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JUNE EVENTS

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“What is the difference between a hike, a walk or a ramble?”

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Sunday, June 4

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike on Mt. Maxwell, up the start of the Girlfriend trail, along the Sunshine Trail and Armand Trail to the Little View viewpoint, descending by the Girlfriend Trail. Meet at ArtSpring at 1:00.

Tuesday, June 6th

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike in Burgoyne Bay, up trail 22, across on 23 to a surprise lunch spot, and down 21. Meet at ArtSpring to car pool, departing at 9:45 or at the Burgoyne trailhead to start out at 10:05.

WALK – Sue Lehman will lead a loop walk in the Burgoyne Bay field. Wild flowers are anticipated. Meet at ArtSpring for 10:00 am departure or the first field on Burgoyne Bay Road at 10:20.

RAMBLE – John & Patricia will lead.

Meet at Churchill Rd at Upper Ganges Rd. at 10:30.

Sunday, June 11th

HIKE – **Cancelled**. No hike on Sunday June 11.

UPDATE – Bob Keates will lead the hike on Maple Mountain on Sunday June 18.

Tuesday, June 13th

HIKE – Meet at Fulford at 7:35 to walk on the ferry. Transfer at Swartz Bay to the Saturna ferry departing at 9:10. Return will leave Lyall Harbour at 4:25 pm with a transfer at Mayne to arrive at Swartz Bay at 6:20 and then transfer to the Skeena Queen for the 7:00 pm sailing. North enders may want to take the bus, because all-day parking at Fulford is limited.

I have done a recce on Saturna. Brown Ridge is spectacular, but not maybe not for anyone queasy about heights and exposure. The trail is narrow and airy but well maintained and no tripping hazards. Hiking poles are recommended. BC Seniors, bring your health card for the free ferry ride and cash for the pub and possibly for a meal on the ferry. It's a long hike including the walk from the Ferry terminal, but we have 6 hours, and that should be enough to have some pub time before the ferry arrives.

Please reply to rkeates@uoguelph.ca if you are interested in this trip.

WALK – Saturna Island day trip. Enjoy some easy and moderate trails in sections of the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve at Narvaez Bay and East Point on Saturna Island.

PRE- REGISTRATION to allow organization of car pooling is essential.

Contact Sheila sspence@telus.net to sign up and to volunteer as a driver. Maximum: 12 participants. No more than 3 vehicles.

Estimated travel cost \$20 per person from ArtSpring; \$17 from Fulford. Ferry passenger tickets required both out and back at Swartz Bay. Be sure to bring your BC Service Card for your free

seniors trip.

Depart at 6:45 AM in carpools from ArtSpring to Fulford ferry terminal.

Transfer at Swartz Bay to the Saturna ferry departing at 9:10.

Return to Lyall Harbour by 3:30 pm for the 4:25 pm sailing with a transfer at Mayne to arrive at Swartz Bay at 6:20 and then transfer to the Skeena Queen for the 7:00 pm sailing.

South enders: Car pool from Drummond Park to arrive at Fulford at 7:15 AM (dependant on number of participants.).

RAMBLE – Patsy will lead.

Meet at Portlock Park at 10:30.

Sunday, June 18th

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead the hike on Maple Mountain. Meet at Art Spring at 11:15 to car pool and drive on the 12:05 ferry. Note the early meeting time.

Tuesday, June 20th

HIKERS, WALKERS, RAMBLERS – STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

SSTNC annual STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL will be hosted by the walkers at Ruckle Park in the day use picnic area beyond the lower parking lot.

Meet at noon. Bring your own bowl and spoon for strawberries and ice cream, and perhaps a chair or blanket to sit on. Those not working on strawberry preparation and serving are encouraged to enjoy a short hike or ramble before lunch.

Tuesday, June 27th

The hike originally proposed for June 27 has been postponed to July 4 to allow hikers to join in the broom removal session. Meet at ArtSpring to car pool, departing at 9:10 or at Ruckle starting in the area we cleared last year and heading North, (just North of the fenced-off restoration area). *Meet in the parking loop for the campsites at 9:30 – the third bay in the loop. Bring loppers, saws, tarps etc.*

The bin is booked for Tuesday. Please bring work gloves, pruning saws, strong clippers, old tarps if you have them and good sun protection.

WALK – Sheila & Barry will lead a walk through Ruckle Park. Depart ArtSpring at 10:00 am, or meet at 10:20 am the parking area by the Heritage Farm site for an easy to moderate walk in the park.