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Super Saturday 2007

A Matter of Degrees: Regional Parks in a Warmer World

Having endured last winter's windstorms, a spring marked by flooding and being in the midst of a summer that seems to alternate between hot and soggy, the weather – and its changing nature – has captured everyone's attention.

At this year's Super Saturday, the 7th annual learning day for parks lovers, volunteers and staff, three speakers will provide perspective on the changes we're seeing, what we might expect down the road and how it will affect the parks and greenways we know and love.

Keynote speaker Dr. Richard Hebda will speak on *Warming Signs: The Changing Nature of BC*. Dr. Hebda, who is the curator of Botany and Earth History at the Royal BC Museum, also oversees the Climate Change in BC exhibition currently at the museum that gives a very visual glimpse into BC's future climate. As well as providing insights into what is to come, Dr. Hebda will also speak to



what we can do about it.

Morning presenter Dr. Richard Kool will also share some ideas on how we can respond to climate change in his presentation: *Stewardship: Connecting to Nature, Connecting to People*. Dr. Kool, an environmental educator who heads the masters program in environmental education at Royal Roads University, will talk about how the hands-on experience of stewardship can deepen

the connection between nature and people.

Afternoon presenter Ian Bruce, a climate change campaigner with the David Suzuki Foundation, provides another perspective on the subject. He shows how we can protect our communities, our health and our future by encouraging the province to develop a bold action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and show the rest of the world we're serious about this problem.

The day will also include practical workshops on building "wow" props, organizing community celebrations with a stewardship twist, building nest, bird and bat boxes, managing invasive species and more!

It all kicks off with a welcome from Johnny Carline, the chief administrative officer for the Greater Vancouver Regional District, followed by *Food for Thought with Ed* -- GVRD Parks Manager Ed Andrusiak.

Look for more details soon!

Brae Island celebrates renewal with grand opening

Despite cool and damp weather, the crowds turned out for the grand opening celebration of Brae Island Regional Park on July 21. While weekenders at the newly restored Fort Camping enjoyed some of the luxuries of 21st century camping, participants got to take a trip back in time to find out how Hudson's Bay Company traders pitched a tent. Kids and adults alike took part in some of the other activities of the day, all aimed at exploring the history, culture and wildlife that enriches the area. Among the offerings: voyageur canoe tours, hay rides, campfire sing-alongs, nature walks and face-painting. Look for more images from the day on page 12.



Photo: Mike Stefnik

Poetry book launched at Camosun Bog

That a bog might inspire words of poetry would seem a stretch for those who have not experienced the subtle beauties that this unique landform holds. But for Sue Ann Alderson, who has written more than 15 books for young people, Camosun Bog was a natural muse.

On June 16, Alderson's newest book *The Eco-Diary of Kirin Singer* had its official launch at the place that inspired its words. The book, illustrated by Vancouver resident Millie Balance, is a series of poems written by a young girl to her grandmother. (Alderson is a grandmother of three.)

About 60 people persevered through a torrential downpour to attend the opening, which included words from Mary Jane Joe of the Musqueam First Nation (her sister Seepetza is remembered in the book) and from GVRD Parks West Area Manager Mitch Sokalski.

The author recited several poems, interspersed with violin playing by her niece. At the end, Sue and other people danced a jig to the sound of the violin. Refreshments included tea made from leaves from a bog

plant (Labrador tea) and blueberry tarts (from bog blueberries).

Alderson, a retired professor of creative writing (at UBC), is also a member of the Camosun Bog Restoration Group (known as "the Crazy Boppers") who have been working to restore Camosun Bog in Pacific Spirit Regional Park. Like other boppers, she developed a love for the bog and so it was natural for her to write a book about the bog and the people restoring it.

The Eco-Diary of Kirin Singer recounts Kirin's week in Camosun Bog – where she learns about all the various plants and creatures living in the bog and about the interesting people who restore that special place.

"Many of the Boppers are mentioned by name," notes Laurence Brown. "There are two poems about Denis Underhill, one about his discovery of the Camosun blueberry and one about discovering an old hockey puck under the surface of the bog. There is also a really neat



Photo: Laurence Brown

Word of mouth: Sue Ann Alderson reads for Camosun Bog aficionados at the book launch.



painting of Issaku Inami. It is fun trying to recognize people in some of the other paintings."

