

May Events

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

“What should I wear or bring?”

“Participation by non-members”

“Carpooling”

Tuesday, May 2nd

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike on the Sullivan side of Burgoyne Bay. Meet at ArtSpring to car-pool, departing at 9:45, or at the trailhead in Burgoyne Bay to start off at 10:05.

Ramble – Patsy will lead. Meet at ArtSpring at 10:30 to carpool to the cul-de-sac at the end of Broadwell.

Take your lunch.

WALK – Lynn Thompson will lead a walk on the Tzouhalem flower reserve. Following the visit to the flower reserve we'll drive back toward Maple Bay and turn onto Genoa Bay Road for 5 km to Stoney Hill Rd. Travel uphill for about 1 km to a parking area for Stoney Hill Park where we will have lunch and walk the loop trail which features spectacular views over Samsun Narrows and beautiful SaltSpring Island. Depart from Portlock Park at 8:30 am. Anticipated return on the 3:35 pm ferry.

A check on the flower reserve yesterday shows Fawn Lilies, Shooting Stars and Spring Gold in full bloom. Balsam Root, Chocolate Lilies, Camas are up but no blooms yet. The weather reports are trending in our favour.

See map on April 25th hike.

Sunday, May 7th

HIKE – To take advantage of low tides on May 7, the destination for Sunday's hike has been changed to the Jack Foster trail combined with the Cupples trail. Start time will be the regular 1 pm departure from ArtSpring to start out at 1:15 from the junction of Southey Point Road and North End Road.

Tuesday, May 9th

HIKE – Jack Little will lead a hike in Channel ridge. Meet at ArtSpring to car-pool, departing at 9:45, or meet at the trailhead at the top of Sir Echos to start out at 10:00.

Ramble – Paul will lead. ‘Northerners’ leave ArtSpring at 10:30 to meet at Drummond Park at 10:45 to carpool to Mountain Meadows.

Take your lunch.

WALK – Valerie Sisson will lead a walk along the shoreline of Cable Cove.

Depart from ArtSpring at 10:00 AM or meet at Drummond Park at 10:15. Park at the end of Maxim Road. The trail includes a steep but relatively short section and a bit of scrambling over large fallen trees. Walking poles will be helpful. Lunch on the beach or, if need be, in a sheltered meadow. Return on the road to a shorter, well-groomed trail to the new cable access point.

Sunday, May 14th

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike up Mt Erskine with a circuit of the best viewpoints. Meet at ArtSpring departing at 1:00 or at the end of Trustees Trail to start out at 1:15.

Tuesday, May 16th

HIKE – Ashley Hilliard will lead a hike in the Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park (Xwaaqw’um) area. Some steep and rough sections. The hike will end with an optional visit to the Salt Spring Island Ales tasting room, which they will open for us. Carpool from ArtSpring departing at 0945. Or meet at 1000 at the starting point: intersection of Burgoyne Bay Rd and Lee Rd.

RAMBLE – Marjie will lead. Leave from ArtSpring at 10:30 to carpool to the corner of Whims & North End Rds. and we’ll ramble from there at 10:45. Take a lunch.

WALK – Wendy McClean will lead a walk from ArtSpring to Baker beach. We will depart ArtSpring at 10 AM and walk to Baker beach following trails, pathways, and quiet roads. This is a long but fairly easy walk, with not much elevation. Lunch will be on the beach.

Sunday, May 21st

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike to Bold Bluff. Meet at ArtSpring to car-pool, departing at 1:00 or at the Burgoyne trailhead to start out at 1:20.

Tuesday, May 23rd

HIKE – John Gauld will lead a hike up Mt Erskine starting from Toynbee Rd. Meet at ArtSpring to car-pool , departing at at 9:45, or at Toynbee Road at a junction with a logging road where the Manzanita Ridge trail starts (not the Trustees Trail end loop). We will start out at 10:00. Car pooling is suggested, because there is limited parking on Toynbee.

RAMBLE – Lorrie Storr will be leading a road walk along Old Divide, Cranberry and Blackburn Roads.

WALK – Brian Hutchings will lead a walk on the south side of Mount Maxwell. Meet at ArtSpring for 10 AM departure or at the parking area for first field on left on Burgoyne Bay Road at 10:20. This moderate walk soon becoming a moderate climb, (elevation rise 225 m.) to a stream and waterfall lunch site.

Sunday, May 28th

HIKE – TBA

Tuesday, May 30th

HIKE – Leslie Gardiner will lead a moderately challenging hike to the summits of Mt. Sullivan and Mt. Bruce. Meet at ArtSpring parking lot, departing at 9:45am or at Drummond Park to carpool, departing to the trailhead off Musgrave Rd at 10:05am. This two summit hike is longish and moderately challenging so please pack appropriate water and food. In addition to lunch on Sullivan we will take an afternoon snack break at Bruce summit. Poles are advised. Approximate hiking time 4.5 hrs at a moderate pace with multiple breaks, distance 10km, total elevation gain 350-400m, estimated return at ArtSpring 4 p.m.

WALK – Barry and Sheila will lead a moderate walk to enjoy the views and wild flowers on Channel Ridge trails. Meet at ArtSpring for 10:00 AM departure or at the yellow gate at the end of Broadwell.

RAMBLE – Marjie will lead the Ramble.

Meet at ArtSpring at 10:30 or corner of Whims & North End Rds at 10:45.