

SEABIRD ISLAND FESTIVAL

Free



MAY 24-25, 2025

Drug and Alcohol Free Event

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Welcome to the Gathering of People

Ey swaye!! Good day!

Welcome to the Seabird Island Annual Festival! This year, we celebrate our 53rd year we invite one and all to unite in festivities!

Join us as we share with you not only cultural activities and friendly competition but also a peek into who Seabird is and how we bring together people from all over to once again greet great friends and loved ones. Join friends and family over a traditionally barbequed salmon dinner, alongside a fast-paced soccer game or cheer on relatives beside our majestic Maria Slough as they gracefully paddle their canoes across its surface.

This year, we raise our hands to those who have continued to come out and enjoy the event through busy lives and schedules.

As a community, Seabird is committed to excellence and continued growth while recognizing where we have come from through our traditions and culture. We continue to tweak our event based on your feedback and enjoy your full participation that results in that ability. Recognizing the festival as a family friendly, drug and alcohol-free event, we encourage all to have fun, be mindful of others and take in the atmosphere that is present during the weekend. We look forward to seeing friendly faces at the soccer games, canoe races, vendor stalls and cultural craft tables.

Good luck to everyone in their respective competitions, especially our young ones who always bring a smile to our faces.

Yalh yuxw kwas hoy! Thank you!



Agenda

FRIDAY

12:00 PM Gate Opens
Vendors Set-up
Trailers/Campers Arrive

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Vendors Open
Games Begin
ATM Open

10:00 AM - 10:00 AM Welcome Ceremony at the Seabird Island
Community School Parking Loop

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Elder's Tea at the Elders Room
(Room 10 Seabird College)

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sq'ewqel Dev Corp. Wonder World Open

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Youth Skate Jam @ Lacrosse Box
(Behind Community School)

10:30 AM War Canoe Skippers Meeting

11:00 AM War Canoe Races Begin

5:00 PM 50-50 Draw - Winner Announced

5:00 - 9:00 PM Coastal Jam
(Seabird Island Community School Gym)

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Vendors Open
Games Begin
ATM Open

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Elder's Tea - College Elders Room

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Elder's Tea at the Elders Room
(Room 10 Seabird College)

11:00 AM War Canoe Races Begin

12:45 PM Soccer Awards - 5U & 7U
(Youth Soccer Tent)

2:45 PM Soccer Awards - 10U, 13U & 16U
(Youth Soccer Tent)

4:45 PM Soccer Awards - Women's & Men's
(Information Booth)

5:00 PM 50-50 Draw - Winner Announced

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PARKING

- **PARKING**
\$10
- **CAMPING**
\$20



Welcome Ceremony

10:00 AM



Seabird Island Community School Parking Loop



50/50

Seabird Island Festival
\$5 each or 5 for \$20

Draw Date/Time: Saturday 5 PM & Sunday 5 PM

Full Name: WATCH FOR STAFF

Phone Number: SELLING TICKETS

A draw each
day:

Saturday
and Sunday
at 5 p.m.

Elder's Tea
Seabird
College
Elders
Room #10



When:

Saturday & Sunday
10:00 AM

2821 Chowat Rd, Agassiz

COASTAL JAM



Bring your regalia, drums and rattles

DATE:

May 24, 2025

TIME:

5:30 PM

LOCATION:

Sq'ewqel Community
School Gym

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Dinner will be provided

SEABIRD ISLAND FESTIVAL SOCCER RULES

LAWS OF THE GAME

All games shall be played by the laws of the game observed by the Canadian Soccer Association and F.I.F.A

JANUARY 1 RULE

The eligible age for an athlete is determined by the January 1 Rule. The athlete must be the Bracket Age or under on January 1st to participate. Example: An athlete who is 16 years old on January 1, who turns 17 on January 2 or later is eligible to play in the 16 and under bracket.

Parents of Minors (15+) playing in adult brackets must sign an Amateur Athletic Minor Waiver and Release of Liability Form.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Players will be accepted to play if they have proof of aboriginal ancestry. Acceptable methods of showing Ancestry Proof:

- **With Membership-** If you are First Nations and have a membership card.
- **Without Membership-** If the parent/guardian has a membership card, provide a copy of their membership card and long form birth certificate to show your relationship to them.

Teams and Player Registration

Teams that wish to withdraw their application after May 10, 2025, will forfeit their entry fee.

The team roster is a maximum of 20 players for 11 a-side and 15 players for 7 a-side.

The team Roster must be submitted before the team's first game; any changes to the roster will be final before the start of the team's second game.

Players cannot be on more than one roster in the same age bracket; however, they can play in age brackets above.

GAME FORMAT

5U- Size 3 ball, 6-aside, 1 female on field at all times. 2x 15-minute halves.

7U & 10U- Size 4 ball, 7-aside, 1 female on field at all times. 2x 20-minute halves

13U & 16U- Size 5 ball, 11-aside, 2 females on field at all times. 2x 30-minute halves, final 35-minute halves

Women's- 2x 20-minute halves, Consolation and Final Game 25-minute halves

Men's- 2x 35-minute halves, Consolation and Final Game 45-minute halves

EXTRA TIME RULES

In the event of a tie, the following procedure will be followed to determine the winner:

1. For semi-final or final only, 2 x 5 minutes overtime. (Entire 10 minutes played)
2. Penalty kicks as per FIFA (five kicks per team; one must be female, if applicable)
3. If still tied, alternating penalty kicks by the balance of the team until an outcome is decided.

SUBSTITUTIONS

7-aside has no offside calls and unlimited substitutes on the fly.

11-aside must notify the ref and substitute during stoppage of game.

EXTRAORDINARY WEATHER

In the event of severe weather (e.g., continuous heavy rain, lightning, excessive heat, flood risk), the Festival Committee has the authority to change the duration of games or any other function of the tournament, including such things as the following:

- Relocate and/or reschedule any games.
- Reduce by up to 50 percent the scheduled duration of any game (including playoffs).
- Cancel any game in the preliminary round that has no bearing in deciding group winners.

A game is considered complete when 50 percent or less of the playing time remains when the game is terminated by the referee.

In the event of total cancellation of the tournament, the Festival Committee reserves the right to refund a portion of the registration fee.

Failure to Show

A team shall be allowed 15 minutes of grace after the scheduled kick-off time before it is considered that they have failed to show.