Tradewind Books will donate 50 percent of the book's proceeds to the Pacific Parklands Foundation. The funds will be used for signage to complete the bog nature walk – the 180-metre long boardwalk that surrounds newly restored areas of the bog.

Regional Parks Forum Members 2007

Boundary Bay

- Don Farquhar
- Ursula Easterbrook (alternate)

Burnaby Lake

- Tom Saare
- Bob Gunn (alternate)

Burns Bog

- Dave Murdoch

Campbell Valley

- Jude Grass
- Murray Jones (alternate)

Capilano

- David Cook

Colony Farm

- Corinne Riedyk

Crippen

- Sue Ellen Fast

Derby Reach & Brae Island

- Sharon Meneely

Iona Beach

- Judy Williams

Kanaka Creek

- Jackie Campbell
- Dave Smith (alternate)
- Ken Williams (alternate)

Lynn Headwaters

- Ralf Kelman

Pacific Spirit

- Tom Dunn
- Judy Williams (alternate)

Members at Large

- Hilda Avery
- Leon LeBrun
- Joseph Lin
- Mel Turner
- Marianne Smyth
- Eugene Duruisseau

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GVRD Park Partners Survey

Participate, contribute and WIN. Your opinion counts!!

The Park Partners program is undergoing a review. One aspect of that program, known as the Regional Parks Forum, is meant to support the ongoing communication and learning needs of park partners. The forum also works with GVRD to advise on system-wide policies and program priorities.

Recently, a decision was made to revise the Regional Parks Forum to better meet the needs of park partners. The forum's Administration and Governance Committee has identified three key roles for the forum: 1) stewardship, 2) advisory and 3) education, training and communication. In future, a revitalized forum will focus attention on these roles, improving the ability of the forum to address park partner needs and strengthening the relationship between the GVRD and its partners and volunteers.

Now, we need your input! Please take a few minutes to answer the questions below. (You can also find an electronic version of the form at www.parkpartners.ca)

In return, you'll be entered in a draw for a great prize: An exciting boat tour for two of the Fraser River (a \$100 value).

Note: You can also fill out this survey online at www.parkpartners.ca

*Note: Your identity will remain confidential.
All answers are combined into a summary report; no individual data is recorded.*

1. Have you ever attended a Regional Parks Forum meeting: Yes No

2. If you attended meetings of the Regional Parks Forum, what did you find most useful/interesting? Please answer each of the following:

	least useful			most useful	
a. guest speakers	1	2	3	4	5
b. park partner updates	1	2	3	4	5
c. networking with other park partners	1	2	3	4	5
d. head office and management updates	1	2	3	4	5
e. meetings at locations other than head office	1	2	3	4	5
f. discussions of parks issues	1	2	3	4	5
g. other - please specify _____	1	2	3	4	5

2h. Tell us a bit more about what aspects of the forum meetings were most useful or interesting _____

3. If you did not attend meetings of the Regional Parks Forum, please tell us why. _____

4. In future, how could the Regional Parks Forum serve you best? (Check as many as apply)

- provide a link to GVRD staff
- provide a link to GVRD management
- connect you to a network of other park partners and volunteers
- provide information on topical issues (e.g. climate change) and relevant initiatives (e.g. invasive plant management)
- support volunteer projects and initiatives in your park (e.g. hands-on work, administrative help, fundraising help)

Other suggestions: _____

Win a Fraser River Boat Tour!



On Saturday, September 22nd, take a three-hour guided adventure along the Fraser from Steveston to Annacis Island. Watch for seals, grebes, cormorants and eagles in estuarine marshes. Pass by massive freighters and working docklands and witness modern uses of this ancient transportation route.

