

Sayward Volunteer Fire Department members compete in international event

Three members of the Sayward Volunteer Fire Department are soon off to Gaspé, Quebec to compete in the Firefit International Championships. Tyler Atchison, Sarah Clark, and Kris Kennedy are travelling out east next month to compete in this gruelling test of firefighting skills.

The Sayward trio qualified with time at the regional competition held in Comox this past May.

Gaspé is a long way from Sayward, so the team needed help beyond the generous donations of people in the Sayward Valley.

Marine Harvest Canada, a local salmon farming company with operations in the Sayward area, was approached to see if they

would be interested in supporting the Fire Department's participation in this national event.

"Boy did they ever step up," says team organizer Sarah Clark. "They've generously donated \$4500 towards getting us to Gaspé. So on behalf of the Sayward Volunteer Fire Department we would like to give a "BIG SHOUT OUT" to Marine Harvest Canada. Without their help, we wouldn't be on our way."

Darren Ingersoll, Marine Harvest's Production Manager in the Sayward area, is excited to be able to help. "Quite a few of our staff live in Sayward, so they're especially pleased to see our company step in



and help. The Sayward Volunteer Firefighters have worked really hard to get this opportunity at a national title and we're all going to be cheering them on."

The Scott FireFit Championships is a competition based on fire fighting tasks commonly performed in emergency situations. You can check out the competition on TSN from September 3-6th and visit the competition's website at: www.firefitgaspe.com