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Newsletter of the Nanaimo & Area Land Trust Society

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NALT Calendar—photo: Ron Clark

Notice of NALT AGM - March 21st, 2018

The 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Nanaimo & Area Land Trust (NALT) will take place on March 21st, 2018 at the Bowen Park Club House (500 Bowen Road, adjacent to the lawn bowling greens), doors open at 5 pm, business begins at 5:15 pm until 6 pm. At 6:15 pm there will be a presentation by the Save Linley Valley's Hidden Ridges group about their successful campaign to protect the Ridges and the next steps in the process. A "build a bun" light supper will be available.

Agenda items will include a presentation of the 2017 Year-End Financial Statements, Board and Staff annual reports, elections to the Board of Directors and consideration of a resolution concerning NALT's Bylaws.

Continuing the work of last year, where the NALT Constitution was altered to reach compliance with BC's new Societies Act, this year a key focus of the evening will be a Resolution to bring NALT's Bylaws into compliance with the Act. All societies in the Province will need to be in full compliance by November 28th, 2018.

Special Resolution:

Be it resolved the NALT Board recommends approval of the NALT Bylaws as amended for compliance with the new BC Societies Act.

The current and proposed Bylaws are available on the NALT website at http://nalt.bc.ca/1 2 about.html and available for pick-up at the NALT office, #8 - 140 Wallace Street, Nanaimo. Call 250-714-1990. For reference, the BC Societies Act can be found at http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/15018 01

Board election candidate biographies will soon be available via email, on the website and for pick-up at the office.

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NALT's Mission is: to promote and protect the natural values of land in the Nanaimo area

The Nanaimo & Area Land Trust Society was registered as a B.C. Society in 1995, and subsequently was granted charitable tax status and the right to hold conservation covenants. Charitable tax #: 893193771 RR0001

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Bottles for the River

On January 13th, NALT held a *Bottles for the River* fundraiser in the parking lot at the NALT office. We hold the January event at the office so that we can offer our volunteers a warm place to rest and recharge. Thanks to our volunteers and all those who were able to drop-off their refundable containers we raised \$800 on the day – up significantly from last year.

Although the weather was a little less than perfect for the day, our volunteers kept up their good cheer and great work fortified by strong coffee and homemade soup.

Thanks to Jason Salt with I Deliver Flyers for helping to spread the word.

Our next bottle drive will be on April 7th, 9:00 am until 2:30 pm in the parking lot beside Lucky's Liquor Store at the Country Club Centre. We hope to see you there! (*See poster on back page*).



NALT received a \$1,200 donation from the Huong Lan Restaurant.

Smile Card Program Update

Here is an update on the status of the NALT Smile Card fundraiser. The funds raised from May 2017 to April 2018 are allocated to offset the cost of hosting Streamkeeper workshops (*see page 3*). These workshops train people to identify indicators of stream health and have been a vital catalyst in building local stream stewardship groups.

After this funding cycle is completed, NALT will re-apply for another year of participation in the Thrifty Smile Card Community Fundraising program. Thank you for continuing to support NALT stewardship initiatives by using your Smile Card when you shop at Thrifty Foods.

If you have any questions about the Smile Card program, or if you have misplaced your card, please give us a call at 250-714-1990. We will be happy to help you with answers, or to get a new card delivered to you.

Water to Earth Month 2018

Since 2010, a mainstay of spring in Nanaimo has been the *Wild Foods Festival*. Through the years NALT, in partnership with the City of Nanaimo, has presented wild foods prepared by local chefs, presentations and workshops on native plant landscaping and related topics, a market of local foods and crafts and great live music too. While by any measure the festivals have been a success, last year was the last *Wild Foods Festival*. As the local food scene has flourished, therefore reducing the availability of chefs, and other events competed for attention, NALT made the decision to end the Festival's run on a high note. Thanks to everyone who has been part of the success.

