

GCPS Progress Report
June, 2014

- Chris Goodfellow donated a CD of old film footage showing Coalmont, Granite Creek and Tulameen in 1958. It also showed the unveiling of the plaque at the cairn at Granite Creek that same year. Thank you Chris for your generous donation! We will give the CD to Ole and hopefully he can somehow put it on the GCPS website.
- Ole, Bob and I attended the RDOS Open House at the Princeton Museum for the Regional Heritage Strategic Plan. We were there for about 2 hours. They asked many questions about important buildings and sites in the area and wrote down our answers. The booklet they had available was the first draft, so it is likely they will use the feedback they received from the open house meetings, to make a new revision. Lindsay Bourque (who has been our RDOS liaison for Granite Creek) was also at the meeting so it was nice to finally meet her in person.
- There are two new headstones at the Granite Creek Cemetery. One is for James Glen Herrington. There is also a new headstone for Ed Cook. I have added them to the records, but we won't be updating the index at the cemetery until I hear from Rika regarding another possible grave up there. I have the information and will pass it to Jon to ask Rika to look it up next time she is in Victoria.
- Bob and I have been working up at the Cemetery. Bob has worked very hard cutting down all the weeds. He has spent 6 1/2 hours so far and is about 2/3 done. I have begun cleaning headstones. The following headstones have been cleaned: Slee (D3), Hagen (D4), John Barton (F5), James Cuthbertson (F9), Lillie & Harry Smith (G9a and b), and Thompson (D5). There are a few (two are really bad) graves that need filling in. There is a pile of gravel at the Cemetery so I am sure we can use that. Repairs will involve using a wheelbarrow to carry gravel to the sunken grave, removing the headstone, filling in the grave and then replacing the headstone. The worst two graves are for Alexander Hugh Fraser and George Clark Fraser. We welcome any volunteers who would like to do that job.
- We went to the town site and recorded the dimensions of Coomes' Cabin. Bob also weed whacked the grass around the cairn.
- We are keeping a file on our computer (and printed copies in the GCPS binder) with before and after photos of projects we do at the town site and cemetery. We can use these to show Brad and anyone else who wants to see them, of the work we are doing there.
- I'm still working on a piece about Jessie Olding-Hunter for the GCPS website.
- Brad asked for an update on what our Society has done. I emailed him a complete Progress Report.
- Ole still needs to add the following to the GCPS website:
 - May Progress Report,
 - 1898 Voters List for Granite Creek,
 - Article on Catherine Dunn-Parker-Austin,
 - Photo caption corrections from Bob,
 - Debate regarding Granite Creek vs. Granite City,
 - Johannson's cache legend for Folklore section.