospital and share lessons learned with project team members about the many processes associated with building new facilities including Concept Design, Business Case, Procurement, Design and Construction, Transition and Operational Readiness Planning, Move-In and Operations.



Electoral Area Directors Forum

10:00 am – noon, Friday, April 7, 2017

Cost: \$30

Building on the session held at last year's Convention, this forum is an opportunity for electoral area directors to get together to discuss common problems and share potential solutions to the problems identified. Electoral area directors will be able to freely speak about issues of immediate relevance to them. Discussion topics will be sought at the beginning of the forum. Come with an issue and a curious mind. This session is open to Electoral Area directors and Regional District staff members.



CONVENTION PROGRAM

The Program Format

Based on a successful tradition, the 2017 program will integrate the regular business of the annual general meeting, debate on resolutions and holding of elections with a variety of presentations and workshops on topical issues, addresses by key political speakers and opportunities for networking.

A draft of the detailed program is expected to be available by late-February on the AVICC website. In order to accommodate emergent issues, the program does not become final until just prior to the AGM & Convention.

Some of the program highlights include:

- *Responsible Conduct of Local Government Elected Officials*
- *Forestry Management and Old-Growth Protection*
- *Dealing with Derelict Vessels*
- *Marine Spill Response*
- *Island Corridor Foundation Update*
- *Physical Literacy*
- *Mayors Caucus*
- *Electoral Area Directors Forum*
- *Tour of the City's new Water Supply and BC Hydro Generating Station*
- *Tour of the new Campbell River and District Hospital*

Saturday Working Breakfast Session

Island Corridor Foundation

The Island Corridor Foundation will provide an update on its progress and its business plan for the future of rail on Vancouver Island.

Trade Show

As in past years, AVICC will host a small Trade Show adjacent to the main meeting room. Many of our sponsors will be staffing information booths - please thank them for supporting our Convention and allowing us to keep our fees low.

The Trade Show will be open Friday afternoon, during the Saturday morning hot breakfast and in conjunction with the Saturday lunch dessert and morning and afternoon networking breaks.

RESOLUTIONS

UBCM urges members to submit resolutions first to Area Associations for consideration. Resolutions received by the **February 21, 2017** deadline will be processed and included in the Annual Report and Resolutions book that will be mailed to members in late-March.

Late Resolutions:

Resolutions received after the deadline are considered "late" but will be accepted by the Executive Coordinator up until noon, **Wednesday, April 5, 2017**.

Members are reminded that, to be admitted for debate, a late resolution must be deemed to be of an urgent or emergency nature and should address an issue that has arisen after the February 21 deadline date.

The Resolutions Committee will review all late resolutions and prepare a report to the Convention including a recommendation as to whether the resolution meets the criteria and should be admitted for debate.

Reminder

*Resolutions and Nominations
Deadline*
February 21, 2017

See www.avicc.ca for submission requirements and nomination forms.

NETWORKING & SOCIAL EVENTS

Providing delegates with the opportunity to connect with colleagues and develop new relationships are key program objectives. In addition to hot breakfasts both Saturday and Sunday morning, morning and afternoon refreshment breaks and Saturday's Delegate Lunch, two networking and social highlights of the 2017 AGM & Convention will be the Friday evening Welcome Reception and the Saturday evening Annual Banquet.

2017 Welcome Reception

The Welcome Reception will be held from 5:30-7:30 pm Friday evening in the recently refurbished Tidemark Theatre. The theatre is just around the corner from the community centre at 1220 Shoppers Row. This art deco performing arts centre built in 1946 is easy to spot with its bright pink exterior.

Admission for delegates is already included in the delegate registration fee. Additional tickets may be purchased for guests through the on-line registration form on CivicInfo.

Annual Banquet

The banquet will be held in the the Community Centre, transformed for the evening for this social event. We hope you enjoy the opportunity to enjoy a fabulous night with your colleagues.

