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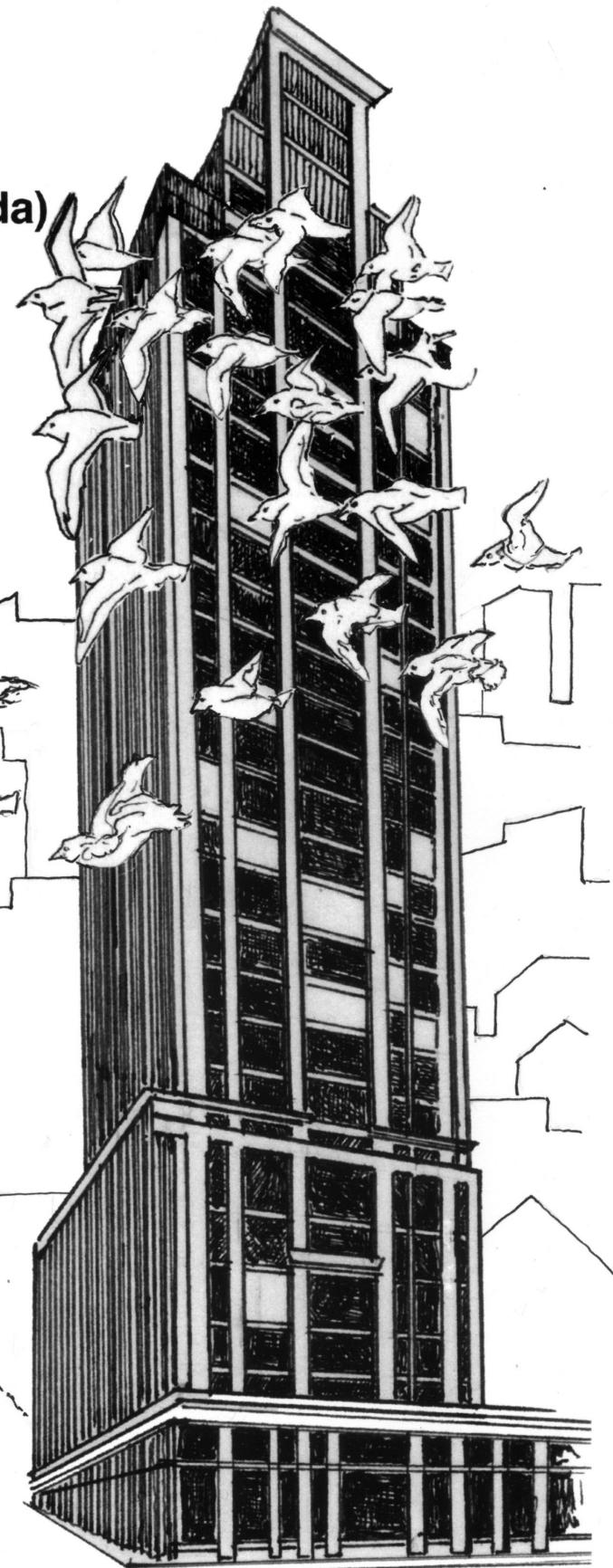
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — Peter Kelly

It takes a lot of effort to make something seem effortless. At Nature Guelph, that effort has come in the form of volunteers and we have been fortunate over the years to have had a steady stream of individuals dedicate their time for us. So much so, that at times the club seems like it is running itself. While it may seem our club benefits from some form of 'institutional impetus' that propels us forward, in fact, it only seems that way because there is a small battalion of people working in the shadows to make it happen.

The reality is that it is becoming increasingly difficult for nature clubs to maintain forward progress. Many are suffering from a declining membership and declining attendance. We hear the cries every six months when we attend regional meetings of the Ontario Nature Network, "our membership is aging and why aren't we attracting any young people to our club?"

I have discovered that Nature Guelph is viewed as an anomaly by some other clubs since we are one of the healthiest nature clubs in Ontario. Our paying membership sits around 160, similar if not higher than what it has been in the historic past. We have not suffered the drop that many other clubs have experienced. Why is this so? Undoubtedly, the reasons are complicated but several are likely. For one, we have fostered and developed a relationship with our city's university including the use of their facilities for our meetings. Inexplicably, some nature clubs in university cities and towns have chosen not to do so and are now paying the price.

