

Taking the preservation message to the world

Want to get an interesting, environmentally appropriate gift? The Wilderness Committee's wildly successful new store at 20 Water Street in Vancouver is the place to go.

The store is open seven days a week and the offices and mail-room

donation money, making more of it go directly into campaigns and research."

"This is how it is working out," Ken continued, "We are bringing in more than enough money from the store sales to offset the increased rent at this desirable location. It's

We decide forever...

During the next few decades, whether we like it or not, our generation faces the most difficult duty any generation of humans has ever had. We will be deciding the fate of the remaining wilderness left on earth. Either by default or conscious decision, we will choose which areas will be saved and which areas will be lost. We will be deciding the fate of the planet...forever.

Unlike many other pressing social issues of our day, wilderness preservation doesn't get a second chance. There is only one opportunity to make the right or wrong decision. When wilderness is industrially developed it is gone ... gone forever. Think about it.

Increasingly more

people understand that wilderness must have its share of the earth.

Wilderness safeguards climate and the health of this planet's life force. We have a grave responsibility. We must become even more committed and more dedicated to educate others, both through our lifestyle and our words, about our planet's fundamental need for wilderness. Saving wilderness means saving earth's four billion-year-old living heritage.

Wilderness preservation means ensuring earth's future as a bio-planet.

These are exciting times of unfinished history that we are helping to shape. Our Committee has an important role to play. We believe that each of us has, through our lifestyle and actions, the ability to achieve a happy ending!

hum with activity long into the night. The store looks uptown, almost "exclusive", with one major difference. The store's contents are unique: recycled wrapping paper, dioxin free coffee filters, wilderness maps, posters, postcards and books, all of which bear a conservation message.

But is this place too fancy and expensive for a conservation organization dedicated to preserving wilderness and the natural environment? That question was asked of director Ken Lay at the grand opening on July 21. "Don't you think you are squandering donation money paying for this ostentatious place?" asked a concerned member, who remembered the second story converted warehouse which the Committee just vacated.

"No", answered Ken, "we are actually saving

the store that subsidizes the Committee, not the other way around. In a place with no tourists the Committee would have a lower profile and a lot less people would know about us."

"Besides," chimed in one of the store employees, "we are reaching out to people all over the world with our message that wilderness must be saved." She estimated that nearly half of the people coming into the store and purchasing the educational merchandise were from out of country.

That night, talking with members at the open house party, director Adriane Carr recalled that less than two and a half years ago, the entire Committee worked out of her (and husband Paul George's) cramped apartment on Alberta Street. It wasn't nostalgia about the "good ol' days".

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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The 1989 Annual General Meeting of Western Canada Wilderness Committee will be held from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 26 in Cinema 1800 at the Simon Fraser University Harbour Centre, 515 West Hastings Street. See back page for map and inside pages for proposed bylaw changes and special resolutions.

An informal get-together will follow at the Wilderness Committee's office, four blocks away at 20 Water Street. Refreshments will be served.

Phone 683-8220 for more details.

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SMALL BEGINNINGS WITH GRAND GOALS

In the summer of 1980 a half dozen people got together and formed Western Canada Wilderness Committee, registering it as a society in British Columbia and as a tax deductible charity in Ottawa. They were motivated to start a new organization by the fear that existing environmental organizations were failing to gather public support fast enough to save threatened wilderness areas from thoughtless development.

The founding directors had faith that most Canadians would support greater wilderness preservation and pressure their politicians to act accordingly if they had access to educational materials explaining the importance of wilderness.

The Committee's first major campaign was to protect the South Moresby wilderness in the Queen Charlotte Islands. South Moresby became a National Park Reserve in 1987. The 1981 Western Canada Endangered Wilderness Calendar was the Committee's first major publication. There are now two different calendars -- the Western Canada and Canada

been growing at an exponential rate. The Western Canada Wilderness Committee has a strong sense of purpose and a unique style of operation. Here are some of the factors that account for our Committee's continued growing success.

Direct democratic action. The Committee believes in using the democratic system to achieve its goals. We eschew the use of all illegal tactics, including the use of non-violent civil disobedience. We work within the law, firmly believing that massive education is the only sure path to achieving protection for the natural environment and an ecologically balanced world.

Volunteers. Much of the Committee's work, such as handling the ever-growing amount of correspondence, continues to be done by dedicated volunteers. Pizza party marathon mail-outs are a regular event in our office.

Dedicated staff. During its first seven years the Committee had only one hired

the one at the back of this paper!); sales of our calendars, books, posters, postcards and videos (we hope you read the messages in all of our publications!)

Commitment to the Committee's growth. For the last three years we have been committed to doubling our membership and the number of our educational publications annually. We feel that this is the only way to stop the "war against nature" and protect enough wilderness to ensure that life on this planet maintains flexibility and survives.

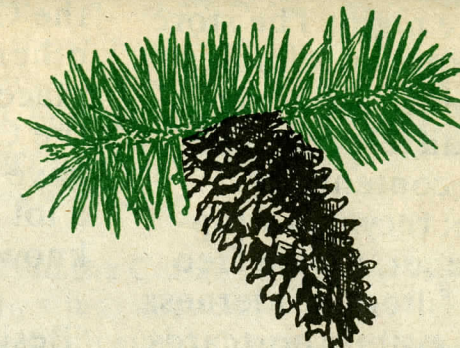
Over the last four years the Wilderness Committee has annually more than doubled in size and budget. Continued exponential growth reflects the Committee's aggressive educational campaign strategies and the fact that environmental issues in general are becoming more urgent as well as better recognized.

We believe that Western Canada Wilderness Committee is making a difference -- part of the positive force protecting planet Earth.

Confrontations in late 1984 over the logging of Meares Island, a beautiful island with exceptionally large red cedars near Tofino, B.C., brought a dramatic increase in support for wilderness preservation. The Meares Island case has been before the Supreme Court of B.C. for the past five years. Meanwhile, the Wilderness Committee has worked on almost every major wilderness preservation issue in B.C. and

briefer six month period). Now there are 15 staff, including campaigners, office workers, researchers, writers, a professional forester and a chartered accountant. They work as a team, equally talented, tireless and underpaid.

Issue-specific fundraising. The Committee does not sponsor bingos or casinos. Our fundraising has always been linked to our educational work -- tear-offs on our single-issue newspapers (like



DEDICATED DIRECTORS AND STAFF BRING COMMITTEE SUCCESS

WILDERNESS COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 1988-1989

Ron Abrahams - Ron lives in Vancouver and has been a director for one year. He is a medical doctor and has helped by providing wise and levelheaded council. He has also strongly supported the establishment of a retail store to sell our educational material.

