
Ok, let's just start this off with..... This year we have PREMADE and purchased 200 Tags!!! When I first got involved, we sold 75. That was two years ago! I definitely can't take the credit for this, I can only say how fulfilling it is to be a part of it all. I'm mainly looking at the people in this room, along with some honorable mentions. This group that's come together in the last two years, has accomplished so much.

Jamie Branch as Treasurer AND a critical part of making this summer's exploits at The Park a reality. Jamie has done so much for this club in years past, including getting us registered as a non-profit. He's been my sounding post, and just an all-round stand up guy. It's understandable, yet sad that he's taking more time with his family... see you on the course, my friend!!

Along with assisting in the induction of summer play at The Park, our VP Garret Cole, hasn't just been sitting around either. He's headed up the Tag rounds this year, along with doing the non-glamorous job of pleasing all of us! Not only with this year's Tag designs, but he and Sydney Long were the driving force behind the club shirts and hats that sold like hotcakes this summer. You all remember Sydney, right? She's the one that kept everything organized every week at The Park! Ryan Allister has answered some pretty amazing emails... but I'm not really sure what else he does...

Steve Long and Jason McGregor have made sure we've got the nicest courses on the Island. Seriously, these guys (and their crews) have completely changed the look of disc golf in the Comox Valley in the last year. From new stairs, repairing eroded trails, new baskets, the cleanest tee boxes north of the 49th... The landscape work makes it all pop, even in the winter! Huge shout out to the hardest working crews in the island scene!

While on the topic of course caretakers, Steve Buck has passed the torch to Denny Nordli. Denny, comes from the Sunshine Coast, where he was an intricate part of the growth in their local scene. He's made his way over to the better side of the pond, jumped in, and has already made strides continuing our relations with LT school and Community center. With the long term goal of expansion and permanent placement of a 18 hole course.

Additionally, new to the fold this year and many of you may not know, but Mike Owen, has stepped up to try to make something happen with the small plot out at the Black Creek Community Center! We really do have it all here...

We had a sold out turnout for the Tag Finale, organized by Steve / Sydney Long, and Jamie Branch. Raising money for the food bank, and putting on a show for the community (that braved the snow). Our Glow nights and Tag days continue to bring out attendance, and are growing by the week.

All the help from Pat Graham, Nate Davies, Gerry Gauthier, Brian and Chris Bailey (glow), Pieter Vorster and Michael Holding (Pod Creative), Brian Sponselee, Bert Jager, Carmen Gibson, Adam Amlani, Rich Emery, Adam Bowles, Paul Lappierre (BT),

So many people willing and eager to help out, make my job that much easier, I'm so grateful to be a part of it all unfolding. Our club numbers and influence has blown my mind, it seems everyone knows what DG is now!

We've had some wonderful opportunities to CROP up, pun intended. Clea out at Smith Farms has graciously opened her farm sales to include DG! Thanks to Jim Cunninham and crew out there.

Our Facebook Group is now 1000 members strong, and growing, and over the last year or two, I can safely say we've accomplished so much more as a recreational group in the CV, beyond other groups for sure. The endless efforts of all our members, all making the local DG scene an open and inviting place for all community members. I'd like to just take a moment to appreciate the endeavors and accomplishments of this group sitting behind me, along with a few key people on screen... They really have done an outstanding job of stepping up as volunteers, to keep us all out playing! Give them all a hand...

Moving forward and looking at the year ahead, it looks like we've got more opportunity at The Park and, I've currently got a couple "pokerg in the fire," so we may have some opportunity for a potential site. Without going into detail, because there isn't much detail to go into, I'm really trying to load my lip for future talks with land owners. We all know that the land is limited within the different districts, so perhaps a private owner may show interest...? I'd appreciate any ideas for long-term and sustainable fundraising ideas, to potentially lease or rent land could be part of our proposal equation. Please contact me directly with any input to help grow the sport locally, or if you have a land that you would agree for the club to use. We need better sales of distance drivers in the winter!

So, before I pass off to Jamie Branch, I'd again like to thank everyone for another spectacular year! I hope I can continue with my efforts sitting in this chair, as my main focus is a bigger course in the Valley. Hopefully we can make something fantastic to really put us on the map for good.

Thanks all,

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