

Lasqueti Island Nature Conservancy Annual Report 2015-16 Year



Newt Crossing Signs



Islands Trust Fund Contract: Tree planting, Nest boxes, Access gate

Lasqueti Island Nature Conservancy

linking people to nature on Lasqueti and surrounding islands

Issue #7, Fall 2015

Maintaining \$4,000 annually

Donations to support our work are tax deductible
LINC, 11 Main Road, Lasqueti Island, BC, V0N 2J0
250.224.4744 inc@lasqueti.ca
Charity #944648555

Unexpected guest at Squitty Bay Day

written by Sheila Ray

Northern Alligator Lizards much on large insects such as beetles, caterpillars, and grasshoppers, as well as spiders, snails, scorpions, and millipedes. Obviously prey that live and sting do not deter them!

Alligator Lizards commonly are associated with Douglas-fir and Hemlock forests. They use rocky outcrops, talus slopes and grassy openings scattered with debris such as logs and rocks for basking and hiding – they cannot do without them. Luckily for them, these openings often are created through disturbances such as logging, thus they are one of the more resilient species in B.C.

This species is at the northern limit of its range, and likely is limited from living farther south by the cold winters. Peripheral populations such as these are considered extremely important, however, as often they carry different genes than their more central relatives. This contributes to the diversity of the species.

Previously, the species is yellow-bellied, meaning it appears to be secure and not at risk of extinction.

Over 100 people came to Squitty Bay Day this year. Thank you to everyone who helped with this event! Folks Bay Program for their kind donation. Bonnie, Dan and Sherry for the beautiful, delicious lunches for the music, and those, first, Sherry and Sherry for their donations of time for the tour. Many thanks to our new members and donors who gave us their support on August 22, 2015.

Newsletters three times a year



Daphne Laurel Spurge Purge

Nest boxes at Osland Reserve



Covenant monitoring: Mt. Trematon and Johnny Osland Reserve



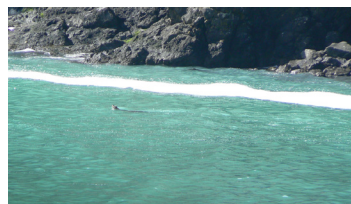
Mt. Trematon Restoration



Joined Coastal Douglas-fir Conservation Partnership



Education Partnership with Sea Watch: Forage Fish in the Salish Sea



Squitty Bay Day

Arbutus blooming, returning turkey vultures and Rufus hummingbirds, lambs calling in the woods - these are the sights and sounds of spring on Lasqueti Island. It seems that no matter how dark the winter, the turning of the season from gray to green always lightens the heart. And it is even better when you see your neighbours work together for the common good, whether it is removing an infestation of invasive Daphne Spurge laurel, or building and installing Hooded merganser next boxes at the Osland Nature Reserve or restoring Trematon Creek riparian area. And we celebrate our successes each year at Squitty Bay Day. For all this great effort I want to thank the people who volunteered their time this last year.

LINC's annual financial statement tracks our financial growth over the last three years. We are providing environmental education, working cooperatively with Island landowners and protecting special island habitats. We are grateful to all our donors, funders and supporters who have given so generously in the past year, helping preserve this beautiful and special place.

Gordon Scott, LINC President

LASQUETI ISLAND NATURE CONSERVANCY

Financial Statements

Fiscal Year April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

Prepared without Audit

Balance Sheet

	2016	2015	2014
Assets			
Credit union account: chequing	1851.61	1,002.40	198.21
Credit union account shares	5.00	5.00	0.00
Cash	296.02	50.00	45.00
Cheques to deposit	0.00	200.00	0.00
Total assets	<u>\$ 2292.63</u>	<u>1,257.40</u>	<u>243.21</u>
Liabilities & Equity			
Accounts payable		466.97	0.00
Equity	2292.63	790.43	243.21
Total liabilities & equity	<u>\$ 2292.63</u>	<u>1,257.40</u>	<u>243.21</u>

Income Statement

	2016	2015	2014
Revenue			
Memberships	490.00	145.00	143.53
Donations	1744.33	1,110.00	110.00
Interest	.12	0.19	0.00
Grants	1000.00	0.00	50.00
Total revenue	<u>\$3234.45</u>	<u>1,255.19</u>	<u>303.53</u>
Expenses			
Accounting and legal and insurance	525.00	25.00	25.00
Office expenses	115.92	104.82	0.00
Land Management: Equipment & Supplies	255.88	155.67	0.00
Communication and education	835.45	422.48	95.32
Total expenses	<u>\$1732.25</u>	<u>707.97</u>	<u>120.32</u>
Net income for the year	<u>\$1502.20</u>	<u>547.22</u>	<u>183.21</u>

The Lasqueti Island Nature Conservancy (LINC) conserves and protects land for the benefit of wildlife, plants and the public. To achieve our mission, LINC acquires legal interests in land and provides public education on the natural and cultural features of Lasqueti and surrounding islands.