Ron Aspinall - Also a medical doctor, Ron lives in Tofino and has been a director for four years. He was very active on the Meares Island campaign and helped write and finance the Committee's first book, Meares Island - Protecting a Natural Paradise. He is currently researching the addictive behaviour of consumerism.

Adriane Carr - Adriane lives on the Sunshine Coast and has been a director for four years, editing many of the committee's publications over the past seven years. She is a professor at Langara Community College specializing in environmental geography. Currently she is on a year's "leave of absence for excellence" to coordinate the Committee's WILD Project.

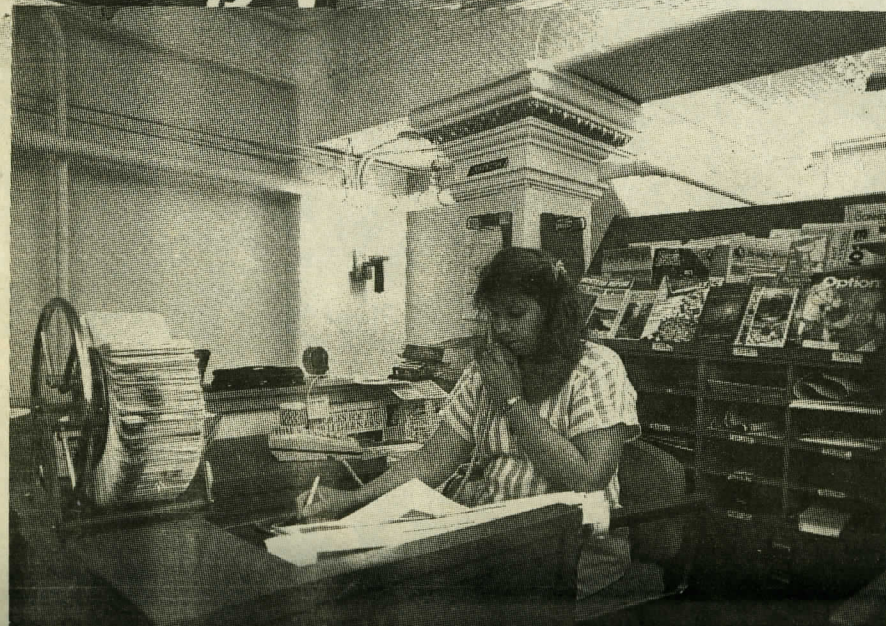
Bristol Foster - Bristol lives on Saltspring Island and has been a director for three years. He was formerly the head of the B.C. provincial government's Ecological Reserves Branch. He is well known for his film work and for international work on preservation of ecosystems.

Joe Foy - Joe, noted outdoorsman, lives in Langley and has been a director for

one year. He is currently working part time for the Committee, primarily on the Stein, Carmanah, and "Pocket Wilderness" campaigns. Joe has hiked extensively in the Greater Vancouver Lower Mainland area and also has experience managing stores.

Paul George - Paul, living on the Sunshine Coast, is married to Adriane Carr and is one of the Committee's founding directors. He has served as a director every year, and as treasurer for several years. He is currently working on contract to the Committee, producing publications such as the Endangered Wilderness Calendars, books, postcard series, posters and educational newspapers.

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**NEW
OFFICE
AND
STORE**

UPBEAT... AND FUNCTIONAL

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Everyone at the party was proud of their Committee's achievements and astonished at the escalating increase in environmental consciousness.

One thing for sure, over the past two years the Wilderness Committee has grown beyond expectation. "We'll have over 10,000 members by the end of this year...", said one of the Committee's canvassers.

Another added, to long loud cheers, "and we will save all of Carmanah Valley".

Over 200 members and friends attended the grand opening ceremony and party at 20 Water Street. As the Raging Grannies, a colourful group of

elderly ladies promoting environmental and peace awareness, sang about the evils of clear-cut logging on steep slopes, a dozen Wilderness Committee directors and staff simultaneously (we work closely together) cut the red ribbon across the front entrance to the new store and office. The celebration continued 'til the early hours the next day.

All members and friends are invited to come and visit the office at any time. Maria McCartney, our volunteer coordinator, is keen to meet people who want to contribute their time and energy. There is always a work party going on!

NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

The Wilderness Committee store is looking for talented and knowledgeable staff. Contact Sue Kellock at our store.

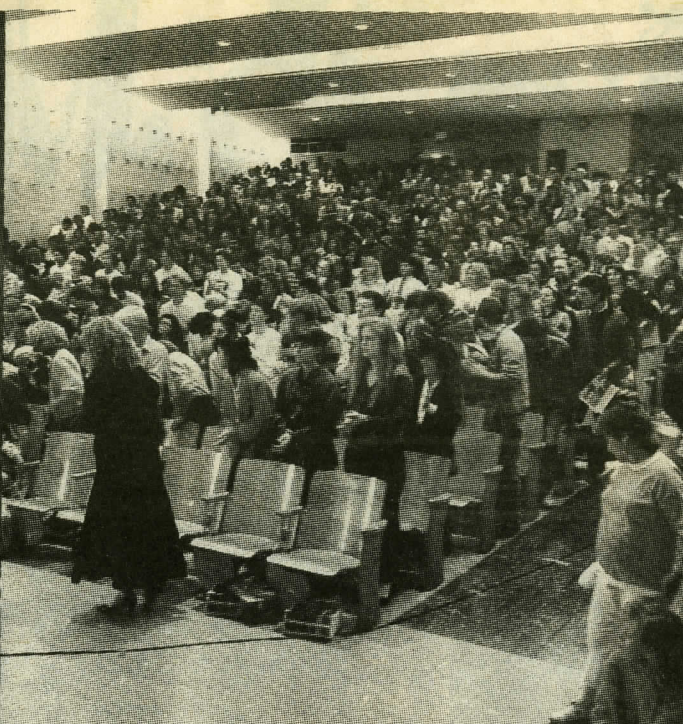
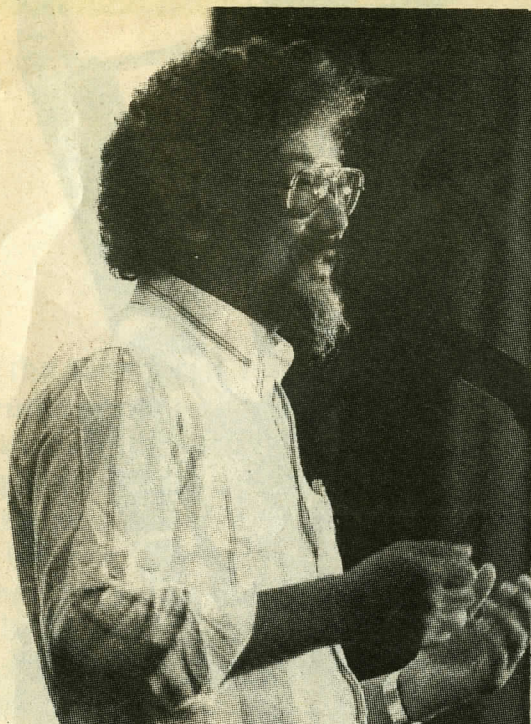
As the Committee grows, new staff are needed. If you are interested in working for the Committee, please bring in your resume to 20 Water Street. While there, talk to Maria McCartney about volunteering for the Committee in a capacity which emphasises your skills.

