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Park Proposal



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DOGS4PPP

Dogs4ppp is a local blog that was originally created to serve as a resource for dog owners who use PPP to get information about changes to city by-laws, upcoming events etc.

It has become a place where these individuals can go and see pictures of the dogs that frequent PPP enjoying the park as it was meant to be enjoyed as well as still finding all the information about the park and upcoming events.

The site has expanded to include product reviews, a health and wellness and even an in memoriam section for dogs who have passed away.

In Memoriam

At DOGS4PPP we understand the value in honoring our four legged friends who have moved on. We created an area on the blog where we post the passing of dogs that may have frequented the park if the owners choose to have that information posted.

It has become a place for owners and friends to share condolences and in a way a permanent place to honour the memory of a long time park companion.

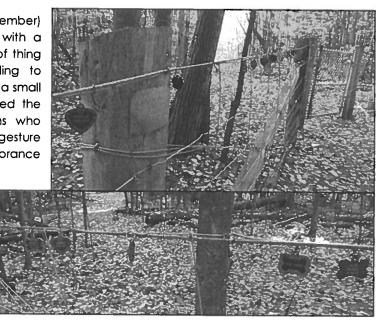


This is how the "In Memoriam" section appears on the blog.

Proposal

Anne West (former PPPAC member) came to me some time ago with a wonderful example of this sort of thing she experienced when travelling to Ottawa. The park in Ottawa has a small area where owners have placed the tags of their park companions who have passed away. It is a small gesture that serves as a place of remembrance for owners and visitors alike.

We are proposing something similar could be done at Point Pleasant Park without taking away from all that PPP is. Surrounding Point Pleasant Battery is a fence that could serve as such an area. We are not suggesting anything

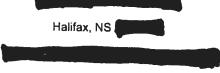


significant and wanted to come to the PPAC with this idea/proposal to ensure we have your blessing before we put it out to the larger dog community as a whole. We have done some informal polling and the dozen or so regular park users we have spoken to believe this is a good idea and would certainly not take away from the park rather would be a welcome addition.

I have included a personal letter from Anne West (last page) to the PPAC and look forward to hearing from the PPAC regarding this proposal.

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Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee,

Halifax Regional Municipality,

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23 January, 2013

Dear Members of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee,

I write to you as one of the many dog owners who are daily users of Point Pleasant Park to seek permission to explore the possibility of installing an informal memorial area in the park. This would be similar to that in the Bruce Pit park in Ottawa. At Bruce Pit, the tags of deceased dogs (including their dates and a small message if desired) are wired to an existing fence. There is also a brass plaque (small) explaining that the site was installed by owners who wished to remember their pets. It is the low key nature of the memorial which makes it so moving.

The area of the park which we have in mind for the memorial is the existing chain link fence round what remains of Point Pleasant Battery.

Yours truly,

Anne West

Former PPPAC member