**Deadline for responses:
September 7, 2007**

6. What are you most interested in? (Check as many as apply)

- providing input to GVRD on park policies and practices
- sharing ideas and information with other park partners and volunteers
- working with GVRD to facilitate more effective stewardship projects
- supporting and mentoring park partners and volunteers
- attending information sessions
- participating in stewardship workshops (e.g. invasive plant management, wildlife monitoring)
- attending capacity-building workshops (e.g. board recruitment, volunteer recruitment and retentions)
- guest speakers
- other (please specify) _____

7. How would you like to be involved? (Check as many as apply)

- attend events and workshops
- participate in committees (with a region-wide, longer-term basis e.g. stewardship issues)
- participate in ad hoc groups on a particular topic (could be park-specific, time-specific or issue-specific, e.g. Super Saturday planning)
- participate in information-sharing gatherings (e.g park updates, new or ongoing projects and initiatives)
- not interested in attending other activities. I just want to do my volunteer activities in the park-
- other (please specify) _____

8. To give us a sense of who we're hearing from, please check the category that best describes you.

- regional parks and greenways user
- regional park volunteer
- regional park association member
- regional park association board member
- Regional Parks Forum member
- other (please specify) _____

9. If you have other comments or suggestions to improve the Park Partners Program and/or the Regional Parks Forum, please use this space: _____

Thank you for your input!

Please mail your responses and entry to:

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Burnaby, BC V5H 4G8
Attn: Janis Beaumont
or fax to: (604) 432-6296

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____



Note: Contact information will be used only to notify the winner of the prize.

Catching the Spirit

By Laura Swift

Hastings Community School, the largest inner city school in Vancouver, participated in a pilot project at Pacific Spirit Regional Park on June 21. It was a weekend of weather challenges with thunder, lightning and lots of rain, but 20 Grade 7 students and vice-principal Krystyna Niziolek persevered and had a wonderful time visiting



From inner city to great outdoors: Hastings Community School students worked and played hard.

the beach, hiking and working on stewardship projects.

They all agreed it was a very special time as they learned valuable team work

and leadership skills, but even more importantly they learned about their own strengths.



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The project was sponsored by

Telus with each participant receiving a backpack and school supplies, including a calculator. The goal was to have these kids join Catching the Spirit for the rest of the summer and we were successful – many will be regular participants this year!

Catching the Spirit supervisors and coordinator Lydia Watson were outstanding and made sure it was a

weekend to remember.

Congratulations to everyone: the youth, the supervisors, Telus and vice principal Krystyna Niziolek. Hard work made this pilot program a success.

Pacific Parklands thanks Telus and GVRD Parks for their sponsorship of this special weekend.

Bogger wins spot at the Smithsonian

Volunteers working in Camosun Bog will be missing a familiar face this summer, but for the best of reasons. Emma Harrower, a dedicated Crazy Bogger for the past five years, will be spending her summer in the Research Training Program at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC.

Emma is the only Canadian to be awarded this honour, and one of only 14 successful applicants worldwide. (More than 130 university students in 11 countries applied for the program.) She is studying plant biology at UBC.

"It's a truly major achievement," says Laurence Brown of the Camosun Bog Restoration Group. "Emma has worked in the bog ever since she was a student in grade 10. It has been exciting to see her learn more and more about plants, bog and non-bog, and develop a career in botany. It is

probably true that it is her experience as a volunteer has set her on this career path."

The Smithsonian's Research Training Program was developed in 1980 to actively facilitate the education, training, and encouragement of the next generation of natural history researchers. While in residence, the participants pursue a research project under the guidance of some of the institution's best research scientists.

Emma's research project involves looking at the morphological differences and genetic diversity of two closely-related grass species.

To find out more about Emma's project and to find out more about the Smithsonian's Research Training Program, go to www.nmnh.si.edu/rtp/



Emma Harrower

Photo: Laurence Brown

Art meets Nature at Derby Reach Regional Park



"Framed"

Photo: Candace Ng

By Candace Ng

A unique event that literally brought fine art to the park took place at Derby Reach Regional Park this past spring. The installation called Nature Verses: Writing and Photo Open Air Exhibition was put on by photography and writing students from the Langley Fine Arts School.

As you wandered along the Edge Trail, you would have come across works designed to reflect and comment on the relationship between people and nature. The works were inspired by the students' studies of the effects of global warming as well as of artists such as Christo and Andrew Goldsworthy. As their pieces were destroyed by nature in the form of rain, wind, animals and people, the students photographed the works' transformations.

Teachers met and discussed their plans with GVRD staff to ensure minimal impact on the park. Students removed any traces of their work when the exhibition ended.