Don't despair though, there is still plenty to do as we shift from winter to spring. *Water to Earth Month 2018* promotes a number of events celebrating international Water Day and Earth Day. From stream walks, to watershed tours, workshops to field trips, film night, **dive**-in theatre, a water symposium (*see page 4*) to river rafting there are many activities for all to enjoy. For more information see the poster on page 11.

Streamkeepers Workshop – April 21 & 22

Come and join us for a NALT sponsored Streamkeepers Workshop this spring on April 21st & 22nd. The weekend course will be held at the Pacific Gardens Co-housing complex at 347 Seventh Street in Nanaimo from 9 am to 4 pm each day.

The Streamkeepers Workshop was developed in 1995 by Fisheries and Oceans Canada in partnership with the BC Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks. The program is administered by the Pacific Streamkeepers Federation. The workshop will be presented by well-known local fish biologist and friend of NALT, Dave Clough. This two-day workshop teaches some of the easy-to-understand indicators that determine stream health—with both in-class and in-stream lessons (literally in-stream – bring your rubber boots!). You'll come away with a better understanding and appreciation of our local waterways, both big and small, and an increased interest in community stewardship.

Thanks to our funders and NALT's Stewardship budget, the cost of the course is free this time; however, there is a Streamkeepers Handbook (a must for the workshop and a valuable resource tool for any future Streamkeeper work that may be carried out), which will cost participants \$20. Please sign up early as there is limited space.

If you have any questions, or would like to sign-up for the workshop, please call 250-714-1990 or email admin@nalt.bc.ca.

Any river is really the summation of the whole valley. To think of it as nothing but water is to ignore the greater part.

— Hal Borland

Water Stewardship Symposium April 11 – 12

We know water. If you live on this coast you know water – rain, river, sea, rain, snow, rain. Did I mention rain? And while we all may have a weak moment in mid-February, shake our fists at the sky and cry out to the seemingly constant downpour, we love it too. On this coast, where the mountains meet the sky and receive rain and snow, which form our streams and rivers as the water travels to the sea, we swim, we paddle, we wade, we fish, we drink, we water, we watch and celebrate the bounty of this place.

On April 11th and 12th we will have an opportunity to share water stewardship success stories, learn of innovative initiatives valuing healthy functioning watersheds as important natural assets in our communities and find ways to grow our water stewardship network.

The <u>Water Stewardship in a Changing Climate</u> symposium will begin on April 11th with a field trip to Buttertubs Marsh and the 5-Acre Farm in Harewood. The Marsh and the Farm support many environmental and social values not the least of which is ground water recharge and storm water management. That evening, join Bob Sandford, author and EPCOR Chair for Water & Climate Security at the United Nations University, as he presents *The Hard Work of Hope* an inspirational talk on effective solutions in the face of climate change. The April 11th events are free but, as space is limited, preference will be given to those attending the symposium.

On April 12th, the symposium will look at the recent history of water stewardship, designing our communities while thinking like a watershed, local programs to expand stewardship of surface and ground water, valuing ecological services as communities, joining Indigenous and Western knowledge to produce a culture of stewardship and actions items identified through out the course of the day. The centrepiece of the day will be a panel discussion of community empowerment and partnerships. Featuring community stewardship groups such as NALT and local Streamkeepers, City and Regional government, the panel will explore and expand on the successes of water stewardship partnerships and will dedicate a majority of the allotted time discussing activities and concerns raised during audience participation.

The cost to attend the April 12th event is only \$45 prior to March 9th and \$55 after that date. This includes a lunch and other refreshments.

The field trips will begin at 2:45 pm, the keynote address by Bob Sandford starts at 7 pm at the Coast Bastion Hotel. The Symposium runs from 8:30 am to 4 pm also at the Coast Bastion Hotel. Pre-registration is required for both days' activities. Register at https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2018/Nanaimo-Water-Symposium

For more information take a look at the NALT website Events page (<u>http://nalt.bc.ca/1_13_events.html</u>) or call the NALT office at 250-714-1990.

