



**Bruce Trail
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DUFFERIN HI-LAND CLUB

HI-LAND VIEWS

Winter 2018/2019

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As this newsletter is set to go to press, there is technically another three weeks left of fall, although the entire month of November felt like a winter month. And on top of that, apparently this past November was the cloudiest month in four years. But there is still no better way to rid yourself of the winter blahs than to get outdoors. Plus winter conditions offer so many fashionable footwear choices – hiking boots, snow boots, icers, snowshoes. I am happy to wear any of these, but I still find it almost impossible to drive while wearing snowshoes.

In this edition we look back on perhaps our most ambitious Bruce Trail Day thus far, learn about the Dufferin Community Grants, enjoy the Hiking and Trail Reports, revisit some fall mushroom highlights, share a collection of hikers' comments and – of course – there's our terrific Dufferin Hi-Land tuesday and weekend hike schedules. Plus enough wonderful pictures of the great Dufferin outdoors that you'll want to put this newsletter down and get out on the trail – no matter what the weather.



Bruce Trail Day: Locally Sourced

by Tony Hopkins

Sept 30, 2018. Grey skies, cool temperatures. Perfect hiking weather, and also great for this year's Bruce Trail Day. Responding to a Conservancy wish for clubs to highlight Bruce Trail owned properties, Dufferin moved the Bruce Trail Day location from Mono Cliffs Park to our property at Splitrock Narrows. As usual, we set up our canopy and display tables, sold hotdogs, gave away pumpkin cake and gave guided hikes.

Then there were the differences: thanks to Ontario Power Generation, who donated a Bruce Trail Guide to every new member, we sold twenty new memberships. Down by the displays children hammered together pre-cut birdhouses for installing on Bruce Trail land. Up the hill, close to (but not too close to) the cliff, children scattered wildflower seeds.

This year, for the first time, we supplemented our usual advertising through cards and notices in store windows and coffee shop notice boards with paid advertisements in four local newspapers. And we rented a porta-potty, there being no concrete government comfort stations at Splitrock.

To help us gauge how the new spot was working out, we conducted a modest survey as people arrived: how did you hear about us and where did you come from? It was gratifying to hear that all our forms of advertising had been found by someone, and slightly surprising to find out that "word of mouth" was by far the most frequent answer. Given those answers, it was no surprise to find out that almost everyone, including the twenty new members, was, in one way or another, local.

All told, about sixty people - adults and children - attended, and about a dozen dogs. Everyone enjoyed the hikes, flowers, birdhouse building and cake. And, of course, everyone, including the dogs, was thrilled with the great trails and spectacular scenery at Splitrock.

Overall, although a different event from welcoming hundreds at Mono Cliffs eager to see the leaves, this "first event at our new venue" was a great success. Local people with local memberships and local children and local dogs will be repeat users of the trail. Repeat users eventually turn membership support into volunteer and donor support and long term commitment to the club and the trail.

Even on the trail, Locally Sourced means Superior Quality.



Dufferin Community Foundation Grant

On Sunday September 30 a group of dignitaries gathered at the Hockley Resort to launch the Dufferin Community Foundation by presenting the first mini grants of \$1,000 to three local charitable organizations. The Dufferin Bruce Trail Club is proud to be one of the recipients for our School Outreach Program. The money primarily goes to subsidizing the cost of busing the students to and from the trailhead. Club President Jim Preyde is shown accepting the grant.



The Childrens' Wildflower Garden

Now that we were celebrating Bruce Trail Day on one of our own properties, we thought it would be great to offer wildflower seed scattering for children. A native seed collection containing Purple Coneflower, Black Eyed Susans, Anemones, Beach Pea, Indian Blanket Flower and Bee Balm was collected and scattered. Here are some of the happy scatterers below.



A Tale of Two Sittings

Outside of Mono Cliffs Park, the Dufferin section has only four places to sit. On a beautiful September day, we added a fifth, by building a bench on the Splitrock Narrows property, overlooking the Mono countryside. Pictured are builders Jim Preyde, Brian Cornfield and Carl Alexander, who did the design and prefabrication. Thanks also goes to Ralph Tremills who did most of the digging. The bench has since been enjoyed by many people, particularly on Bruce Trail Day as it is next to the Childrens' Wildflower garden. It would be hard to find a more peaceful setting.