We are very excited to have secured the Fabulous Mutts as our band for after dinner entertainment and dancing. The Fabulous Mutts are a 5-piece rock, rhythm & blues and soul music band featuring the Valley's best musicians! Fronted by two exceptional lead singers – Juno Award winner Sue Medley and Jim Papp (original founding member of "Comox", "Blues Report"), the Fabulous Mutts cover an amazing range of musical ground: soulful hits from Hall & Oats and Cee Lo Greene; rockin' out with the Pretenders Linda Ronstadt, David Bowie, and roots & blues rocker Bonnie Raitt; and crowd favourites from Fleetwood Mac, the Police, Talking Heads, Steely Dan, the Beatles and many more. The Fabulous Mutts deliver a perfect blend of dance and party perfection.



ELECTIONS

The membership elects directors during the AGM & Convention to ensure the directions set by the general membership are carried forward. The Executive also provides direction to AVICC between Conventions.

The following positions are open for nomination:

- President
- First Vice-President
- Second Vice-President
- Director at Large (3 positions)
- Electoral Area Representative

To be included in *The Report on Nominations*, nominations must be received by February 21, 2017.

For further information on the elections process or to submit a nomination, please contact:

Past President Joe Stanhope
Chair, 2017 Nominating Committee
c/o AVICC, 525 Government Street
Victoria, BC V8V 0A8

email: avicc@ubcm.ca
or visit our website at www.avicc.ca



PARTNER ACTIVITIES

Partners and other guests are encouraged to accompany delegates.

In addition to joining delegates for the Friday Welcome Reception and the Saturday Banquet, the City of Campbell River will be putting together some special tours for partners.

The tours will be listed on the AVICC website, and partners will be able to call or email the City directly to register for the tours.

Some resources for planning activities at Campbell River are listed in the right hand column.

The delegate tours and the convention business sessions are exclusively for delegates, and are not open to partners or guests.



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES



The City of Campbell River and neighboring communities offer a host of activities including golfing, fishing, scuba diving, mountain biking, walking tours, trips to Quadra Island and tours of the new brew pub, distillery and wineries.

See www.campbellriver.ca/discover-campbell-river/visitor-info for information on where to explore, eat, play and special offers.

Visitor Center

Tyee Plaza,
1235 Shoppers Row
Campbell River, BC
V9W 2C7

Email: info@visitorcentre.ca
Toll Free: 1.877.286.5705

Tourism Campbell River & Region

Enterprise Centre East
900 Alder Street
Campbell River, BC V9W 2P0

Tel: 250.830.0411 x 6
Fax: 250.830.0660
Email: info@campbellriver.travel

LOGISTICS

Accommodations

Several hotels have been identified as accommodation providers for Convention delegates. Visit [Accommodation](#) for rates and booking information.

Conference Venues

All sessions will be held at the Campbell River Community Centre at 401 11 Ave.

Parking

Free parking is available at the Community Centre.

How To Register

Online registration is available through CivicInfo at:

<http://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2017/AVICC>

There is an early bird and cancellation deadline of **Friday, March 17, 2017**.

	Early (By March 17)	Late (After March 17)
Delegate Fees Includes Welcome Reception	\$240	\$288
Non-Member Delegate Fees	\$280	\$336
Annual Banquet	\$60	\$72
Welcome Reception for Partners & Guests	\$40	\$48

For More Information

The most current information will be posted on the website at www.avicc.ca

Please check back regularly for updates. For specific questions, please contact:

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Telephone: 250-356-5122



HOST COMMUNITY



The host community for the 2017 AGM & Convention is the City of Campbell River. Mayor Andy Adams and Council are thanked for their warm hospitality.

City staff have been very generous with their time, and the Convention would not be possible without their assistance.

Particular thanks to Tracy Bate, Deputy City Clerk, who has coordinated the City's contributions.



ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES

68TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & CONVENTION
APRIL 7-9, 2017 - CAMPBELL RIVER, BC
DRAFT – FEBRUARY 7, 2017

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017

Morning Pre-Conference Program

- 8:00–9:00 am **Pre-Conference Registration** (*Lobby*)
- 9:00–Noon **Off-Site Study Tour: BC Hydro John Hart Generating Station and City Water Supply**
- 9:00–11:30 am **Off-Site Study Tour: Campbell River Hospital**
- 10:00–Noon **EA Forum** (*Community Centre, Room TBD*)
- 10:00–Noon **Mayors Council** (*Community Centre, Room TBD*)
- Noon–4:00 pm **Main Registration** (*Lobby*)

