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PORT AUTHORITY AWARDS GILLIAN TRUMPER MEMORIAL BURSARY TO NYLA PENNER

The Port Alberni Port Authority is proud to announce that Nyla Penner is this year's recipient of the Port Alberni Port Authority's Gillian Trumper Memorial Staff Bursary.

Nyla is a 2022 ADSS graduate and has just completed her second season working for the Port Authority. Nyla is currently enrolled in her 1st year prerequisite courses at North Island College and thereafter will be moving on to Vancouver Island University to complete a two-year diploma in Dental Hygiene.

Nyla has developed strong leadership skills during her last two seasons with the Port Authority and has demonstrated exceptional professional growth. In addition, her hard work, outstanding customer service, and pleasant attitude have been invaluable to the Port staff and public throughout a very busy summer season.

The Port Alberni Port Authority aims to support our local youth in achieving meaningful work experience through seasonal employment. This bursary, which honours the legacy of former Board member, Gillian Trumper, aligns with her and the Port's support, of youth education and mentorship.

This annual bursary of \$3,500 rewards outstanding dedication to work duties and customer service by an eligible employee to pursue post-secondary education. Applicants were considered on the merits of their overall work performance including dedication, commitment and leadership; educational pursuits; career goals; and financial need.

Congratulations, Nyla! Thank you for your valuable contributions to the Port Authority this season and we wish you great academic success in the years ahead!

Zoran Knezevic

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