

NEWS RELEASE

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Nesting Boxes Installed at Oliver Woods Park

Parks & Recreation and Nature Kids Collaborate

Summary

This spring, the wood ducks at Oliver Woods will have a new nesting option with the installation of four wooden duck boxes.

This installation is in partnership with the Nanaimo NatureKids and will be installed the first week of April. Wooden duck boxes are designed to provide a safe nesting area where natural cavities are limited.

This is not the first program Parks and Recreation and the Nanaimo NatureKids have tackled. Last year several maternity bat boxes were installed at Diver Lake and Linley Point Gyro Park to give bats a safe place to roost, raise babies and cover from the elements. Bats play an important role in the environment, especially controlling insect populations.

Strategic Link: n/a

Key Points

- Valued partnerships with groups such as Nature Kids help Parks & Recreation deliver accessible and educational programs to Nanaimo residents.
- There are many spring programs to take advantage of with Parks and Recreation. Look for Golden Bucket, Bike to Work Week, Commuter Challenge and Water to Earth Day celebrations over the next few weeks.
- For more information on spring events and programs visit recreation.nanaimo.ca or pick up a copy of the 2019 Spring and Summer activity guide.

Quotes

"Spring is a busy time for Parks & Recreation as we gear up for some amazing programs. Right now we are creating the clues for the Golden Bucket Challenge and organizing invasive plant work parties as well. We encourage you to find a program or activity of interest and follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay informed."

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