Jim Preyde reflects on the morning of Sunday, October 28th, as friends from the Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club hiked to this picturesque Splitrock Narrows spot. "The surroundings were lit by a slate grey sky. The previous night the season's first snow fall had covered the landscape in a soft carpet of white; tree branches were bent slightly under the weight of their frosty shawls. The view to the east was a large vista of rolling farm fields and wood lots as we gathered to remember our friend James Griffin and dedicate this bench to him; recalling happy times, a toast to his memory, a hike through the beautiful Splitrock Narrows and getting warmed up over hot coffee in Primrose – a day James would have greatly enjoyed."



Below is the inscription on the bench's plaque – a fine tribute to a wonderful man at a truly beautiful spot.

In Loving Memory of James Griffin 1937-2017

Few people embraced volunteerism with such devotion and enthusiasm as James Griffin. James served the Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club for many years as a member of the Board of Directors, a dedicated hike leader, trail captain, trail builder, donor and friend. James Griffin's selfless commitment to the Bruce Trail Conservancy's vision, his cheerful demeanor and boundless energy are greatly missed by all who knew him. Gone too soon.



Splitrock Narrows in Winter

Hike Director Report

by Les Babbage

Well, the leaves have now fallen and it's time to think about winter hiking. Time to dust off the snowshoes and attach those icers to our backpacks, just in case. This winter we will once again be offering the Winter Badge series - four hikes, two of them in daylight and two under the light of the full moon (we hope!). Bundle up and check out what it's like to see shadows of trees and hikers on a snow-covered field or to look out over a valley illuminated by the moon. We also have a full schedule of other weekend and Tuesday hikes, some longer, some shorter. No need to hibernate this winter!

You may notice some differences in our hike listings in the newsletter and especially on the Dufferin Hi-Land website. First, contact information for hike leaders has been removed from both versions in order to protect our hike leaders from spammers and scammers who harvest such information from websites. You can still contact the leader to request further information by clicking on a Contact Hike Leader link in the hike descriptions posted on the General Hikes and Tuesday Hikes pages of the website. Clicking this link brings up a blank email form on which you enter your contact information and your request to the hike leader. Once you have clicked on "I am not a robot" (seriously!), you can click submit and your request will be sent to the hike leader. You will also receive an auto-reply which will provide the hike leader's contact information. A bit cumbersome yes, but judging by the stuff I am getting on my email and phone, scammers are getting increasingly sophisticated and the risks of posting personal information on the internet are growing.

Second, our hike listings on the website now include a link to GoogleMaps, which will bring up a map showing the location where we will be meeting for the hike. You can use this map to determine the best route to take from your home and to calculate travel time required to get there.

Stay warm and have a great winter hiking season!



We received a number of comments over the past year. Thanks to all who took the time to write.

"Recently completed the Dufferin Hi-Land section of the Bruce Trail. Thanks for the wonderful opportunity you have provided for us. It was a great journey and we have many wonderful memories." Rob, Mono

"Stinking hot! Lots of bugs! An unfortunate incident with Stinging Nettle ?. LOVED IT!" Barb, St Agatha

"Thank you for all your work upkeeping this section of trail. It is beautiful, and we have created many happy memories through hiking the Dufferin highlands." Julie, Mississauga

"Mosquitoes and deer flies are out in full force. Lovely scenery. Saw skinny dippers in the small lake. Saw a deer and a fawn early morning. Nice to hike when it is a bit cooler. Lavender ... had no lavender." Deborah, Grimsby

"We enjoyed seeing the woodlands green-up and the spring and summer flowers - spotted more deer in this section than any other section." Jane

"I enjoyed all of the hikes very much and as always, the trails were well maintained and blazed. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that make it possible for everyone to enjoy the trails!" Ryan, Etobicoke

"Trail was very well maintained and blazed. Thank you to all the volunteers! Best road walking I have done, very quiet and rural." Ryan, Etobicoke

"Thanks for keeping the Bruce trail so well maintained and accessible for so many people to use and enjoy. It truly is a wonderful way to see and experience such a beautiful part of our province." Don and Sandra, Elmira

"Saw my first Larch tree, loved all the hills, rivers, creek, lake." Sandra, Waterdown

Trail Director Report

by Carl Tafel

2018 was another successful year for the Trail Division. As always, I would like to thank all of our trail captains for their contributions, and all of the hikers who reported issues on the trail. As usual, we fixed any problems before most people even noticed them. I would also like to thank the “usual suspects” who helped me with the grass cutting: Carl Alexander, Brian Cornfield, Koen Leliveld, Mark Richardson and Norm Wingrove. And I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge our fine cadre of sawyers who helped me: Carl Alexander, Bob Collin, Brian Cornfield and Bryan Foley. Much thanks also to the Ontario Parks' Warden and staff for the fine job they did clearing trees in Mono Cliffs Park. And finally, although our structures remain in excellent shape, we did replace a boardwalk on the Rock Hill property – thanks to Carl Alexander, who did the design and pre assembly, and Everhard Olivieri-Munroe, who helped me accomplish this task.