For 11-aside -A minimum of 7 players constitutes a team, and the game will be started if a team has at least this number of players. For 7-aside- A minimum of 4 players constitutes a team, and the game

will start if a team has at least this number of players. The period of grace may be allowed only if there are fewer than the minimum players required. If a team is unable to field a female, they must play one player short.

In the event of a failure to show, the offending team shall forfeit the game. If both teams fail to show, the Festival Committee will make a ruling.

ABANDONED/FORFEITED GAMES

The Festival Committee will review the circumstances of any team that abandons (quits) a game before it is completed and decide whether the team will forfeit the game.

At the discretion of the Festival Committee, teams that abandoned a game, failed to show, or otherwise forfeit a game will be subject to a dismissal from the tournament and all entry fees and bonds forfeited without appeal. Furthermore, such action will be reported to the governing body of the team involved.

All opponents of a team who have forfeited a game will be awarded a win and three points in the preliminary standings (score recorded as 2-0).

PLAYER UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

Players must wear a number on the back of their shirts. Each player on a team will have a different number, and this number must coincide with the player's name and number as shown on the game sheet and Roster.

If the colors clash, the home team will change colors. (Home team listed first)

At the Festival Committee's discretion, a team that does not observe the color change or shirt requirements of this rule may forfeit the game.

In the event of missing a Game ball for whatever reason, the Home Team shall supply the game ball until the tournament ball is replaced. The referee must approve the Game Ball.

PROTESTS

Protests must be filed in writing by team officials (signed by Coach and Manager) at the Tournament tent within thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of the game. The decision by the Festival Committee will be final and not appealable. It should be noted that referees are in charge and control of the game. As such, protests will not be accepted when a referee has exercised their judgment in officiating the game. Protests will only be considered if they concern the question of interpretation of the rules. All protests must be written and accompanied by the protest fee of \$100.00, payable by cash only.

GENERAL

Slide tackling is prohibited in all Youth matches. Players are permitted to slide to play a ball provided they are NOT in proximity to any other player. If, in the referee's opinion, the slide tackle is reckless and could injure a player, a Caution (Yellow Card) MUST be issued.

A goal cannot be scored directly from a throw-in (the ball must touch at least one other player), and the opposing team will be given a goal kick. If the ball enters the thrower's goal, a corner kick is awarded.

When a free kick is awarded, all opponents must be the measured distance from where the ball is placed

For 11-aside, it is 10 yards. For 7-aside, it is 7 yards. For 7U & 5U specifically, it is 5 yards.

Players who receive a yellow card will be cautioned of the offense and allowed to continue to play.

A second yellow card issued to a player or coach during any one game will count as a red card, and the player or coach will be sent off for the remainder of the game and be suspended from the next.

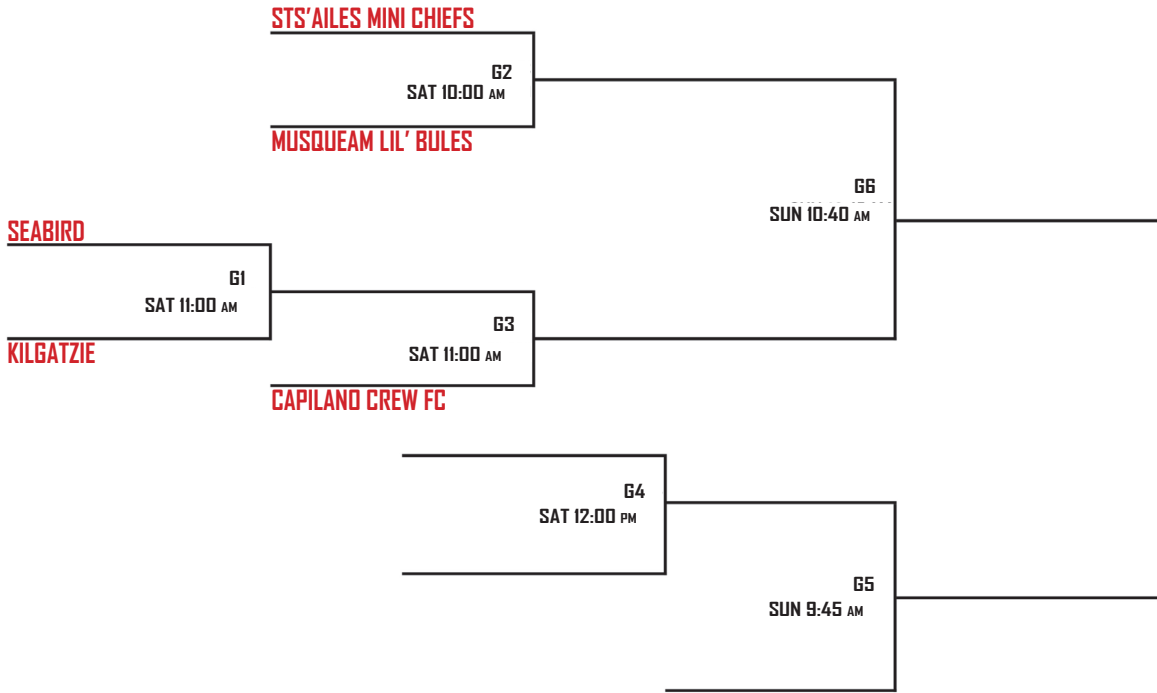
Any player or coach who receives a Red Card will be sent off for the remainder of that game and will not be eligible to participate in the team's next game.

Any player who receives a second Red Card will be sent off for the remainder of the game and suspended for the remainder of the tournament. Players will be recorded for future tournaments.

Any form of abuse towards a player, a referee, a tournament official, or a spectator will not be tolerated. Any such abuse may result in ejection from the game/field/tournament. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to review the conduct of any player, team official, and/spectator and decide. Coaches should speak to their players and their parents/supporters, notifying them that any form of abuse will not be tolerated. Any abuse from a parent/supporter may result in their team forfeiting the game.

Players under the influence of alcohol or drugs or engaging in physical violence will be ejected from the tournament.

