



# 2017 REPORT

## Land manager relationships

### BC Parks

- Work towards agreeing a volunteer agreement occupied most of the year. VA signed in January 2018
- Falcon monitoring successfully completed in June. Some initial confusion over locations. Closure lifted quickly.
- Parks and First Nation approval obtained for new Murrin outhouse near Pet Wall. Project planned and costed, construction to begin spring 2018
- Development of Grand Wall boulders trail definition and signage (scheduled to be installed with BC parks in 2018)
- Surveyed possible Shannon Falls Pools trail improvements and introduced topic to BC Parks staff
- Presented at province-wide ranger training day at Quest U
- Regular meetings with Parks (2x a year) to discuss coordination, concerns, and other issues.

### FLNRO/ BCTS

- Chek campground phase 1 complete and favourably received. Phase 2 should be complete in spring 2018. FLNRO agreed to keep campground free unless running costs are higher than expected.

- New parking for the Outpost obtained as part of dialogue with BCTS re cut blocks allocated at Conroy Creek FSR.
- SAS lobbied FLNRO to reject a Via Ferrata proposal for Mt Habrich
- Monitored film work at Chek
- Promoted new adaption of new Film policy

## DoS

- Smoke Bluffs management plan completed
- Smoke Bluffs committee chair retained by SAS, passed from Toby Foord-Kelcey to Krissy MacKay. Former chair Brian Moorhead continues to serve as a member at large
- A transit bus service to the south Parks (Shannon Falls, Chief) from downtown Squamish will begin in 2018, somewhat in line with recommendations SAS made to DoS in 2016 and 2017.
- Engaged with DoS, and the “Kingswood” developer proponent, regarding the routing of the Blind Channel bridge to the Smoke Bluffs park.
- Highlighted zoning errors in the DoS OCP 2040 plan, for land parcels close to the Bluffs

## **Infrastructure projects**

### Anchor/bolt replacement

- Rogues Gallery: Natural Selection/Meingh, Sanctuary (PermaDraws installed), The Compromise (PermaDraws installed)
- Papoose: Mercury Vapour (replaced bolts after large flake broke off)
- Smoke Bluffs: Crime of the Century, Shaky the Moyle
- Crumpit Woods: Pleasure Dome (PermaDraws Installed), Dog and Pony Show (PermaDraws installed)
- Grand Wall Base: Knacker Cracker/Teenage Wasteland, Revenge of the Couch Potato, War of the Raptors, Split Pillar Bolt Ladder, Rap Anchors below Split Pillar, Genius Loci, Ghost Dancing, Kneewrecker Chimney, The Spectre, Funnelator
- Backside: Too Drunk to F#%k, Short and Curley, Fissure Flavelle

### Trails

- Murrin loop completed. Volunteer groups from ...Arcteryx (store staff). VRCG ,VOC , NOLS plus various individuals with a special interest in this park.
- Rogues Gallery trails and parking improved during Arcteryx fest

#### Crag Keepers

- Launched in 2017. Participation by VRCG ( Murrin) ACC and BCMC (Smoke Bluffs)

#### **Other SAS projects**

- Expanding membership
  - Discussion of longer membership term
  - Arrangement with VRCG to sign members.
  - Collaboration with Squamish Rampage Bouldering Festival organizers to include SAS membership with festival participation. 124 new SAS members signed up.
  - Increased SAS presence at Ground Up and discussion of further collaboration to sign up SAS members at Ground Up
- Began economic impact survey work. Cars counted at Bluffs throughout climbing season. Survey interviews conducted over Labor Day weekend in September. Met with Chamber of Commerce and DoS Economic Development to discuss future economic impact work and possible DoS/ CoC assistance.
- Re-visited legal issues relating to CN and the Lower Malamute
- Attended ACC/ VRCG/ BMC “summit” meeting at UBC and highlighted Squamish area issues.