Mushrooms in the Dufferin Section

This past fall was one of the best mushroom viewing seasons in many years. Mushrooms flourish in wet conditions, and it was mainly the humidity that caused them to proliferate. The Giant Puffballs were the most notable. They were not only much bigger, they could be seen on almost every section of trail. Slime molds, sac fungi and coral fungi blanketed many areas. But perhaps the most interesting were the many tooth fungi – such as this one, photographed near km. 26.7 – and the Skirted Stinkhorns, which were found at the Centre Road entrance to the Boyne Park and on the Enchanted Forest Side Trail. The skirt on a Stinkhorn is reminiscent of the finest lace. Stinkhorns are short lived – they quickly fall over and begin to rot. And stink. The flies like them though, although flies have never been thought of as picky eaters.



GENERAL HIKE SCHEDULE

Pace:

Leisurely – 3 km/hr or less

Medium – 3 to 4 km/hr

Fast – 5+ km/hr

Terrain:

Easy – Mostly flat and usually good footing

Moderate – Some hills and/or some poor footing

Strenuous – Hilly with steep climbs and some poor footing

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://dufferinbruceclub.org/hikes/hike-schedule-internal/>

December 1, 2018, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Hockley Valley Loops

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at Hockley Rd parking lot, just east of 2nd Line EHS. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 14.3 or 11 km. We will hike the Tom East, Isabel East/Glen Cross and Cam Snell Side Trails, returning on the Main Trail. Drop out option available to shorten hike to 11 km. Bring water, snacks. Icers may be required. Coffee/lunch stop after the hike. Hike Leaders: Les Babbage; Nancy Morgan

December 2, 2018, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Beeton Forest Nature Reserve

From Hwy 9 go north on 10th Sideroad for 8.3 km to the junction with 7th Line, or from Beeton, go south on 10th Sideroad to 7th Line. Go east on 7th line to the parking lot entrance on south side, just before the Town of New Tecumseth Works Yard. Follow the road south to the parking area. Pace: Medium Terrain: Slippery and Steep Sections Distance: 5 km, Loop hike. Heritage Guide Neal Arbic will accompany us. Hike Leader: David Francis

December 8, 2018, 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM: Splitrock/Mono Cliffs Loops

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 19. Meet at Splitrock parking lot on east side of 2nd Line EHS, 1.3 km north of 25 Sideroad, Mono. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 11 km. We will hike the Splitrock, 2nd Line EHS, Walter Tovell, Lookout and Ralph Tremills Side Trails and the Main Trail. Bring water and snacks. Icers may be required. Hike Leader: Les Babbage

December 29, 2018, 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM: Dufferin Hi-Land Annual "Walk off the Turkey Hike"

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20, Boyne Valley. Meet at roadside parking on County Rd 19), where the Primrose Side Trail crosses the road (approx 2 km north of Hwy 89) Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous; Distance: 16 km. In order to walk off all that turkey, we will walk to km 23.9 and back! Bring water, lunch (no turkey sandwiches!). Snowshoes or icers. Good dogs welcome. Pub stop to follow. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

January 1, 2019, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Dufferin Hi-Land Annual New Years Day Hike

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 19. Meet at the Mono Community Centre parking lot. Take Mono Centre Road east from Hwy 10 and look for the Community Centre on your right as you approach the stop sign in Mono Centre. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8-10 km. Loop hike. All ages and levels are welcome. Bring snacks, water, icers and snowshoes. Snacks for post hike celebration welcome. Hike Leader: Les Babbage

January 5, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Snowshoe Hike on Humber Valley Heritage Trail

Humber Valley Heritage Trail. We will meet at the west end of the bridge over the Humber River on Castlederg Road, north of Bolton, about 2 km west of Highway 50, between Duffy's Lane and Humber Station Road. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 6 km. "There and back" hike. Snowshoes or icers. Hike Leader: Bob Slack