5U 6-ASIDE



2X15 - MINUTE HALVES
FIELD 10

1ST PLACE WINNER G6

2ND PLACE WINNER G6

3RD PLACE WINNER G5

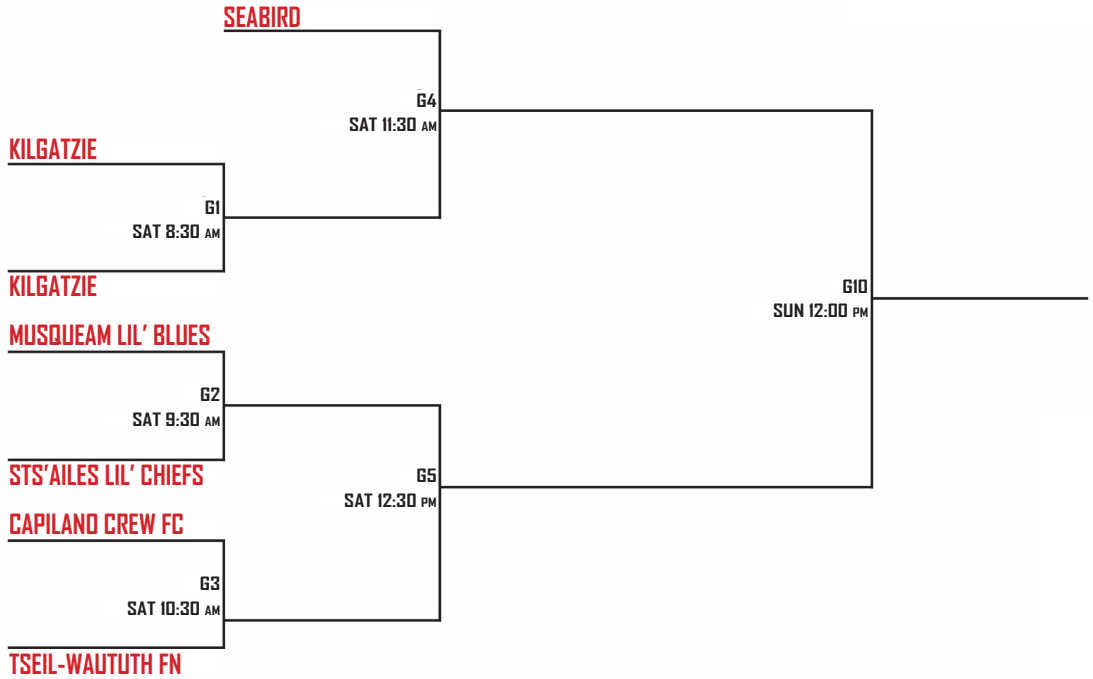
SOCCER AWARDS - 5U 12:45 PM - Youth Soccer Tent

Sports Code of Conduct

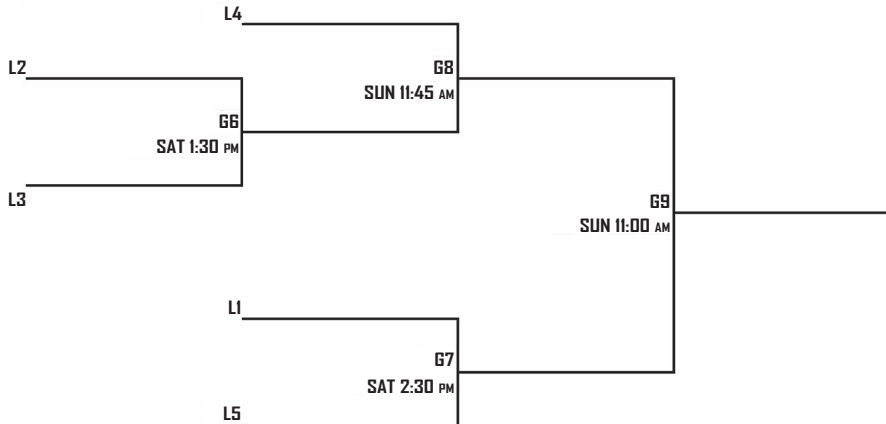
1. Remember, the players are involved in the sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
2. Respect all decisions made by coaches, and referees.
3. Be a role model by supporting your player.
4. Respect the rights of all players.
5. Applaud effort and hard work, as well as success.
6. Encourage everyone to play according to the rules.
7. Applaud the opposition as well as your team.
8. Do not coach or train your player while playing games; leave it to the coaches.
9. Do not shout or criticize players, parents, coaches, and referees.
10. Do not force anyone to participate in sport.



