

Summer/Fall 2019

Editor: Carl Tafel

Hot, Hot, Hot!

A lot has happened in the four months since the last newsletter was published. For those who love this hot, sunny summer, it is easy to forget the late, cold, wet spring we experienced. Spring just didn't seem to want to commit, and it was rare to have two days in a row of nice weather. Some trail sections remained icy until the end of April, and many sections remained wet until the end of June. But in many respects it was a beautiful spring; with one of the longest lasting and most vibrant displays of woodland wildflowers and flowering trees and bushes I can remember.

In this issue we'll look back on the distant and recent past, with articles on our AGM and last year's accomplishments, an introduction to our new Board and reports on our two major hiking events. The present is represented by a terrific summer and fall hike schedule, which gets underway as this goes to press. And, not to forget the future, there are notices of the many upcoming events the Club is sponsoring that we're sure you'll want to attend.

At least we hope you will.

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It is always nice to see that our lookouts and benches are being used.

Mulmur Lookout, June 2019

BRUCE TRAIL DAY, SUNDAY OCT. 6 10 AM-4 PM SPLITROCK NARROWS

Once again, the Dufferin Club will be holding Bruce Trail Day at the beautiful BTC owned Splitrock property, 755437 2nd Line E in Mono, between 25 and 30 Sideroads. Guided hikes, kid's activities, refreshments, prizes. All are welcome – please visit our web site for info and let friends and family know.

2019 AGM and Reports

by Tony Hopkins

10 AM – Shelburne Public Library: more than 40 (double from last year) Dufferin members get down to business. Minutes approved, Treasurer's report accepted – there is money in the bank, money in reserve, income exceeded expenditures and we donated \$10,000 to the Conservancy. Our Bylaws were amended to change our financial Year End from 31 December to 30 June to harmonize with Conservancy practice.

Hiking – There were full schedules of weekend and Tuesday hikes. Dufferin conducted End-2-End series in Blue Mountains and Sydenham. The Winter Badge series, although snowless, attracted 25-40 per hike and Specialty Hikes were well attended. The final 20k Challenge had 18 starters. Planning for the new 25k Challenge is well advanced, and the contest for a new badge attracted 8 entries. We now use Event Brite online registration for our big hikes, saving us hundreds of hours.

The Hike Management System invented by our Tom Thayer has been adopted as the Integrated Hike Schedule by the Conservancy. Our School Outreach initiative offers guided hikes to local elementary schools. The interactive Children's Treasure Hike has been installed at Splitrock.

Trail – We have 28 Trail Captains and 6 grass cutters maintaining the treadway. All structures are sound.

Newsletter – Publishes regularly, encourages us all to go digital for delivery.

Land Steward – We manage 8 properties of some 400 acres. We continue to pull garlic mustard, and last year planted 100 White Cedar. We have 32 bird boxes divided between 2 properties. We rent 2 parcels of land to farmers. Final approval has been granted to expand the parking lot at Splitrock, and construction will take place this summer.

Landowner Relations – Our 26 landowners remain pleased to have the trail on their land.

Conservancy Report – The Bruce trail manages 16,000 acres of preserved land, has 10,000 members and a volunteer force of 1400. The trail is now 2/3 secured, \$40 million of the \$80 million needed to buy some 750 properties to secure the rest is in hand or pledged. BTC staff now 18. The Board is emphasizing identifying possible donors and appropriate land parcels and bringing the two together. Club members can be most useful in suggesting both donors and land.

Membership – Dufferin has 434 members, up 5% from last year, above conservancy average of 3.9%. Helped by free Guidebooks donated by OPG, 22 new members signed up at Bruce Trail Day.

Archives – The archivist still needs old guide books and can always use photographs of current events/activities.

Awards – Plaques were presented to Elizabeth Griffin, Inge Eckerich, and Barb Sonzogni to commemorate their Dufferin Board service coming to an end. Tom Thayer's plaque recognized his inventing/designing the hike schedule system for the club and the Conservancy. Jim Preyde, stepping down as club President, was presented a BTC fleece.

Election of Directors – The slate of Directors was acclaimed. New to our Board: Helen Bailey, Cathy Krar, Tom Thayer.

