

## **Moorecroft Stewards' Report - April 2014**

**Moorecroft Stewards** continue to support the RDN in their work at Moorecroft Regional Park and encourage the public to enjoy the natural beauty and tranquility of the Park. We will continue to explore possibilities for fund-raising and welcome your ideas.

**Art in the Garden, Nanoose Bay - July 19 -20** will provide a venue to inform the public about Moorecroft Regional Park. We'd appreciate Moorecroft Park supporters and those knowledgeable of the flora and fauna of the area to take two hour shifts over the weekend. Our focus for the weekend will be to answer questions and to discuss the beauty of the park with the public. For information or offers of help, contact [jograham5@gmail.com](mailto:jograham5@gmail.com).

**The Moorecroft History Project** is researching and recording the Social History of Miss Moore's Camp and the Moorecroft United Church Camp. For information, contact Judy Love Eastham at [hkjudy@gmail.com](mailto:hkjudy@gmail.com) or visit [Facebook.com/MoorecroftHistoryProject](https://www.facebook.com/MoorecroftHistoryProject).

**Community Quilt Project** encourages submissions of fabric art representations of Moorecroft, past or present which will be coordinated into a quilt. For information, contact Colleen Lucas at [colleenlucas.lucas@gmail.com](mailto:colleenlucas.lucas@gmail.com).

### **Fund-raising Efforts:**

\*\* *Current amount in Moorecroft Stewardship Committee Accounts \$6000* (This includes donations held in trust by NALT for Moorecroft Stewardship Committee as well as money raised through our fund-raising initiatives.)

\*\* *Current amount in the RDN's designated account for Moorecroft Park \$8765* (Donations for Moorecroft Park have come into the RDN as general donations toward park improvements or specifically for Kennedy Lodge. Contributions are very appreciated and will help in the sensitive development of the park.)

### **On-going Initiatives**

\*Donations for Moorecroft Regional Park can continue to be made through the NALT Office or directly to the RDN.

\*A few birdhouses are still available. For information, contact Vicki Knight at [vlknight@telus.net](mailto:vlknight@telus.net). (Poster attached)

\*Recycling Centre in Parksville holds a Moorecroft Stewards' account for recycled bottles and cans.

\*QF points can be donated to Moorecroft Regional Park.

**Nanoose Naturalists'** website <http://www.nanoosenaturalists.org/> has a link to the RDN's Moorecroft Regional Park website, with access to information about the Park, some park history and the RDN's management plan.

### **RDN Priorities for 2014**

\*Kennedy Lodge: RDN Building & Bylaw Department requires that an Architect Review be completed for the building. This review will determine what will be required to bring Kennedy Lodge up to zoning and building code requirements. After this assessment and cost estimates for upgrades, Parks will review options for the building.

\*Development of a dog strategy to help with leash education and compliance.

\*Development of a design for a sheltered kiosk at the main gate with interpretive signs and seating.

\*Monitoring and increasing signage for the park.

\*Continued upgrades of trails with more crush added in areas not done last year.

### **RDN's Long-term Plans for Moorecroft**

- Construction of a sheltered kiosk at the main gate

- Washrooms

-A covered picnic area

-Continued information to the public about the park and why it needs to be protected

**Nature Conservancy of Canada** manages the Conservation Covenant held on 93% of the park. *FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION*, all locals and visitors to the park are required to keep dogs on leash at all times, including at the water's edge, Vesper Point and the parking lot.

## **The Moorecroft Stewardship Committee**

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