

JERICHO STEWARDSHIP GROUP

Jericho Park has a long history of disturbance -- it has at times been the site of a logging camp, a golf course and a military base. Because of that and continuing human impacts, the original habitat has been overwhelmed by introduced plant species. Some



Rufous hummingbird



dot-tailed whitefaced dragonfly

plants, such as Japanese knotweed, Scotch broom and English ivy are crowding or choking native plant

species important to wildlife for food, shelter and nesting.

By restoring habitat, we can undo some of the damage that has been done at Jericho over the years.



Pacific tree frog

Jericho Park is also home to a number of rare species and species at risk, including the blue dasher dragonfly and the unfortunately-named Vancouver Island beggarticks, a beautiful plant in the sunflower family.

We're also involved in monitoring, mapping and improving habitat in other ways, (e.g. bird and bat boxes). Our aim is not only to make the park a better place for wildlife, but also a richer experience for park visitors.



Bidens amplissima

The Vancouver Park Board, Evergreen, the Vancouver Natural History Society, the Jericho Sailing Centre, the Greater Vancouver Invasive Plant Council and local residents have come together in a working group dedicated to the stewardship of Jericho Park's natural areas.

We meet the second Sunday every month for some hands-on improvements. Meet us at 9 a.m. at the wooden bridge west of the parking lot at the end of Point Grey Road.

Wear weather-appropriate clothing, good footwear (waterproof is best) and bring water and work gloves (if you have them).

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