AGM & Convention Main Program – (Gymnasium)

- 2:00 pm Official Opening
Piper – *Brian Shaw*
Convention Welcome & Opening Remarks – *President Barbara Price*
O Canada – *Campbell River Children's Choir*
First Nations Celebration Song – *Lavern Henderson*
First Nations Welcome – *TBD*
Welcome from Host Community – *Mayor Andy Adams*
Convention Program Overview – *President Barbara Price*
When I Close My Eyes – *Campbell River Children's Choir*
- 2:25 pm Nominating Committee Report, *Past President Joe Stanhope*
- 2:30 pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Chris Turner, Sustainability
- 3:30 pm Refreshment Break
- 3:50 pm Address by UBCM President, Murry Krause
- 4:10 pm Nominations from the Floor for Table Officers
Candidate Speeches (as necessary)
- 4:20 pm Responsible Conduct of Local Government Elected Officials
- 5:00 pm Youth Council
- 5:20 pm Final Comments and Wrap-Up
Draw for Major Door Prize - *Must Be Present To Win*
- 5:30 pm Adjourn
- 5:30–7:30 pm Welcome Reception at the Tidemark Theatre

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SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017

The Trade Show is Open from 7:15 – 3:30 pm today

- 7:15–8:15 am Working Breakfast Presentation – Island Corridor Foundation (*Location: Gym*)
Delegates Networking Breakfast (*Location: Lounge Upstairs*)
- 8:00–8:30 am Voting for Table Officers (as necessary) (*Lobby*)
- 8:30 am Opening Remarks
- 8:35 am Annual Meeting
Adoption of Conference Rules and Procedures
Adoption of Minutes of 2016 Annual General Meeting
President’s Address and Annual Report
Adoption of the 2016 Audited Financial Statements
Appointment of Auditors
Appointment of Scrutineers
Appointment of Parliamentarian
2018 AGM & Convention Location
- 8:45 am Report on AVICC Special Committee on Solid Waste
- 9:15 am Review of Resolution Procedures
- 9:20 am Consideration of Resolutions
- 10:20 am Refreshment Break
- 10:40 am Resolutions, Continued
- 11:40 am Nominating Committee Report
Nominations from the floor for Directors at Large
Candidate speeches (as necessary)
- 11:50 am **FortisBC Presentation**
- 12:00 noon Delegates Lunch
- 1:10–1:25 pm Physical Activity Break Led by Councillor Carl Jensen (*Meet in the Lobby*)
- 12:45–1:30 pm Elections for Directors at Large (*Lobby*)
- Concurrent Workshops**
- 1:30–2:30 pm #1 – Forestry Management – part 1
#2 – Abandoned Vessels
#3 – Open Space – Health Networks
- 2:30–3:00 pm Refreshment Break
- 3:00–4:00 pm #1 – Forestry Management – part 2
#2 – Oil & Contaminants – Marine Response
- 6:30–11:30 pm Reception and Banquet (*Gymnasium*)
6:30 pm Reception
7:30 pm Dinner
9:00 pm Fabulous Mutts Band

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SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

7:15–8:15 am Delegates Networking Hot Breakfast (*Location: Gym*)

8:30 am Opening Remarks
Nominating Committee Report
Nominations from the Floor for Electoral Area Representative Candidate Speeches
(as necessary)

8:35 am **Address by Leader of the BC Greens – Dr. Andrew Weaver**

8:50 am Consideration of Resolutions and Late Resolutions

9:45 am **Address by Leader of the Official Opposition – Mr. John Horgan (TBD)**

10:15–10:45 am Elections for Electoral Area Representative as Necessary (*Lobby*)

10:15–10:45 am Refreshment Break

10:45 am **Drew Mitchell – Physical Literacy, Sport for Life**

11:45 am Final Business Session
Nominating Committee Report (as required)
Installation of New Executive
Remarks by President Elect
Grand Prize Draw - *Must Be Present To Win*
• BC Ferries prize package

Noon Adjourn

**THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS
AND THEIR COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Special thanks are extended to the City of Campbell River for hosting the 2017 AGM & Convention. AVICC Executive and staff wish to thank the host community for making the Convention a great experience.

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