



KIMBERLEY / CRANBROOK BRANCH UPDATE

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Photo: Kevin Blades

YOUR COMMUNITY: LEARNING FROM THE WILD

Nature is our most valuable classroom, and Wildsight Kimberley Cranbrook is pleased to offer opportunities for local students to take their learning outside before the last bell rings!

Go Wild! with Selkirk Secondary Students

We are proud to partner with Selkirk Secondary School for a tenth season of the Go Wild! wilderness trip. This year, grade nine students will join instructor Jenn Meens and guide Kevin Blades on a four-day backpacking trip through Waterton Lakes and Akamina-Kishinena Parks.

On this trip, students will explore both the pristine and altered landscapes of the East Kootenay backcountry while developing outdoor leadership, hiking and camping skills and learning to be stewards of our natural world. As part of their trip, students will contribute their time and labour to enhancement projects in the parks.

The Go Wild! Trip was made possible this year by proceeds from the Wild & Scenic Film Festival and a student bursary from GO Kimberley Magazine.

McGinty Lake Education

To cap off their school year, grades two to four students in Kimberley will take their learning beyond the walls of their classrooms, exploring McGinty Lake's trails, forests and lakeshore under the mentorship of educator Emily Marshall.

The site, now restored, has long been a collaborative project with the Meadowbrook Community Association. Stay tuned to our branch website as the conservation project and education activities evolve! Upcoming field studies have been made possible with support from Columbia Basin Trust's Environment Grants.

KIMBERLEY FARMERS' MARKET: THURSDAYS



Every Thursday, June 22nd – September 7th

Our Kimberley Farmers' Market is back for a fourth season! Looking to purchase more locally made, baked or grown goods? Join us for Kimberley's favorite night out every Thursday evening from 5-7:30pm to grab your groceries and dinner, socialize and enjoy local entertainment, all in the same place! Find us on Howard Street and watch our vibrant pop-up marketplace come alive.

Best of all? We're proud to now offer weekly coupons to 20 local families in need as part of the Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon program.

OPEN GATE GARDEN WORK BEES



The Kimberley Open Gate Garden continues to evolve, growing more lush and complex through the contributions of our wonderful volunteers and our in-house green thumb, Dirk de Geus. Think you'd like to get your hands dirty and use this space to learn and grow as a gardener? Join us for one of our regular work bees throughout the summer! Stay tuned to our Facebook page for upcoming work bees.

Don't forget! This garden is YOUR garden: free to use, free to harvest and never locked! Located on Rotary Drive behind the Kimberley Aquatic Centre.

APPLE CAPTURE PROJECT GETS SOME TLC



The Apple Capture project is getting a little love this summer, thanks to a grant from the City of Kimberley! We'll be giving our online tree share board a facelift, expanding our equipment roster and offering more opportunities to capture and share unharvested fruit. Wondering how you can get involved with the project? Join us as a volunteer and watch for upcoming Pick & Press events near you!

Do you have a fruit tree that could use some care? Call our branch to list your tree on our share board, or better yet, join one of our upcoming fall pruning clinics and become a master steward.

CONTACT US

Interested in getting involved? Please contact 250-427-2535, visit our office at 1650 Warren Avenue in Kimberley or keep up to date through our website or Facebook page.

Feeling inspired? Become a lifetime member for only \$20 and support our work.