SAVE THE DATE: Dufferin Club Theatre Orangeville Fundraiser – Oct. 16 8 pm.
Norm Foster's "Come Down From the River". Tickets \$30 To reserve call 519 942-3423



A packed house



Elizabeth, Inge and Barb receiving their plaques



Jim congratulating Tom



and trying on his new fleece

From The Archives

by Bryan Foley

I would like to thank Margaret O'Dell and Ruth Moffat for donating Editions 19.1 and 6 to the Dufferin Archives. Edition 19.1 - issued in 1995 - was the first guide book to use the six ring binder style. A revised updated edition 19.2 was issued in 1996. It's interesting to look over old editions of the trail guide, noting how much has changed over the years and how much has been achieved.

I would also like to share a bit of text from the 6th edition, 1970. "It is hoped that the Finger Lakes Trail will be extended through New York State to link the Bruce Trail with the Appalachian Trail." "The water in Georgian Bay is safe to drink." "When you smoke, sit down."

One of our favorite pub stops, Mono Cliffs Inn, was a general store where you could pick up refreshments and supplies. Of course, in 1970 the trail was marked in miles, membership was \$5.00, guide books \$3.00 and there were eleven Clubs.

These are important additions to our archives and we are slowly filling in the blanks. Still needed are many of the single digit early copies as well as editions 12 and 27. If you come across any older guide books and wish to donate them to the archives, it would be greatly appreciated.

Dufferin Hi-Land End to Ends

by Carol Foley

The Dufferin Hi-Land Two Day End to End on May 11/12 and the One Day End to End on June 15 were very successful this year. As always, the trail was in excellent condition for the hikes, and the weather co-operated! The bugs remained hidden away, the cool breezes kept the hikers happy, and the rain held off for 90% of the hikers on the One Day. As always, our checkpoints were staffed with happy, helpful volunteers and loaded with all kinds of goodies.

Our Two Day had a new twist this year in that we met and finished at the farm of Bruce Clark, adjacent to the Whitfield Church. Bruce's property was just perfect for parking and for celebrating at the finish line. Bruce was an excellent host, making us welcome and making sure we had everything that we needed. Many thanks to him for his wonderful contribution to our End to End.

145 hikers registered for the 2 Day End to End and 131 showed up. At the end of Sunday, 100 badges were handed out for successful completion.

The One Day End to End saw 83 hikers show up (from an initial registration list of 110), and 75 tired, happy hikers finished all 56 km to receive their badge. Just before the last hiker came in, an amazing rainbow graced the sky to the south of us! It really was a wonderful day.

Many thanks to all of our enthusiastic volunteers who came out with smiles and encouragement to refresh, take care of and cheer on our hikers. Thanks also to all those behind the scenes who donated baked goods, and last, and certainly not least, those who keep our trails in the best condition that the Bruce Trail has to offer.



The Return of the Monarchy

by Carl Tafel

Many of us have been heartened to see so many Monarch butterflies fluttering around the trail this year. For a few years they were in short supply. I had the privilege of watching a female Monarch meticulously lay single eggs on my six inch tall Milkweeds this spring over the course of a few days. Each egg is about the size of a pinhead, and each female lays about 500 of them, with only about 1% surviving to adulthood. Milkweed is the only plant the Monarch caterpillars will eat. I was fortunate to get a picture of a caterpillar and a shot of a cocoon, which in my eyes resembles a Faberge egg. Long live the King and Queen.



Hike Director's Report

by Les Babbage

Have you checked out the new Online Hike Schedule yet? When you visit the Hike Schedule page on the Dufferin Hi-Land website, you will now see a calendar showing the title of all upcoming DHL hikes, including Tuesday hikes. Move your cursor over the hike that interests you and the full description will appear so that you can quickly scan to see if it is the kind of hike you are looking for. Click on it and you get a printable version. And that's not all. At the top of the page is a link, "[To view all Bruce Trail Conservancy Hikes click here](#)". Click on it and you will see all hikes offered by all 9 Bruce Trail Clubs. Somewhere in there will be the best-fit hike for your location, distance and pace preferences. As with the prototype we have been using for the past year, each description includes a GoogleMap showing the meet-up location, making it easy to find. We can be very proud of Dufferin's webmaster, Tom Thayer, who is the mastermind behind this innovation. Thank you and congratulations to Tom on pulling this off!

