



Upcoming Events

BC Nature Scholarships: Bert Brink and Rene Savenye

Scholarship awards are open to all members and also to the public.

Have a relative, friend, or neighbour that fits the criteria for applying for one of our two scholarships? Send them the link to the application on the BC Nature website. Deadline for applications is June 30, 2025
<https://bcnature.org/scholarships/>

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***A sure sign of
spring! Painted
Turtle basking***

BC Nature is looking for help with a bequeath

BC Nature is looking for the assistance of a lawyer member (retired or otherwise) to assist us with reviewing a bequeath of a real estate property and we would like a member of BC Nature or one of its club/organization to provide us with advice. Please email: info@bcnature.ca with your interest.

Burns Bog Conservation Foundation 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament July 12, 2025 Saturday

Date: Burns Bog Conservation Foundation 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament July 12, 2025 Saturday

Delta Golf Course, 11550 Ladner Trunk Rd, Delta, Texas Scramble, 18 holes

Cost: \$155.88 per person

Registration options: Phone or email Bev Bly with details: 604 572 0373 -

bev@burnsbog.org

1. send an etransfer with golfers, your phone, email, address. No fuss, it is an automatic deposit to us bev@burnsbog.org
2. Please call or email Bev at Burns Bog Conservation Foundation for details on how to purchase your spots via online Square.

Contributions for our silent auction are always welcome (gift cards) as well as sponsorship opportunities are available

Please don't hesitate to forward this information to friends, family and associates.

<https://bcnature.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/GolfApr2025poster-002.pdf>

BC Parks Ecological Reserves - Needs Wardens

From BC Parks Ecological Reserves

- We are piloting a revamped administrative process to support new and existing ER Wardens in the South Coast Region (and one in Cariboo).
 - Updates under this new process include:
 - Ecological Reserves with vacancies posted online
 - an online application form
 - new safety guidelines
 - virtual orientation and onsite orientation
 - online submission form for annual reports.
 - ER's that are currently accepting ER Warden applications are:
 - Baynes Island - located north of Squamish
 - Chilliwack River - located southeast of Chilliwack
 - Fraser River - located west of Chilliwack
 - Katherine Tye (Vedder Crossing) - located southeast of Vedder Crossing
 - Liumchen - located south of Chilliwack
 - Ross Lake - located southeast of Hope
 - Skagit River Cottonwoods - located at Skagit River Recreation Area
 - Skagit River Forest - located southeast of Hope
 - Doc-English Bluff - located southwest of Williams Lake
 - Although we are onboarding new Wardens into this pilot in May/June, we will continue to accept applications until further notice.
 - We would appreciate groups in the South Coast and Cariboo sharing this opportunity with their members. Information and the application form can be found at <https://bcparks.ca/get-involved/volunteer/#ecological-reserve-wardens>.
 - We intend to expand this pilot program to a few more regions in 2026 and will communicate out future opportunities as they arise.
 - Questions can be directed to bcparks.volunteers@gov.bc.ca
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The latest tips on Charting a Course for Tomorrow: *Thoughts on how to energize your club*



“Grandchild” Memberships

To our knowledge, no club is currently trying the idea of what we’ll call “Grandchild” Memberships. If someone is using a similar method or gives this idea a try, please let us know how it works.

The idea is to offer a club membership to young people between the ages of 8 and 16 (or some other age range). Grandparents would sign their grandchildren up for a special low fee of \$10 per child.

The child would receive club’s newsletter and e-news by e-mail. They would NOT be enrolled in the BC Nature membership which regular members get for insurance and would not receive BC Nature publications.

Students do have e-mail addresses through their schools, through which teachers and schools communicate with them. We have been told that external e-mails should get through to the students. Got your own idea? How are you doing? Share your experiences with Harold Sellers, vicepresident@bcnature.ca

BC Nature and Habitat Conservation Trust Fund (HCTF) Photo Contest winners!



Congratulations to all the winners and runners up in our photo contest. With almost 400 entries from members and non-members, we are please to announce our first place winners and runners up:

Thank you to HCTF for both supporting this program and offering up one of the judges. Thank you to the member judge who spent hours poring over the entries!

Category 1 – People in Nature: Hiking along the Iron Mine Trail (Summer 2025 cover photo)

Runners up: Successful Fishing Trip
Sunset at Mt. Currie
Landon above Creston
View over Howe Sound
Snowshoeing in Cypress

Category 2 – BC Biodiversity: Dunlin Landing (Spring 2026 cover photo)

Runners up: Coopers Hawk at sunset
Porteau Cove Gulls at sunset
Coyote – West Dike
Common Loon and Loonlet

Sea Level Sax Point

Kootenay Lake Dreamy Reflection

Category 3 – Conservation Lands: Eskers – Circle Lake – (Fall 2025 Cover)

Runners up: Lupine – Pitt-Addington Marsh

Turkey Tail Fungus – Alaksen Nat'l Wildlife Area

Stellar Sea Lions – Gwaii Haanas

Kitt Car NCC Conservation Land – Fall

Hummingbird feeding young – Buttertubs Marsh

Category 4 – BC Youth Photographers 12-18 years – Stellers Jay – Cypress Prov. Park (Winter 2026 Cover)

Runners up: Peacock

Ladybug on Yellow Flower

Pileated Woodpecker

Black-capped Chickadee (rear view)

To view all of the entries, here is the link: <https://bcnature.org/2025-photo-contest-gallery/> There are still some photos to come that we are still uploading!

Interesting Reads as Sent to BC Nature

[Bob Turner's Video - The Extraordinary Salish Sea](#)

The Extraordinary Salish Sea

