



# CRANBROOK HILL GREENWAY SOCIETY

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## CHAIR'S REPORT

Presented at the 26th Annual General Meeting of the Cranbrook Hill Greenway Society on  
Wednesday April 20th 2022

The following summarizes the accomplishments of the Cranbrook Hill Greenway Society during the past year of operation. This is presented to the membership as our annual report.

- Best of Banff Film Festival not held due to COVID.
- 22nd Annual Greenway run/walk not held due to COVID.
- The Mad Moose Marathon was not held due to COVID.
- Due to COVID there has been a noticeable increase in the use of the Greenway. On many weekends and during the week the UNBC Greenway parking lot was filled to capacity.
- The Society continues to receive, in addition to our endowment, funds from two family funds within the Prince George Community Foundation namely Backhouse and Voneugen.
- Total funds received from our endowment this past year was over \$20,000.
- The Greenway was mowed from Blue Spruce to UNBC to Otway. Many hazard trees were also removed. A start was made on additional brushing to remove the growth that the annual mowing cannot reach. This will continue for a couple of years. Thanks to regular contractors Rob Slavik and family for completing this work.
- There were several major wind events this past year that resulted in many trees coming down. Unfortunately this will be the norm in the years ahead due to dead pine and just the large number of mature trees in the Greenway.
- The Pit House continues to be used by school groups however it is in need of repairs to the structure, UNBC is looking after this.
- Since the inception of the Greenway project we have had expenditures of over \$700,000
- There was a fair amount of maintenance this past year to boardwalks, and also some minor earth works undertaken to improve improve ditching.
- Various individuals continue to maintain a large number of single track trails within the Greenway. Although not part of the Greenway responsibility their contribution is much appreciated and enjoyed by many users.
- Finally many thanks to the regular volunteers who over the last year have been out to keep the trail clear of the windfalls and other debris. I would especially mention Ralph Tyson who regularly cuts out windfall in the UNBC/Blue Spruce/FFTW area and Rob Waldner who keeps the northern end go the Greenway free of windfalls during the winter months, your effort is very much appreciated.

Appreciation is due UNBC for continuing to look after the regular maintenance of the garbage containers and snow removal at the UNBC parking and Greenway access area.

In closing, once again, I would like to acknowledge the support of all the members of the Greenway Society, without your contribution none of this would have been possible.