Volunteers

With only one exception, the Wilderness Committee's paid staff have been and still are volunteers, too, working alongside the talented and dedicated individuals who faithfully come to our Tuesday and Wednesday volunteer nights and help with our mailouts, work parties and public events.

You are the Committee's strength!

THANK YOU, ALL!



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— helps Chief Paiakan buy plane to protect his rainforest home

It's not often in most North Americans' lifetimes that one has the opportunity to meet a chief of an indigenous Amazon rainforest tribe. Perhaps that's why more than 1,000 Vancouverites turned out to a fundraising event at a local Vancouver secondary school auditorium this spring. Only the early birds were fortunate to get to see and hear the chief, for the place held only 750 people.

But it was more than curiosity that brought out the crowds that night. And it was more than just having an opportunity to hear Dr. David Suzuki speak. It was genuine concern. Concern and wanting to take advantage of the opportunity do something concrete to help save the "lungs of the earth" from being destroyed.

Chief Paiakan of the Kayapo tribe had been visiting various tribal groups in B.C. for over a month previous to that night, learning from them and comparing the situation in Brazil with that in Canada. How were the native people treated here and the environment respected? He noted that the forest destruction in British Columbia was as bad or worse than that back home. But Brazil was not far behind. The rapid drive to destroy the Amazon

Now he wanted to protect that biological treasure house. Paiakan needed money to buy a small aircraft to help patrol his native territory and to bring together the chiefs and work out a common strategy to fight off the proposed mega-dam projects that threaten to inundate much of his people's and other tribes' homelands.

An amazing amount of money was raised that night. People realized that it was a privilege to give to such a cause. About \$16,000 was collected and the good news is that, along with other contributions from across Canada and in England, Paiakan got his plane! It is now down in the Amazon being flown by a B.C. pilot who is donating his time and who is teaching them how to fly and maintain the plane.

rainforest, despite the environmental consequences was increasing in speed.

Paiakan spoke of his youth where he spent time as a hunter and gatherer, completely subsisting off the forest, learning from the elders the secrets of the thousands of plants that grow there, many of them still unknown to western science. He spoke of what it was like to be mentally at one with nature.



FRIEND OF THE AMAZON WORLD'S LARGEST WATERSHED

This certifies that _____
has made a significant contribution of \$ _____
towards insuring that the tropical rainforest
home of the Kayapo Indians, one of the indigenous
peoples of the Amazon, is protected.

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Thank you everyone who helped. The need for further assistance is still acute. It is only through continued "generosity" of caring people in the developed, industrialized nations that the tropical rainforests of the world will be saved.



SEPT. 16

START: KITS BEACH 12 NOON

FINISH: QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK

In many cities, including Vancouver, thousands of people gather for an annual spring ritual: to "walk for peace". There is no doubt that these peace walks, in their own small way, have had a positive influence on both their home communities and on politicians around the world. Gradually we are now backing away from a nuclear holocaust.

Given the growing concern for global ecology, why isn't there a "walk for the environment?" Apparently the only reason is that no one has yet organized one.

Well, decided several

Vancouver Committee members, it's about time. The date was set for September 16, from noon 'till five. The route was chosen: from Kits Beach (home of the 1960 s environmental movement in Vancouver) to Queen Elizabeth Park, the highest point in the city. The route will take walkers directly past Vancouver City Hall at Cambie and 12th, allowing the opportunity to deliver a message to municipal politicians.

The main goal of the walk is clear: to send a resounding message to government, industry and the public that our

environment is under seige and that attitudes and behaviour must change.

Says Ken Lay, the Committee's coordinator of the walk, "This is an opportunity to show that we care about our threatened planet and want action now to heal and protect it." Sponsors number in the hundreds. Walkers on September 16 are sure to number in the tens of thousands.

Be there, if you can. If you don't live near Vancouver, phone the Committee for advice on how to organize your own walk for the environment.

CARMANAH— THE WHOLE VALLEY IS S P E



WCWC TRAIL COMPLE



MAKING THE OTHER S MYSTERIES ACCESSIBLE

"You can't imagine how beautiful the upper Carmanah Valley is," raved a volunteer member of the Wilderness Committee's trail-clearing crew. After a ten day stint in the valley in late July of 1989, he and five other volunteers stopped at our Vancouver office to relay messages and let the office-based trail coordinator, Ken Lay, know what supplies would be needed by the ongoing crew.

"It's rough, tough going, with a lot of salal bushes to snip and a lot of ups and downs to negotiate. But there's an incredible mini-canyon in the upper valley with beautiful cascading waterfalls and pools and even a few giant Sitkas." All this in the part of Carmanah that MacMillan Bloedel proposes to log -- the 92% of the valley that the logging company stated had no recreational potential.

It was just over a year ago that the Wilderness Committee began to clear a trail into Carmanah Valley, after discovering logging roads being built to the valley's edge. The Committee's trail building efforts were strongly opposed by MacMillan Bloedel (MB), the logging company holding tree farm licence cutting rights there.

The injunction sought by MB, to stop the trail into Carmanah's virgin forest, was denied by the B.C. Supreme Court in the summer of 1988. The court ruled that the company only holds exclusive logging rights to the valley and not the right to deny access to other forest users... including wilderness preservation enthusiasts.

Ecstatic with the court's decision, the committee pushed their trail to Canada's tallest known tree, the Carmanah Giant, a 312 foot Sitka spruce growing near Pacific Rim National Park. By September of 1988, the Wilderness Committee crews had completed the trail in the lower valley.

