

JUAN DE FUCA COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER #1

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Welcome to the first newsletter from the **Juan de Fuca Community Land Trust Society**. We are sending this newsletter to our members and others who support our goals. The principle purpose of our society is to acquire lands in the Juan de Fuca Electoral

Area (west of Sooke) for the benefit of our communities and to either:

1. Donate such lands to the municipal, regional or provincial government to be used as park land, or
2. Hold such lands and operate not-for-profit educational and recreational programs from facilities established on the lands for such purposes.

November's Visioning Workshop:

Last week's "by invitation" workshop was a great success with 24 of the 30 invitees able to attend. This session with neighbours, representatives of community groups and others helped us identify suitable uses for the property and the values we should stand by if we're successful in obtaining the Admiral's Forest. The outcomes from the visioning session will be used in our fund raising activities, generating promotional materials and planning the scope and range of activities we would like to undertake on the property.

Some highlights and pictures from the session are posted to the JDFCLTS web site: jdflandtrust.ca

Update on the Admiral's Forest:

We were informed on November 16th that the trustees for the estate of Admiral John Charles intend to place the Admiral's Forest on the real estate market at the end of December, 2013. We are asking the trustees to reconsider their decision and to give us time to raise the money to make an offer. John Horgan, our MLA, and Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Regional Director Mick Hicks support this request and have written letters on our behalf to the trustees.

Become a Member of the JDFCLTS!

Membership in the JDFCTL society is \$20.00 per person per year. Membership fees will be used to support the activities of the society such as publicity, fundraising and other expenses directly related to the operation of the society. We have a separate account for donations that are intended to go towards the purchase of suitable property. Donations for this purpose are held in trust. We have applied for charitable tax status; when we get that we will be able to issue tax deductible receipts. We anticipate acquiring charitable status in early 2014.

To request a membership or make a donation to the society contact any of the directors listed below or mail your information to the Juan de Fuca Community Land Trust Society c/o 2459 Kemp Lake Road, Sooke, B.C. V9Z 0R3

Visit Our Web Site:

Our web site is under construction but new information is being regularly being posted. Visit us at: jdflandtrust.ca

Best Regards,

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