As reported elsewhere in this edition, our two major End-to-End events this spring were a huge success thanks to the efforts of Carol Foley and her team of volunteers and Carl Tafel and his trail maintenance team who had the trail in great shape despite a wet, muddy spring. Congrats to all who contributed to these events. As always, the revenues go into land acquisition, trail maintenance and other Club expenses.

Looking ahead, our late summer/fall schedule kicks off in late August with the Changing Light hike series followed by a busy September to December. Highlights include a four hike Dufferin End-to-End series, conclusion of the Beaver Valley End-to-End series, a series exploring some of the Caledon Hills side trails, as well as hikes exploring other trails, such as Trout Hollow (Meaford), Beausoleil Island, Algonquin Park, Credit Valley Footpath, Cold Creek CA, Dundas Valley CA and the Oak Ridges Trail. Of course, we will also have lots of opportunities to hike and enjoy our own Dufferin Hi-Land section.

SAVE ANOTHER DATE Member Appreciation Night Party to be held at Horning's Mills Community Centre, Saturday November 9, 5pm-10pm. Details to follow on the website and Facebook.

GENERAL HIKE SCHEDULE

Pace:

Leisurely – 3 km/hr or less

Medium – 3 to 4 km/hr Brisk – 4 to 5 km/hr

Fast – 5+ km/hr
footing

Terrain:

Easy – Mostly flat and usually good footing

Moderate – Some hills and/or some poor footing

Strenuous – Hilly with steep climbs and some poor

All km references are to The Bruce Trail Reference: Maps and Trail Guide, Edition 29. Descriptions are abridged. For full description, Hike Leader Contact Information and GoogleMap directions, please visit our website at <https://dufferinbrucetrailclub.org>. For all hikes, bring snacks and lots of water, also lunch and or bug spray where indicated.

August 10, 2019, 09:30 - 13:00: Terra Cotta and Walking Fern - Pre-registration requested

Toronto Section, Map 13. Meet at 10th Line roadside parking (Km 38.7). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8 km. We will carpool to Heritage Road and hike back to 10th Line, then in and back along the Walking Fern Side Trail. Hike Leader: Karen Bergmann

August 16, 2019, 19:00 - 21:00: Changing Light Series, Hike #1

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet just north of Km 23.9 on 2nd Line EHS. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 7.5 km. 3 Hikes, Changing Light. SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES AND HIKERS OF ALL ABILITIES. We will hike to the Moss Haven Side Trail and return via the Oliver Creek Side Trail. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley.

August 23, 2019, 19:00 - 21:00: Changing Light Series, Hike # 2

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet just north of Km 23.9 on 2nd Line EHS. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 7.5 km. 3 Hikes, Changing Light. SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES AND HIKERS OF ALL ABILITIES. Bring a HEADLAMP. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

August 30, 2019, 19:00 - 21:00: Changing Light Series, Hike # 3

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet just north of km 23.9 on 2nd Line EHS. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 7.5 km. 3 Hikes, Changing Light. SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES AND HIKERS OF ALL ABILITIES. Bring a HEADLAMP. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

September 8, 2019, 08:15 - 14:30: Beausoleil Island - Pre-registration required

Meet at Hwy 400/Hwy 9 commuter parking at 8:15 am or at Day Tripper ferry to Beausoleil Island in Honey Harbour at 10:00 am. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8 km. Cost is \$18.00 for park entry fee, parking, ferry and Parks Canada Interpreter. Swimming opportunity. Contact hike leader, David Francis, to register. Bring lunch. Ferry limited to 20 people.