Candace Ng is a park interpreter with East Area.



"The Writer's Room"

Photo: Mike Stefunk



Untitled

Photo: Candace Ng

Super Saturday volunteers wanted!

Super Saturday may still be a couple months away, but the planning is well underway.

We've secured some exciting keynote speakers, useful workshops and much more.

We're also looking for folks who would be willing to lend a hand on Saturday, November 3. It might be

helping out at the registration desk or posting signs to let folks know where to go or handing out evaluation forms – just a bit of help to make sure things run as smoothly as possible.

If you're interested, please contact Anne Cochran at (604) 731-7055 or email acochran@infinet.net



Recreational users welcome opening of Pitt River Regional Greenway's first phase

The first phase of the Pitt River Regional Greenway got its official opening in late April, to the delight of walkers, cyclists, horseback riders and naturalists throughout the region.

Pitt Meadows Mayor Don MacLean, GVRD Parks Committee Chair Gayle Martin and representatives from the Katzie First Nation joined cyclists, hikers, outdoor enthusiasts and members of the farming community to celebrate, unveil a commemorative plaque and cut a ceremonial ribbon. Participants also took in interpretative walks and recreational events hosted by the GVRD, the City of Pitt Meadows, and Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services, offering visitors a glimpse of what the greenway has to offer.



Photo: Bob Gumm

Open season: Pitt Meadows Mayor Don MacLean (left) and Parks Committee Chair Gayle Martin (right) unveil the Pitt River Regional Greenway sign.

The first phase of the Pitt River Regional Greenway runs from Sawyer's Landing (at the southern foot of Harris Road) along the banks of the Fraser and Pitt rivers to Ferry Slip Road, just adjacent to the Pitt River Bridge. When all three phases are complete, the greenway will stretch along 31 km of waterfront with excellent trails for cycling, hiking, walking and horse riding, exceptional wildlife viewing, and magnificent vistas of the Coast Mountains, Pitt and Fraser rivers, and working agricultural lands. (Phase Two will continue along the Pitt River to Sturgeon Slough. And Phase Three will finally reach to Grant Narrows Regional Park.)

Aside from providing recreational opportunities, the Pitt River Regional Greenway also conserves valuable natural lands. Thus far, the

GVRD has protected 37 hectares of environmentally sensitive foreshore.

"Greenways help to protect greenspace and promote healthy lifestyles," noted GVRD Parks Chair Gayle Martin. "GVRD is working with municipal and community partners to develop greenway corridors throughout the region. Today's opening of the first phase of the Pitt River Regional Greenway is a significant addition to the regional parks system and a wonderful milestone to help celebrate the 40th anniversary of regional parks."



Great blue heron

The GVRD will operate the greenway

and the City of Pitt Meadows will be responsible for dyke maintenance. GVRD has worked with the City of Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services since 1996 to develop the Pitt River Regional Greenway.



Photo: Bob Gumm

Drumming up support: A member of the Katzie First Nations helps open the Pitt River Regional Greenway.

Individuals, government and corporations all play a part in restoring a Belcarra favourite

By Laura Swift

The playground in Belcarra Regional Park has always been well-loved and well used but, after years of such love and use, it simply wore out. In an odd way, it's an achievement and proof that this playground is a very special place.

On June 8, the new playground had its official opening. GVRD provided the bulk of funding and, with huge efforts by Frieda Schade and Central Area staff, we were able to refurbish the playground so kids can continue to enjoy this special spot.

This project shows what can be achieved by working together – how individuals making \$3 donations, private companies such as Parklane Homes, Impark, Appia Development, Onni Group of Companies along with municipal governments such as the Village of Belcarra and regional governments such as the GVRD, can work cooperatively with great results. It's also a great example of the way the Pacific Parklands Foundation works to enhance regional parks

Chantal Dixon's Grade Three class from nearby Anmore Elementary joined the donors for cake and to celebrate the official opening.

We are now moving to Phase 2, which will include facilities for mobility-challenged children. We already have a jump on some of the costs with support from the initial donors as well as some of the proceeds from the Richard Brodeur Celebrity Classic golf tournament to be held in August 2007.

Please visit www.pacificparklands.ca to find out more and donate online to your favourite project!



