

Newsletter #105 – Fall 2021

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The 2021 Sargeant Bay Society AGM was held as a Zoom meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At the time of the AGM our membership stood at 78 individual &/or family memberships. Please continue to ensure your membership is up to date.

The Directors and Executive positions remain unchanged for the upcoming year.

Loop & Jessie Burgerjon Endowment Update

As of year-end 2020 the total endowment established to benefit the Sargeant Bay Society was valued at over \$30,000. Annual income of around \$1,000 generated by this endowment supports Society activities, so all donations large and small are much appreciated. Tax receipts are provided.

Summer Activities - 2021

No group educational activities were undertaken during the summer this year due to COVID-19 concerns. Hopefully our full program will be able to be re-started in 2022!

Berm Invasive Species and Trail Cleanup



A large group of volunteers participated in a very successful berm cleanup on September 28th. Large Himalayan Blackberry plants were removed from both sides of the berm trail. Kiran, our BC Parks contractor, provided a large flat bed trailer once again—and we filled it!



At the same time a large concrete dock structure with disintegrating styrofoam that had washed up on the beach was flipped upside down to reduce breakup of the styrofoam, and then the structure was dragged to higher ground for later BC Parks removal.



The structure was finally removed from the berm by BC Parks on Nov 3rd with the help of Chris Hamilton's excavator. BC Parks then used a portable vacuum to remove as much of the small bits of styrofoam as possible.



If you photograph any interesting events or activities in the Park, please send along for inclusion in the Newsletter, with a short description of what you saw.

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Fish Ladder Washout

The heavy rainfall associated with the October "cyclone" caused extremey high flow in Colvin Creek, as a result the eastern side of the fish ladder nearly washed away completely. The photo below shows how little of the berm was left to hold back the Lake. If not for the excellent design of the fish ladder the Lake may well have drained significantly, with unknown consequences to the inhabitants of the Lake.



Thanks to Chris and Clark Hamilton for arranging on short notice to have a small excavator brought to the Park. They then delivered two truckloads of rip-rap, while Sam deftly placed the rocks to fill the 12 cubic yard defect.

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Back to normal – temporarily.



Thanks to Dave Spicer who assisted with the project.

The next storm caused even more extensive damage (below), and at the present time BC Parks staff is awaiting additional archaeological permits to proceed with more extensive repairs.