At the time of publication Symposium sponsors include: TimberWest, Greenrock Liquor Store, Tectonica Management and Aquaparian Environmental Consulting. Symposium planning group includes NALT, the Partnership for Water Sustainability in BC, The City of Nanaimo and the Regional District of Nanaimo.



Registered Professional Biologists

Calling All Photographers! NALT Needs 2019 Calendar Photos

The deadline for you to send us your photos is Saturday, June 30th. We need you to take a trip through your photo files, and find up to five of your best photos—they may be recent or not-so-recent. If one of the photos you send is selected for the 2019 NALT calendar, your name will be featured as the photographer, and you will receive 5 free calendars that you can send to family or friends as a perfect gift for the holiday season.

Here's what we are looking for:

Photos that feature natural areas NALT has been involved with—including the Linley Valley, Mount Benson (and views from), Harewood Plains, pretty much all the creeks and rivers (and their watersheds) in and around Nanaimo, Hamilton Marsh, Moorecroft Park, the Yellowpoint Lodge property, Martha's Place in Qualicum Bay (now a NALT property), the Parnassian Woods (Van Kerkoerle property in Cassidy (also now a NALT property), sites featuring Lasqueti Island, South Winchelsea Island, Gabriola Island and Mudge Island, plus local area parks where NALT has been involved with invasive species removal and habitat projects over the past years. Also welcome are close-ups of flora and fauna generally found throughout the Nanaimo region.

If you have a great photo of some site or feature in the Nanaimo area that we have missed on this list, send it in for consideration. We generally do not use photos that *feature* people or pets, but a figure in the background or an outdoor group enjoying an activity, can add context to the image.

As you may have noticed, each year we try to select a balance of images that match with an appropriate month or season; so, even if your photo doesn't get used for the 2019 calendar, it may be used by NALT in a future calendar, or for the ever-popular NALT notecards, or posters or newsletters. You will be notified if we do use one for any reason, and the photo will be appropriately credited to your name.



Buttertubs Marsh with Mount Benson in the background. Photo: John Young.

How to participate?

For photos to be usable for the calendar, they

need to be formatted in landscape (wide, not tall) and in a high enough resolution for clarity when they are enlarged to the calendar size of 8 1/2" x11" (3 Megabytes or more). Please email your photos to <u>paul@nalt.bc.ca</u> or drop off a digital copy at the NALT office.

Please share with us your special photos depicting the natural beauty that makes this area such a great place to live. Remember: The deadline for 2019 calendar photo submissions is Saturday, June 30th at midnight.





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Nursery News

Snow slid off the greenhouse roof like a champ, as we all held our breath. The nearly 10 years old fabric roof has held up beyond expectations when the greenhouse was constructed as part of a NALT supervised JCP (Job Creation Partnership). We may be looking to replace the fabric and plastic roof with just the same material – perhaps in summer 2019.

The recent snow covered many of our plants and provided good insulation. Those newly propagated seedlings and cuttings in the greenhouse fared well. The new propagation hut, which was featured in our last newsletter, is warming the bottom of plant containers to promote germination, and that is proceeding very well. We've seen evidence of elk traveling through nursery with hoof prints and some disheveled plants, but we are so pleased to glimpse them that we don't mind a bit of clean-up.

Nursery volunteers and Anneke and Peter VanKerkoerle celebrated our Stone Soup annual activity, delicious as always from seasoning in the beloved 10 year old soup stone. You can see by the picture that volunteers enjoyed both the soup and the good company.

Upcoming events involving the nursery include harbingers of spring:

- March 4 Seedy Sunday at NDSS, 10 am 3 pm
- April 21 Earth Day at Barsby Secondary School
- May 12 Morrell Nature Sanctuary annual plant sale, 8:30 am 1:00 pm

RDN has asked the nursery to supply plants and seeds for their events - beginning March 24th and running through Rivers Day in the fall. We are happy to once again participate with RDN in this cooperative effort.