Interestingly, the revised Carmanah logging plan submitted by MB in the late fall of 1988 included the entire Wilderness Committee trail (as completed to that date) in a proposed leave-strip preservation zone. Environmentalists condemned the plan, saying that the valley bottom where the giant spruce grow is too fragile to withstand massive logging on the steep-sloped valley sides. They called for independent studies, claiming that the MB studies were biased and incomplete.

In the back rooms of the Wilderness Committee, the trail volunteers wished that they had had more time to build more trails leading people to an understanding of why this special valley must be saved in its entirety.

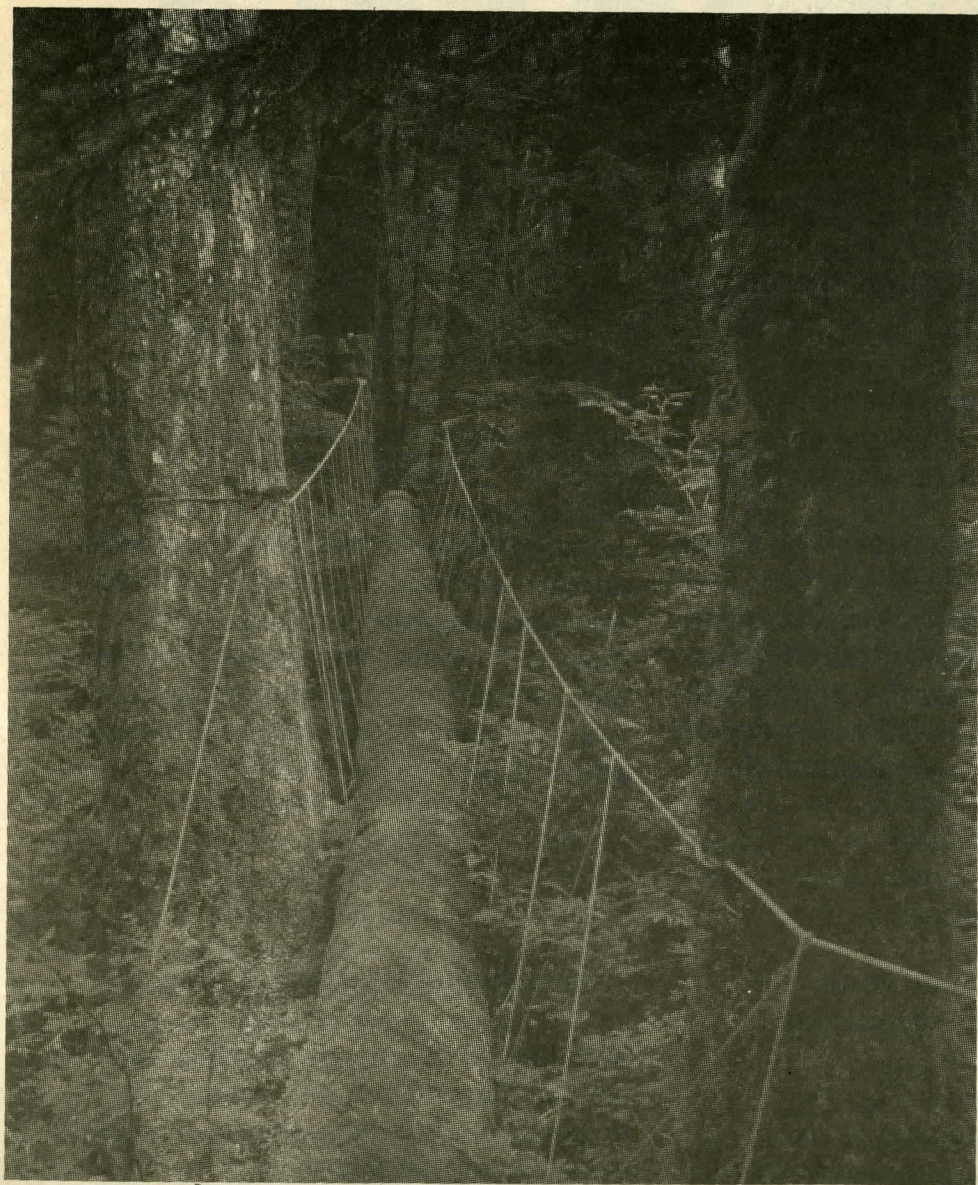
The Wilderness Committee's Carmanah trails are already heavily used by hikers and tourists. They also helped provide access into the valley for some Canadian Wildlife Service bird experts whose taped bird calls at dawn were echoed by the cries of marbled murrelets, cousins of the ancient murrelets whose forest floor nests helped save South Moresby.

There could only be one reason why these pelagic birds were deep in Carmanah's ancient forest at dawn. They must be nesting in the ancient forest's tree tops (although, to date, only a very few of the forest nests of this threatened species have been found).

The sighting of marbled murrelets in Carmanah during nesting season exposes the inadequacy of MacMillan-Bloedel's bird survey--part of the only set of studies providing the government with information upon which to base its Carmanah land use decision. Cruising at 95 km per hour in a Jet Ranger

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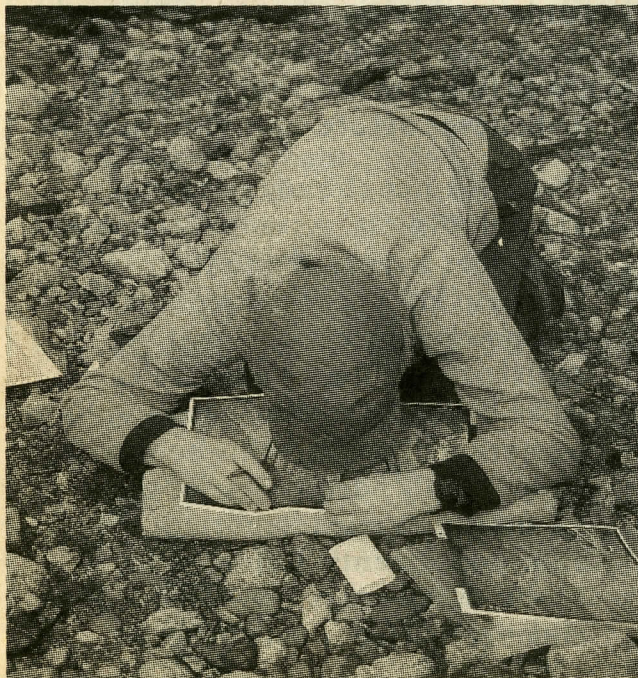


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helicopter, the MB scientist investigating Carmanah had only observed merganser ducks and, on that basis, concluded that the area was suitable for clear-cut logging.