7U 7-ASIDE



CONSOLATION



2X20 - MINUTE HALVES, FIELD 9

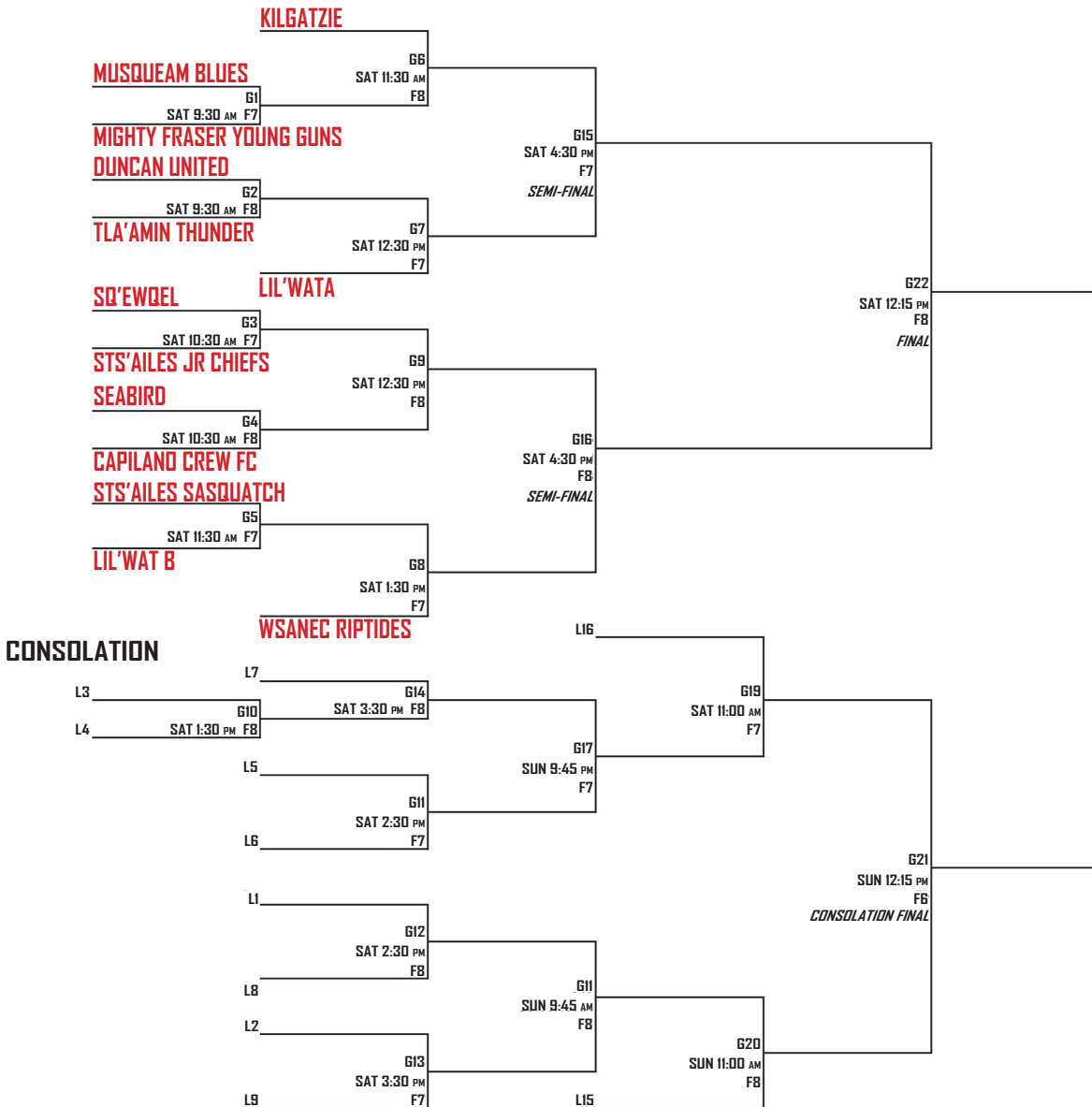
1ST PLACE WINNER G10

2ND PLACE LOSER G10

3RD PLACE WINNER G9

Soccer AWARDS - 7U 12:45 PM - Youth Soccer Tent

10U 7-ASIDE



2X20 - MINUTE HALVES

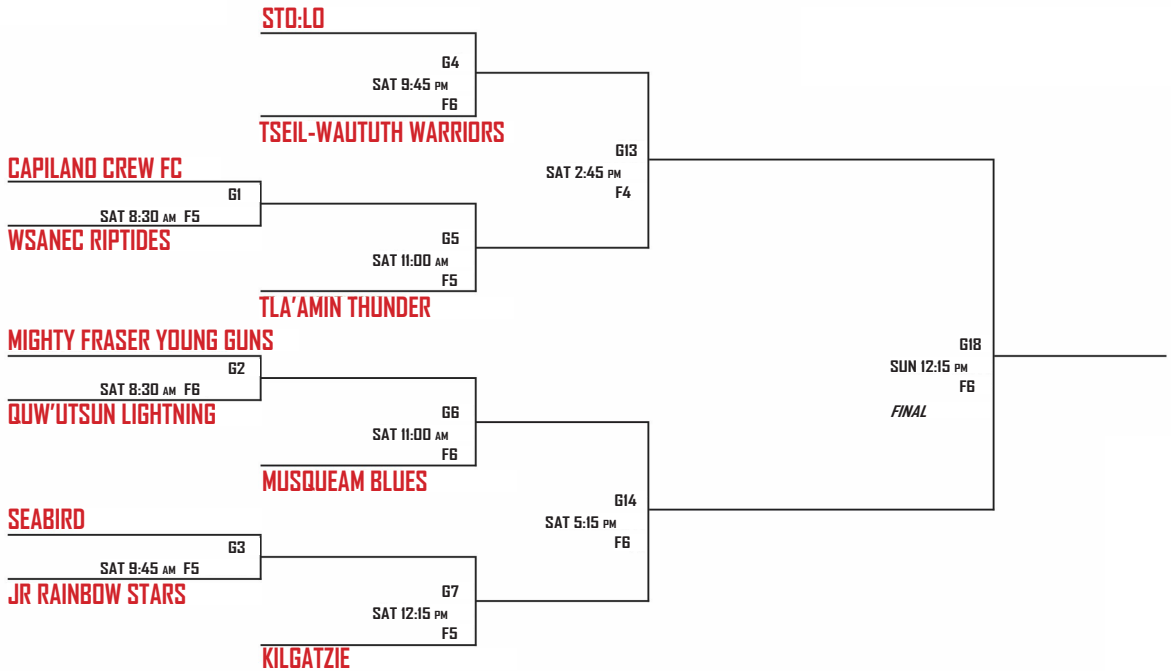
1ST PLACE WINNER G22

2ND PLACE LOSER G22

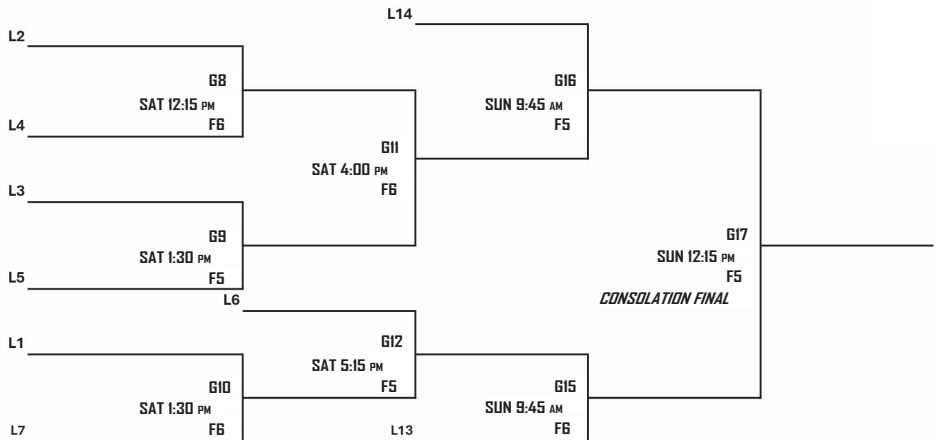
3RD PLACE WINNER G21

SOCCER AWARDS - 10U 2:45 PM - Youth Soccer Tent

13U 11-ASIDE



CONSOLATION



2X30 - MINUTE HALVES, FINAL 35 - MINUTE HALVES

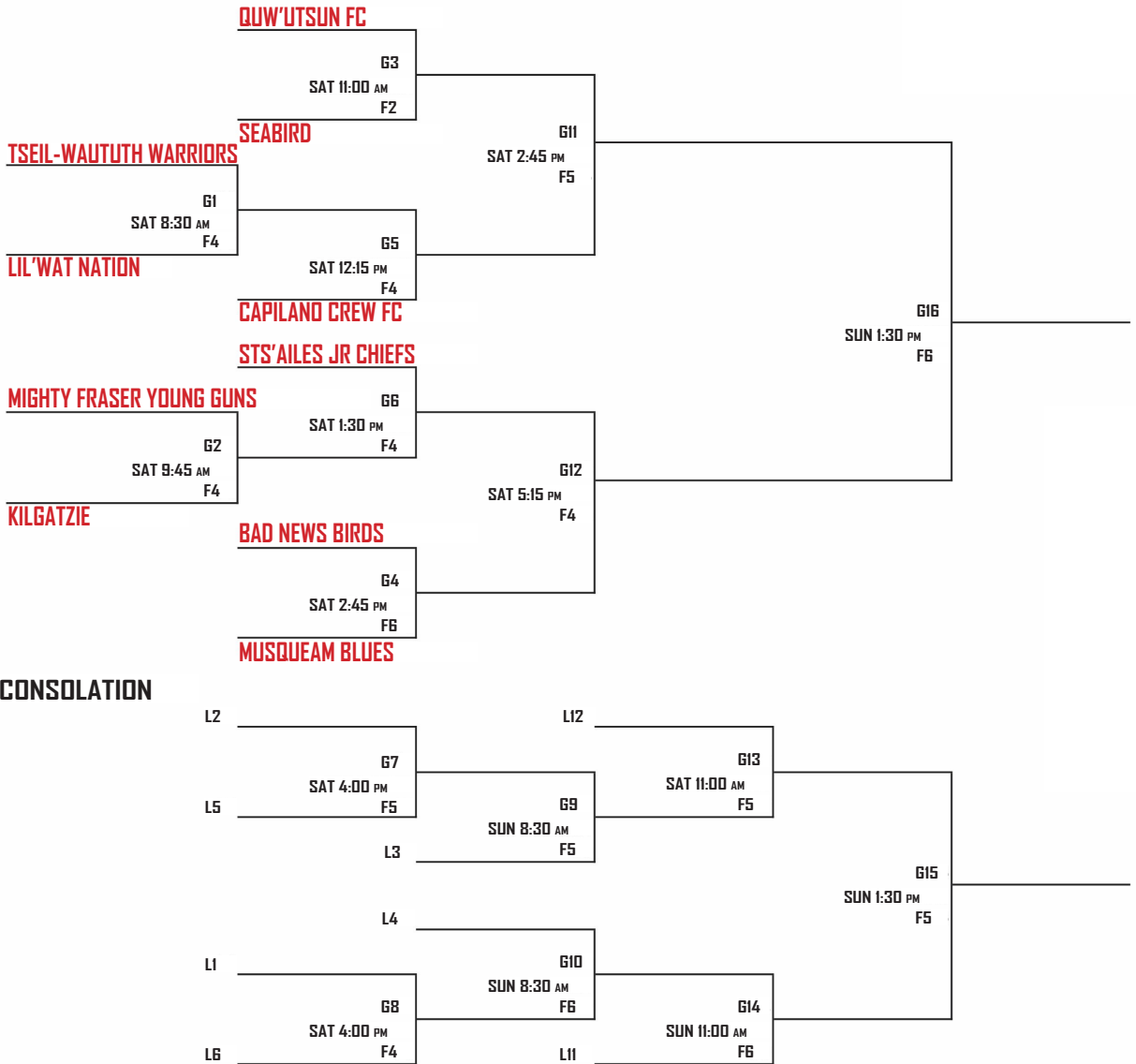
1ST PLACE WINNER G18

2ND PLACE LOSER G18

3RD PLACE WINNER G17

SOCCER AWARDS - 13U 2:45 PM - Youth Soccer Tent

16U 11-ASIDE



2X30 - MINUTE HALVES, FINAL 35 - MINUTE HALVES

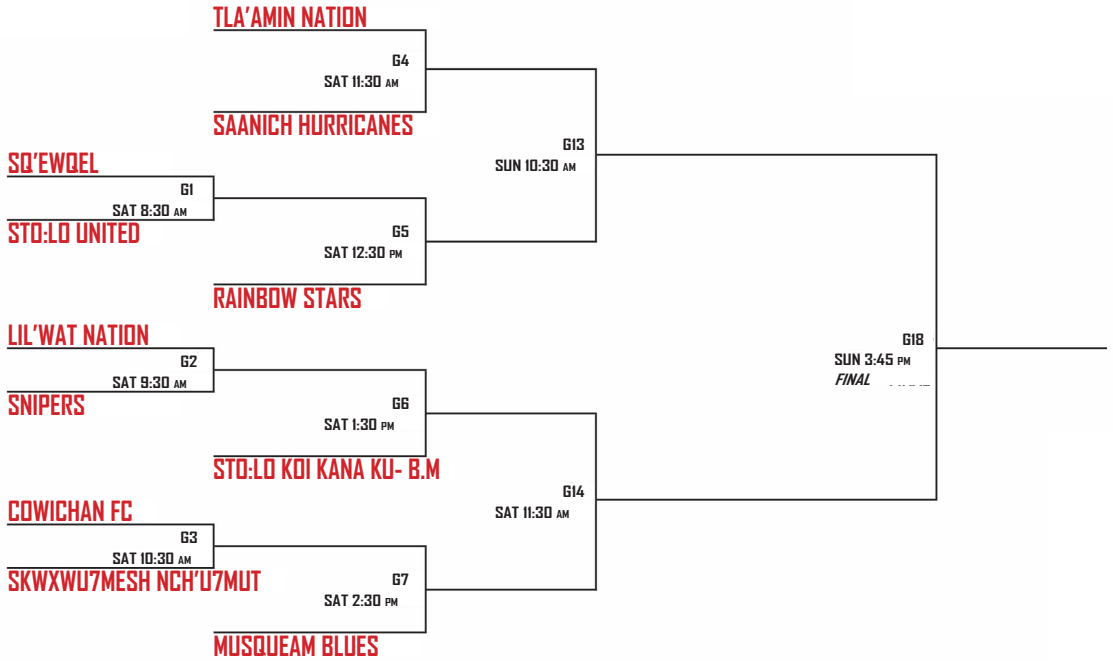
1ST PLACE WINNER G16

2ND PLACE LOSER G16

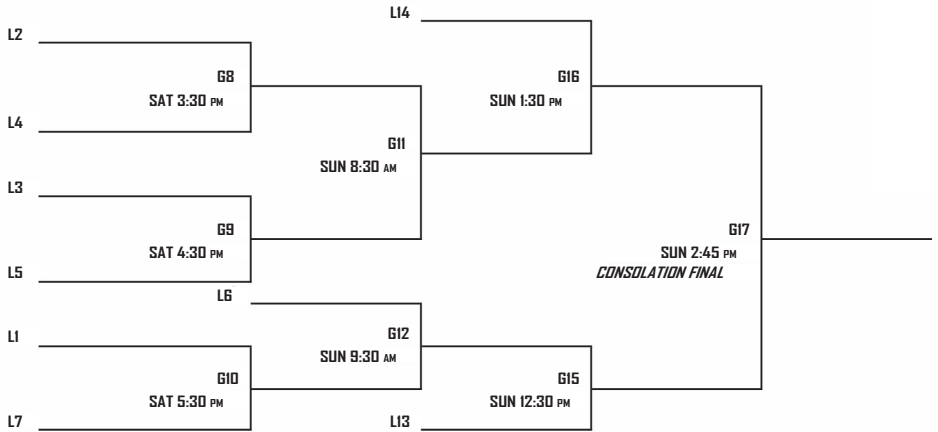
3RD PLACE WINNER G15

SOCCER AWARDS - 16U 2:45 PM - Youth Soccer Tent

WOMENS 7-ASIDE



CONSOLATION



2X30 - MINUTE HALVES, FINAL 25 - MINUTE HALVES
FIELD 3

1ST PLACE WINNER G18
\$2,000

2ND PLACE LOSER G18
\$1,100

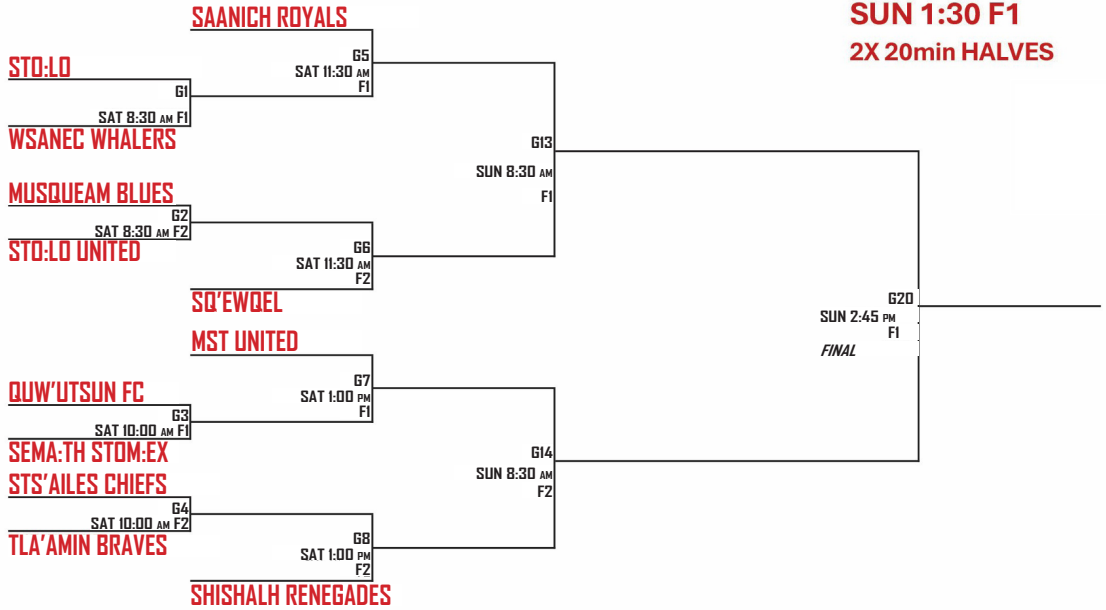
3RD PLACE WINNER G17
\$750

