

## Langford Lakes Area Protection Society

(incorporated October 19, 1995)

September 2011

**Reminder:** Our first meeting of this school year will be at 7:00 Thursday, September 15th in the Textile Room at Spencer Middle School.

Monthly meetings are scheduled for the following dates over the coming year (each a Thursday evening):

Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nov. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup>
Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Mar. 8 <sup>th</sup>
Apr. 12 <sup>th</sup>	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	June 7 <sup>th</sup>

LLAPS members will be working alongside members of the Bilston Creek Society and the Habitat Acquisition Trust on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> near the corner of Woodruff Road and the Sooke Highway (near Humpback Rd) to do some creekside plantings of native species. This is a joint venture with a number of organizations with funding for this project coming from the Ministry of Highways with additional support from the City of Langford. Work will get underway at 10:00. Further details will be provided at our September meeting but if you can't make the meeting but would like to help out that day, please call Doug Rowe (474-5461) for any necessary information.

### Luxton Fall Fair

No doubt many of you have the Luxton Fair marked on your calendars – it runs from Friday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>. LLAPS will be there on the Saturday and Sunday with an information table set up inside a tent we will be sharing with the Bilston Watershed group. While we have a dedicated group of volunteers who will be assembling the display boards to have on hand, we are in need of some other volunteers who can help man the tables to give people a break. If you're going to be there anyway and might like a place to rest while the kids rampage about, please consider giving an hour or two to relieving our group. Doug Rowe would love to hear from you if you can help out.

## **Weed Harvesting**

Special thanks to those folks who man the weed harvester each summer. This group of dedicated volunteers operates totally independently of LLAPS and ensures that our lakes don't become choked with what are often invasive species of weeds. The process isn't always as clean as we'd like, but remember that things like lily pads only reproduce through their roots so a few errant pads floating into your beach won't result in a tangle of young lily pads next spring.

If you have any questions, I understand the following people are contacts for their respective lakes:

Langford Lake	Geoff Hett	478-2727
Florence Lake	Pat Geary	478-3055
Glen Lake	Harry Kuiak	474-1794

While the City of Langford contributes to the operating costs of the harvester, we also owe Ian Davies our gratitude for providing the technical know how and mechanical skills to keep this machine in operating condition.

## **Elections**

As with any non-profit society, we will be holding our election of executive officers at one of our upcoming meetings. This year's elections will be held at our October meeting. Please consider taking on one of the positions that will be available. Our group would appreciate some new blood with new ideas!



**Please take a minute to re-new your membership in LLAPS. Please either mail or drop off your \$10.00 cheque payable to LLAPS to 2922 Leigh Rd (V9B 4G3).**