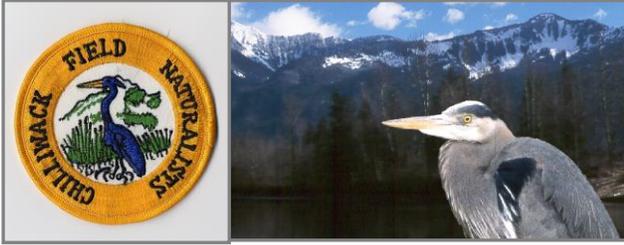


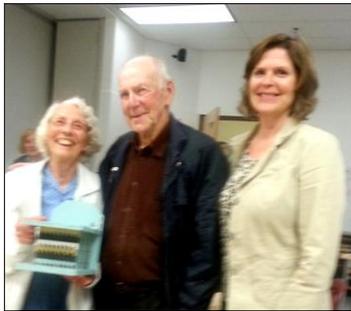
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MEETINGS

1. Tuesday, September 20, 2016



Annabelle, Hugh and Cynthia

Hugh Laughlin, 90-years young and Cynthia Berg told us all the secrets of handling mason bees. Annabelle Rempel won the draw for a mason bee kit.

2. Tuesday, October 18, 2016

Denis Knopp entertained us with beautiful mushroom and butterfly photos after our speaker, Sharmin Gamiet's last minute regrets. Thanks Denis. Sharmin will be coming in 2017.

FIELD TRIPS

1. Hillkeep Regional Park –Sun. Sept.18, 2016



Members at the lookout

Hillkeep, the Fraser Valley Regional District's newest park, offered spectacular views of the south valley, fruiting mushrooms and bright fall colours. Some CFN members posed at the lookout & later everyone enjoyed snacks at nearby Little Beetle Bistro.

2. Reifel Bird Sanctuary –Sun. Oct. 16, 2016

Seven Chilliwack Field Naturalists saw many bird species despite the grim weather forecasts. Bright fall berries& flowers, hungry songbirds & waterfowl, friendly black-capped chickadees,

noisy red-winged blackbirds, and resting shorebirds abounded. No umbrellas were needed. A flock of several thousand lesser snow geese arrived as we headed to Sharky's for a nice meal before the trip home.

THIS 'n THAT

1. Camp River Wildlife Area – Oct. 22, 2016



The Nature Trust Conservation Youth Crew, BCIT students and a team of CFN members led by our

stewards, Lee Larkin & Denis Knopp installed 250 native plants to convert the leaky back pond into a future forest. Our resident Barred Owls hooted with approval! Thanks everyone! The BCIT team is conducting a small mammal survey over the winter.

2. Vancouver Mycological Society's Fall Show – Oct. 30 2016



Poisonous amanita mushrooms

Four CFN members traveled to the Van Deusen Gardens in Vancouver to this show.

3. BC Nature asks you to fill in their Field Camp Survey. Download form and submit as an email attachment. Ignore question #27 on hosting a camp. Have your say on the "nature" of future field camps. [BC Nature Camp Survey](#)

4. Janne and Helen attended BCN Fall General meeting in Prince George. An increase in fees starting in 2018 was proposed and the frequency of annual and fall meetings was discussed. An [Ancient forest](#) tour was the highlight.



Greater Yellowlegs, Reifel Sanctuary