



ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation

2026 Annual General Assembly “Draft”

Back to Our Roots, Moving Forward Together

August 21–23, 2026

Friday, August 21, 2026

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony (open to everyone)

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Band Hall

3050 Highway 93/95, Windermere, BC

- Official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Building Tours
- Light Refreshments

Dinner & Family Fun Night

4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Lakeshore Campground

3151 BC-95, Windermere, BC

- Dinner
 - **The Price Is Right** ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation Style
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Saturday, August 22, 2026

Registration Desk opens at 8:00am Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Vendor & Department Open House

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Visit community department displays, information booths, and local vendors throughout the day.

Morning Assembly

9:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Location: Band Hall

10:30 a.m. – Morning Break

Agenda

- Opening Prayer
 - Grand Entry
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Governance Update – Nasu?kin Donald Sam
 - Council Portfolio Updates (supported by Directors)
 - Member Questions and Discussion
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Lunch

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Open House & Vendor Visits/Tours of New Building

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Take time to connect with departments, learn about current initiatives, and visit the vendors.

Afternoon Assembly

1:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Location: Band Hall

3:30 p.m. – Afternoon Break

Presentations

- Water Stewardship Update
 - Guardian Program Update
 - CCP Update
 - Audited Financial Statements Review
 - Prosperity Fund Update
 - Minors Trust Update
 - Milestones & Community Acknowledgements
 - Community Remembrance
 - Celebrating our Births
 - Closing Ceremony
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Dinner & Cash Prize Bingo

5:00 p.m.

Location: Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Enjoy an evening meal together followed by **Cash Prize Bingo**.

Sunday, August 23, 2026

Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Columbia Lake Recreation Centre

Boxed Lunch Pick-Up

Following breakfast, Columbia Recreation Centre

Thank you for joining us for the **2026 Annual General Assembly**. We wish everyone safe travels home and look forward to gathering together again next year.

AGA 2026 Sunday Activities – Back to Our Roots, Moving Forward Together

Trip to Qat'muk – A Day on the Land with ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation and Ktunaxa Land Guardians (subject to weather and fire conditions)

Join us for a day of connection, learning, and exploring the beautiful Jumbo Valley together – in the heart of Qat'muk. We will meet in the Band Hall parking lot before departing and organize carpooling as a group. A four-wheel-drive vehicle is required for the trip, and transportation will be available for anyone who needs it.

Together, we'll travel through the valley, stopping and take time to enjoy the breathtaking scenery, connect with one another, and share a picnic lunch in the heart of the mountains.

We look forward to spending this special day together as a community.

Please Note: This trip will be largely in a vehicle but there will be numerous stops, a small slow flowing creek to cross and a short 10-minute walk down and then back up an old road.

Depart at 9:30am and return at 3:30pm

Pontoon Boat on Lake Windermere (Back by popular demand) 12:00pm to 2:00pm

Meet at the Band Hall for carpooling to Invermere while you spend a summer day making memories on the beautiful waters of Lake Windermere.

Relax aboard a pontoon boat as you cruise across the lake, take in the stunning mountain views, share stories, laughs, and soak up the sunshine. Whether you're spotting wildlife along the shoreline or simply enjoying the peaceful rhythm of the water, it's the perfect opportunity to connect. Bagged lunch provided

Art with Lillian Rose Band Hall & Tours of Wiyu Lodge

Start your day at the Band Hall with Lillian Rose, where you'll begin creating your own beautiful **Eco-Dyed Banner/Pennant**, using linocut techniques.

During the first hour, you'll prepare and cut your materials before beginning the eco-dyeing process. While your pennant is curing, you'll head to Wiyu Lodge for a hands-on and inspiring visit.

Spend time with Yvonne Stanley as she shares the making of **wačkna** (*subject to weather and fire conditions*). Then, explore the gardens with Darla Nicholas and James Sullivan as they share their knowledge, experience, and passion for growing food. And be sure to stop by and visit the chickens—they're always a favorite!

Transportation from the Band Hall to Wiyu is available.

After your visit to Wiyu Lodge, return to the Band Hall for lunch and an afternoon of creativity as you continue working on your eco-dyed project and bring your unique creation to life.

10:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.

Pre-registration is required for Sunday Activities

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