

# Welcome to Dominion Brook Park

## Welcome Visitors

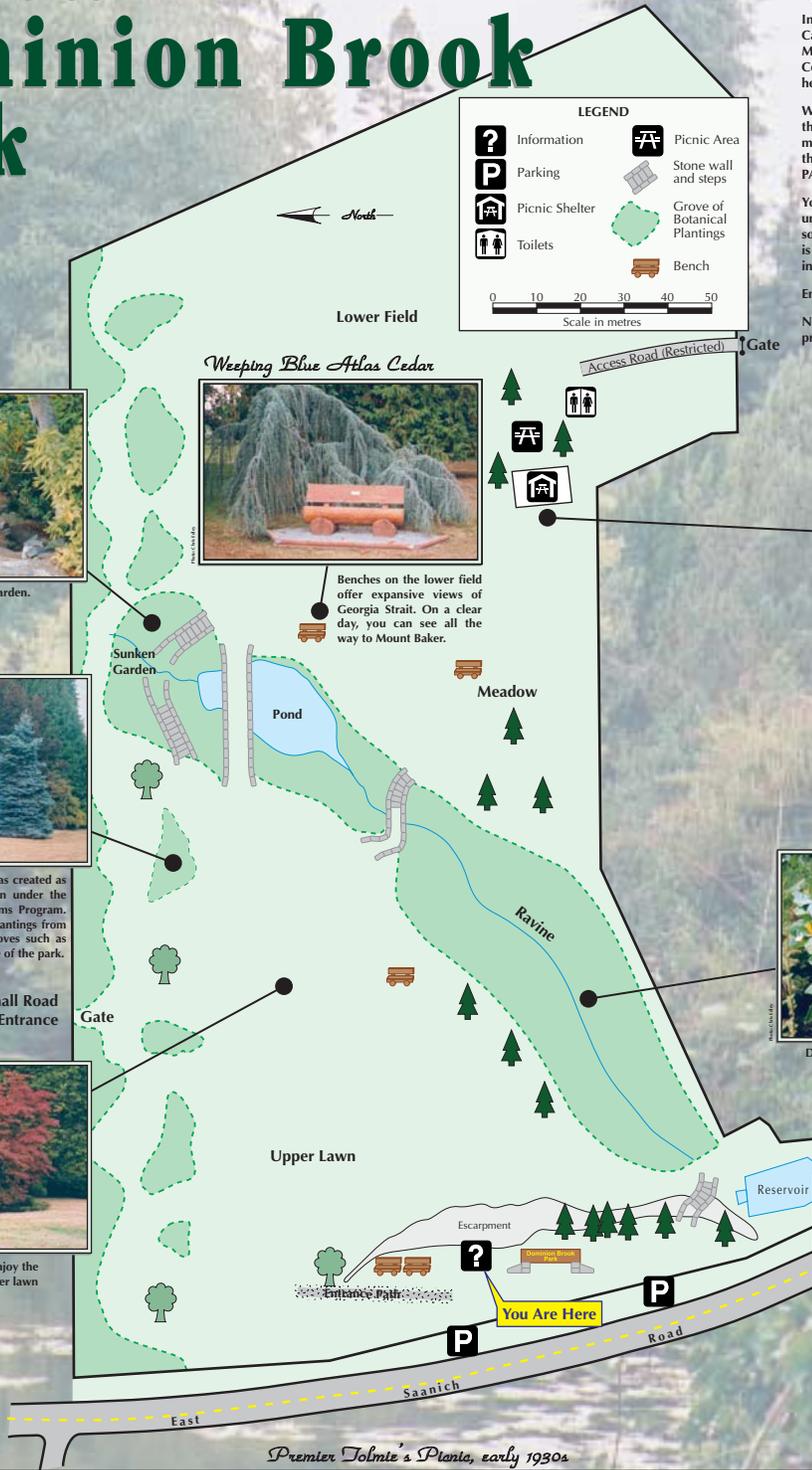
In 2000 a major capital grant from the Provincial Capital Commission, a grant from the Canada Millennium Fund, and the cooperation of the Centre for Plant Health enabled this magnificent heritage park to be brought under local control.

While the park is now operated under lease by the District of North Saanich, rehabilitation and maintenance is being done by citizen volunteers through the FRIENDS OF DOMINION BROOK PARK SOCIETY, a non-profit organization.

Your support matters! You can help keep this unique park going by becoming a member of the society. Volunteer assistance is also welcome but is purely optional. Please take a brochure for information.

Enjoy your visit and please pick up after your pets.

Note: Removal of plant material from the park is prohibited.



*Sunken Garden*



Be sure to explore the sunken garden.

*Weeping Blue Atlas Cedar*



Benches on the lower field offer expansive views of Georgia Strait. On a clear day, you can see all the way to Mount Baker.

*The Tea House 1926*



The tea house was originally a station on BC Railway's Interurban line which crossed the farm property along the eastern boundary. The station is still in use today as the picnic shelter.

*Botanical Specimens*



In 1913 this unique heritage park was created as a horticulture demonstration garden under the former Dominion Experimental Farms Program. It was creatively landscaped with plantings from around the world. Many are in groves such as this one located along the north side of the park.

*Skunk Cabbage*



Dark and moist, the ravine is home to skunk cabbage, ferns and rhododendrons.

Marshall Road Entrance

*The Upper Lawn*



Look for the carved stumps and enjoy the horticultural plantings on the upper lawn

*Volunteers*



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*Premier Tolmie's Picnic, early 1930s*



For many decades Dominion Experimental Farm provided a popular recreational and social focus for Victoria and Peninsula residents. Many local organizations and companies held social events here. Shown here is a picnic in the early 1930s for Premier Simon Fraser Tolmie. Previously the federal Minister of Agriculture, he was a strong supporter of the experimental farm program.