January 6, 2019, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Jokers Hill, Newmarket

Meet at roadside parking on dead-end street west of Bathurst St, Newmarket, 1.3 km north of Mulock Dr. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 5 km. Loop hike around Jokers Hill. Icers/snowshoes. Hike Leader: David Francis

January 12, 2019, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Dufferin Hi-Land Winter Badge, Hike #1 of 4

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 20. Meet at 8 Sideroad and 2nd Line EHS (km 23.9). From Hwy 89 east of Hwy 10, turn north on 1st Line EHS and go north for 4.5 km to 8 Sideroad. Turn right and park just past the curve. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 6.6 km or 8 km. We will hike south to km 20.6 and back with option to continue to km 19.9 returning via the Boyne Valley Side Trail and Main Trail. Bring snowshoes, icers, water, snacks, lunch. Hike Leaders: Les Babbage; Helen Bailey

January 19, 2019, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Laking Woodlot Outing

Tosorontio Sideroad 17 at Concession Rd 2 (9 km south of Glencairn) Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: Flexible. Jim Laking, invites us to join him for cross-country skiing or snowshoeing in a managed woodlot. Easy to challenging. Suitable for families. Marked trails for cross-country skiing. Bring lunch. Heated cabin and outdoor wood stove for lunch and breaks. Hike Leaders: Frieda Baldwin, Jim Laking

January 19, 2019, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM: Moonlight Hike, Dufferin Hi-Land Winter Badge Hike #2

Meet at 2nd Line EHS and 8 Sideroad (just north of km 23.9 Map 20) where the trail heads into the woods. From Hwy 10 and 89 at Primrose, continue north. Turn right at 5 Sideroad, left at 1st Line EHS, then right on 8 Sideroad, follow around the bend to meeting spot. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8 km. MEET AT 6:15 PM. Bring snowshoes, water, snacks, headlamp. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

January 20, 2019, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM: Exploring Mono Cliffs Provincial Park

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Mono Cliffs Provincial Park. Meet at end of 1st Line EHS, south of 25 Sideroad (km 7.9). From Hwy 10 approx 14 km north of Orangeville, turn right on 25 Sideroad, right on 1st Line EHS, follow to end. Park on east side. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 10-12 km. We will explore Mono Cliffs Prov Park as it can only be explored in winter. Bring snowshoes, water, lunch. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

January 26, 2019, 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM: Dundas Valley Winter Waterfall Hike

Iroquoia Section, Map 8. Meet at upper end of the Ancaster Mill north side parking lot. See website for driving directions. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 9 to 13 km. We'll car pool to Tiffany, Canterbury, Sherman, Tiffany, Webster's and Tews Falls in their full winter glory. Parking fees apply. Bring icers and snowshoes. RSVP via Contact Hike Leader link on website. Pub stop. Hike Leader: Gilles Gagnon

Date: January 31, 2019, 3:00 PM: Killbear Lodge Winter Weekend Snowshoe/Ski Adventure

Group 1: Thursday Jan 31 to Sunday Feb. 3; Group 2: Sunday Feb 3 to Wednesday Feb 6; 2 and 3 night options. Location: Killbear Provincial Park, north of Parry Sound. Easy to challenging snowshoe hikes. Groomed cross-country ski trails. Hike Leader(s): Frieda Baldwin

February 3, 2019, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM: Cawthra Mulock Nature Reserve, Newmarket

Meet at Nature Reserve parking lot, 500 m west of Bathurst Street, 400 m north of Green Lane. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 4 km, Loop hike. Bring icers. Hike Leader: David Francis

February 9, 2019, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Dufferin Hi-Land Winter Badge, Hike #3 of 4

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 21. Meet on Prince of Wales Rd near km 46.2 where the Main Trail turns east off of the road. Take Hwy 124 north from Shelburne for 15 km and turn right on Dufferin Road 21. Head east for 4 km and then right on Prince of Wales Rd. The meeting place is 1 km ahead. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 8 km. Snowshoe loop hike. Hike Leaders: Les Babbage; Helen Bailey

Date: February 16, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Terra Cotta Snowshoe Hike

Toronto Section, Map 14. Meet at Boston Mills Road where it dead ends, west of Mississauga Road (km 47.8) Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6 km. Loop hike west, including the Rockside Side Trail. The route and distance may be amended due to conditions. Choose snowshoes or icers, depending on trail conditions. Hike Leader: Bob Slack

