

Invasives removal and site cleanup - Shakesides House, Mack Laing Park, Comox



Before - July 27, 2015



As of November 18, 2015

Mack Laing Society tackles invasives

As stewards of Mack Laing Park in Comox, the Mack Laing Heritage Society (MLHS) has embarked on the long overdue job of removing invasive plant species within the park boundaries.

Currently working in the area immediately around Mack Laing's former home of Shakesides, in cooperation with the Town of Comox Parks Department, the MLHS to date has contributed over 40 volunteer hours of labour to remove English Ivy, Himalayan Blackberry, Lamium and Holly. An estimated two dump truck loads of material has been extracted.

In the process of clearing the invasives, the group has uncovered some unusual "artifacts", including a rototiller, a metal trailer, a plastic kayak, yards of plastic drain pipe, ropes, an iron axe head, bee hives and circular saw blades.

The MLHS welcomes public involvement in the invasives removal project and invites those interested to assist them on Wednesday afternoons, weather permitting. Please wear tough clothing and rubber boots, and bring heavy duty gardening gloves and pruning shears.

For more information, please email macklaingsociety@gmail.com.

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