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Campbell River fire department open house May 7

Unleash your inner fire fighter and take in rescue simulations at the downtown fire hall Saturday, May 7.

Campbell River Fire Department will host its annual open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the main fire hall located at 675-13th Ave.

“This year’s open house will provide lots of fun and exciting events for families including a chance to be raised 101 feet in the air with the new ladder truck, plus hands-on opportunities with a fire hose and target and hydraulic rescue tools,” says deputy fire chief Thomas Doherty. *“Kids can also dress up in firefighting gear in the photo booth. Also, representatives from the BC Professional Firefighters Burn Fund will also be there with mascot Harry the Hydrant.”*

In addition to the many interactive events, fire fighters will provide a live demonstration with the Jaws of Life at 11 a.m. followed by a high-angle rescue simulation at 1 p.m.

Informative displays with information on hazardous materials response, confined space rescue, the fire safety house and a fire and life safety booth as well as tours of the fire dispatch centre will also be featured.

“This year’s open house lands on Emergency Preparedness Week, which runs May 1 to 7. Representatives from our local Emergency Support Services will be on site to provide information and answer emergency preparedness questions,” Doherty adds. *“Mark your calendar for May 7 and come on down to the No.1 Fire Hall and speak to your local fire fighters and learn about the many services they provide to the City of Campbell River and surrounding areas.”*

Plus, the department will host a by-donation barbecue with hot dogs, hamburgers and refreshments. All proceeds will support people with muscular dystrophy.

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