



July 2019 Newsletter

Summer has arrived!

As a result of the wet, cool spring and current warm weather, the whole island is blooming. Welcome summer with a visit to Godena Farm to enjoy a riot of color, insect pollinators and nesting birds. Just a sampling below – Lupins, Poppies, Butterfly Weed, Milkweed and Bee Balm, are spectacular and thriving!



Godena Farm Visitors

- The farm hosted a group from Argentina and Johnson & Wales last weekend to learn about honeybees and pollinators.



- Pack 1 cub scouts held their annual sleepover at the farm. A group of kids and parents have planted sunflowers in the kids garden.
- And a recent and exciting sighting at Godena – Great Crested Flycatchers (*Miyarchus crinitus*) nesting in one of the kestrel boxes.



- Black Eyed Susans now growing in the upper field, close to North Road.



- The bee hives are thriving after a hard winter and loss of a few hives. New swarms have been collected and hives established.
- Take some time to enjoy the natural world at Godena Farm, Parker Property and other island treasures . Godena is also a wonderful place to walk your dog. But, please remember that dogs must on a leash and picked up after. Use the trash bins for your poop bags so everyone can enjoy their walk.



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