



## TACT BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 10, 2021

(via Zoom)

**Call to order:** 1:32 pm

**Present:** Bob Timms, Debra Gill, Doby Dobrostanski, Maggie Timms, Alfred Muma, Tim Atwood, Maureen Northrop

**Regrets:** Gerry Childress

**Guests:** Janice Wills, Laurance Playford-Beaudet, Terry Hollo

**Approval of the Agenda:** Moved Tim A. / Seconded Maureen N. Carried.

**Changes to the Agenda:** Add "Venting Board" comment to New Business

**Waive the reading of the Minutes of April 12, 2021 Board Meeting:** Moved Tim A. / Seconded Bob T. Carried.

**Approve the Minutes of April 12, 2021 Board Meeting:** Moved Maureen N. / Seconded Doby D. Carried.

**Guest presentation:** Terry Hollo made a presentation of her proposal to increase the size of Emily Lake Heritage Park. (Letter and map attached). She answered several questions regarding the proposal.

**President's Report** (Tim A.): Nothing new to report.

**Treasurer's Report** (Maggie): Nothing new to report.

**Membership Report** (Maggie): Twenty-three of 43 previous members have renewed. Janice is going to have a "Join Now or Renew" button added to the website.

**Action:** Maggie will update membership list on Dropbox, and Debra G. will send a reminder email to non-renewers.

### Event & Facility Reports:

- No event reports.
- **Texada Ceramic and Sculpture Studio** (Alfred M): There is nothing new to report. Tim A. volunteered to help with recycling if it's needed.
- **Aerospace and Hangar** (Doby D.): See attached.
- **Tourism Powell River Report** (Gerry C.): No report as Gerry absent. Bob T. reported that the new map brochure is being printed. It was asked if Texada Island is included in the new Powell River app put out by TPR.

**Action:** Janice W. will check to see if we're included in the app.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- **Marketing and Media** (Janice W. and Laurance P-D.):
  - **New video:** Feedback from Directors on the new video was positive. The Heischolt Lake drone segment will be removed. The 1-minute video was designed to stimulate general interest in visiting Texada. A second 1-minute video is being created which will focus on more specific aspects of Texada. The cost of the filming plus the first video is \$1100, and the additional video will cost \$400.
  - **Restart of tourism:** It was decided that we will not begin to try and attract tourists to Texada until the medical authorities approve of travel, and at that point we will discuss it further.
  - Photo contest:** Powell River Library is having a photo contest right now, so we will delay ours until end of June/July.
  - Website:** The website will be brightened up with some new photos. Janice will work with Sandra to add a “Join or Renew” button, and also a “subscribe” button.
  - New logo:** The tentative new logo is the ship’s wheel in the background, with an orange TACT banner. Laurance is still open to other logo ideas.
  - New name for TACT:** There was a discussion of having TACT known as “texada.org” online. The discussion will be continued.
  - Booth at Farmer’s Market:** The first market is June 6<sup>th</sup>. Doby is planning on taking AirBuzz 1 to the market every couple of weeks, and to use it as a photo fundraiser. We can give out a TACT handout at the same time. Laurance volunteered to help at the market.
    - Action:** Tim will search for a TACT banner in the container.
    - Action:** Tim will create a TACT handout, which will include a registration form.
  - Relationship between M&M Committee and TACT Directors** – Janice and Laurance want to be sure there’s adequate communication between themselves and the directors, and to know what directors expect from them. If many of their ideas are to be carried out, they will need participation from others. It was agreed that if they don’t get a timely response to emails, they can assume directors are in agreement.
  - New business for Texada** – Laurance announced that they plan to start up a standup paddle boarding rental business for summer 2022. It will likely be based at Shelter Point.
- **Mall Display** (Gerry C.-absent): The mall display is up and running again. It’s believed that Roger Hort’s photos are not being used; only TACT’s photos are on the TV.
- **Accommodations survey** (Debra G.): Between the ten accommodations surveyed on the island, there are beds for 56 people total. The number of campsites available is 81 plus 2 group sites (52 plus 2 group sites at Shelter Point, 22 at Shingle Beach and 7 at Bob’s Lake).
- **Having non-members on website** (Debra G.): This will be discussed at a future meeting.
- **Texada Blues and Roots Festival; 2020 AGM (and earlier) action item** (Debra): Debra has still not received the 2019 Annual Event Report from the Texada Blues and Roots Festival, for posting on Dropbox. This report is a TACT requirement for ALL events. This has been an almost-monthly request since September, 2019.

