Sustaining the Islands – Community Stewardship Awards Program



2012 Nominee Profile

Anne Macey, Salt Spring Island

Category: Individual

Project: Enhancement of agriculture and food security on Salt Spring

Island

Nominator(s): Ashley Hilliard, President, Salt Spring Island Conservancy

Letters of Support: N/A

Project Description:

Anne Macey is a driving force, a cheerful leader, a tireless promoter, and an encouraging spirit who has brought about positive changes for agriculture and food security on Salt Spring Island.

Anne has served the agricultural community on Salt Spring Island for many years in many ways. As Chair of the committee to develop Salt Spring Island's Area Farm Plan, Anne was instrumental in bringing together community members, ministry staff and local government in an extensive collaborative process to create a plan for the long-term enrichment of agriculture in the community. When it was released in 2008, the Salt Spring Island Area Farm Plan was one of the few of its kind in the province. As Chair of the Salt Spring Island Agricultural Alliance (created as a direct result of the 2008 Area Farm Plan), Anne worked a tirelessly and selflessly to help implement the Plan's recommendations. Anne has played a key role in getting the initial Salt Spring Island Farmland Trust board off the ground and has been a vocal advocate and leading volunteer for the local abattoir that is scheduled to begin operation this spring. Anne consistently demonstrates a determined, but always cheerful way of working with community members and bringing them together in a collaborative way.

Anne, as Chair of the Salt Spring Agricultural Alliance, also sits as a member of the Salt Spring Island Climate Action Council.