

Seen in Passing

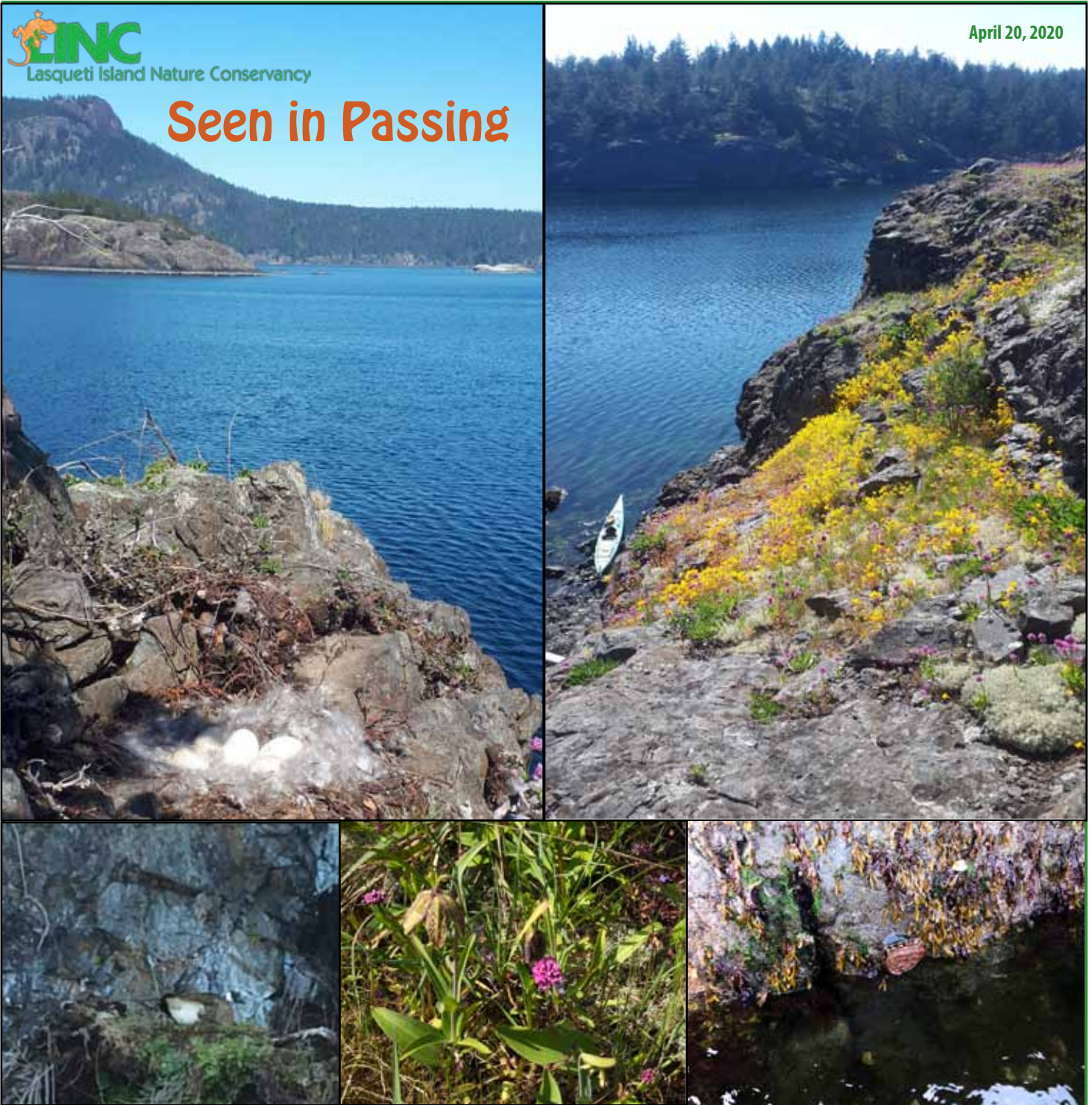


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I went out in the kayak to visit the wild flowers and surprised a goose on an islet! I did not know she was there! The goose came back to her nest. James Swartz

Monkey flowers, sea blush, blue eyed Mary, indian paintbrush....James Schwartz

This is one of two Canada Geese nesting near Boat Cove Sheila Harrington

Dana and I had a great paddle today - monkeyflower, paintbrush, sea blush, chocolate lilly, blue-eyed Mary, Harlequin Ducks, Common Loon, Eagles, Guillemots, Pelagic Cormorant, Kingfisher, Oystercatcher, seals, sea lions, river otter. The other day we saw sea blush, blue-eyed Mary, chocolate lilly, nodding onion on the little island in Rouse Bay and we saw a huge (bigger than my fist) abalone on the rocks just up towards Bull Pass from the bay. It was really high in the intertidal. Have any of you seen abalone around Lasqueti? Ken Lertzman



blooming arbutus, Gordon Scott

Resources & Events

Want to add a birdy film to your watch list?

Audubon Society <https://www.audubon.org>

“Tango in the Wild” offers a rare glimpse of the critically endangered Hooded Grebe’s dazzling courtship moves on the windswept plateaus of Patagonia: <http://ow.ly/VMQn30qyqoF#JoyOfBirds> or watch the full 30 min film here: <https://vimeo.com/220228780>

* **note in our area**, we see Red-necked, Pied-billed, Horned, and Western Grebes:) check them out on **Ebird** <https://ebird.org/region/CA-BC-PW?yr=all>

Earth Week: The Creatively United folks have put together an impressive line up of speakers for daily webinars from April 19-25., including youth speakers and more. <https://creatively-united.org/earthfest-live/>



Rocky Point Bird Observatory:

Ann Nightingale - Introduction to eBird Part 2 When: Monday, April 20, 2020 at 6pm Pacific Time
Last week, we looked at ways to find information that other birders have entered into the crowd-sourced database, eBird. This week, we'll look at how you can enter your own sightings and photographs. You will need to create a free account at <http://ebird.ca> to submit your data. You are also welcome to join the presentation and just watch the demo.

Register for this presentation.

Victoria Natural History Society Birders' Night When: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 7:30pm
Vancouver Island University's Bird Monitoring Program

While there are no formal ornithology programs at any Vancouver Island post-secondary schools, undergraduate students at Vancouver Island University have run a bird monitoring and banding project in the Nanaimo area since 2013. Dr. Eric Demers will highlight some of the projects, including the banding station at Buttertubs Marsh and tracking of Canada Goose movements.

Presented by Vancouver Island University and RPBO Board Member, Dr. Eric Demers.

Register for this presentation.

The Route that Salmon now must go to spawn: <https://thetyee.ca/News/2020/04/06/Deadly-Gauntlet-Fraser-Salmon/>