

MAY EVENTS

Sunday May 5th

Channel Ridge: meet at Art Spring to car pool, departing at 1:00 pm or at the top of Broadwell to set out at 1:15.

Tuesday, May 7th

HIKE – Ashley Hilliard will lead a hike in the Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park (Xwaaqw'um) and Mt Maxwell Park areas, entering via the Lee Road trail. Some steep and rough sections. Carpool from ArtSpring departing at 0945. Or meet at 1000 at the starting point: intersection of Burgoyne Bay Rd and Lee Rd.

WALK – Barb will lead a walk on the pathways around Ganges. We will start at ArtSpring at 10 a.m. After walking through Mouat Park, we will join the pathway at Atkins Road and then continue on to Churchill Beach for lunch. We will return through the village. This is an easy walk with very little elevation.

RAMBLE – Meet at ArtSpring at 10:30 and carpool to to corner of Fulford-Ganges and Blackburn Roads at 10:45 and I will meet you there.

Take your lunch.

Sunday, May 12th

HIKE – Mt Maxwell starting from Armand Way. We will branch from the Armand trail onto the Sunshine Trail, then connect with the Girlfriend Trail, the Link trail and Mountain Trail to the summit. Descent will be on the Armand Trail. Meet at ArtSpring to car pool, departing at 1 PM or at the Armand trailhead at 1:15

Tuesday, May 14th

HIKE – Bob Keates will lead a hike on Hope Hill. Meet at Art Spring to car pool, departing at 9:45 or at Drummond Park at 10:05 to consolidate vehicles driving up Musgrave (road is in reasonable condition up to the Hope Hill trailhead). We will go up the main trail (#1) to where it connects to the White Pine trail, follow that to a viewpoint for lunch, then descend via trail #2. Bring secateurs; the White Pine trail has some sections overgrown with salal obscuring the route.

WALK – Kathryn will lead us on a circle walk through the Tsawout First Nation. It is a fairly easy hike through woods and along the shoreline with lovely views. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m. to carpool or at the trailhead at the end of Menhinick Drive at 10:20.

RAMBLE – Marjie will lead. We'll meet at Artspring at 10:30 and carpool to Ruckle Park.

Sunday, May 19th:

Bryant Hill and Andreas Vogt from Stewart Rd. Meet at Art Spring to car pool, departing at 1:00 pm or at the parking area for Peter Arnell Park on Stewart Rd to set out at 1:15.

Tuesday, May 21st

ALL EVENTS CANCELED TODAY DUE TO WEATHER.

HIKE – Leslie Gardiner will lead a moderately challenging hike to the summits of Mt. Sullivan and Mt. Bruce. To carpool, meet at ArtSpring parking lot departing at 9:45am or at Drummond Park departing at 10:05 am to drive to the trailhead off Musgrave Rd. This 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. Please contact Leslie at leslie_gardiner@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

WALK– The Walk destination next week has changed

Our off island trip is rescheduled to a later date.

Sue will lead the Walkers along Burgoyne Bay trails and up to the big arbutus. We will take our time on the steep climb to the big tree with lunch with a scenic view. Meet at ArtSpring for 10:00 am departure or at the Burgoyne Bay parking lot at 10:15 am

RAMBLE – We'll meet at Artspring at 10:30 and carpool to the Labyrinth. Turn right at central then left then right again to the Anglican cemetery. Marjie

Sunday, May 26th

Jack Foster beach walk and the Cupples trail. Meet at Art Spring to car-pool, departing at 1:00, or at the trailhead at the start of Southey Point Rd to set out at 1:15. (Tuesday hikers note that there will be a similar hike on June 4)

Tuesday, May 28th

HIKE / WALK..... BROOM CLEARING CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER.

Broom clearing – all hands on deck! Let's all get together and tackle the broom in Ruckle Park. Meet at ArtSpring for 9:45 departure or at the group campsite parking lot at Ruckle Park at 10:15. Please bring clippers, loppers or small saws for cutting the broom as well as a tarp for hauling it away. If you don't have tools or tarps, there will be extras for use. Be sure to bring a lunch and plenty to drink. It would be a good idea to wear gloves.

RAMBLE – TBA