How to help?

The nursery needs small (usually 4") <u>square</u> pots for small plants. No others types are needed at this time. If you have some spare small pots, please give us a call at the NALT office or drop them off at either the nursery or the office.

Come have a look around and remember the nursery when you are ready to plant new native plants in your garden or landscape.

Thanks for your support, which we appreciate from our plant-loving hearts.



Volunteers gather around the table to share stone soup at the Nursery. Photo: Colleen Rohde

~ THANK YOU ALL ~

Many thanks to all the individuals, organizations and businesses who have donated their time and skills as volunteers, contributed items or services, made financial donations, renewed or started a membership, or begun a monthly pre-authorized contribution (PAC). November 21, 2017 to February 23, 2018

Donations – Mt. Benson Phase II: Anonymous (1)

Donations - Nanaimo River Acquisition: Anonymous (1)

Donations and In-kind Goods – Natural Abundance Native Plant Nursery: Dean Gaudry, Colleen Rohde, Marjorie Stupich,

Individual Donations & New Memberships – NALT: Anonymous (5), Valerie Booth, Diana Dugas, David Forrest, Robert Gilchrist, Allan Hawryzki, Clive Hetherington, Barbara Hourston, Cliff Jackman, Bruce Joiner, Ron LePage, Phillip Manders, Susan Murphy, James Philip, Linda Robinson, Colleen Rohde, Eric Sifton, Gary Smart, Douglas & Wendy Smiley, James Slater, Joan Stelling, Gerald Thompson, Roberta Veenstra, John Weir, John Wells,

In Honour of Gail Adrienne: Merry Christmas from Anita Buxton

In Honour of Nina Evans-Locke: Merry Christmas from Christian Evans

In Memory of Mollie Byrne: Anonymous (4), Gail Adrienne, Lynne & Les Aldcroft, Les Dickason, Gordon Graham, Michael Mann,

New Pre-Authorized Contributions: Carys Evans,

Business & Organization Donations – NALT: Backyard Wildbird & Nature Store

Volunteers since November 17th to February 23rd: Holly Blackburn, Doug Bogle, June Bogle, Paul Chapman, Iain Colquhoun, Dalton Corbett, Deryck Cowling, Dave Cutts, Jennifer Davidson, Kathy Doyle, Nina Evans-Locke, Susan Fisher, Dean Gaudry, Lindsay Haist, Jeff Hawker, Allan Hawryzki, Pat Hogue, Theresa Hood, Trish Jennings, Peter Jeremy, Anne Kerr, Cheryl Logan, Duncan MacPhee, Jerrolyn MacVittie, Louise Mason, Wayne Morgan, Linda Nichol, Caitlyn Ninatti, Cyndi Pitvor, Ellis Richer, Colleen Rohde, Harriet Rueggeberg, Chris Scorah, Karen Skarpness, Gary Smart, Coco Van Zyl, Erik Warners, Jenny Webb, John Wells, Wally Wells, Fraser Wilson, Pat Wilson, Inger Wyat, Les Yamada, Linda Yemen, Jim Young, John Young, Susan Young

<u>A noteable thank you to current members who have increased their PAC in 2017:</u> Linda Cole, Dr Sara Frisch, Mike & Becky Mann, Jack Tielman

Like music and art, love of nature is a common language that can transcend political or social boundaries.

