

park pioneer

Tony Roberts b. 1926

For the highly-developed southern sections of Vancouver Island, regional parks provide sanctuaries for nature and recreation. As the Director of Planning for Victoria and surrounding area in the 1960s and 70s, Tony worked to acquire a system of open spaces that in years since have become treasured destinations. His vision for parks, greenways, and trails in the Capital Regional District inspired other municipalities to establish regional parks, and continues to be implemented today. Tony's ability to cooperate with all levels of government helped further expand CRD parks. He later worked for the BC Land Commission to produce a catalogue of types of open space designations, useful to anyone working to protect nature.



Affiliations:

Capital Region Planning Board of BC -
Planning Director.
Regional District of the Capital of BC -
Secretary
Capital Regional District (CRD) - Director
of Planning.
British Columbia Land Commission,
Consultant
Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature
Sanctuary - Board member, chairman

Parks:

Parks in the Capital Regional:
Witty's Lagoon Regional Park
Mount Work Regional Park
East Sooke Regional Park
Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature
Sanctuary
Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park

Above:

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Background:

East Sooke Regional Park

Elders Council for Parks