SOCGER AWARDS - WOMEN'S 4:45 PM - Information Booth

MENS 11-ASIDE

MASTERS GAME

SUN 1:30 F1
2X 20min HALVES



2X35 - MINUTE HALVES, FINAL 45 - MINUTE HALVES

1ST PLACE WINNER G20
\$3,500

2ND PLACE WINNER G20
\$2,000

3RD PLACE WINNER G19
\$1,500

Soccer Awards - Men's 4:45 PM - Information Booth

ZONE 1

ZONE 2



- 1 - Main Gate
- 2 - Back Gate
- A - Grand Stand/Canoe
- B - Adult Soccer
- C - Elders Tea
- D - Youth Skate Park Tent
- E - Coastal Jam
- F - Debit Machine (ATM)
- G - Youth Soccer Tent
- H - Sq'ewqel Wonder World
- Info Booth

ZONE 3

ZONE 4



- NO PARKING
- Restrooms
- Showers
- Camping
- Parking
- Handicap Parking
- Vendors Lots
- First Aid/Security

CANOE RACES RULES

1. All canoes and skippers must be registered by 10:30 AM Saturday May 24, 2025.
2. Position draws will be at 10:30 AM. Saturday and Sunday.
3. Races begin at 11:00 AM Saturday and Sunday.
4. Each race must begin and end with the same number of participants in each canoe. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from that race.
5. Canoe Skippers are required to hold onto the starting rope with all other paddles raised overhead. Failure to have all paddles in the air will result in disqualification for that race.
6. Canoes must complete all turns. Missing a turn will result in being disqualified from the race.
7. Swinging of paddles will result in disqualification from the race.
8. Absolutely no contact is permitted with opponents – this will result in disqualification from the race.
9. There will be zero tolerance for verbal abuse towards officials. Individuals will be disqualified and will not be allowed to participate in the next race.
10. Protests must be submitted by the Canoe Skipper in writing within 30 minutes after the completion of the race.
11. Judges' decisions are final.
12. Prizes will be awarded after each race and should be picked up by the canoe skipper only.
13. All canoes must register and attend both races days to receive travel honorarium.
14. Travel expenses for canoes will be paid on Sunday, May 25, 2025 after the races and must be picked up by only the Canoe Skipper.
15. No paddle restrictions.



SEABIRD FESTIVAL SHOWERS AVAILABLE

Saturday: 8 AM - 10 PM

Sunday: 8 AM - 6 PM

Two Shower Locations:

- Two Behind the Band Office Gym, the back of the gravel parking lot.
- One outdoor shower located by the Maria Slough / Field 1.



