

## Mark Gisborne



Mark Gisborne has served his first term as Director at Large on the AVICC Executive for the 2020-2021 session. He greatly appreciates, and thanks the membership for the opportunity to serve the Association. Due to the pandemic, this executive session was only 8 months. As a result of this shortened session he has chosen to run for re-election to the same position as Director at Large.

Mark is asking for your support to continue on with the work initiated in the first term.

Mark is the youngest member of the qathet Regional District, and is the Regional Director for Electoral Area B. He was born on the Coast, and raised on a farm just outside of Powell River in the middle of Paradise Valley in the agricultural heart of Area B. Mark developed an interest and understanding of the workings of government as the son of a 10 term elected official and of a Federal Customs Officer.

He has lived in multiple coastal communities and has worked in various industries, including construction, tourism, and commercial fisheries. He studied Math and Physics at VIU and UVIC. Mark now runs the family farm and is a primary caregiver for his father who remains wheelchair bound. Mark and his wife were blessed with the arrival of a baby girl in the winter of 2019, and are expecting number two this July.

Mark Gisborne firmly believes that being an elected official is about service above self. Ideas need to be shared from all sides. True inclusiveness includes those who you may disagree with. Open, transparent discussions and decision making are essential to the democratic process.

Mark wishes to continue to serve the AVICC membership with new ideas and a perspective that will help us all move forward together.