February 16, 2019, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM: Minesing Swamp (near Angus)

Meet at 10:00 am in Midland at Food Basics or 11:00 am at County Road 90 and Essa 6th line. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Snowshoe hike. Bring lunch. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

February 23, 2019, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM: Moonlight Hike, Dufferin Hi-Land Winter Badge #4

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Mono Cliffs Provincial Park. Meet at end of 1st Line EHS, south of Sideroad 25 (km 7.9). From Hwy 10, 14 km north of Orangeville turn right on 25 Sideroad, right on 1st Line EHS, follow to end. Park on east side. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8 km. MEET AT 6:15! Bring snowshoes, water, snacks, headlamp. Hike Leaders: Bryan and Carol Foley

March 3, 2019, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Tai Chi Centre, Mono

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at roadside parking on Coolihans Sideroad (Km 35.1). Drive south from Mono Mills (Hwy #9 and Airport Rd) for 3 km. Turn east onto Coolihans Sideroad and travel 1.1 km where the Bruce Trail crosses. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 6 km. Loop hike. Some hills. Bring icers. Hike Leader: David Francis

March 3, 2019, 10:00 AM: 6 Mile Provincial Park (Port Severn)

Meet at 10:00 am in Midland at Food Basics, or 10:45 am at the entrance gate of Six Mile Lake Provincial Park. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy. Snowshoe hike. Bring lunch. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

March 9, 2019, 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM: Crawford Lake

Iroquoia Section, Map 11. Meet at Calcium Pits roadside parking (km 102.3) on Twiss Rd. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 11 km. Loop hike on the Main Trail and Crawford Lake Side Trail. Bring lunch and snacks. Snowshoes or icers may be required. All welcome including well-mannered dogs. Hike Leaders: Pat Foley and Tristan Goguen

March 23, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Mono Cliffs, McCarston Lake

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Meet at roadside parking at the end of 2nd Line EHS Mono, north of Mono Centre (km. 3.1). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 5 km. Loop hike. Bring snowshoes or icers. Hike Leaders: Bob Slack

March 23, 2019, 1:00 PM: Cedar Point Forest (Near Penetanguishene)

Meet at 1:00pm in Midland at Food Basics, or 1:25 pm in Laurin, Tiny Township at the corner of Cedar Point Road, and 18th Concession West. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Snowshoe hike. Hike Leader: Frieda Baldwin

March 30, 2019, 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM: Mulmur Hills/Walkers Woods

Location: Dufferin Hi-land Section, Map 20. Meet at Rockhill parking lot (km 28.6) on 1st Line EHS, just south of 10th Sideroad Mulmur, north of Hwy 89. Pace: Medium; Terrain: Strenuous, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 13 km. Loop hike. Bring lunch, snacks, water and snowshoes and/or icers. Families and well-mannered dogs welcome. Hike Leaders: Pat Foley and Tristan Goguen

April 6, 13, 20, 27, 2019: QUADZILLA Series (4 hikes) - Pre-Registration Required

Caledon Section, Map 18. Meet at parking lot on 5th Line EHS (km 53.3) just south of Hockley Road, west of Airport Road. Pace: Brisk; Terrain: Strenuous, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 24 km, This STRENUOUS series covers many steep grades found along the Hockley Valley trails. Proper foot wear and clothing a must. Please contact the hike leader to register. Loop Hike, No Drop Outs, No Badge, just satisfaction! Hike Leader: Tristan Goguen

April 7, 2019, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Tottenham Conservation Area

Tottenham Conservation Area (Mill St W, New Tecumseth). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 5 km. Loop hike. Hike Leaders: David Francis

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 Tuesday Hike Schedule at <https://dufferinbrucetrailclub.org/hikes/tuesday-hikes-internal/>

December 4, 2018, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Cold Creek Conservation Area

Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Ave) in Orangeville at 9:30 am or at Cold Creek CA, which is on 11th Concession, King, 3.5 km north of King Rd, at 10:00 am. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 6.6 km. We will hike a loop, exploring the Cold Creek CA nature trails.

December 11, 2018, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Boyne Valley Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Centre Rd parking, south of 5 Sideroad (Km 18.7). Pace: Medium; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 6.5 km. We will hike the Main Trail and Boyne Valley Side Trail.