September 14, 2019, 09:30 - 14:00: Boyne Valley

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at roadside parking on 1st Line EHS, Mono, just north of the Boyne Valley Outdoor Education Centre (Km 20.6). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 14.6 km. We will hike north on the Main Trail, returning by way of the Moss Haven, Enchanted Forest and Oliver Creek Side Trails. Hike Leader: Les Babbage

September 21, 2019, 09:00 - 14:00: Beaver Valley End to End Series, Hike 5 of 7

Beaver Valley Section, Maps 25 and 26. Meet at Duncan Crevice Caves Nature Reserve parking lot (Km 33.3) on 9th Sideroad just east of Blue Mountain-Euphrasia Townline. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 13.1 km. Car pool back to Km 46.4. Hike Leaders: Les Babbage, Tristan Goguen, Pat Foley

September 28, 2019, 09:00 - 14:00: Beaver Valley End to End Series, Hike 6 of 7

Beaver Valley Section, Map 25. Meet on 12th Sideroad at Km 18.4 where the Main Trail leaves the road to the north. We will car pool back to Duncan Crevice Caves Nature Reserve parking (Km 33.3). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 15.1 km. Hike Leaders: Les Babbage, Tristan Goguen, Pat Foley

September 29, 2019: Dufferin Hi-Land End-to-End, Hike 1 of 4 - Pre-registration required

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 21, Km 56.3 (Lavender) to Km 45.7: Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 10.6 km. Pre-register by contacting the hike leader. Hike details will be provided following pre- registration. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

October 5, 2019, 09:00 - 15:30: Beaver Valley End to End Series, Hike 7 of 7

Beaver Valley Section, Maps 24 and 25. Meet at Km 0.0 at the end of Maple Lane in Swiss Meadows subdivision. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 18.4 km. We will shuttle back to 12th Sideroad (Km 18.4). Hike Leaders: Les Babbage, Tristan Goguen, Pat Foley

October 6, 2019, 10:00 - 12:30: The Dingle Loop

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at roadside parking on Coolihans Sideroad. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5km. Loop hike exploring the Dingle, Trout Ponds and ORTA Trailhead, south of Glen Haffey CA. Hike Leader: David Francis

October 12, 2019, 09:30 - 14:00: Humber Valley Heritage Trail

Humber Valley Heritage Trail. Meet at the large paved parking lot located along the Emil Kolb Parkway, about 2 km. west of Highway 50. We will shuttle back to the northern terminus. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 12 km. Hike Leader: Bob Slack

October 19, 2019, 09:00 - 15:00: "To the Top" of the Dundas Valley

Dundas Valley Conservation Area. Meet at the upper end of the Old Ancaster Inn north side parking lot. Pace: Brisk; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 18 km. Loop hike to the top of Dundas Valley and back, taking in a number of rolling trails throughout the conservation area. Hike Leader: Gilles Gagnon

October 20, 2019: Dufferin Hi-Land End-to-End, Hike 2 of 4 - Pre-registration requiredDufferin Hi-Land Section, Maps 20 & 21, Km 45.7 to Km 29.4 (Whitfield). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 16.3 km. Pre-register by contacting the hike leader. Hike details will be provided following pre- registration. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

October 26, 2019: Dufferin Hi-Land End-to-End, Hike 3 of 4 - Pre-registration requiredDufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20, Km 29.4 to Km 15.2 (Primrose). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 14.2 km. Pre-register by contacting the hike leader. Hike details will be provided following pre- registration. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

October 26, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Hockley Valley Provincial Nature Reserve

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at Bruce Trail parking lot on Hockley Road, just east of Km 60.1. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 9.5 km. Loop hike on the Main Trail and Tom East, Isabel East and Glen Cross Side Trails. Hike Leaders: Helen Bailey, Margery Cruise

November 2, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Hemlock Ridges Nature Reserve

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at Bruce Trail parking lot on east side of 5th Line EHS south of Hockley Road. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 9.3 km. Loop hike on the main Trail and Hockley Heights, Glacier, Griffith, Hemlock Ridge Side Trails. Hike Leaders: Helen Bailey, Margery Cruise

November 3, 2019, 10:00 - 12:00: Mono Tai Chi Centre

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at 5 Sideroad, Mono, north of Hwy 9 on Airport Road (Km 44.3). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5 km. Loop Hike around Mono Tai Chi Centre including tours of Tai Temples. Hike Leader: David Francis

