



Green Timbers Heritage Society

Annual General Meeting

January 19, 2021

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Attendance

Don Schuetze, Ellen Edwards, Amy Kim, Nick McMahon, Susan McCulloch, Nathan Evans, Leana Kininmont,

Call to Order

Called to order 6:32 pm



Year in review

GREEN TIMBERS URBAN FOREST 1930-2020

90 Inaugural
YEARS Plantation

REFORESTATION IN BC BEGAN HERE

2020 marked the 90th anniversary of the inaugural plantation. The pandemic prevented any event from happening. Other items of interest from 2020:

- Thanks to Leana for getting our Meetup.com account set up. Regular walks were set up, but were only sporadic because of, well, you know... Covid.
- We got a decent and secure membership system online hooked up.
- Discussions with Translink, BC Hydro and the City about Skytrain running down Fraser Highway, and widening the highway to four lanes
- The parking lot by the Surrey Nature Centre continued its slow progress
- Trees were vandalized (bark stripped) north of 100th Avenue
- Reminder: Although Covid-19 changes everything the trees are still there.
- Peter Maarsman, past president of the Society, passed away June 1
- Painted turtle infestation
- SNAP's 20th season was a success despite all the uncertainty of the year. 2020 marked the first time a Fall program was created, and the first all-female team
- Lots of dead or damaged trees had to be cut down, mostly around the beaver pond and a few along 100th Avenue
- Community: Roy Strang, Sunnyside Acres advocate, passes away
- How deep is Green Timbers Lake?

You can browse email campaigns here:

<https://us3.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=92723290dccb61995ff1d1fa2&id=d1c3c32d25>

Community reach

There was no paid advertising this year. We relied on the social media algorithms, and people looking for information.

Email

We have one list which is currently 320, including members of the Society. We use MailChimp which culls out bad emails.



Facebook:

304 like the page

Instagram:

196 followers

www.greentimbers.ca:

25,661 pageviews in 2020. Visitors spent an average of 2:30 on the site, usually on one page before heading somewhere else. Top 10 pages:

1. home page
2. /maps-of-trails/
3. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/coniferous-trees/western-hemlock/
4. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/coniferous-trees/western-redcedar/
5. /vegetation-wildlife/wildlife/birds/red-tailed-hawk/
6. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/deciduous-trees/pacific-dogwood/
7. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/coniferous-trees/western-yew/
8. /history/historical-background/
9. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/shrubs/common-wild-rose/
10. /vegetation-wildlife/vegetation/ferns/bracken-fern/

Membership

We currently have 66 members. Some memberships have lapsed in 2020, but we haven't reached out (yet) to remind them.

Financial statements

In AGM folder. Financial statements need to be approved by the directors and submitted to the membership.

Move by Ellen Edwards, seconded by Nathan Evans to accept the financial report as read. Passed.

Moved by Don Schuetze, seconded by Leana Kininmont, we reimburse any payments for annual reports filings.



SNAP in Green Timbers Urban Forest 2020

See also summary report in folder.



This report provides a summary of the achievements of each team throughout Surrey and within Green Timbers Urban Forest (GTUF). This year, SNAP was able to run our first fall program with the flexibilities provided by Canada Summer Jobs for COVID-19 modifications.



Field Team

This year, the Habitat Restoration and Tree Care Teams combined into the Field Team. The Field Team helps to restore, maintain, and enhance the ecological integrity and functioning of natural areas in Surrey. They also care for Surrey's shade trees by removing weeds and mulching tree wells.



The Field Team was comprised of three Team Leaders, each with one Team Member. In total, we had six youth on the Field Team this fall.

This fall, the Field Team worked in 21 different parks and natural areas across Surrey, removing seven different species of invasive plants. In total, the team removed 54 m³ of invasive plant material covering over 750 m² of natural areas in Surrey.

Within GTUF, the Field Team completed a variety of tasks including planting, beaver habitat maintenance, and litter removal from the shoreline and trails. In total, the team planted 205 native trees and shrubs along the pond and installed wire fencing around the trees to prevent beavers cutting them down.

