



DIRECT ACTION YOUTH WEEKLY UPDATE

NOVEMBER 30, 2020

We went for a walk this weekend. About 15 minutes from our apartment is an unpaved trail that runs between the highway and the water in Burrard Inlet. There are small creeks, lots of trees, and right now, lots of leaves resting in muddy puddles along the trail. You can't see the highway since you're about 20 feet below it, and another 20 feet below you are CP Rail tracks with piles of bright yellow sulphur, and tiny ports where container barges hang out one at a time. It's a strange mix of industry and nature – the interpretive signs along the trail talk about both equally – and in an equally strange way, we like it.

GENERAL UPDATES

A warm winter welcome to Charlotte Banks! Charlotte started her placement with Parks Canada yesterday, researching how a Blue Economy might look in Canadian coastal communities. This is foundational research with impacts on a national level as we define what a Blue Economy means to Canadians. Welcome, Charlotte!

And we say a fond fall felicitations to Isabel Fleisher. For the past three months, Isabel has been working on citizen science and research efforts on behalf of Swim Drink Fish in Toronto, Ontario. She has shown strong initiative in not only setting up her own placement, but in pursuing a wide range of projects in a changing organization. Congratulations, Isabel! We look forward to seeing where you go from here. 😊

DA DECEMBER MEET-UP: [Click here to do the Doodle Poll](#) to find a date and time! Activities and host(s) TBD.

ACTIVITIES


THIS WEEK: Join Ocean Wise Research *Tales from the Deep* on **December 3 @ 1pm (PT) / 4pm (ET)**. Have you ever wondered what whale poo looks like? Smells like? Or, more importantly, why we want to collect it for research? Feces are a goldmine of information about a whale's health that we can use for conservation. Join Marine Mammal MSc Student [Kaitlin Yehle](#) and learn about how she is using it to assess stress in the Southern and Northern resident killer whale populations of B.C. [Register for free here.](#)

ALSO HAPPENING: Dive in with Sylvia and Liz on **December 3 @ 3pm PT / 6pm ET** for a talk with Murray Fisher, Founder of the New York Harbor School and Billion Oyster Project. [Register for free here.](#)

WEBSITE

BLOGS. It's been so fun reading your blog posts! Thank you so much for posting.

DISCUSSIONS. Check out the new question in the forum about **Citizen Science!**





SPINY SAYS...

Lessons from the Lumpsucker.



Take a walk around your home, wherever you are.
Find a spot and PAUSE.
Close your eyes and listen
for at least 30 seconds.
What do you hear?

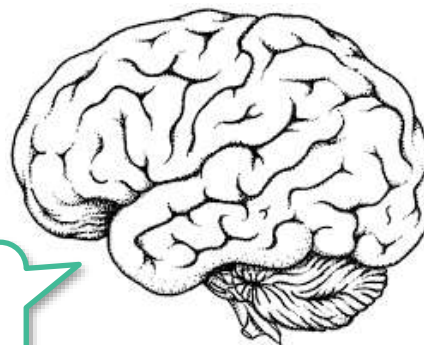
WEEKLY FUN FACT

The roar that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear. Also, your ears don't stop hearing when you sleep; your brain chooses to ignore sound!

Brain? Hey Brain,
you awake?



NOT LISTENING,
LALALALA.
Trying to sleep!



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"There is nothing wrong with having a tree as a friend."

- Bob Ross

LAUGH OF THE WEEK

When you find out approximately 95% of all ocean critters remain undiscovered.



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Have an amazing week!