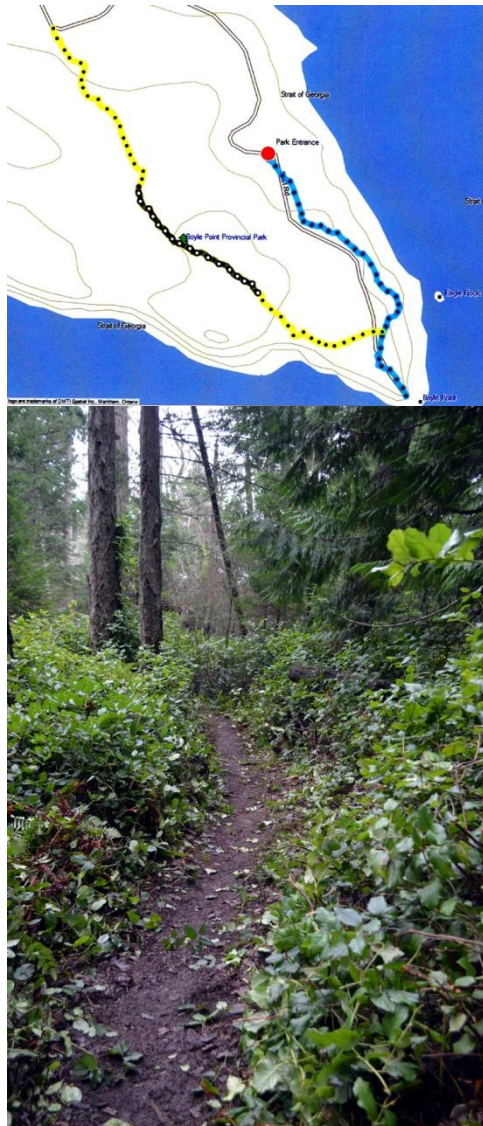


January/February 2015 Trails Committee Update

“Winter weather has kept the Trails Committee members busy in January adding to the ongoing maintenance activity on a number of trails on Denman Island.

The popular 2.1 km trail in Boyle Point Park, shown in the diagram below, that links the entrance off East Road (near the tree in the middle of East Rd) to the Boyle Point trail is being trimmed with the new equipment that the Trails Committee were recently authorized to purchase. The sections of the trail that have been trimmed are shown in yellow in the diagram below. The section shown in black is the remaining length to be trimmed. A work party trimmed some more of this trail in January as shown in the picture below which indicates that the trail is now wider and safer for hikers. Approximately 60 % of this trail has been trimmed and it is anticipated that the balance of this work will be completed by mid summer.



This same trail also required additional attention in January to clear two large trees, shown in the picture below, that came down in one of the wind - storms and were blocking access along the trail. It is apparent this trail is popular as a number of the regular hikers expressed their appreciation when the trees were removed where previously climbing, sliding or slithering over the logs had been the only option.



Also, the CVRD has advised the Trails Committee that the CVRD have advertized for bids to improve the drainage on some sections of the Cross Island Trail between Pickles Rd and Swan Rd. “ It is anticipated that this work will be completed soon.