Lastly, The Field Team spent approximately provided base maintenance to 512 shade trees throughout Surrey. They also enhanced the tree wells of and watered the Garry oaks at the Surrey Nature Centre.

Urban Forest Outreach Team

The Urban Forest Outreach team raises awareness within the community of the benefits of urban forests, promotes the adoption of stewardship behaviour in relation to urban forests and fosters a sense of community connection with Surrey's urban forest parks.

This fall, the team consisted of two youth with one Team Leader and one Team Member. The team interacted with 620 people by roving and hosting in eight Surrey parks. Due to COVID-19 protocols, they did not attend any events or canvas homes.

Although events were cancelled due to COVID-19, the team was able to creatively engage with people through social media, nature-themed print materials, and online webinars about environmental stewardship. The team hosted an online Youth Night facilitated by the City of Surrey. They interacted with Surrey youth through fun trivia and thoughtful discussion questions about nature and provided tips about how to get work experience in the environmental field.

Lastly, the Team Leader created a video to celebrate SNAP's 20th year anniversary. The SNAP partners and alumni were interviewed and included in the [video](https://www.surreysnaturalareapartnership.com/about).
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Questions to directors

To be taken at the meeting.

Commentary: who manages website. Right now it's a one-person show so far.
What is function of Society vis-a-vis the City.

Idea: memorial rocks

Anyone get ill in the SNAP team? One person did, but no one else did.

Work along 148th Street. Waterworks.

Cosmos: follow up on right-on-ways that at one point going back to park.

90+2 for inaugural plantation in 2022.

Jim has binders and binders and archives from Wady Lehmann.

Archive scanning still to be completed.



Elections

Elections for Directors are being held via email this year. A form was created via MailChimp and the link emailed to members.

Deadline for candidacy was January 12 at 5pm. Select none, one or all candidates. We need at least three to function. Candidates are listed alphabetically by last name.

Allison Baker

I walk with my golden retriever Reilly almost everyday in the park and have done for over 10 years. It is no stretch to say that It is my place of zen. I am also a volunteer with the Surrey nature centre, and I often pick up garbage throughout the park during my walks and count birds in spring. I cherish this park and it's close ties to nature and our heritage and want to try to preserve its natural beauty while balancing the needs of those who use it.

Nathan Evans

Nathan is a CPA Candidate who has been the Society's Treasurer for three years

Jim Foulkes

Jim is a former president of the GTHS, a long-standing director, former treasurer, and the (re)discoverer of the inaugural plantation.

Leana Kininmont

Leana has been organizing walks, including the mushroom walks from last Fall, in Green Timbers. She's been a director for a year.

Nick McMahon

Nick is a professional consulting arborist- balancing time between the office, forest, and family while raising and instilling a love of the outdoors in his two children at home in Surrey, BC.

Don Schuetze

I've been president for a few years now. My goal for the upcoming year is to focus on building our membership and increasing engagement.

Moved by Susan McCulloch, seconded by Nathan Evans that we accept the election of directors by the GTHS membership as is. Passed.

Moved we adjourn by Nathan Evans. Passed. 7:48 pm

First Director meeting will be Feb 9, 6:30 pm.