— Jimmy Carter

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A Special Thank you to All NALT's 2017 Monthly Pre-authorized Contributors

Anonymous (3), Gail Adrienne, Suzanne Andre, Gary & Valerie Ansell, Patrick & Patricia Ansell, Aquaparian Environmental Consulting Ltd., Ian & Gwen Bailey, Johanna & Robert Bams, George Beadle, Doreen Besharah, John & Holly Blackburn, Deborah Blenkarn, Valerie Booth, Richard & Lynne Bowen, Richard Cabell, Chris Cameron M.D. Inc., Stanley & Sharon Cameron, Darlene & Wolfgang Carolsfeld, Edna Chadwick, Paul Chapman, Doneal Cohen, Linda Cole, Kelly & Adam Compton, Deryck Cowling, Dave Cutts, Sarah Davies, Jennifer & Allan Davidson, Jeff Delgatty & Janet Hawker, Pat & Leslie Dickason, Jeffrey Dickinson & Michelle Fairbanks, Melanie & Andrew Digney, Robert & Sandra Dobson, Geoffrey Donnelly & Carol Meekes, Mac & Vilma Dube, Diana Dugas, Jacob Etzkorn, Meghan Farguhar, Phillip & Edythe Field, Susan Fisher, Dr. Sara Frisch, Ian Gartshore, Dean Gaudry, Inger Gidska, Alison Graves, Greenrock Liquor Store, Lee Grannon, Lee Grimmer, Douglas & Doreen Halfvard, Jean-Michel Hanssens, Allan Hawryzki, Alexander Hertzberg & Margaret M'Gonigle, Jerry Hinbest, Barbara Hourston, Joy Hunter, Trish Jennings, Peter Jeremy, Ms Beryl Johnson, Lawrence Johnson, Marianne Johnson, Anne Kerr, Josephine Kynaston, Gerald LaPorte, Margaret Litch, Dr Robin Love, Dale Lovick, Ian MacDonald & Candice Morgan, Anne MacMillan, Hugh & Rosemary MacNaughton, Margaret Mann, Mike & Becky Mann, Craig McCracken, Robert & Barbara McDonald, Joan McIntyre, Harry McLeod, Richard McNicol, Scot Merriam, Patricia Mitchell, Ann-Marie Monahan, Geoff Mumford, Robert & Susan Murphy, Bruce Patterson & Joan Wagner, Emma Peck, Betty Penston, Peter Mason Geomatics, Mary Peters, Dr Keith & Arlene Phillips, Kulbinder Rai, Arthur & Marjorie Robinson, Harriet Rueggeberg, Rosina Schmidt, Jeffrey Solomon & Roblyn Hunter, Sharon Speevak, Cynthia Spencer, Martin Spencer, Kate Stefiuk, Al & Marjorie Stewart, Brenda Stewart, Frank Stoney, Gilbert Stuart, Andre Sullivan, Emma Swanson, Ron Tanasichuk, Mary Thiess, Jack Tieleman, Arlene Tucker, Anneke & Peter Van Kerkoerle, Dick W. Vann, Victoria Voros, Mollie & Gordon Walls, Joris Wiggers & Elizabeth Herman, Fraser & Patricia Wilson, Mary Winder, Dr Lawrence & Robyn Winkler, Shirley Winkler, Jim & Sharon Young, John & Susann, Young, Ronald & Diana Young and Audrey & Gary Zolob.

THRIFTY FOODS SMILE CARD PROGRAM

Help raise funds to support **NALT** by using the **Thrifty Foods Smile Card** to buy your groceries. Thrifty Foods will donate **5%** of the value of your purchases for up to \$2,000 a year. To reach **\$1,000** that works out to be:

- 20 members to spend \$84 a month or
- 40 members to spend \$42 a month or
- 60 members to spend \$28 a month or
- 80 members to spend \$21 a month or
- 100 members to spend \$17 a month

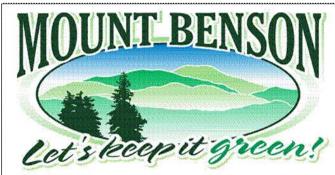


This is such fun and easy way to fundraise! When you get to the check out, ask the cashier to load up your Thrifty's Smile Card by using your credit card. You can add any amount to your Smile Card whether it be the approximate amount of your groceries or a flat amount like \$20 or \$100, it is up to you. That means, by using your credit card you will receive your credit card benefits such as Airmiles and bonus points...a win/win situation. You can check the balance of your Smile Card anytime by going on line to www.thriftyfoods.com and click on the 'Click here to check your Smile Card balance' icon.

