



January 2020 Newsletter

Chamber Annual General Meeting February 19th

The Annual General Meeting for the South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce will be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday February 19th at Cedar Heights Centre, 2316 Lakeview Drive, Blind Bay. The evening will start with a complimentary wine & cheese reception with the business of the meeting starting at 6:45. Guest Speaker will be CSRD Area Director Paul Demenok.

Call for Chamber Board Directors

Leading up to the Annual General Meeting, we are putting out an All Call to our membership for anyone who may be interested in ‘throwing their hat’ into the ring to run for a Director of the Chamber Board. If you are interested in running in the February AGM Election for Directorship, please email Karen Brown at: manager@southshuswapchamber.com. An Expression of Interest to Become a Director will be emailed promptly to you for completion. Completed Expressions must be received by the Chamber no later than February 1st, 2020.



Member Social & Trivia Quiz January 23rd



Members! This month we will be hosting a cozy Member Social at Duffers Den (at Shuswap Lake Estates Golf Course) on Thursday January 23rd from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Complimentary appetizers, tea, coffee and water will be served. There will be an Open Bar for anyone wishing to order an alcoholic beverage.

This Social’s ‘icebreaker activity’ will be a trivia quiz! All participants who take part will be entered to win a Gift Certificate the Shuswap Artisan Market, courtesy of the Arts Council for the South Shuswap. First and second runner up will win a canvas Shuswap Beach Co. Bag, courtesy in part to Shuswap Marina.

If you would like to host an upcoming Member Social at your place of business, please contact the Chamber office: manager@southshuswapchamber.com or call 250.515.3276.

2020 Chamber Membership Fees Now Due

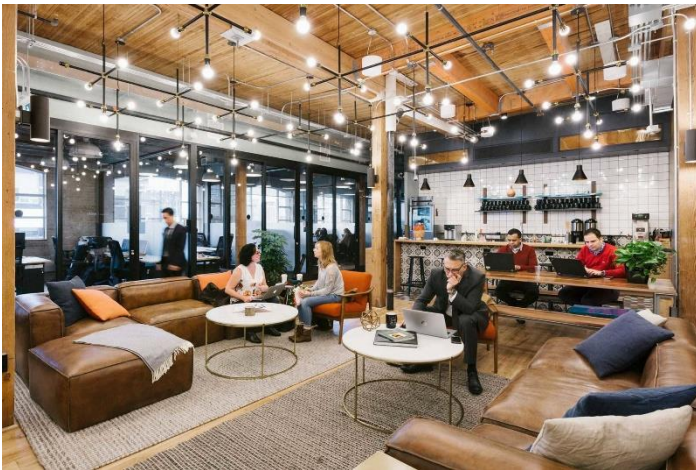
Thank you to those members who have remitted their 2020 dues to the Chamber. Receipts are being issued this week. Invoices were sent out in mid-November; if you have not received yours or you cannot put your finger on it, please email Karen: manager@southshuswapchamber.com and she will send a new invoice. Your membership fees must be current in order to attend and vote at the Chamber's Annual General Meeting. Only members in good standing will see their organization or business name and contact information remain on the 11 area tourism kiosks this summer and the 5,000 tourism maps that are updated and distributed annually throughout the Shuswap.

Balmoral Corner Upgrade Feedback

The Chamber will continue to monitor the design changes at the Balmoral Road & Hwy 1 intersection. The community feedback will be compiled and presented to Ministry of Transportation officials at a meeting in Spring. If you would like to give feedback, please either email the Chamber at manager@southshuswapchamber.com or go to the South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce Facebook page and respond to the post asking for your feedback. Thank you!



What is a WorkHub & Why is the Chamber Considering This Initiative?



A WorkHub is a flexible workspace to those who work from home or to those looking for a shared facility. Typically the space includes bookable desks, formal and informal meeting spaces, shared internet and other utilities and costly or space-hungry professional equipment like copiers or printers. WorkHubs can offer professional services available to the public such as legal or financial advice. Many also offer business advice and mentoring. This type of working model facilitates a flexible work schedule and many serve as incubators for start-ups. Training opportunities in a variety of topics can also be offered there. A WorkHub can offer a professional looking 'front' for a business which is vital for a small or start-up enterprise.

WorkHubs provide a relaxed working environment that promotes collaboration and networking. The exchange of ideas, advice and services flows naturally. The Hub can also offer a solution to the feeling of isolation that often one feels when working from home. If you are interested in exploring this work model for yourself or for the South Shuswap, please contact the Chamber.

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