Green Timbers Heritage Society Balance Sheet by Class

As of 30 September 2020

Accrual Basis

	GTHS	SNAP	TOTAL
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Chequing/Savings			
Prospera			
Cash Equity	5.00	0.00	5.00
Cash General Operations	4,831.98	0.00	4,831.98
Cash Term Savings	13,927.78	0.00	13,927.78
Total Prospera	18,764.76	0.00	18,764.76
VanCity			
SNAP Cash General Operations	0.00	73,958.92	73,958.92
SNAP Cash Savings	0.00	1,263.51	1,263.51
SNAP Equity	0.00	82.22	82.22
Total VanCity	0.00	75,304.65	75,304.65
Total Chequing/Savings	18,764.76	75,304.65	94,069.41
Accounts Receivable			
Accounts Receivable	0.00	102.02	102.02
Grants Receivable	0.00	52,535.00 ¹	52,535.00
GST Receivable	2,307.05 ²	0.00	2,307.05
Total Accounts Receivable	2,307.05	52,637.02	54,944.07
Total Current Assets	21,071.81	127,941.67	149,013.48
TOTAL ASSETS	21,071.81	127,941.67	149,013.48
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
Unearned or Deferred Revenue	3,200.00 ³	0.00	3,200.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00
Total Liabilities	3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00
Equity			
Interfund Transfer	2,126.18	(2,126.18)	0.00
Unrestricted Net Assets	16,753.53	27,214.76	43,968.29
Net Income	(1,007.90)	102,853.09	101,845.19
Total Equity	17,871.81	127,941.67	145,813.48
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	21,071.81	127,941.67	149,013.48

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As of 30 September 2020

Accrual Basis

- 1. 42,795 Canada Summer Jobs grant remaining (92,907 less 50,112 received)
- 9,740 Eco Canada grant remaining (22,500 less 12,760 received)

52,535 Grants Receivable

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- 2. 1,482.34 received October 7, 2020 from 2018 and 2019 PSB GST rebate filings.

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- 3. City of Surrey Arts and Heritage grant for design and issuance of an updated print media.
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Green Timbers Heritage Society Balance Sheet

2021-01-12
Accrual Basis

As of 30 September 2020

	30 Sep 20	30 Sep 19
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Chequing/Savings		
Prospera		
Cash Equity	5.00	60.00
Cash General Operations	4,831.98	12,554.98
Cash Term Savings	13,927.78	7,206.55
Total Prospera	18,764.76	19,821.53
VanCity		
SNAP Cash General Operations	73,958.92	25,192.33
SNAP Cash Savings	1,263.51	545.63
SNAP Equity	82.22	79.70
Total VanCity	75,304.65	25,817.66
Total Chequing/Savings	94,069.41	45,639.19
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable	102.02	0.00
Grants Receivable	52,535.00	970.00
GST Receivable	2,307.05	1,482.34
Total Accounts Receivable	54,944.07	2,452.34
Total Current Assets	149,013.48	48,091.53
TOTAL ASSETS	149,013.48	48,091.53
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Wage Payable	0.00	923.24
Total Accounts Payable	0.00	923.24
Other Current Liabilities		
Unearned or Deferred Revenue	3,200.00	3,200.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,200.00	3,200.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,200.00	4,123.24
Total Liabilities	3,200.00	4,123.24
Equity		
Unrestricted Net Assets	43,968.29	43,800.37
Net Income	101,845.19	167.92
Total Equity	145,813.48	43,968.29
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	149,013.48	48,091.53

Green Timbers Heritage Society
Profit & Loss by Class
October 2019 through September 2020

	GTHS	SNAP	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Direct Public Support			
Individual, Business Contributions	190.00	0.00	190.00
Total Direct Public Support	190.00	0.00	190.00
Government Grants			
Federal	0.00	130,079.81	130,079.81
Municipal	0.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
Total Government Grants	0.00	330,079.81	330,079.81
Investments			
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	37.45	34.53	71.98
Total Investments	37.45	34.53	71.98
Program Income			
Membership Dues	170.00	0.00	170.00
Total Program Income	170.00	0.00	170.00
Total Income	397.45	330,114.34	330,511.79
Gross Profit	397.45	330,114.34	330,511.79
Expense			
Business Expenses			
Business Registration Fees	40.00	0.00	40.00
Total Business Expenses	40.00	0.00	40.00
Facilities and Equipment			
Equip Rental and Maintenance	0.00	492.18	492.18
Vehicle Fuel	0.00	2,448.25	2,448.25
Vehicle Insurance	0.00	16,813.14	16,813.14
Vehicle Lease	0.00	23,024.41	23,024.41
Total Facilities and Equipment	0.00	42,777.98	42,777.98
Operations			
Advertising Expenses	847.08	2,382.81	3,229.89
Bank Charges	0.00	29.00	29.00
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	109.00	27.99	136.99
Meals & Entertainment	289.27	465.76	755.03
Supplies	0.00	1,182.99	1,182.99
Telephone, Telecommunications	0.00	2,455.40	2,455.40
Wages and Remunerations			
Ceridian Service Fees	0.00	960.53	960.53
Nontaxable Employee Benefit	0.00	644.54	644.54
WCB Expense	0.00	3,220.14	3,220.14
Wages and Remunerations - Other	0.00	171,653.41	171,653.41
Total Wages and Remunerations	0.00	176,478.62	176,478.62
Website Hosting	120.00	0.00	120.00
Total Operations	1,365.35	183,022.57	184,387.92
Other Types of Expenses			
GST Expense	0.00	824.70	824.70
Insurance - Liability, D and O	0.00	636.00	636.00
Total Other Types of Expenses	0.00	1,460.70	1,460.70
Total Expense	1,405.35	227,261.25	228,666.60
Net Ordinary Income	-1,007.90	102,853.09	101,845.19
Net Income	-1,007.90	102,853.09	101,845.19