In the spring of 1989 the Wilderness Committee quietly began extending its Carmanah Valley trail system east to the top of the watershed. Excitement is growing as the trails extend deeper into Carmanah. This little, ancient-forested valley has lots of secrets still to be discovered.



Carmanah artists project

More than 80 of B.C.'s top artists travelled to the Carmanah Valley during May, June and July of 1989. There they camped out and were treated to the best wilderness hospitality the Wilderness Committee could provide - good food and the purest of water, straight from the Carmanah River.

Their reason for going? To experience the magic of Carmanah's ancient rainforest and to donate to the Committee a work of art inspired by their Carmanah experience. The art works will be exhibited and sold by the Committee in the fall to raise money to help fight for full protection of the entire valley forever.

The art inspired by Carmanah is truly spectacular!

Seventy of the works, those of the first artists to volunteer for the Carmanah art project, are being featured in a full-colour, 168 page, coffee table book

entitled *CARMANAH - Artistic Visions of an Ancient Rainforest*. Published by Western Canada Wilderness Committee, produced by SummerWild Productions, and distributed by Rain Coast Books, this book will itself be inspirational.

It will be off the press before the first art show in mid-October of this year. In addition to the planned run of 10,000, we will be printing 500 limited edition, specially-encased, collectors' books.

The Carmanah project just keeps growing. We originally thought about 50 artists would become involved. There are now over 100 artists contributing to the art show and auction.

With the help of the National Film Board, one of Canada's top cinematographers is working with us to produce a documentary film on the Carmanah art project and the ancient cont. page 12

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Carleen Lay - Carleen lives in Vancouver and has been a director for two years. During this time she has been employed by the Committee to handle our growing mailing list--inputting financial and membership data into WCWC's computer. In her spare time she has also been pursuing her career as a singer.

Ken Lay - Recently married to Carleen, Ken has been a director for three years, joining the Committee initially to work on the Meares Island and Stein Valley campaigns. He is currently the Committee's treasurer and employed by the committee to direct a variety of campaigns including the Carmanah trail project and the first Vancouver Walk for the Environment.

Clinton Webb - Clinton lives in Parksville and is a forest ecologist who spent seven years with the B.C. Forest Service before joining the Committee's

staff. He has served as a director for one year. During the past year Clinton has worked part time for us supervising trail construction and analyzing old growth ecosystems, particularly in pocket wilderness areas and in Carmanah Valley.

George Yearsley - George lives in White Rock and has been a director for one year. He is a young outdoors enthusiast who has hiked and kayaked around in the wilds of B.C. His boundless energy has been indispensable to the Carmanah trail project. For the last two years he has managed the Committee's mail room, handling with volunteers and other help, the ever-growing volume of mail orders and membership support.

Derek Young - Derek lives in Victoria and is a management consultant. He has been a director for 6 months, appointed by the other directors to fill a vacancy on the board. He has been very active on

the Carmanah Campaign and one of the main forces behind establishing a Victoria Branch of the Committee.

The Wilderness Committee directors met on average every three weeks during the last year. Their meetings were long but inspirational. All of the Committee's projects and capital purchases are approved after debate on directors' spending resolutions. It is the current policy that only directors can represent the Committee in the media or public unless the directors make a special exception, for example having the Committee's staff forester speak about a specific watershed protection project.

The past year has truly tested the capacity of the directors to successfully nurture and adapt to the Committee's tremendous growth. The current directors have tried to balance daring and thoughtful caution in an atmosphere that encourages creativity, camaraderie and success.

WILDERNESS COMMITTEE STAFF 1988-1989

As the Wilderness Committee grows, the need for more people to work on projects and administration also grows. Besides the directors that currently hold staff positions, the following people have been hired to help advance the Committee's cause of wilderness preservation and environmental

Sue Kellock - a long-time volunteer; now our store manager-in-training.

Lisa Kofod - as an Emily Carr School of Art graduate, Lisa lends her artistic talents and upbeat manner to the store.

Christina Laurel - one of the Committee's most outstanding and

Committee's Forestwatch program.

William Watson - originally a canvasser for the Committee in Vancouver; organized and now manages the door-to-door canvass in Victoria.

Dave Wilburn - a chartered accountant recently hired to organize, integrate and

Carol Buchanan - has been hired part time (most of her time occupied with the recent birth of her second child) to help manage the door-to-door canvass and to coordinate the Committee's fundraising dinner with David Suzuki (scheduled for March, 1990).

Cherry Davies - originally an active volunteer, Cherry joined the Committee's first store staff at 1516 W. 3rd Avenue; now helps manage the door-to-door canvass.

Lisa De Marni - hired as the Committee's first manager of marketing and sales; produced the first merchandise catalogue and set up the temporary store on West 3rd and the new permanent store in Gastown.

Arne Hansen - provides assistance in research, editing, layout and design of our educational newspapers; coordinator of the Stein and Carmanah artists' expeditions and art auctions.

MaryBeth Harrison - a cheerful, efficient and invaluable membership list data processor.

Gunga Jolicoeur - brings a gentle and keen-to-help sales manner to our store.

Dennis Kangasniemi - is managing our Victoria office, distributing Wilderness Committee publications in the Greater Victoria area and coordinating the Committee's Carmanah Research Expedition.

dedicated volunteers, hired on short-term contract to help coordinate the mailroom and work in the store.

Maria McCartney - a long-time volunteer and employee, originally hired to manage office systems and book-keeping; now in her forte coordinating volunteers, the Committee's weekly volunteer night (Wednesdays) and most of the Committee's public events.

Leslie Martin - hired to help manage the Victoria door-to-door education and membership canvass.

Scott Rogers - a law student on short-term contract to relieve pressure in the mailroom and assist in trail work, the move to 20 Water Street and to manage the Committee's public events over the summer.

Frank Sloan - suggested, developed, instituted and now manages the Committee's highly successful door-to-door educational and membership canvass in Vancouver.

Ross Smith - hired on short-term contract to coordinate and, using his carpentry skills, help prepare the space for the Committee's move to 20 Water Street; also involved in Carmanah trail work and the GLWA expedition.