December 18, 2018, 9:30 AM - 12:30 AM: Island Lake Loop

Location : Island Lake Conservation Area. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Ave) in Orangeville. Pace: Medium Terrain: Easy Distance: 8.2 km, We will hike the Vicky Barron Lakeside Trail loop.

January 1, 2019, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Dufferin Hi-Land Annual New Years Day Hike

Dufferin Hi-Land, Map 19. Meet at the Mono Community Centre parking lot on 2nd Line in Mono Centre. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 8-10 km. Loop hike. Work off the excesses of the night before and get a jump start on those resolutions with a casual walk through Mono Cliffs Provincial Park. All ages and levels are welcome. Bring snacks, water, icers and snowshoes if required. Snacks for post hike celebration welcome.

January 8, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Pine River/Kilgorie

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 at Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 4.5 km. We will hike down Kilgorie hill and along the Pine River. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

January 15, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Boyne Valley Side Trail Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 6.3 km. We will hike a loop around the Main and Boyne Valley Side Trails. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

January 22, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Hockley Valley/Snell Side Trail Loop

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at hiker parking at Mono Community Centre on 2nd Line EHS Mono, just south of the stop sign in Mono Centre. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 6.5 km. We will hike south from km 66.8, around the Cam Snell Side Trail loop and back. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

January 29, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Mono Cliffs North

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 4.2 km. We will hike a loop including the Walter Tovell Side Trail south from 25 Sideroad Mono, Main Trail and Lookout Side Trail. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

February 5, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 AM: Hockleycrest Loop Hike

Caledon Hills Section, Map 18. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Street in Orangeville). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 5.6 km. We will hike north from km 44.3, returning by way of the Hockleycrest Side Trail. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

February 12, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Black Bank Challenge

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 21. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 4.6 km. We will hike east and north from km 47.4. Snowshoes or icers will be required.

February 19, 2019, 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM: Forks of the Credit

Caledon Hills Section, Map 15. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Ave. in Orangeville). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 6.2 km. We will hike a loop consisting of the Main Trail and Dorothy Medhurst Side Trail. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

February 26, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 AM: Oliver Creek Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely Distance: 5.5 km, We will hike on the Main Trail east and north from km 24.2, looping back on Oliver Creek Side Trail. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

March 5, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Trimble Side Trail

Caledon Hills Section, Map 15. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Avenue) in Orangeville. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 5.5 km. We will hike the Trimble and Crow's Nest Side Trails. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

March 12, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Mono Cliffs Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 19. Meet at hiker parking at Mono Community Centre on 2nd Line Mono, just south of the stop sign in Mono Centre. Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 5.5 km, We will hike a loop on the Main Trail and McCarston's Lake, Lookout and Walter Tovell Side Trails. Snowshoes or icers may be required.

March 19, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Pine River Loop

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery and Steep Sections; Distance: 7.5 km. We will hike a loop from km 34.9, including the Main Trail and Kilgorie Side Trail.

March 26, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 AM: Nottawasaga Bluffs Loop

Blue Mountain Section, Map 22. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate, Slippery Sections Likely; Distance: 5.0 km. We will hike a loop in Nottawasaga Bluffs Conservation Area, including Main Trail and Nottawasaga Bluffs Lookout and Keyhole Side Trails. Icers may be required.

April 2, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Scotsdale Farm

Toronto Section, Map 13. Meet at Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 and 4th Avenue in Orangeville). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5.2 km. We will hike a loop including Main Trail and Bennett Heritage and Maureen Smith Side Trails.

April 9, 2019, 9:30 AM - 12:30 AM: Rock Hill Park/Moss Haven

Dufferin Hi-Land Section, Map 20. Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5.4 km. We will hike loops including Main Trail and the Rock Hill Park and Moss Haven Side Trails.

April 16, 2019, 9:30 AM - 3:30 AM: Oak Ridges Trail

Caledon Hills Section, Map 17. Meet at parking on east side of Party City/Winners building (Hwy 10 at 4th Ave in Orangeville). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Easy; Distance: 10.7 km. We will hike from Palgrave to Coolihans Sideroad along the Oak Ridges and Bruce Trails.

April 23, 2019, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM: Creemore Nature Preserve

Meet at Superburger (Hwy 10 and 89 in Primrose). Pace: Leisurely; Terrain: Moderate; Distance: 5 km. We will car pool to Creemore and explore the Creemore Nature Preserve trails.

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