Remember, a loaded Thrifty Foods Smile Card would make a great gift! Please contact our office to get your Thrifty Foods Smile Card.



Donation/Pledge Form THE MOUNT BENSON CAMPAIGN II



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Make cheque payable to NALT- Mount Benson Acquisition.

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I wish to donate to the Nanaimo River Project, to assist with the costs of developing a Nanaimo River stewardship strategy

Donation Categories\$5,000 to \$9,999Benefactor\$1,000 to \$4,999Hero

cheque or credit card (circle one)				
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Cheques should be made payable to *NALT – Nanaimo River Strategy Project* OR provide credit card info

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Thank you for your continued support!



NALT MEMBERSHIP FORM

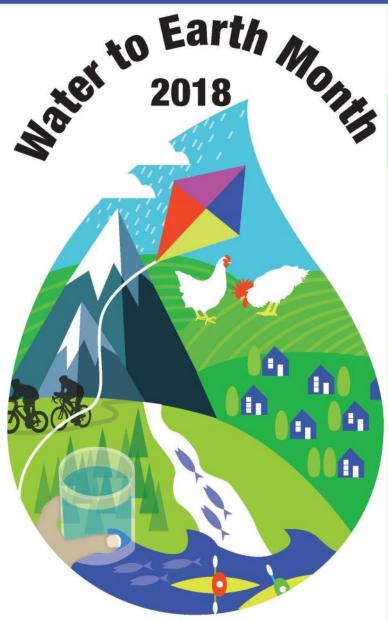


Pre-Authorized Contribution (PAC) Includes Annual Membership

Please send this completed form to: Nanaimo & Area Land Trust #8-140 Wallace St. Nanaimo, BC V9R 5B1 I would like to: a) Renew my NALT Membership		Complete this section ONLY if you want to become a monthly donor. Yes, I authorize NALT to automatically withdraw from my bank account on the 1st of each month beginning This date(yr/month/day):						
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Nanaimo & District Celebrates



For more details on the listed events & to register: getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart

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2018 Water Day "Nature for Water"

Exploring nature-based solutions to the water challenges in the 21st century.

Saturday, March 10:

Nile Creek Streamwalk

Thursday, March 22:

- Nanaimo River Watershed & Water Treatment Plant Tour *
- Everyone Welcome Swim (Ravensong Pool)

Saturday, March 24:

- WaterSmart Workshop Day (Qualicum) *
- Earth Hour Starlight Skate (Cliff McNabb Arena)

Tuesday, March 27:

 Englishman River Watershed Family Field Trip *

Wednesday, March 28:

- Dive-In Theatre "Sponge Bob" (Nanaimo Aquatic Centre)
- **Thursday, April 5:**
- VIU Water Film Night
- Wednesday/Thursday, April 11/12:
- Nanaimo Water Stewardship Symposium

Saturday, April 14:

- Nanaimo Rafting: River (am)
- & Estuary (pm) *

Tuesday, April 17:

- Native Plant Walk *
- Saturday/Sunday, April 21 & 22:
- Streamkeepers Course (NALT) Saturday, April 21:
- · Earth Day Community Celebration (John Barsby Community School)

2018 Earth Day "What is the BUZZ about **Cross Pollination?"**

Bottles for NAL Saturday, April 7th, 2018 9:00 am to 2:30 pm



Drop off refundable drink containers of all sizes at the Lucky's Liquor Store Parking Lot At the Country Club Centre For more information call

For more information call The Nanaimo & Area Land Trust (NALT) at 250-714-1990 or <u>www.nalt.bc.ca</u>

Can't make it? Just drop your Refundables Ask the staff to "put it on the NALT account" when you take your recycle donations to one of the Nanaimo Regional Recycling depots. (2375 Hayes Road Nanaimo, or 839 Old Victoria Road Nanaimo, BC)