November 3, 2019: Dufferin Hi-Land End-to-End, Hike 4 of 4 - Pre-registration required

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Maps 19 & 20, Km 15.2 to 0.0 (Mono Cliffs) Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 15.2 km, Pre-register by contacting the hike leader. Hike details will be provided following pre- registration. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

November 9, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Glen Haffy Conservation Area

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at roadside parking on Coolihans Side Road, east of Airport Rd (Km 35.1). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 10 km. We will shuttle to 7th Line parking lot off Airport Rd (Km 42.2). Hike Leader(s): Helen Bailey, Margery Cruise

November 16, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: The Dingle and Oak Ridges Moraine

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at roadside parking on Innis Lake Road at Finnerty Sideroad (Km 31.6). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 7 -10 km. We will hike The Dingle and Oak Ridges Moraine Trail. Weather permitting we will go to Trout Ponds. Hike Leaders: Helen Bailey, Margery Cruise

November 23, 2019, 09:30 - 13:30: Lavender North

Blue Mountain Section, Map 21. Meet at Lavender Cemetery roadside parking about .5 Km east of Lavender Hill Rd on Mulmur-Nottawasaga Townline. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 13.5 km. We will hike from the cemetery over to the start of the Blue Mountain section then up to Grey Rd 9 and back. Hike Leaders: Pat Foley and Tristan Goguen

November 30, 2019, 09:30 - 13:00: Cold Creek Conservation Area

Meet at Cold Creek Conservation Area parking. Park entrance is on the 11th Concession, King, about 3 km north of King Road. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 8 km. This is a relatively easy loop hike. Hike Leader: Bob Slack

December 1, 2019, 10:00 - 12:00: Welsh Tract

The Welsh Tract is located off Hwy 27 north of Hwy 9, Township of Bradford West Gwillimbury. Turn right onto 12th Line East, just past Pioneer Cemetery going north. Small parking area at entrance. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5 km. Loop hike exploring Secret Pond. Muddy sections. Bring waterproof boots. Hike Leader: David Francis

December 7, 2019, 09:30 - 13:30: Black Bank

Dufferin Hi Land Section, Map 21. Meet at roadside parking on Prince of Wales Rd approx. 1 km south of County Rd 21 (Km 46.2), where the trail leaves the road to the east. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 9.8 km. We will hike out to km 51.1 and back. Hike Leaders: Pat Foley and Tristan Goguen

December 14, 2019, 09:30 - 13:30: Boyne Valley

Dufferin Hi Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Hurontario St roadside parking, 40 metres south of Highway 89 (Km 15.2) Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 8.7 km. Loop hike including Main Trail, Boyne Valley and Murphy's Pinnacle Side. Icers or snowshoes may be required. Hike Leaders: Pat Foley and Tristan Goguen

December 28, 2019, 09:30 – 14:00: Dufferin Hi-Land “Annual Walk off the Turkey Hike“

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet on County Rd 19 (Prince of Wales Rd) where the Primrose Trail crosses (approx. 2 km north of Hwy 89). Pace: Leisurely or Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5.3 km short hike or 17.5 km longer hike. We will hike the Primrose Loop, west and east of County Rd. 19, and Main Trail to Murphy's Pinnacle. This is a 5.3 km (approx. 1 1/4 hr.) hike suitable for families and hikers wishing to do a shorter hike. For the longer hike, we continue to km 23.9 and back returning on the Boyne Valley Side Trail. Snowshoes may be required. Well behaved dogs welcome. Turkey sandwiches NOT welcome! Pub stop to follow. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

Former Dufferin Hi-Land Asst. Trail Director (and current Toronto Club Trail Director) Marlis Butcher will be giving a presentation and slide show at the Shelburne Library on Oct. 29 at 7 pm. As Marlis describes: “I'm a Canadian Park Bagger, visiting all 47 of our national parks. I will be visiting my last park, Ukkusiksalik, in July. As many of our parks do not have road access, it is difficult for most people to visit them. My objective therefore is to share the park experience. My website provides more details: www.canadianparkbagger.com.” Admission is free, and it's sure to be a great show.