**Action:** Gerry to complete the report and forward to Debra ASAP.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Letter re Emily Park Expansion:**

*Motion:* That TACT support Terry Hollo in her initiative to expand Emily Lake Park, and provide her with a letter doing so.

Moved Maggie T. / Seconded Tim A. Carried.

**Action:** Debra G. will write a letter for Terry.

- **Policy regarding spending:** Bob T. and Debra G. will work to develop a purchasing policy for TACT.

**Action:** Bob T. will ask Tourism Powell River for a copy of their purchasing policy.

- **Spending budget for 2020 qRD grant:** As we're not buying materials for trail signs now, we currently have \$1750 contingency remaining in the grant.

- **Comment re tents on Texada Venting Board:** It's important that we follow our policy of not lending out items. Tents can be damaged by users. (As an aside, there's several office chairs in storage in the container we should get rid of; they'll be left there for now).

**Meeting adjourned:** 4:10 pm

**Next board meeting:** TBA (September 2021)

Hello TACT members,

Texada Island Recreation Commission (TIRC) is actively pursuing enlarging Emily Lake Heritage Park. The new proposed boundary is outlined in the attached map which includes the area around the lake. This area was determined by the Texada Island Official Community Plan Committee. Although the new OCP (Official Community Plan) is not a bylaw as yet, it is in the final draft and reading and expected to be official sometime this year.

The next step in the proposal for increasing the boundaries is to make a presentation to the qathet Regional Board.

We are asking for letters of support from stake holders. Will TACT be willing to write a letter of support to increase the protected area around Emily Lake?

Additional comments on how this will be beneficial to your organization will be very helpful and included in our presentation to the qRD.

I would like to attend your next virtual meeting to answer any questions.

Thank you for your time,

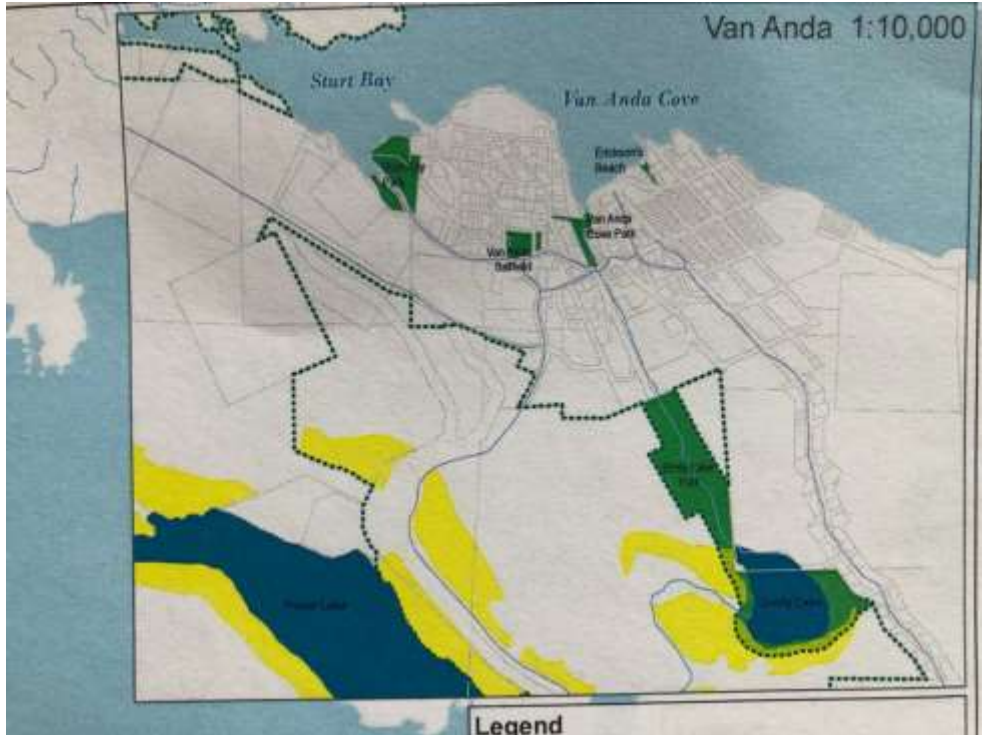
Terry Hollo  
on behalf of TIRC

## **Emily Lake Heritage Park**

### **Area of Proposal of increased Park Boundary**

Current area of Emily Lake Heritage Park is in dark green.

