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NATURE BAY SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24TH, 7:30PM ART GALLERY, 70 HUDSON AVE NE, SALMON ARM SHUSWAP HUT TO HUT TRAILS PRESENTATION DOOR PRIZES AND GOODIES - EVERYONE WELCOME

SABNES was formed 18 years ago with the following mandates:

- A) Assist the Wildlife Branch of the Provincial Government with development and operation of their management plan for the Salmon Arm foreshore as the Nature Conservancy and viewing area.
- B) Develop, operate and promote a system of walkways, viewing areas and interpretive facilities for scientific, educational, environmental protection and public viewing purposes.
- C) Promote environmental awareness and assist in projects meeting that goal in the Salmon Arm area.

As an integral part of the community we work to evaluate this role and seek your assistance in accomplishing these goals. We strive to create new opportunities to enhance our experience and preserve the precious resources on our foreshore. As you wander the trails and experience the beauty of this place please consider joining and participating in the Nature Bay Society.



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By Bob Holtby: Since this is the last President's report I shall write for SABNES, please allow me a bit of reflection and nostalgia. While Tom tells me that I have been in the chair for four years, the time seems to have gone by quickly. I don't believe that I have enjoyed participation is a civic group as much as I have this one. I can clearly say that the accomplishments during my tenure have been the result of a team effort rather than mine – and that's how it should be.

The foreshore is a unique asset for the community and it has been gratifying to see members of all sectors recognize it as such. The increased participation of the businesses of Salmon Arm have broadened our membership base and added to our diverse membership. The Naturalists continue their strong support and have added a lot of research into the state of the foreshore that has been invaluable in planning.

Much thanks has to go to Ron Wedman for his leadership in the past year, filling in for my absence at the semi-annual and annual meetings, producing the newsletters, and spearheading the repair work on the Interpretive Centre. Speaking of the Centre, this has been a great year for visitors at the Centre. I have to thank Anastasia, our summer student and John, our staffer, for their initiatives and work. They did a great job in representing SABNES to the public.

Mike Saul has been uniquely conscientious in maintaining the accounts for the society. I have never worried that our funds were anything but in good hands because of his integrity and dedication. I cannot close without particular thanks to our friend, Tom Brighouse. Tom is tireless in searching out grants, keeping a perspective on our work, and speaking out to maintain the

Getting to know these fine people has been my reward for whatever effort I have been able to contribute. I am much blessed for my tenure these past four years. Thank you for the opportunity you have given me to be your President.

Good News by Mike Saul, Treasurer: We have recently been fortunate on receiving three grants. The Rotary Club of Salmon Arm donated \$5000 to replace the main entrance gate, to renew the signs along the foreshore and to help with general repairs to the observation tower and walkway. A Shuswap Community Foundation grant from the Askew Family Fund for repairs and modifications to the Interpretive Centre was received in the amount of \$3000. A grant of \$500 was received from the Salmon Arm Savings & Credit Union for 2 television sets to show our collection of birdlife videos. The board of directors is greatly indebted to these donors, and want all members to know that these grants will greatly help our society to maintain the important assets entrusted to our care.