Advertising is accepted and ads are included in both the print and digital versions of the newsletter. Terms: Cheque with order payable to Dufferin Bruce Trail Club, sent to Box 698, Alliston, Ont. L9R 1V9 or contact dhbtc.treasurer@gmail.com

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This newsletter looks way, way better in colour. Please consider receiving it digitally. You'll not only save the Club printing and postage costs, you'll save trees. To switch, contact Laura Tuohy (watch the spelling) at ltuohy@brucetrail.org.

Splitrock Narrows is always worth a visit, but have you checked out the new expanded parking lot? **Sweet.**



Brian Cornfield – suited up for battle. Not a lot of trees down this year, but this one was pretty big.

Trail Director's Report

by Carl Tafel

When one looks at their parched lawns, it may seem hard to believe that the grass cutting on the trail thus far has seemed relentless. The forests have been lush as well, meaning there's been a lot of lopping.

As always, I want to acknowledge the contributions of our Trail Captains, and thank Carl Alexander, Koen Leliveld and Norm Wingrove for helping me cut the grass, and Mark Richardson and Bill Duron for cutting the handshake trails on their properties.

TUESDAY HIKE SCHEDULE

Hike Leaders for all Tuesday hikes are Les Babbage, Inge Eckerich and Bob Slack. For Hike Leader Contact Information and GoogleMap directions, please visit our online Hike Schedule at <https://dufferinbrucetrailclub.org>

September 3, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Pine River Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 20. Meet at SuperBurger, intersection of Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose at 9:30 am or at roadside parking on Centre Rd in Kilgorie (Km 34.9) at 9:45 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 7.3 km. We will hike the Main Trail to Km 39.8, returning by way of Prince of Wales Rd and the Kilgorie Side Trail.

September 10, 2019, 09:30 - 13:00: Speyside Loop

Toronto Section, Map 12. Meet at parking on the east side of the Party City/Winners building, Hwy 10 at 4th Ave in Orangeville at 9:30 am, or on 15 Sideroad at Km 12.1 at 10:15 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.2 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Vanderleek, Speyside North and Speyside South Side Trails.

September 17, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Mono Cliffs - Lookout/McCarston's Lake Loop Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 19. Meet at south end of 1st Line EHS, 1.7 km south of 25 Sideroad, Mono (Km 7.9) at 9:30 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.6 km. We will hike the Main Trail and McCarston's Lake, Walter Tovell and Lookout Side Trails.

September 24, 2019, 09:30 - 15:30: Trout Hollow Loop, Meaford

Meet at SuperBurger at the intersection of Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose. We will car pool to Meaford. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy to Moderate; Distance: 14 km. We will hike the Trout Hollow Trail along the Bighead River. Bring lunch, water and snacks.

September 30 - October 2, 2019: Tuesday Hike Group Excursion: Pre-registration Required

Algonquin Park and Limberlost Nature Reserve. Monday, Sept 30: Meet at Algonquin Park West Gate at 12:00 pm. Pace: Leisurely or Medium; Terrain: Easy or Moderate; Distance: Shorter and longer hike options. We will hike trails in Algonquin Park and Limberlost Nature Reserve. Please contact hike leaders for additional information and to pre-register.

October 8, 2019, 09:30 - 13:30: Petun Conservation Area/Osler Bluffs Loop

Blue Mountain Section, Map 23. Meet at SuperBurger, intersection of Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose. We will car pool to the hike. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 7.7 km. We will hike the Main Trail and John Haigh Side Trail.

October 15, 2019, 9:30-13:00: Forks of the Credit Loop Caledon Hills, Map 15. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners at Hwy 10 and 4th Ave in Orangeville at 9:30 am or roadside parking on Forks of the Credit Rd (Km 8.6) at 9:45 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.2 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Dorothy Medhurst Side Trail.

October 22, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Crawford Lake Loop

Iroquoia Section, Map 11. Meet at parking on the east side of the Party City/Winners building, Hwy 10 at 4th Ave in Orangeville at 9:30 am, or at the Visitor Centre at Crawford Lake Conservation Area, off of Guelph Line, south of Campbellville at 10:30 am. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 6 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Crawford Lake Side Trail.