Proposed area is outlined with green dashes and the bottom border of this map.



**Legend**

**Protected Areas (Existing)**

- Existing protected areas include provincial, regional and community parks, recreation areas and reserves, including UREPs (use for recreation and enjoyment of the public).
- Existing beach access sites maintained by Regional District

**Protected Areas (Proposed)**

- Proposed protected areas include draft ODMA (old growth management areas) as identified by Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (MOFLNROD)
- Proposed protected areas include critical habitat of the endangered Pectoral Lake and Venanda Creek Stickleback Species Pairs as identified by Fisheries and Oceans Canada
- Proposed areas of interest for protection include provincial Crown land of importance to the community

Tl'amin Land (outside planning area)

**Data Sources:**  
 GeoBC: Crown Reserves and Notations  
 Land Title and Survey Authority: Title Search Records  
 MOFLNROD: Draft Old Growth Management Units  
 Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Action Plan for the Pectoral Lake and Venanda Creek Stickleback Species Pairs  
 A Conservation Vision for Tweed Island, 2017  
 Tweed OCP Community Engagement Report, 2018

\* All proposed areas of interest for protection identified on this map are provincial Crown land that may be affected by private interests.

## **Report: Texada AeroSpace Camp projects, AirBuzz and related items.**

**10 May, 2021**

**The AirBuzz Mk II flight simulator** now has a set of removable castors installed on the skids so it can be easily maneuvered in the hangar and on cement surfaces when removed off the trailer. This modification makes it easy to change space requirements for various events. The project was completed by Gerry Johnson and the volunteer machinist Larry Brisbois. Materials cost approximately \$120.00.

**The AirBuzz MK II trailer** is now at Gerry Johnson's workshop for new LED lighting and wiring. Pricing is not known yet.

**Trailer Wood decking** has to be replaced as some of it has become rotten. Possibly the material will have to be milled pro bono (or discounted) on the Island as prices at regular commercial outlets are very high at the moment. Gerry will also repaint the trailer frame and hitch areas. Partly for appearance and partly for preservation.

**Trailer metal fenders** are being sourced for best price and reasonable quality. The originals are rusting and are cracked in various places. They cost around \$120.00 per unit.

**AirBuzz MK II Trailer spare tire** was replaced at Aero (Kal Tire). A used but in good condition trailer tire was purchased and installed for (\$53.00) This week.

**Texada Arts, Culture & Tourism sign** (the original from the old TACT building) has been installed in mid-April by Gerry Johnson on the hangar where it can be read from Airport Road.

**Anton Stetner**, a very technically experienced flight simulator (X Plane 11) user has agreed to help work on the AirBuzz Mk II computer system and will be volunteering to teach Flight simulator students during the next AeroSpace Camp.

**The AirBuzz Mk 1 photo ops** is possibly going to be reactivated next year as a fundraiser item. The little plane is very photogenic and colourful, a favourite for little kids. We did this at Comox a few years ago but not for a fee. Lots of kids really loved it and parents were constantly photographing their kids in it. We will be asking for donations at events.

**qathet Regional District Zoom meeting** on 15<sup>th</sup> of MY, 2021 regarding the airport, and of course TACT is a leaseholder on the airport so Bob and I will be in attendance. The main subjects to be on the agenda are financial plans regarding the use of the StrongerBC grant of 90Gs for the airport's operation due to deficits caused by reduction of airport revenues because of Covid 19. It is not likely that TACT will be affected by any of the possible changes or improvements.

### **Additional new displays planned:**

- CF 105 unveiling display; The model CF 105 Model assembly is underway...
- Light aircraft engine internal components display, needs cleaning and mounting the components
- B-24 Model airplane: (donated by Rock Whitney) Needs some parts re-glued and mounted,

- Stan Smith's Tribute/Sioux Lookout Radar Base display. Photos and memorabilia need to be assembled and placed in the designated display drawer.
- Moon lander display diorama is partly done, we are looking for a model of the lander.

Needed: volunteers for when the hangar re-opens for events and camps who have interest and capability of acting as docents for the museum, camp instructors and admin people to help with registration and organization.

Over some time I have written a fairly comprehensive instruction manual on running the AirBuzz, an inventory of equipment and tools, materials. Also the registration form is a great checklist for registration that has developed over the years.

The library needs to be catalogued (printed) and a digital book index for loaning and retrieving books needs to be established.