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Profit & Loss by Class
October 2019 through September 2020

1.	12,605.00	CSJ final payment from prior year (revenue recorded on cash basis).
	22,500.00	ECO Canada grant.
	92,907.00	CSJ grant for calendar 2020.
	2,067.81	CRA CEWS grant.

	130,079.81	Grant revenue received.

Green Timbers Heritage Society
Profit & Loss
October 2019 through September 2020

2021-01-12
 Accrual Basis

	Oct '19 - Sep 20	Oct '18 - Sep 19
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Direct Public Support		
Individ, Business Contributions	190.00	0.00
Total Direct Public Support	190.00	0.00
Government Grants		
Federal	130,079.81	41,687.00
Municipal	200,000.00	210,000.00
Total Government Grants	330,079.81	251,687.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	71.98	211.37
Total Investments	71.98	211.37
Program Income		
Membership Dues	170.00	80.00
Total Program Income	170.00	80.00
Total Income	330,511.79	251,978.37
Gross Profit	330,511.79	251,978.37
Expense		
Business Expenses		
Business Registration Fees	40.00	0.00
Total Business Expenses	40.00	0.00
Contract Services		
Legal Fees	0.00	117.95
Total Contract Services	0.00	117.95
Facilities and Equipment		
Equip Rental and Maintenance	492.18	0.00
Rent, Parking, Utilities	0.00	7.62
Vehicle Fuel	2,448.25	4,174.95
Vehicle Insurance	16,813.14	13,119.68
Vehicle Lease	23,024.41	18,258.58
Total Facilities and Equipment	42,777.98	35,560.83
Operations		
Advertising Expenses	3,229.89	3,003.03
Bank Charges	29.00	0.00
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	136.99	0.00
Meals & Entertainment	755.03	219.16
Postage, Mailing Service	0.00	14.85
Supplies		
Supplies - Plantings	0.00	2,408.84
Supplies - Other	1,182.99	375.00
Total Supplies	1,182.99	2,783.84
Telephone, Telecommunications	2,455.40	2,478.39
Wages and Remunerations		
Ceridian Service Fees	960.53	771.55
Nontaxable Employee Benefit	644.54	0.00
WCB Expense	3,220.14	2,839.84
Wages and Remunerations - Other	171,653.41	202,564.59
Total Wages and Remunerations	176,478.62	206,175.98
Website Hosting	120.00	0.00
Total Operations	184,387.92	214,675.25

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Accrual Basis

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Profit & Loss
October 2019 through September 2020

	<u>Oct '19 - Sep 20</u>	<u>Oct '18 - Sep 19</u>
Other Types of Expenses		
GST Expense	824.70	750.24
Insurance - Liability, D and O	636.00	600.00
Other Costs	0.00	106.18
Total Other Types of Expenses	<u>1,460.70</u>	<u>1,456.42</u>
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	<u>228,666.60</u>	<u>251,810.45</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>101,845.19</u>	<u>167.92</u>
Net Income	<u>101,845.19</u>	<u>167.92</u>