October 29, 2019, 09:30 - 14:30: Terra Cotta Loop

Toronto Section, Map 14. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners at Hwy 10 and 4th Ave in Orangeville at 9:30 am or at roadside parking on Heritage Rd, 1.2 km south of 32 Sideroad (Ballinafad Rd), where the Main Trail crosses, at 10:00 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 11.3 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Terra Cotta Side Trail. Note: This route is not reflected in Edition 29. You can find a current map on the Trail Reroute pages of the Bruce Trail Conservancy website. Bring lunch, water and snacks.

November 5, 2019, 09:30 - 12:30: Mono Cliffs -South Outlier/Walter Tovell Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Meet at Mono Community Centre parking lot in Mono Centre. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.3 km. We will hike the Laidlaw, South Outlier, Carriage, Spillway and Walter Tovell Side Trails.

November 12, 2019, 09:30 - 13:00: Credit Valley Footpath

Toronto Section, Map 13. Meet at parking on the east side of the Party City/Winners building, Hwy 10 at 4th Ave in Orangeville at 9:30 am, or at 22 Sideroad and 10th Line, km. 4.1 of the Credit Valley Footpath at 10:15 am. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.7 km. We will shuttle to km 8.8, then hike to km 9.8 and back to km 4.1.

November 19, 2019, 09:30 - 14:30: Beaver Valley - Metcalfe Rock Loop

Beaver Valley Section, Map 25. Meet at SuperBurger, intersection of Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose, at 9:30 am or at roadside parking for Duncan Crevice and Caves Provincial Nature Reserve on 9th Sideroad (Km 33.3), just east of Duncan at 10:30 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 10.3 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Chuck Grant Side Trail. Bring lunch.

November 26, 2019, 09:30 - 14:30: Oak Ridges Trail - Palgrave Forest

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at Palgrave Forest parking lot, off Hwy 50, just north of Palgrave at 9:30 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 11 km. We will car shuttle back to Coolihans Sideroad (Km 35.1) and hike the Bruce Main Trail and Oak Ridges Trail to Palgrave Forest and Wildlife Area. Bring lunch.

December 3, 2019, 09:30 - 12:00: Hockley Valley - Glen Cross/Isabel East Loop

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at Hockley Rd parking lot, just east of Km 60.1/2nd Line EHS at 9:30 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 5.3 km. We will car pool to roadside parking where Glen Cross Side Trail meets 3rd Line EHS and hike the Glen Cross and Isabel East Side Trails and the Main Trail.

December 10, 2019, 09:30 - 13:30: Scotsdale Farm Loop

Toronto Section, Map 13. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building, Hwy 10 and 4th Ave, Orangeville, at 9:30 am or at Scotsdale Farm parking lot, north-east of Trafalgar Rd, about 1 km north-west of 27 Sideroad, at 10:15 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 8.5 km. We will hike the Main Trail and the Bennett Heritage and Maureen Smith Side Trails.

December 17, 2019, 09:30 - 12:00: Island Lake Loop

Island Lake Conservation Area. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building at Hwy 10 and 4th Ave, Orangeville at 9:30 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 8.5 km. We will hike the Vicki Barron Lakeside Trail.

Dufferin Hi-Land Board of Directors

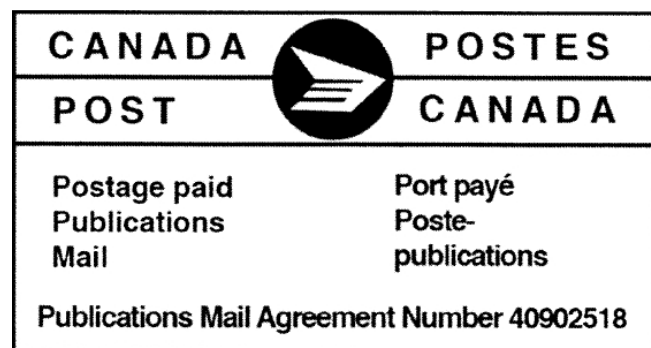
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