

## ***Connecting for Conservation in the Capital Region January -April 2001 Highlights***



Volunteers Cammy McKenzie and Lyndis Davis at the Connecting for Conservation Welcome Desk

***“We are beginning a study of the intertidal habitat of Sooke Harbour and Basin. Contact with VEHEAP has saved us from re-inventing a mapping system to present the results.”***

***“We have made so many contacts, it is overwhelming. We have 4 proposals for funding assistance and 5 opportunities to start new partnerships. Attending today saved us years of work and couldn't have been accomplished any other way.”***



***“Well organized – interesting and vital information at the roundtable workshops”***

***“Awesome- when can we do it again? I hope we do this every year!! I was so busy talking to people, networking and exchanging information that I had no time to attend any workshops.”***

More than 50 organizations and 150 members of the public attended the Connection for Conservation forum.

***“I finally got a moment to check out your new website -it's fantastic!! It's graphics are clean and visually appealing and it's full of great info! When will this be public? There are some folks I'd like to send this to!”***



This roundtable at the forum on developing a "Conservation Centre" for the region generated great ideas. People were encouraged to drop in and out of the roundtables throughout the day.

***“The forum was a tremendous success. Congratulations HAT! It was very well organized - sure hope it becomes an annual event. I only wish I could have been there longer but I had another meeting in the morning. I was able to connect with a number of interesting people though and found out a few key bits of info. I'm hoping you are going to provide the proceedings from the various sessions - maybe in the newsletter or on the website. I was particularly interested in the discussion about the Conservation Resource Centre - a wonderful idea!”***

***“The number of groups that have fabulous resources to share is amazing. This conference allows that sharing to take place.”***