There is also the 'Guelph factor': a progressiveness that I believe is a source of pride to Guelph's citizens. Our executive recently developed a number of strategies to continue moving our club forward including a Twitter account (now with 212 followers), a facebook page (now with 206 members), a brand new logo and a new web-site. When we proposed a new more inclusive name change, you voted overwhelmingly in support of it. Unlike most nature clubs, you have supported moving in a direction that doesn't make everyone under the age of 40 run in the opposite direction!

Most importantly, we have been lucky to have had the support of a pretty spectacular crew of volunteers. But there is only so much volunteer time that any one individual can put forward towards the cause. Carol Koenig (our Past Past Past President!) has resigned after many years of steering the club and Margaret Hull is stepping down after almost seven years of compiling and editing this excellent newsletter. Larry Staniforth is also stepping down after spending nearly eleven years running our Bird Wing program (both the indoor programs and the birding trips). Charlie Cecile finally took a well-deserved break from the executive this past year after years of defending our natural heritage from development pressures. Others, like Tamara Anderson and Ann Schletz (our youth program coordinators at Guelph Lake), and Mary Ellen Pyear (our Ontario Nature Rep) continue to serve on our executive after many years of service to the club, not to mention the remainder of the dedicated crew that serves on your executive.

So, if Nature Guelph is doing so well compared with other clubs, then we have nothing to worry about, right? The truth is that we continue to need people to volunteer to help us keep the momentum going. Recently, Nature Guelph had the opportunity to be represented at several environmental events within our city. While some of our executive volunteered to man our booth at two events (and they were stretched thin), unfortunately we had to decline attendance at two other events simply because we could not find volunteers to sit at our booth.

Volunteers are also needed on our executive which has several openings and many of our 'committees' have been run by one person for years (or in some cases, by no one). We are hoping to build our volunteer base and I urge you to consider joining us as a volunteer whether that participation involves just a few hours sitting at our booth discussing our club with the uninitiated or assuming a more formal position on our executive. After four years as a member of our executive, I'll let you in on a secret — you might just love it.

## NEWSLETTER — Margaret Hull and Susan Atkinson

The newsletter is published five times a year – every two months except July and August. Please send all contributions for the next issue (Sept/Oct) to Susan Atkinson. The deadline is August 20th. Thank you to all contributors. Stephen Lewis is our front page artist — thank you Steve. This is your editor's last issue - please consider if you could volunteer for this important position.

**PERSONAL WANT ADS:** As a service to members we run personal "want" ads or "for sale" ads of a nature theme at no charge. Contact Susan if you have anything to sell or there is something you want to acquire.

## INDOOR PROGRAM — Peter Kelly

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm (December and June excepted) on the second Thursday of each month, and are held at the University of Guelph's Arboretum Centre. For confirmation and updates, please visit our website at [www.natureguelph.ca](http://www.natureguelph.ca). We begin with a brief business meeting, followed by a 10-minute break then the speaker's presentation. **Non-members are very welcome and goodwill donations are gratefully appreciated - suggested contribution is \$2 per person.** We ask that you do not use perfumes out of respect for people who are allergic to them. The entrance to the Arboretum is on College Avenue just west of Victoria Road. For a map see: <http://www.uoguelph.ca/arboretum/thingsstosee/printmap.shtml>

### Thursday May 8th — AGM AND FLAP CANADA: DOCUMENTING THE IMPACTS OF BUILDINGS ON MIGRATORY BIRDS *Paloma Plant, Program Coordinator*

FLAP (Fatal Light Awareness Program) Canada has been documenting the issue of bird strikes with windows for over 20 years. Program Coordinator Paloma Plant will speak about recent research on bird strikes, changes to the legal system that offer hope for the future, and suggestions and tips on preventing bird strikes at home. Before the speaker the Annual General Meeting will be held. You will have had information about this in a separate mailing, email or snail mail.