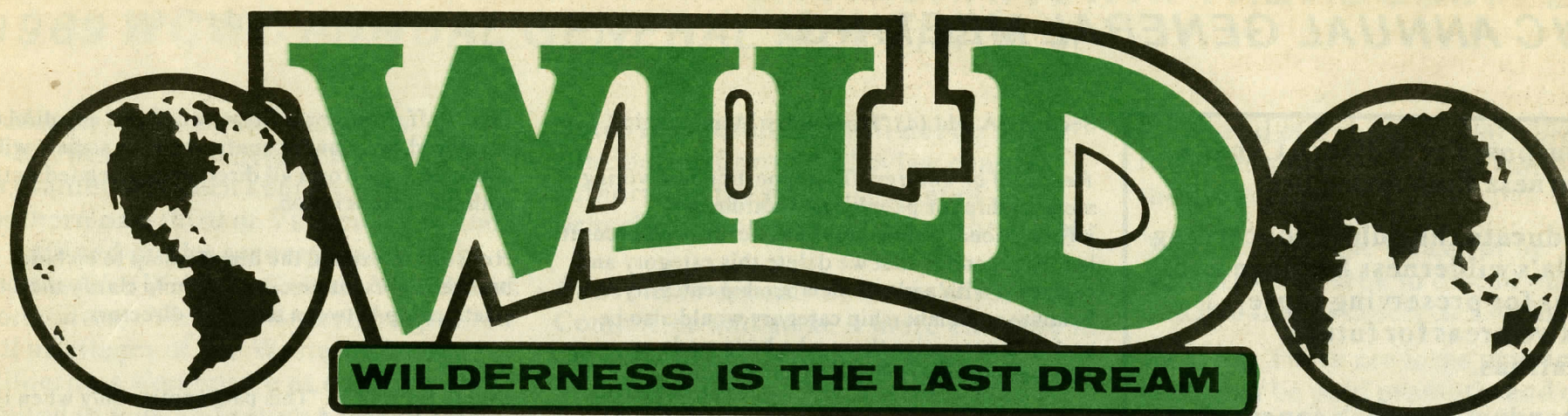
Mark Wareing - a Registered Professional Forester hired on contract to conduct forest-related research; coordinator of the campaign to stop clear-cut logging in Lower Mainland watersheds; coordinator of the

manage the Committee's financial affairs.



Rediscovery, Ancient Pathways New Directions, written by Thom Henley and published by Western Canada Wilderness Committee in April of 1989, is already a great success. Illustrated with over 125 colour photographs and 39 pen and ink drawings, this 288 page guidebook to outdoor education has received excellent reviews. It has been called a "minor classic" and the "best book ever written about how to get in tune with nature". Eighty of the outdoor activities developed over the last 10 years in Rediscovery camps are detailed in the book--many of them never before described in print.

The book has already gone into a second printing. As word of mouth continues to spread about Rediscovery's gentle but profound and powerful message--that by rediscovering native ways we can move beyond the man/nature split of western philosophy--this book will undoubtedly become one of the Committee's most important accomplishments. Retailing for \$18.95 Wilderness Committee member's price is only \$15.95.



NOT MUCH TIME LEFT TO SAVE EARTH'S REMAINING WILDERNESS

The WILD - Wilderness Is the Last Dream - Project

As the Wilderness Committee has grown, it has greatly increased its contacts with wilderness preservation groups outside Canada. During 1988-89, for example, we sent speakers to conferences in the United States and Switzerland; hosted a visit and lecture on the threatened African black rhino by Dick Pitman of the Zambezi Society; successfully helped the Australian Wilderness Society stop the building of the world's largest pulp mill in Tasmania; and published an educational newspaper and hosted a fundraising event for the Kayapo Indians who are fighting to stop the destruction of the Amazon rainforest.

planet's wildness has been plundered, and the pace of destruction is increasing. Scientists like Suzuki are now saying that we have less than 10 years to completely change the way we live on this planet. Sensing the urgent need for action, the Wilderness Committee initiated a project called WILD -- Wilderness is the Last Dream. With WILD we hope to keep the ancient dream and the reality of wilderness on earth alive.

THE WILD MAP PROJECT

In order to save the world's wilderness we need to know what's left of it. WILD, in conjunction with Vancouver-based World Wide Books and Maps, is publishing a unique full-colour set of global endangered wilderness maps. The series will include a world wilderness

Centre at Honolulu's University of Hawaii for a working conference June 18-23, 1990. The goals are to edit and update the maps drafted for the conference, share wilderness-saving strategies and information, form alliances, identify hotspots in need of immediate global attention, and establish specific commitments for action. The results of the first four working days will be made public to world-wide media during the last two days of the conference.

Join the WILD project by sending your \$25 cheque to the Wilderness Committee. You will receive all pre-conference WILD publications, including an upcoming newspaper on the threats to the Penan people who live in the world's oldest rainforest.

space you can't see any boundaries between countries, provinces or states - all living things share a single system of air, water and soil."

Wilderness conserves air, water, soil and the diversity of life. Yet much of the

wilderness maps. Information for the maps will be supplied by experts and activists from around the world.

THE WILD CONFERENCE
WILD has reserved the East-West

Tuesdays are WILD volunteer nights at the Committee's office. If you, or someone you know, has skills and information to contribute to the WILD project, please let us know. We need and want your help.

GENERALIZED SUMMARY OF WCWC INCOME AND EXPENSES

CATEGORY	<u>1980-81</u>	<u>1981-82</u>	<u>1982-83</u>	<u>1983-84</u>	<u>1984-85</u>	<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>	<u>1987-88</u>	estimated <u>1988-89</u>
Donations	202	3,004	11,135	2,224	19,696	69,435	100,437	210,898	260,000
Memberships	70	575	700	390	730	1,915	8,907	20,939	77,000
Calendar Sales	22,985	22,309	25,350	32,038	32,420	56,411	in other sales	97,150	108,000
Other Sales	0	396	31,290	780	5,844	12,780	75,911	37,139	174,000
Other Income	40	20	205	119	3,427	12,820	n/a	9,895	1,000
Total Income	<u>23.297</u>	<u>26.304</u>	<u>68.680</u>	<u>35.551</u>	<u>62.117</u>	<u>153.361</u>	<u>185.255</u>	<u>376.021</u>	<u>620.000</u>
Equip., Supp. & Office	1,210	1,701	7,241	1,531	5,681	10,984	12,984	51,219	56,000
Wages, Research & Legal	754	2,533	9,307	2,965	5,405	22,823	48,153	72,198	137,000
Educational Projects, Events and Publishing	18,508	24,050	61,015	29,099	40,447	110,415	78,354	180,488	304,000
Mailing	83	578	1,788	738	4,050	7,965	12,663	36,963	79,000
Other Expenses	846	1,235	528	1,640	5,872	4,375	11,722	7,053	10,000
Total Expenses	<u>21.401</u>	<u>30.097</u>	<u>79.879</u>	<u>35.973</u>	<u>61.455</u>	<u>156.562</u>	<u>163.876</u>	<u>347.921</u>	<u>586.000</u>

NOTES

- Annual differences between income and expenses are accounted for by annual changes in capital goods and inventory.
- The large increase in "Other Income" in 1982-83 is due to income generated by the first WCWC art auction.
- The decreases in income and expenses between the 1982-83 and 1983-84 financial years are primarily due to austerity measures taken to offset the debts incurred by publication of a financially unsuccessful "date-sketch book".
- The financial figures estimated for 1988-89 are preliminary. The final financial statement for 1988-89 will be submitted for approval at the Annual General Meeting, August 26, 1989.



