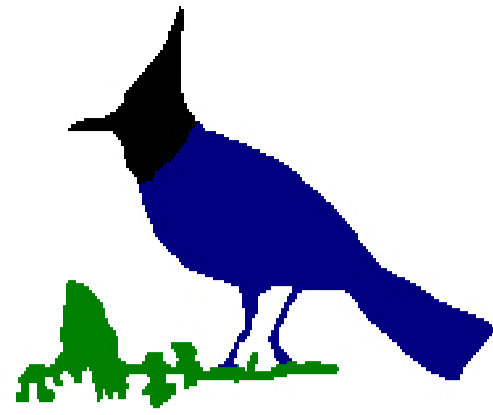


Nature Notes

KNP Oldtimers

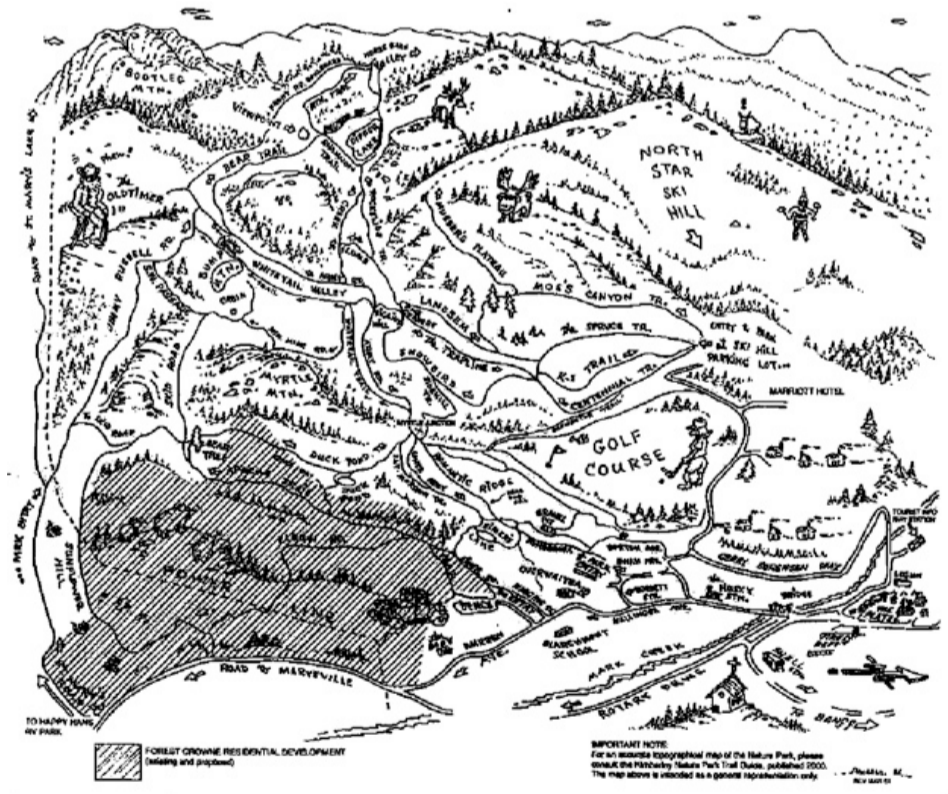


Over the years many people have contributed in many ways to what is now the Kimberley Nature Park (KNP). Four fellows built the Dipper Lake cabin in 1934 as a halfway point between Matthew Creek and Myrtle Junction. After the war in the late 1940's the park was heavily logged. One of the logging companies, Fabro's, built the Army Road through what is now the Trickle Creek Golf Course. This was called the Army road because the local militia built a rifle range just past the present day Myrtle Junction. Several of our present day Nature Park trails and Nordic trails were originally skid trails. Before the present-day ski hill had its first rope tow in 1948, skiers would meet at the cabin at Myrtle junction, climb to the top of Myrtle Mountain and end the day with a ski home. In the late 50's and early 60's a group of retired men including Greenie Musser, Dick Shannon, Frank Skribe, Bill Richardson and Sep Gaskell spent many hours in the park cutting trails.

Mary Skribe used to walk from her home in lower Blarchmont up to Mary's lunchroom to leave fat out for the bears and birds.

Through the hard work of Jim Patterson and what is now the Nature Park Society, the City of Kimberley was granted a

License of Occupation for the area of the Kimberley Nature Park. The Park is now a fixture in the community providing enjoyment for the present and future generations.



Early KNP map by Roy Musser

Visit www.kimberleynaturepark.ca for a hard copy or more information about Nature Park events.