Saturday	First	Second	Third
Single Paddle			
10U FEMALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
10U MALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
13U FEMALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
13U MALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
16U FEMALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
16U MALE	\$20	\$15	\$10
WOMEN'S	\$30	\$20	\$10
MEN'S	\$30	\$20	\$10
Double Paddle			
10U	\$40	\$30	\$20
13U	\$40	\$30	\$20
16U	\$40	\$30	\$20
WOMEN'S	\$60	\$40	\$20
MEN'S	\$60	\$40	\$20
MIXED	\$60	\$40	\$20
6 Paddle			
10U	\$120	\$90	\$60
13U	\$120	\$90	\$60
16U	\$120	\$90	\$60
WOMEN'S	\$180	\$120	\$60
MEN'S	\$180	\$120	\$60
11 Paddle			
10U	\$330	\$220	\$110
13U	\$330	\$220	\$110
16U	\$330	\$220	\$110
WOMEN'S	\$440	\$330	\$220
MEN'S	\$440	\$330	\$220

Sunday	First	Second	Third
11 Paddle			
MEN	\$660	\$440	\$330
WOMEN	\$660	\$440	\$330
16 & UNDER	\$550	\$330	\$220
13 & UNDER	\$550	\$330	\$220
10 & UNDER	\$550	\$330	\$220
6 Paddle			
GENERATIONS DASH (50+, MEN, WOMEN, 16U, 13U, AND 10U)	\$180	\$120	\$60
SIX MAN DASH (MIXED 3&3)	\$180	\$120	\$60
MEN	\$360	\$240	\$180
WOMEN	\$360	\$240	\$180
16 & UNDER	\$300	\$180	\$120
13 & UNDER	\$300	\$180	\$120
Double Paddle			
MASTER'S DOUBLE (50+)	\$120	\$80	\$40
MEN	\$120	\$80	\$40
WOMEN	\$120	\$80	\$40
16 & UNDER	\$60	\$40	\$20
13 & UNDER	\$60	\$40	\$20
MIXED	\$60	\$40	\$20
Single Paddle			
MEN'S	\$60	\$40	\$20
WOMEN'S	\$60	\$40	\$20
16 & UNDER	\$30	\$20	\$10
13 & UNDER	\$30	\$20	\$10



FESTIVAL WINNERS OF 2024



CANOE CHAMPIONS

Jr. Buckskins

- 1st LOGAN
- 2nd WYATT
- 3rd TAMAYA L.

Buckskins

- 1st LEELAND D.
- 2nd ZANE J.
- 3rd VIVIANNA P.

Women's

- 1st TYRA P.
- 2nd NIKI C.
- 3rd JACQUELINE S.

Men's

- 1st WILLIAM W.
- 2nd ANDREW C.
- 3rd COLIN P.

11 Paddle Men's

- 1st SILHQEY
- 2nd SALISH DANCER
- 3rd STO:LO QUEEN

11 Paddle Women's

- 1st SALISH DANCER
- 2nd SILHQEY
- 3rd STO:LO CHIEF

11 Paddle Bucks

- 1st TSEQEL
- 2nd TRUDY MAE
- 3rd NA

11 Paddle Jr Bucks

- 1st SALISH DANCER
- 2nd TSEQEL
- 3rd TRUDY MAE

11 Paddle 10U

- 1st TSEQEL
- 2nd TRUDY MAE
- 3rd NA

6 Paddle Men's

- 1st XEYTELEQ
- 2nd T'EMO:SA
- 3rd ELSIE AMY

6 Paddle Women's

- 1st TOP SECRET
- 2nd BLUE JAYS
- 3rd KING FISHER

6 Paddle Buckskins

- 1st TOP SECRET
- 2nd T'EMO:SA
- 3rd ELSIE AMY

6 Paddle Jr. Buckskins

- 1st TOP SECRET
- 2nd T'EMO:SA
- 3rd ELSIE AMY

Mixed 3x3 Special

- 1st MALLOWA
- 2nd TOP SECRET
- 3rd KING FISHER

Generations

- 1st T'EMO:SA
- 2nd MALLOWA
- 3rd NA

Masters 50+

- 1st SLADE & WALTER
- 2nd VINCE & MARVIN
- 3rd NA

Double Paddle Men's

- 1st DARREN & TERRY
- 2nd NOAH & DARIAN
- 3rd LOUIE & PHILLIP

Double Paddle Women's

- 1st TYRA & JACQUELINE
- 2nd COURTNEY & MONICA
- 3rd NIKI & JENN





U10 Soccer

- 1st YALIS LIGHTNING
- 2nd DUNCAN UNITED
- 3rd STO:LO

U7 Soccer

- 1st MUSQUEAM
- 2nd SEABIRD
- 3rd STS'AILES BRO SQUAD

Double Paddle Mixed

- 1st TYRA & WILLIAM
- 2nd CHELSEI & NOAH
- 3rd MONICA & DARREN

Double Paddle Buckskins

- 1st ZANE & MASON
- 2nd SHANAA & LEELAND
- 3rd VIVIANNA & LORIANNA

Double Paddle Jr. Buckskins

- 1st TAMAYA & LILA
- 2nd RYRY & ROBBIE
- 3rd ZARA & ANGEI

SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Women's Soccer

- 1st COWICHAN FC
- 2nd STO:LO UNITED
- 3rd SKWXWU7MESH NCH'U7MUT

Men's Soccer

- 1st QUW'UTSUN FC
- 2nd PENELAKIT ISLAND THUNDER
- 3rd MUSQUEAM BLUES

16 U Soccer

- 1st STS'AILES JR CHIEFS
- 2nd SAANICH BRAVES
- 3rd SEABIRD



U13 Soccer

- 1st CAPILANO CREW FC
- 2nd NISGA'A CUBS
- 3rd JR RAINBOW STARS

U5 Soccer

- 1st KILGATZIE
- 2nd CAPILANO
- 3rd SEABIRD



THE SEABIRD ISLAND FESTIVAL: HISTORY

This year marks the 53rd annual Seabird Island Festival – a time to come together and celebrate First Nations culture and pride. In 1969, Grand Chief Archie Charles and his wife Mary formally established the festival, and it has since become one of the region’s most anticipated spring traditions.

For centuries, First Nations festivals were lively events. Tribes would gather to compete in sports and games, trade, seek spouses, settle disputes and debts, visit family members and celebrate for celebrations’ sake. In the Fraser Canyon, Stó:lō people often brought salmon when they visited neighbouring nations.