BYLAW CHANGES FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE AUGUST 26, 1989 WCWC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The purposes of Western Canada Wilderness Committee are:

1. to educate the public concerning Canada's wilderness heritage and reasons for preserving representative areas for future generations.
2. to conduct research concerning wilderness values.
3. to obtain and distribute information on areas in Western Canada which have potential for protective wilderness status.

The directors believe that at the present time there is no need to change the purposes of our society as outlined in our constitution. We interpret the constitutional clauses broadly -- they allow us to conduct our educational and research work on all environmental problems that impinge on wilderness protection and preservation. All significant threats to the environment, including ozone depletion, toxification of ecosystems and lack of waste recycling, also threaten to destroy wilderness.

Any constitutional change would entail a complete review by Revenue Canada of our charitable tax status as a society. If the changes are not compatible with the narrowly written law regarding charitable activities, we would lose our tax privilege.

The directors therefore present no constitutional

Section 5A add (d) "Honourary Membership."

Reason for change: the supporting non-voting membership for people just wanting our informational publications has never been used. It is recommended that we delete this category and replace it with a youth membership category. An honorary membership category would also be useful to recognize those who have made an outstanding contribution to our society.

Section 6 - append the following sentences at the end of this section. "The directors at a regular meeting of directors may grant a person honorary membership. The term of the membership, set by the directors for that membership, may vary up to and including lifetime. Honourary members are voting members."

Reason: self explanatory

Section 22 (1) delete "A member who is a sustaining voting member in good standing present at a meeting is entitled to one vote." and replace with "A member who is a regular member or an honorary member in good standing present at a meeting is entitled to one vote."

Reason: bookkeeping to make membership changes consistent

Section 23 for "sustaining voting member" substitute "regular member or honorary member"

Reason: bookkeeping to make membership changes consistent

Directors and officers -

their staff duties or contract work and any director employed by or under contract to the society will continue to perform all directorship-related duties without remuneration."

Reason: to expand the directorship to include branch representatives and to help clarify the relationship between staff and directors.

Delete Section 51 "This part applies only when the society is required or has resolved to have an auditor."

Replace with Section 51 "the society shall have an auditor"

Reasons: At this stage in our development it is important to have the most thorough and formal control, accounting and reporting of our financial affairs. Appointing a formal auditor will help achieve that goal.

Add the following Part and Sections:

Part 13 - Branch Societies:

Section 63 (1) By special resolution, a branch society, in accordance with Section 18 of the Societies Act, may be established.

(2) The special resolution establishing a branch shall be in the form of a charter which includes a map outlining the geographical area of the branch and the powers enjoyed by the branch.

(3) The branch shall incorporate and abide by the constitution and all the bylaws of Western Canada Wilderness Committee

(4) All members of the branch are also members of Western Canada Wilderness Committee, and all member of Western Canada Wilderness Committee living within a branch

amendments and recommendations to recognize the wisdom of leaving the constitution as written.

Voting and Notification Requirements for Bylaw Changes:

Bylaw changes require a 75% majority vote at a special general meeting of the members -- our AGM. The changes do not take effect until they are validated and accepted by the Registrar of Companies in Victoria. The Societies Act requires that a two week written notice be given to all members regarding proposed bylaw changes and that at the AGM only clerical and not substantive, amendments to the proposed bylaw changes can be made before they are voted on. Of course no additional bylaw changes can be entertained from the floor because the membership at large would not have been given legally required notice.

Our constitution allows no proxy voting. However, anyone not able to attend the AGM, yet wanting to make their opinion known regarding the following proposed changes, may write an open letter explaining their position to those present at the AGM. The directors will, as a matter of courtesy, read out all letters of this nature received before voting takes place on these proposed changes.

Currently our bylaws are exactly the same as those found in Schedule B of the Societies Act except in regards to membership.

Proposed Bylaw Changes:

Membership -

Section 5A (a) Change - "Sustaining voting memberships;" to read "Regular memberships;"

Section 5A (c) Delete - "Supporting Non-voting memberships (which would entitle such members to information and newsletters published by the organization)." and replace with "Non-voting youth membership (for persons under 16 years of age);"

directorships (legally we are required to have a minimum of five). This number was set at the last AGM. To reflect and enhance the egalitarian nature of our society the following bylaw changes are recommended by the directors:

25. (1) delete "The president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer and one or more persons shall be the directors of the society."

and replace with

25. (1) "The facilitator, membership secretary, recording secretary and treasurer and one or more persons shall be the directors of the society."

Reason: the formal titles of president and vice-president do not fit with our method of conducting business.

Add 25 (1)(a) At the first regular meeting of directors following an AGM, the directors shall elect from their amongst their numbers a membership secretary, a recording secretary and a treasurer to serve until the new board of directors is elected at the next AGM.

Add 25 (1)(b) At the start of each directors' meeting and each regular and special membership meeting the directors shall appoint, from amongst the elected directors, a facilitator to serve for that meeting.

Delete 25 (2) "The number of directors shall be five or a greater number determined from time to time at a general meeting."

And substitute 25 (2) "The number of directors shall be nine plus one director elected by each branch at their AGM, or a greater number determined from time to time at an annual general meeting."

Add the following sentence at the end of Section 30. "A director may be hired to fill a staff position or work on a contract for the society, but that person's duties as a director shall be in addition to

- (5) a branch shall:
- (a) have a minimum of 50 members;
 - (b) work primarily but not exclusively on issues in their geographical area;
 - (c) identify all their publications and correspondences with their full branch name;
 - (d) elect at a branch AGM a director and an alternate to the board of directors of Western Canada Wilderness Committee;
 - (e) follow the accounting procedures and methods and reporting periods established by the treasurer of Western Canada Wilderness Committee;
 - (f) not incur debt nor borrow money without obtaining prior approval from the directors of Western Canada Wilderness Committee;
 - (g) share revenues from membership and donations as determined by the needs of the branch and Western Canada Wilderness Committee and as decided from time to time by the directors of Western Canada Wilderness Committee in consultation with the branch.