**Thursday June 12th — ANNUAL PICNIC AND BBQ, 6:00 pm\*\* — Location Riverside Park, Guelph**  
We have the smaller, green roofed pavilion booked, the one nearer the Evergreen Seniors' Centre. Bring your picnic food and drink. There are BBQs available and plenty of parking. Woodlawn Memorial Park and Arboretum is the only cemetery on the Trans Canada Trail. After the picnic, Nature Guelph members are invited to walk around this accessible trail and learn more about the trees in the park. Many of these trees are more than a century old and several specimens are unique to the city. \*\*Please note early start time of 6:00 p.m. for this event.

**Thursday September 11th — EARTH'S EXTREMES *George Kourounis, Explorer/Adventurer and Storm Chaser (unless there is a hurricane!)***

Toronto based George Kourounis; an explorer, adventurer, television host & storm chaser, often finds himself in places where most others are attempting to evacuate. He specializes in documenting the most extreme forces of nature such as tornadoes, hurricanes, volcanoes, and any other phenomena that Mother nature has in her arsenal. Supplemented with stunning photographs and video clips, George will be sharing his most extreme adventures and behind the scenes mishaps from his countless explorations from around the globe.

### NATURE GUELPH EXECUTIVE POSITIONS AVAILABLE NEXT YEAR

Several executive members are retiring after this year is over, so next September there will be positions open. If you are interested in any of them, please let any current members of the executive know. It is a fun group to work with, and of course you know your volunteer time goes towards spreading the word about Nature to our community.

- Vice President
- Outdoor Program Coordinator
- Newsletter Editor
- Bird Wing Coordinator
- Facilities Coordinator (a new position)

You can find details of what each position entails by asking the current holder, or obtaining a copy of our bylaws and procedures.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**7:30 PM 8TH MAY 2014 AT THE ARBORETUM**

Members will have received the notice of the AGM already, containing the proposed changes to our Constitution and Bylaws which will be voted on at the meeting.

An omission has since been discovered, and accordingly, an amendment to the main motion will be brought forward at the meeting as follows:

To add to Bylaw 4, Committees: 'Education Chair' as committee chair number 12.

## ONTARIO NATURE REPORT — Mary Ellen Pyear

On Saturday, April 26, the Friends of McGregor Point Provincial Park will host the Spring 2014 meeting of the Great Lakes West Region of Ontario Nature. The meeting will be held in Formosa again – the second time in a row – the last meeting in November 2013 was hosted by the Saugeen Field Naturalists and Peter Kelly and I attended and represented Nature Guelph. This year the executive of Nature Guelph agreed not to send in any nominations for ON's provincial Conservation Awards as two of our nominees, Chris Earley and Philip Gosling, were successful recipients last year. However, if any of our members feel strongly that people in our Club or in our midst are deserving of these awards, please let the executive know. The eleven different awards are described in detail at [www.ontarionature.org](http://www.ontarionature.org).

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting of Ontario Nature is shaping up to be an interesting event. It will be held on June 20-22nd at the YMCA's Geneva Park location on beautiful Lake Couchiching north of Orill-

lia. The three-day conference will celebrate the natural history of the Common Loon which has been the logo for ON for the past 25 years. To coincide with this theme, Dr. Doug Tozer from Bird Studies Canada will be giving a talk on the loon and its future in Ontario. The keynote speaker on Saturday night will be Canada's Senior Climatologist, David Phillips, whose talk is entitled "Wild Weather, Climate Change and Nature." Workshops on Saturday and Sunday will include tours of the Carden Plain, a paddling trip to Minnesing Wetlands, and an excursion to ON's 470-hectare Altberg Wildlife Sanctuary. Other workshops will feature gardening with native plants, nature photography, searching for salamanders, identifying dragonflies, and much more. Explore the wild species and the wild spaces where the Canadian Shield meets the St. Lawrence Lowlands. Several different packages are available for the weekend. For further information about accommodation and/or to enquire about registration for this

event, please go to [www.ontarionature.org](http://www.ontarionature.org) and follow the links or call Sarah Leroux at Ontario Nature at 416-444-8419, ext. 234.