In 1876, the Indian Act prevented cultural gatherings, including powwows and festivals, through new legislation called the Potlatch Ban. This was to advance Canada’s independence from the British. The ban wasn’t repealed until 1951.

The ban incited underground movements to skirt Canadian tyranny, but fear slowly seeped into communities. Acts of resistance were punished with imprisonment, and a campaign of shaming for “debauchery” was unleashed onto First Nations communities, all for something as human as commemorating joyful moments, like weddings and naming ceremonies.

Sadly, many customs were lost during the generation overshadowed by the Potlatch Ban. Resistance helped to preserve some, but it couldn’t save them all.

The establishment of the Seabird Island Festival coincides with a larger pattern in Canada; the shifting culture in the aftermath of World War II. People were tired of government neglect, so First Nations veterans and the general public pressured Canadian officials to treat the Indigenous population better. A slow return of rights began to unroll in the 50s, and in the 60s cultural revitalization took off. Many festivals were born or reborn, including Seabird Island Festival.

Although tribes no longer travel by canoe to convene, people from neighbouring reserves, off-reserve Band Members, sports teams and the wider community make the journey year after year. Some have come from as far as Saskatchewan and the United States.



Festivals today look a little different than they did once. In Seabird Island Festival’s early days, popular events included canoe races, ball hockey, drumming and dance performances, soccer tournaments, games of Slahal and salmon barbeques, with much of the cooking being done by Community Members in their own homes. Volunteers were the driving force behind the festival, and it has since grown into a full-scale operation.

Now, planning for each year’s festival begins over a year in advance. Key events still take place and are complimented by modern additions, including food trucks, local vendors, skate park jams and premium children’s entertainment.

Seabird Island Festival is recognized as one of the Stó:lō territory’s most popular events. With thousands of people attending throughout the decades and recounting memories of good food, friends and times, it’s no wonder why the tradition carries on so strongly.

Ts’áts’eltset xwoyíwel tel sqwálewel kw’as me xwe’í sq’ó talhlúwep. Lhlímelhcha íyes!

We’re happy you’re here! Welcome and enjoy the festivities.

From May 24 to 25, 2025, hundreds of men, women, and children will visit Seabird Island to participate in the annual reunion of many communities with similar traditions and customs. Sports will be experienced by both players and spectators. Young people will be amazed by skateboarding, while children will enjoy games and fun. Everyone will also enjoy the food and crafts that the vendors are selling.

In order to review every aspect of the operation, the planning committee met beginning in the fall of 2024. The winter months were spent finalizing budgets, creating marketing and registration packages, and promoting the event on social media. In the spring, volunteers were recruited and souvenirs, medals, and t-shirts were ordered.

Work on the festival venue started behind the scenes many weeks ago with the installation of new soccer nets and field preparations. Agreements have been made for First Aid, site security, and porta-potties.

To guarantee that everyone has a good time, more than 75 people participate every day during the festival. Staff members from every area and community volunteers are essential to the festival's success. Teachers, engineers, managers, parents, high school students, accountants, and others assist with program activities, parking, tournaments, and site services. They are the ones wearing the **BRIGHT YELLOW** shirts!



Debriefing with volunteers and service providers, site take-down the next week, and finalizing the reports and accounting will take up most of June. Everything will restart after a debriefing from festival personnel. We are already anticipating the next festival, which will take place from **May 23 to 24, 2026**. See you then!

COMMITTEE / LEADS

Festival Coordinator - Charlene Point

Coordinator	Charlene Point
Parking	Dwight Schneider
War Canoes	Brooke Bobb-Reid
Information Booth	Sandra Bobb
Soccer - Adult	Bonnie Nickel
Soccer - Youth	Ashley Bobb
Head Referee	Ned Mullock
Finance & 50/50	Coral-Leigh Peters
Coastal Jam	Jessica Loosdrecht
Maintenance	Gary Swan
Grounds	Art Andrew & Paul Pettis
Vendors & Volunteers	Roy Bedford
Security	Griffin Security Services LTD.
First Aid	WorksafET Solutions

SMILE SEABIRD PHOTOGRAPHERS ON SITE!

Professional photographers employed by the Event Organizer, the Seabird Island Band, and local reporters will be present taking pictures and video footage at the



event. These images may be used, without further notification, at a later date to market this event and future events.

SAFETY FIRST

PLEASE REMEMBER when parking your vehicle, look to see if your vehicle is blocking another vehicle to exit or enter the designated area.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL AND ROAD SAFE WHEN WATCHING THE WAR CANOES.

Many spectators pull a lawn chair out and place this on the pavement of the road. The road is very narrow and when two vehicles are passing each other can become dangerous.

Safety First: Child safety near traffic can be affected by two major players: drivers and parents. For their part, young children have not yet developed the necessary skills to safely assess the dangers of the road.

Please keep your eyes on your children!

Drug and Alcohol Free Event

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

The Seabird Island Festival is not responsible for lost or stolen goods, damaged property or injuries. Players participate at their own risk. In case of an emergency, staff will contact emergency personnel for you.

First Aid: Located at the Fire Hall. Attendants are also walking the site between 8 AM - 4 PM.

Lost Child: Report to any Sports Tent, they will radio to MC to announce immediately.

Child Left Behind: MC to announce and ask child to report to the Info. Booth.

Lost and Found: Located at the Information Booth located between Field 1 and the Millennium Hall.

Security: Police and Security will be making regular patrols 24 hours a day. Report any drug or alcohol use to security.

Grievance: Notify committee at sports tents

Dial 911: For any medical emergency, domestic/assault, or fire.

Emergency Vehicle Access Routes:

- Spectators will not be permitted to park along Field #1 at anytime.
- Do not block any entrances!

These areas are to be kept clear of vehicles to ensure there is a route for emergency personnel.

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FOOD VENDORS



SKATE

JAM

STILL NEEDED

ALL AGES CONTEST

10 - 12 PM

Sign up at the YOUTH TENT

- » Coup Game of 12.5
- » Best Trick

1 - 4 PM

- » Skateboard Lessons with the Seabird Skate Crew (Sign up at the youth tent)

SATURDAY, MAY 25

BOUNCE BOX

10 AM - 4 PM

Available for any age, no experience necessary

Extra skateboards and helmets available

DOOR PRIZES

SIGN UP AT THE YOUTH TENT