Section 64 (1) A branch can be decertified only by special resolution.

(2) upon dissolution of a branch all assets of that branch revert to Western Canada Wilderness Committee.

Reason: In order to grow and increase effectiveness our society must become more decentralized and active on the local level.

Explanation

The incorporation of a branch is through a sealed notice and certificate outlining the powers and responsibilities of the branch filed with the registrar of companies.

Branches are allowed by the Societies Act to have up to the full powers of the main society.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE AUGUST 26, 1989 WCWC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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1. Moved that a Western Canada Wilderness Committee - Victoria Branch be granted a branch charter over the southern one-third of Vancouver Island as outlined on the accompanying map and that the Western Canada Wilderness Committee - Victoria Branch be granted full privileges of the Western Canada Wilderness Committee as outlined and limited in part 13 Section 63-64 of our newly amended society bylaws.



Note: This resolution will not be considered if proposed bylaw changes authorizing the establishment of Branches is not passed first at the AGM.

Reason: to decentralize the Wilderness Committee and make it more effective in working on environmental and wilderness issues. The Victoria area members have requested such a status so that they can operate their own office in Victoria.

2. Moved that the treasurer be authorized to borrow \$25,000 to assist with stocking the Western Canada Wilderness Committee store and to provide expense money needed to mount the Carmanah Art Show and silent art auction.

Reason: there are extra-ordinary one-time expenses associated with setting up the store, particularly in ordering stock for the Christmas season, and there are also extra costs associated with the large-scale Carmanah art show. It is anticipated that this loan will be repaid

at the end of February 1990, through revenues generated by the store and by the art auction.

3. Moved that the treasurer be authorized to seek to extend our current \$20,000 line of credit to \$30,000.

Reason: There are large printing bills that must be paid promptly and our current level of business and cash-flow warrants an increase in the Committee's line of credit.

4. Moved that the annual Western Canada Wilderness Committee youth membership fee be set at \$10.

5. Moved that the regular annual membership fee be increased from \$20 to \$25.

Reason: to encourage youth membership the fee must be low. An increase in the regular membership fee can help subsidize this. A \$5 increase in regular membership fee is further warranted to cover the current cost of servicing members, which has risen with increases in printing and mailing costs.



Upper Carmanah - part of the 2% of the valley that has already been logged. Don't let this happen to any more of this precious watershed.

SUMMARY OF WESTERN CANADA WILDERNESS COMMITTEE'S MAJOR PROJECTS FOR 1988-1989

Publications

-1989 Western Canada Endangered Wilderness calendar and premiere edition of the 1989 Canada Endangered Wilderness calendar

-Rediscovery - Ancient Pathways New Directions book

-Carmanah - Big Trees Not Big Stumps; Ancient Forests Forever; Carmanah Cathedral Spires; Stein

CONGRATULATIONS!

...to our enthusiastic, dedicated and visionary members in Victoria for taking the initiative to open a Wilderness Committee office there. Drop in and lend a hand at 1002 Wharf Street. Phone them at 388-WCWC.

Map showing Wilderness Committee Store and location of annual general meeting



Valley Forever; Blue Whale and Stone Sheep posters

-first catalogue listing all posters, postcards, books and other publications for sale

-three different tabloids on Carmanah, plus papers on Burns Bog, Clayoquot Sound, forestry malpractice, the west coast oil spill, Cougar Mt., Boundary Bay and co-published a Vancouver garbage and recycling paper

-other publication and productions include: two postcard series; Carmanah trail and access map; Carmanah three part opinion poll mailer; Carmanah video and many T-shirts, buttons and bumper stickers

Activities

-Meares Island trail upgrading

-Carmanah trail clearing

-Stein Valley artists expedition and art sale

Environment and Land Use Committee, Maplewood Mudflats hearings, Greater Vancouver Water District and Terra Nova hearings.

Court cases

- Carmanah trail injunction defence and Terra Nova land development decision challenge

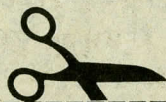
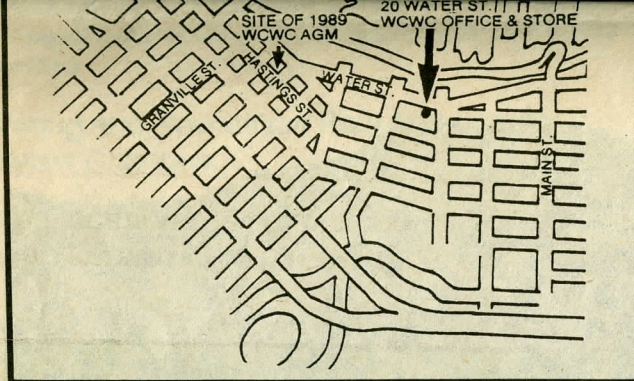
In progress

- Forests Forever?? book by Herb Hammond, due December 1989; The Wild Side of Vancouver Island, by Adrian Dorst, and Cameron Young, due summer 1990, Carmanah, Artistic Visions of an Ancient Rainforest, due Oct. 27, 1989.

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rainforest that gave it birth. Some time next year the VHS video will be available for purchase in our store and through our catalogue.

The art show will include approximately 160 pieces and is due to open on October 27 for a three day run at the new



- Wild mapping project

- Photo expeditions to the Tahsish, Khutzeymateen, Rouge, Stein, Vancouver area pocket wilderness areas etc.

Briefs

- Tree farm licence hearings; B.C.
Conservative Party caucus, B.C.

Committee will host a large reception on opening day. Another reception will open the show in Vancouver, which is scheduled for Robson Square, November 15-19. Further shows will be held in a number of Vancouver Island communities.

All art in the Carmanah show will be sold by silent auction so that everyone will have an equal chance to bid and purchase no matter where they live.

☐ I am pleased to send my tax deductible donation of _____ dollars to help save wilderness from needless destruction. (I understand that your Revenue Canada tax registration number is 0587113-21-28.)

☐ I am not presently a member but I would like to join. Here is my \$20 annual membership dues.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ POSTAL CODE _____

☐ Enclosed is \$20. Please send a gift membership from me to:

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