Ontario Nature has been encouraging people through their Nature Network News to **Help Remove Milkweed from Ontario's Noxious Weed List**.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Food is proposing that milkweed be removed from the Schedule of Noxious Weeds and that dog-strangling vine be added. Milkweed provides an important habitat and a larval food source for the monarch butterfly, which is experiencing an alarming decline in numbers. Dog-strangling vine is an invasive plant that can be difficult to control once established. It is also a hazard to monarch butterfly populations because, though monarch butterflies are attracted to it, any eggs they lay on the plant will not survive. While the deadline for personal comments is past (April 14, 2014), more information is available by contacting the local OMAF office at 226-217-8059.



Mary Ellen Pyear at the Go GREEN Gardening Fair,  
Guelph Public Library on 12th April

### FOLLOW UP TO THE OSTRANDER POINT WIND TURBINE LEGAL FIGHT

In March, NG donated a further \$250 to the Ostrander Point Appeal Fund. This is to pay the large legal cost debt incurred in challenging the Ministry of the Environment's approval of the Gilead Power's proposed wind turbine project in the Important Bird Area at Ostrander Point in Prince Edward County. Full details of the challenge and the counter-appeal, which the Ostrander Point Appeal Fund lost, and their notice to re-appeal, are on the web site <http://www.saveostranderpoint.org/>

## NEARBY NATURALIST CLUBS' MEETINGS

KITCHENER/WATERLOO See [www.kwfn.ca](http://www.kwfn.ca)

**Monday May 26th** AGM plus Feral Cats and Songbirds: A Dilemma with David Gascoigne

HALTON NORTH PEEL See [www.hnpnc.com](http://www.hnpnc.com)

**Tuesday May 13th** Meet Ontario's Only Lizard Species with Josh Feltham

HAMILTON See [www.hamiltonnature.org](http://www.hamiltonnature.org)

**Monday May 12th** TBA

RARE See [www.raresites.org](http://www.raresites.org)

**Saturday May 3rd, 9:30am - 2:30pm** Science and Accessibility - Connecting Science and Community with Jane Gilbert

**Saturday May 10th, 8 - 10am** Bird Banding Demonstration with Kevin Grundy

**Thursday July 10th, 7-8:30pm** Trumpeter Swan Restoration. Join Kyna Intini of the Ontario Trumpeter Swan Society for an evening of graceful images, describing the Trumpeter Swan Restoration Project.



## Crief Hills Community Celebrates World Migratory Bird Day

**Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am - Noon**

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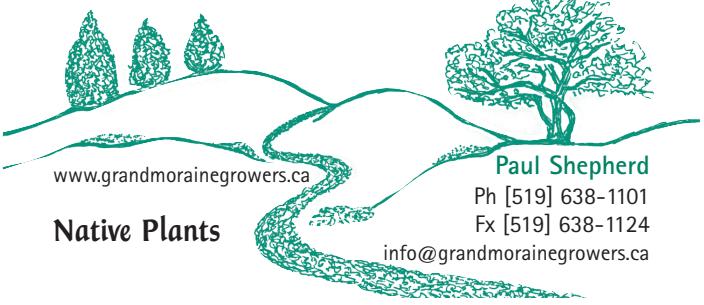


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## YOUNG NATURALISTS and NATURALISTS IN TRAINING — Ann & Tamara

NITs are currently registering for Winter programs. (Nats program is full.) For information please see the [Naturalists in Training brochure](#) and the [Young Naturalists brochure](#) on the Nature Guelph website, [www.natureguelph.ca](http://www.natureguelph.ca) or phone the Guelph Lake Nature Centre at 519-836-7860.

### SEARCHING FOR SALAMANDERS, A NATURALIST IN TRAINING OUTING

*Written by Ann Schletz and Tamara Anderson*

We are constantly amazed by the opportunities provided by nature, especially when we bring together a group of children and set the intention to connect with the natural world. Once again, a big “thank you” to Nature Guelph members for supporting this program!

On Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> the Naturalist in Training group met at Sudden Tract in Cambridge. Sudden Tract is an 89 hectare Carolinian oak-hickory maple-beech forest located in the Waterloo Sandhills glacial moraine. This forest is also home to a wondrous variety of salamanders, snakes and frogs. The children could hardly wait to begin their adventure. Before we had even left the parking lot, they were turning over logs and stones, searching for salamanders. The first cry of “Salamander!” was heard a mere 25 steps into the forest. Our first species was a tiny red back salamander. We took this opportunity to discuss proper amphibian handling etiquette and how



red-backed salamanders do not have lungs so they breathe through their skin instead. No sooner had we released our tiny find back to his home than another cry rang out through the forest: “Salamander!” This time, the lucky find was a lead back salamander. Our hike continued in this manner for quite some time. The next big discovery occurred beside a small vernal pool. A large log was rolled over and there, hiding just below, was a beautiful Yellow Spotted Salamander. We all gathered around to admire this rare find. We noted the two rows of yellow and orange spots speckled along its black back. The NITs read that these salamanders measure on average, about 18 cm but they can grow as long as a ruler! We learned that they venture out from their hiding spots at night to hunt for worms, spiders, millipedes, and slugs. “Snake!” was the next call to be heard ringing from the trail beside the nearby vernal pool. Gliding through the yellow grass and stinky skunk cabbage was a slim, striped snake. We all got down onto our bellies in a circle around the snake, watching it move as it sized us up. After some discussion, we decided that it was a ribbon snake since the NITs had a really good look at the yellow bar in front of its eye. More exploration around the

pool uncovered two water snakes basking on a log and of course more salamanders. A tall ridge beckoned the children to climb upward into the sunshine. At the top of the ridge, we enjoyed the view and played some games while we ate our lunch. After lunch, we explored another vernal pool, where we discovered wood frogs, and some salamander eggs attached to the petiole of a submerged maple leaf. We also found another salamander. This find was very exciting as we believe that it was a Jefferson’s Salamander (or a Jefferson’s Complex). We took our time examining him or her and searched our field guides for information.

We read that Jefferson’s are best seen in early spring when they move to woodland ponds to breed. They will lay approximately 30 eggs on submerged vegetation. We also shared with the NITs that Jefferson salamanders are listed as endangered in Ontario. The NITs carefully returned the salamander to its home and we wished her well, wondering hopefully if perhaps she had been the one to deposit the mysterious salamander eggs in the pond. The rest of our time in the forest flew by in a flash and we paused on our way back to give thanks for the natural treasures that had been discovered that morning. The salamander stroll on Easter weekend was truly egg-ceptional ☺



## Notes for Novices #11 — by Bryan Wyatt

### BUMBLE BEE QUEENS

When you see bumble bee queens on the first willow blooms in April, you can be sure that spring has arrived. Having emerged from their underground hibernation sites, they eagerly seek out these early sources of life-strengthening nectar.

After feeding on the available flowers, a queen searches for a place to start a colony. Coursing slowly over the ground, she will suddenly drop into the grass to inspect a likely spot. This nest-searching behaviour is quite random, and it may take her many days before an abandoned rodent nest is selected as the colony site. Queens of some species prefer subterranean chipmunk nests, others choose mouse nests located on the ground surface, under old boards or in rock piles. Sometimes they choose very odd places, such as among upholstery in the seat of a derelict car or in a discarded mattress. The bumble bee queen then quickly gets down to the business of rearing offspring. Having mated the previous fall, she already carries the necessary ingredients to fertilize her developing eggs.

Fixation of the nest entrance is done by flying ever-widening circles around it. Then, she's off foraging for pollen. A queen observed packing pollen on her hind legs is an unmistakable sign that she has founded a colony. The pollen, mixed with wax, is used to build a honey pot inside the nest entrance and, when filled, provides

nutrition at night and during inclement weather. Wax-pollen is also used to construct a brood cell from which female workers will emerge. Although these first workers are midgets compared to the queen, they take over the foraging duties completely. Disturbing a nest at this time will evoke an angry, defensive buzz from the queen. Early summer can be anything but uneventful for the apparently secluded queen. She may lose her life when a parasitic bumble bee invades the nest. This more strongly-armoured foe has a powerful sting and usually dispatches the founding queen after a fierce battle. Then, like the yellow warbler duped into raising the cowbird, the victor will seduce the workers into rearing its offspring. Another danger is other queens of her own kind. It is often possible to find several dead queens in nests with conspicuous entrances.

