

Rathtrevor Beach Nature House

Spring Programs 2016



Discovery is in Our Nature

Parks provide the ideal outdoor classroom to inspire your students and bring your curriculum to life through active inquiry, investigation and exploration. Our programs immerse students in the beauty of the park's natural and cultural heritage and foster a sense of wonder and curiosity.



Programs for all ages

School programs are available for elementary to high school classes and beyond. We can tailor programs to meet your class's needs and learning goals. RLC Park Services has been offering park-based education programs for over 15 years on Vancouver Island. We can help you reach your learning goals.

The Rathtrevor Beach Nature House

The Rathtrevor Beach Nature House is located in Rathtrevor Beach Provincial Park in Parksville. It has a rich history of offering nature-based education programs for all ages. The Rathtrevor Beach Nature House operates without government funding, using a combination of fundraising, donations, community sponsors and partnerships to keep its doors open. RLC Park Services believes that nature experiences are vital to the health of our children and is committed to keeping these opportunities available to all children. Program fees go directly back into the Nature House to cover costs of staffing and operating the facility.

Visit us at www.naturehouse.ca
for more information & programs



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Grades K/1 1 hour \$5+GST per student (min \$125 per class)

Senses, observations, local plants & animals, compare/describe

Feeling Crabby? We are always crabby in the intertidal zone of Rathtrevor Beach! Learn about these local animals and see if you can find 1 or 100 on the beach.

Bodacious Bugs! What's a bug? Find out as we inspect the insects of the area and learn some nifty sampling and ID techniques.

Slug Shuffle Join us s we "break-it-down" with one of our favourite decomposers– the slug!



Grades 2/3 1 hour \$5+GST per student (min \$125 per class)

Senses, observations, animals, plants, interactions, structures

Intertidal Survival When the tide is out a whole new world is revealed and it's not an easy place to live in. See how animals and plants survive in the Intertidal Zone!

Froggy Frog World Leap into a frog's life where metamorphosis will transform you from egg to frog!

May the Forest be With You The forces of nature can reveal secrets of the forest: What's edible? What's not? What's the use of that? & Who is home?

Grade 4 1 .25 hours \$5+GST per student (min \$125 per class)

Predictions, animals, plants, habitats, food chains, communities, respect

Intertidal Zone-dicular Dude! Life in the intertidal zone is totally gnarly! You'll be amazed how creatures and plants must adapt to live in this habitat!

Look at that... a Habitat! From the micro to the macro – Rathtrevor Beach's habitats are everywhere! Who lives here and who eats who in this park's community.

Grades 4/5/6/7 2.5 hours \$10+GST per student min. charge for 20 students

Resources, interconnectedness, impacts, life forms, adaptations, communities, food webs, ecosystems, habitats

Seashore Discovery Program Get an inside look at Rathtrevor Beach as we lead your students on an exploratory journey of the seashore. Identify marine habitats, animal adaptations and discover the spineless wonders of the intertidal zone.



Forest Discovery Program Ever wonder how to identify your local trees and native plants? Or how you could make a cup of tea in the forest? Forests are important to all living things and play a significant role in all of our lives. Explore the life in a forest and see how plants, animals, fungi and microscopic organisms all depend on each other.

Evening & Sleepover Programs

Looking for a longer adventure? We offer evening and sleepover programs in Rathtrevor Beach Provincial Park and other locations.

Survivors!

Rathtrevor, Newcastle & Horne Lake

Save it! Share it! Sustain it! See if your students have what it takes to take on the challenges of Survivors. From wilderness skills to drama challenges your students will be learning through this fun, hands-on experience.



Night Eyes Our much loved evening program, Night Eyes will introduce you to the nocturnal animals of Rathtrevor Beach. Why do some animals' eyes glow in the dark? What is in an owl pellet? Head out for a late night walk with a bat detector and see what we find!

Horne Lake Regional Park Adventures

Grades 3—12

Looking for an adventure for your students? Come visit us in Horne Lake Regional Park. Canoeing, caving, camping and more, we can fill your days with outdoor experiences your students won't forget. Try our most popular program **Survivors** and see if your students have what it takes to Save it, Share it and Sustain it or "Choose Your Own "adventure"" with our short programs. Come for 2 hours or camp for 3 days!



2-4 Hour Programs

- Can You Canoe?** \$24/student
- Wilderness Skillz** \$21/student
- Amazing Race** \$17.50/student
- Learn to Fish** \$24.00/student
- Tracks & Scats** \$18.50/student
- Rock Rappelling*** \$28.00/student
- Cave Geology*** Prices vary

**with our partners at
Horne Lake Provincial Park*

All prices subject to GST

1-3 Day Programs

- Survivors!** Pricing starts at \$59.95 per student for 1-night with camping included.
- Learn to Camp**
- Choose Your Own Adventure** prices vary depending on program choice

We are the proud operators of Horne Lake Regional Park and can arrange your camping, tents and/or food depending on what works for you.

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Program Bookings

We are available year-round for programs in Rath Trevor Beach Park or In-school. Our full spring program selection is offered in May, June and also in September.

To book a program:

Tel: (250) 478-9414 (Sept-May)

Tel: (250) 248-3198 (June-August)

Email: Rath Trevor@naturehouse.ca

Fax : (250) 951-0424

Please provide the following information when requesting a program:

- School name, telephone & fax
- Teacher name(s) & email address(es)
- Grade(s) participating
- Number of students
- Program requested
- Preferred Dates & Times

We will contact you by phone or email to arrange and confirm your booking.

Your Day, Your Way

If you don't quite see the program topic, age-group, location or date you are looking for do not despair! RLC Park Services can assist you in creating a unique educational experience for you and your class. Fees vary depending on activities, materials, location and duration. Let us help inspire your students with the natural world!

Did You Know..

We offer programs all across Vancouver Island in Provincial and Regional Parks.



In-School Programs

We understand that sometimes it is not possible for your class to get out to our parks so we also offer "In-School" programs. Our Park Naturalists can come to your school with programs designed to stimulate your students' curiosity for the natural world. You choose from a variety of programs and we work with you to create a schedule based on your school's timetable.



Choose from these fantastic programs:

Froggy Frog World

Squids in the Hall**

Life in a Log**

Tides & Tidal Creatures

Who's Whoooo?

In Defense of Bats

Who Wants to be a Salmon Heir?

\$375+GST per day for one Naturalist for the entire day

Note: additional supply fees per student for **programs