It takes a village: GVRD staff, corporate donors and residents of the Village of Belcarra (above) came together to build – and celebrate the opening of – the new playground.

Field trials: Students from nearby Anmore Elementary give the new playground equipment a good hands-on inspection.

Donors play their part



With a little help from our friends: Mayor Ralph Drew (left) and Impark representatives Darren McClelland (second from left) and Bruce Ingles (far right) check out the donation station at Belcarra Regional Park with PPF Executive Director Laura Swift. The donation station has taken in close to \$2,000 toward the playground. That is a lot of \$3 donations!

Volunteers make McHappy Day a big success for Burnaby Lake

By Laura Swift

McHappy Day on May 9th was a resounding success with \$10,000 raised in support of the Burnaby Lake viewing tower.

Ronald McDonald House Charities has donated an additional \$30,000 to the project and will continue to raise funds through their restaurant donation boxes. This brings the McDonald's commitment for the new tower to more than \$40,000!

Volunteers helped raise both dollars and profile for the Burnaby Lake viewing tower. Among those helping out were individuals from Pacific Parklands Foundation, Burnaby Lake Park Association, staff and politicians from GVRD and the City of Burnaby, local firefighters and policemen, representatives from our other generous donors: all Burnaby Rotary clubs, Kinder Morgan Canada and Vecco Engineering. We also got a big boost from Olympic snowboarder Crispin Lipscomb and Olympic gold medalist Cassie Campbell. The foundation extends an enormous thank you to all!

Support for the viewing tower is still being sought with coin boxes at the four Burnaby McDonald's restaurants until December 31st. Next time you visit one of these McDonald's, please drop in your donation.



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Olympian effort: Among the helping hands at McHappy Day were Olympic snowboarder Crispin Lipscomb (centre), PPF director Bryan Wallner (left) and a volunteer.

Below: McDonald's senior vice-president Bob Hissink (left) and PPF executive director Laura Swift (right) help Olympic gold medalist Cassie Campbell (centre) fill customer orders on McHappy Day.



Catching the Spirit gets a boost from RBC Foundation

At the recent Pacific Parklands donor recognition event, one donor showed up with a surprise for the foundation. RBC Foundation representatives Jennifer Cabeldu (centre) and David Pohl (right) presented PPF Chair John Scott with a cheque for \$25,000 in support of the Catching the Spirit youth program.

RBC Foundation has been a supporter of Catching the Spirit since 2002.

The Regional Parks and Greenways Plan: Part 3

By Dawn Hanna

In this third installment of an informal look at the Regional Parks and Greenways Plan, we'll explore some more of the goals and strategies outlined for regional parks and greenways over the next 10 years.

Last time around, we looked at how GVRD plans to manage those places in the region that have been set aside because of their biodiversity or cultural value.

This time, we'll take a first look at Goal

2 of the plan: To provide outdoor recreation opportunities and education programs, and foster community stewardship.

The GVRD's role, as identified in the plan, will be to:

- lead in acquiring regional lands for outdoor recreation.
- lead in delivering basic recreation facilities, programs and service on GVRD lands,
- coordinate planning and rationalize delivery of outdoor recreation opportunities and facilities in the region, and
- partner to expand facilities and programs on GVRD lands and sites owned by other agencies.

There are four main actions that spell out how the GVRD plans to do this.

1. Provide and expand recreation amenities and opportunities in existing parks, park reserves and greenways.

In response to increased recreation demand and a growing regional population, lands will be assembled



Hidden treasures: Iona Beach Regional Park is a mecca for birders of all ages.

next to existing parks to expand recreation opportunities. The priority would be placed on sites adjacent to park development areas to take advantage of existing infrastructure and operations. But, in areas where there is significant growth, GVRD would also look at new parks and greenways. Waterfront areas with foreshore parks and greenways potential would also be a higher priority.

To address growing recreation demands, GVRD plans to complete and expand facilities in the following parks: Boundary Bay, Iona Beach, Pacific Spirit, Burnaby Lake, Belcarra, Tynehead, Aldergrove Lake, Colony Farm, Crippen, Deas Island, Capilano River, Minnekhada, Campbell Valley, Glen Valley, Derby Reach, Kanaka Creek, Lynn Headwaters and Matsqui Trail.

