

Boston Harbor Neighborhood Newsletter

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Boston Harbor, ca. 1940, provided by Jerry Hall

Greetings,

Jinny Beekmann and Vicky Gorny are again leading the charge to protect Burfoot Park from Ivy Imperialism. Join the cause this coming Saturday, June 6. Below is a note from Vicky with the details.

Eric Hurlburt, President
Boston Harbor Assn.

DATE: JUNE 6

TIME: 9:00 – 11:00 am

Our Burfoot Park ivy pull on April 18 was a great success. About 25 people participated and everyone seemed to have a good time. We got a lot accomplished. We are slowly expanding the ivy free zone and removing lots of the tree borne fruiting ivy. We have uncovered lots of native plants struggling to compete with the ivy. They are looking better already.

There is so much enthusiasm for this project that we are going to get together again on the first Saturday in June the 6th 9:00 am to 11 am. We will assemble at the end of Boston Harbor Extension. The Stream Team will be lending us tools and gloves for the event. Hope to see you there.

The 50 native plants put in along the new trail to stop erosion are all thriving. The abundant spring rain has been fortunate for them. We will be planting more in the fall to take advantage of the winter rains.

The site will be a station on the Boston Harbor Garden Club's garden tour June 28. I will be hosting that location and talking about the project, erosion control and native plants.

The dust has not yet settled after the Thurston County budget implosion. The County has dissolved the Parks and Recreation department. A few people from P+R will be going into the newly created Public Works Department. They are committed to keeping Burfoot Park open this summer with a skeleton crew. Kerry Tibden will be the park manager. He worked in P+R for 20 years and is supportive of our volunteer efforts at the park.

If you have any questions about the ongoing project or the upcoming ivy pull on June 6, call me at 360-236-0692 or e-mail at diggeroly@juno.com. Please forward this e-mail to anyone you think may be interested.

Vicky Gorny

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