The normal course of events, however, has the workers of the colony increasing both in size and in number. Then fall arrives and, mysteriously, the queen lays eggs which develop into new queens and males. As the plant food sources die, so the vigour of the colony diminishes. The workers and the old founding queen, her wings frayed and her velvet coat worn and dull, succumb finally to the cold. So too, the males, but not before they impregnate the queens which will burrow into the soil to wait for the first willow catkins of spring.

### 2 RIVERS FESTIVAL Saturday, June 7th to Sunday, June 15th

This is the third year of the 2 Rivers Festival which celebrates the Speed and Eramosa rivers that meet in the city of Guelph. Partner organizations are holding river-related events in Guelph. These include hikes, paddling, water-related talks, performance, river heritage and children's events. This festival incorporates Canadian Rivers Day. These rivers share Canadian Heritage River designation with the Grand River.

*More Information:* [www.2riversfestival.org](http://www.2riversfestival.org)    *Price:* Free

**Guelph Lake Nature Centre**  
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## BIRD WING — Larry Staniforth [staniforth.larry@rogers.com](mailto:staniforth.larry@rogers.com) 519-767-2693

This will be my last year for running Bird Wing. I have been coordinating Bird Wing for almost 11 years, and it is time to pass the torch. I would urge someone from the group to consider taking over the job. I would be more than happy to assist anyone who wants to take over the reins. I have thoroughly enjoyed all of the activities, and am very proud of the advancement in expertise that the core of the group has achieved participating in Bird Wing. *Larry*

### BIRD WING HIKES

- *Hikes are bi-weekly on Thursdays until April, weekly in May/June.*
- *As usual all hikes are weather permitting in the target area. Most hikes are all day outings. We will usually lunch at local restaurants, and stop where possible for nature breaks. Bring any refreshments you deem necessary.*
- *Hikes usually depart from the parking lot of Wild Birds Unlimited. Departure times will be stated for each hike.*
- *Please dress appropriately for the weather conditions. Weather related cancellations will be done at the WBU Parking lot on day of hike. (If the weather in the target area is not good, we may go elsewhere.)*
- *Primarily these hikes are meant to be bird viewing outings, and as such it is essential that the group stays together and remains relatively quiet (the best way to find birds is by their songs). We will from time to time encounter exceptional natural sights during our hikes, and we will endeavour to enjoy these encounters when they occur, e.g. foxes, coyotes, bears, etc.*
- *Non-members of Nature Guelph are welcome to join in our hikes and meetings, but please consider becoming a member of Nature Guelph if you find them enjoyable.*

May 1st	- Long Point - 6am
May 8th	- Ruthven-Hamilton - 6am
May 15th	- MacGregor Point PP - 6 am - bring lunch to eat at park - fees
May 22nd	- Luther Marsh - 6am - bring lunch to eat at park - fees
May 29th	- Long Point - 6 am
June 5th	- Bruce Peninsula - 5 am
June 12th	- Forks of the Credit 7 am - bring lunch to eat at park - fees

*These will be the final Bird Wing Hikes. Future hikes led by Larry will be part of the Outdoor Program, and for the most part will be on weekends. Look for these to begin in September.*

### BIRD WING MEETINGS

*Meeting are held the last Monday of each month from September thru May in the basement common area at the Ellington Residences, 168 Metcalfe Street at 7:30 pm. Entrance is via the covered ramp on the north east end of the building. This will be the final Bird Wing Meeting.*

April 28th	- Chris Earley - Warbler Warm-up
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### SOUTH GUELPH COMMUNITY TREE PLANT

Clairfields Neighbourhood, Guelph, Saturday, May 3rd

Help create a Riparian Forest in the city. The greenspace will be planted with native trees, shrubs and wildflowers that will improve biodiversity and create habitat. Help plant a flowering shrub and learn how to attract nature to your neighbourhood. Dig out a European Buckthorn at home and receive a native replacement shrub here with the Buckthorn Bounty Program. This is a cooperative project for Trees for Guelph, the City of Guelph, McNeil Consumer Healthcare and the Grand River Conservation Authority. Park on the streets near the greenspace that is bounded by Clairfields West, Drohan Drive, Gibbs Crescent, Monroe Crescent and Gosling Gardens. Shovels and plants provided, rain or shine.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Price:* Free

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## TRACKING CLUB — Tamara Anderson

### CAT AND MOUSE — SUNDAY MARCH 23RD — WATERSIDE PARK, ROCKWOOD

An enthusiastic group of trackers met outside the Rockwood Conservation area on March 23rd. We carpooled to the Municipal Park in downtown Rockwood as the GRCA had closed the conservation area due to dangerous conditions from broken branches.