And will create new access and day-use facilities on reserve lands at Surrey Bend, Widgeon Marsh, Thwaytes Landing and Brae Island – based on management plans. The first of those new day-use areas open in July at Brae

Island.

There are also plans to develop and expand regional greenways including the Brunette-Fraser, Delta South Surrey, Seymour, BC Parkway, South Fraser, Coquitlam River and other corridors. Recently, the Pitt River Greenway had an official opening of its first phase (see page 7).

And, good news for nature lovers, the GVRD will provide and enhance access

for wildlife viewing opportunities in appropriate parks and greenways.

2. Acquire new park sites to expand recreation opportunities to meet regional growth and recreation demand.

The GVRD will work with municipalities, public agencies, the boating and paddling fraternity, businesses and community groups to both expand recreation opportunities along regional greenways and in regional parks, and to improve public access, including motorized and non-motorized boating opportunities to the Pitt and Fraser Rivers and provide sites for foreshore recreation.

The GVRD also plans to continue working with Trails BC and to work with the Outdoor Recreation Council to coordinate on some trail issues (e.g. managing multiple use trails) and to develop management strategies on such things as mountain biking and motorized recreation.

The GVRD also plans to develop other partnerships that could increase access to water-related activities and

Photo: Dawn Hanna

Goodbye Chums attracts record number of visitors

Photo: Ross Davites



All downstream from here: Wyatt and Teanne gently release chum fry into Kanaka Creek for their journey seaward.

A record number of visitors helped send thousands of chum salmon fry on their journey to the sea on April 29th. More than 500 people attend Goodbye Chums, co-hosted by the Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society (KEEPS), GVRD and the Bell-Irving Hatchery.

Through stewardship displays, children's programs and hands-on activities such as the Rock and Roll game (which demonstrates stream geology in an interactive way), visitors learned more about some of the challenges that lie ahead for young salmon making their way along Kanaka Creek and the Fraser River to the ocean.

Participants also learned how to reduce impacts on local salmon species and improve sustainability for salmon and other creek creatures.

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to work with appropriate groups or agencies on training and education, especially related to public safety programs on boating.

One of the Lower Mainland's fastest-growing municipalities – Abbotsford – gets special mention as it takes on full participation in the GVRD's regional parks system. GVRD will assess and define parks and greenways needed to support that participation, with initial priority given to Sumas and Vedder mountains and the greenway connection from Matsqui Trail over Sumas Mountain.

3. Partner to improve access and provide special facilities in communities

Working through various partnerships, the GVRD plans to provide recreation facilities in parks. The redevelopment of the camping facilities at Brae Island Regional Park, where GVRD worked with Fort Camping, a private owner and operator, is a good example of such a partnership. Tynehead, Boundary Bay and Capilano River regional parks are also identified as sites where private

sector proponents might provide enhanced recreation and tourism facilities

Other possibilities include partnering with post-secondary institutions such as BCIT's School of Construction and the Environment to develop park amenities, partnering with service organizations to develop special facilities for youth, the disabled and various cultural and ethnic communities. And working with special interest groups to provide recreation opportunities in equestrian, water sports and other recreation sectors.

4. Expand public programs, amenities and services

The GVRD will coordinate regional parks programs and services with the watersheds, Grouse Grind and the Lower Seymour Conservation Reserve with a focus to:

- incorporating multi-lingual services on its website;



Photo: Dawn Hanna

- upgrading program brochures and publications;
- providing online program registration services;
- implementing standards to ensure programs products and services are accessible to all ages and abilities;
- working with TransLink to improve transit access; and
- promoting responsible user behavior.

That's it for this time, next issue we'll continue our look at the future of recreation in regional parks.

Scenes from Brae Island Grand Opening



Photos (left and centre): Dawn Hanna

Standing invitation: A bagpiper welcomes special guests and dignitaries arriving by voyageur canoe for the opening ceremony.



Photos (below and below right): Mike Stefiuk

Above: Parks Committee Chair Gayle Martin officially opens Brae Island, along with Township of Langley Mayor Kurt Alberts (far left), GVRD Parks Manager Ed Andrusiak (far right) and others.
Left: The GVRD chickadee makes its debut!
Bottom: The icing on the cake.



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