The first tracks belonged to a cat hunting alongside the Eramosa River. The cat tracks seemed to follow and interact with another trail which we recognized as a deer mouse. This trail proved to be very interesting. It showed us that deer mice can be "feisty fighters". The tracks of the deer mouse jumped from side to side, often turning to face the cat. The quick whip of the mouse's tail as it turned was captured neatly in the snow. Near the end of the trail, the mouse tracks showed two rear paws registering in the snow as the mouse perhaps boxed at its foe in front of an evergreen.



The tracks disappeared at this point and we all hoped that this brave underdog had made it safely up the tree. We wondered if maybe the deer mouse was watching us track its harrowing adventure while it breathed a sigh of relief from a sheltered bough.

The spring conditions must have encouraged the local mammals to get out and about. We followed their tracks on the ice-covered shoreline of the river and in the adjacent forest. In total, we saw the tracks of twelve different mammals and saw four bird species:

Cat, Deer Mouse, Cotton Tail Rabbit, Raccoon, Domestic dog, Skunk, Mink, Red squirrel – caching a dryad's saddle mushroom, Grey squirrel, Chipmunk, Porcupine, Deer (Carcass), Robin, Turkey Vulture, Raven and Crow.

Chris spotted the raven which provided a good reminder to look up and listen for bird language while pursuing mammal tracks. We back-tracked a crow's trail to where its tracks emerged from beneath a cedar tree. One member, Marcus, followed the tracks further and discovered a deer carcass that we might have missed.

Thank you to everyone for coming and sharing your knowledge and your stories. It was a very fun morning spent tracking beside the beautiful Eramosa River.



*Valerie demonstrating how a rabbit moves*

The Tracking Club will continue all year. If you would like to be on the contact list, please email Tamara at [frog-forest@hotmail.com](mailto:frog-forest@hotmail.com). Find dates of future Tracking Club activities and follow the discoveries on its blog: <http://natureguelphtracking.wordpress.com/> which can also be found on our website under Programs / Outdoor.

## OUTDOOR PROGRAM

### SUNDAY MAY 4TH — GUELPH OUTDOOR SCHOOL

Join Tamara Anderson for a visit to the Guelph Outdoor School. Meet at 9:30am at the Guelph Lake Nature Centre to car pool, or 10am at the Outdoor School.

### SATURDAY JUNE 14TH — MOTH NIGHT

Candice Talbot will lead us on a night of moth watching! Meet at 9pm at the main Arboretum parking lot (Near the Arboretum Centre). Bring a flashlight.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Thur May 1 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Long Point .....	6:00 am.....	WBU
Sun May 4 .....	Outdoor Activity .....	Guelph Outdoor School .....	9:30am.....	GLNC
Thur May 8 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Ruthven-Hamilton .....	6:00 am.....	WBU
Thur May 8 .....	Indoor Meeting .....	FLAP Canada.....	7:30 pm.....	Arboretum
Thur May 15 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	MacGregor Point .....	6:00 am.....	WBU
Thur May 22 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Luther Marsh .....	6:00 am.....	WBU
Thur May 29 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Long Point .....	6:00 am.....	WBU
Thur June 5 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Bruce Peninsula .....	5:00 am.....	WBU
Thur June 12 .....	Bird Wing Hike.....	Forks of the Credit .....	7:00 am.....	WBU
Thur June 12 .....	“Indoor” Meeting.....	Picnic & BBQ .....	6:00 pm.....	Riverside Park
Sat June 14 .....	Outdoor Activity .....	Moth Night.....	9:00 pm.....	Arboretum
Thur Sept 11.....	Indoor Meeting .....	Earth’s Extremes .....	7:30 pm.....	Arboretum
Thur Oct 9.....	Indoor Meeting .....	Rare Woody Plants.....	7:30 pm.....	Arboretum

*One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.  
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