

# **Directory of Environmental Organizations**

**Rideau & Cataraqui Watersheds & Area**



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## Cataraqui & Rideau Watersheds & Area



### **Purpose**

The purpose of this Directory is to help community organizations and government agencies gain a better understanding of “who is doing what” in terms of environmental and stewardship programs throughout the Rideau and Cataraqui watersheds and area.

### **Content**

There are 75 organizations listed in this Directory: 45 entries were gathered through a survey circulated by the Rideau Roundtable in 2004; 25 entries were drawn from a Stakeholder Analysis produced by St. Lawrence Islands National Park in 2002; the remaining 5 entries were drawn from a Shoreline Stewardship Directory produced by the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority in 2004.

### **Errors and Omissions**

Every attempt has been made to ensure the information contained in this Directory is accurate. Please respond to [info@rideauroundtable.ca](mailto:info@rideauroundtable.ca) if you wish to make changes or corrections. Although the Directory lists 75 organizations, there are many others that are not listed and are doing great work to keep our watersheds healthy. Their absence from the Directory does not reflect the quality of their work.

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## **Algonquin to Adirondack Conservation Initiative**

### **Mission**

The mission of A2A is to restore, enhance and maintain ecological connectivity, ecosystem function and native bio-diversity while respecting sustainable human land uses in the distinctive region of Ontario and New York State that lies between and embraces Algonquin and Adirondack Parks.

### **Geographic Area**

The area of land between Algonquin Provincial Park and Adirondack State Park is the region A2A is concerned with. They own no land but work with landowners to ensure good stewardship practises which will encourage the movement of wildlife from Algonquin to Adirondack.

### **Interests**

- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/restoration
- Biodiversity
- Responsible land use

### **Projects**

- Lake to Lake-connecting the wildlife corridor between lakes by increasing forest cover
- Bank of the Gananoque River-working with landowners to improve shorelines for wildlife movement
- Ministry of Transportation-working with the MTO to minimize the impact of Highway 401 on wildlife movement
- Official Planning of the Leeds and Thousand Islands Township
- Contribution to the Waterfront Owners Manual

### **Status**

A2A is a not for profit organization

### **Governance**

A2A is a volunteer based organization composed of members, a Board of Directors and Advisors. The Board of Directors is made up of different representatives from other related organizations such as Parks Canada, cottagers and agricultural groups. Biologists, teachers and GIS specialists make up a strong portion of the Board of Directors.

### **Communication**

- Slide Show
- Website

### **Funding**

- Membership Fees
- Donations
- Funding from various groups

### **Contact Information**

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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

# **Big Rideau Lake Association**

## **Mission**

The mission of the Big Rideau Lake Association is to monitor, maintain and protect the Rideau Lakes from Narrows Lock to Poonamalie and its environments, to secure financial support to assist in supporting these goals, and to organize and promote educational, recreational and safety programs for the well being of its members.

## **Geographic Area**

Big Rideau Lake and Lower Rideau Lake with an interest in the Rideau Lakes Watershed.

## **Interests**

- Annual water testing at several deep water sites and three near shore sites.
- Habitat and shoreline protection.
- Loon and bass spawning monitoring.

## **Methods**

- Monitoring
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education.

## **Projects**

Are discussed and organized by the Environmental Committee and cover all subjects listed under "Interests".

## **Audiences**

- Waterfront landowners
- Boaters

## **Status**

Not-for-profit, incorporated

## **Governance**

Board of Directors, 10 members

**Members** – 350

**Staff** - 0

## **Communications**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Reports
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Main Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Biosphere Network**

(Thousand Islands-Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve)

**Mission**

The Thousand Islands Frontenac Arch works with and through partners to help citizens promote solutions to reconcile the conservation of biodiversity with its sustainable use by our community.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To function as a Chamber of Sustainability for our community.
- To achieve ecological integrity for our Biosphere Reserve area.
- To encourage economic development that supports and sustains our natural ecosystems.
- To encourage Ontario and Canada to recognize the Biosphere Reserve as an area of significant biodiversity, and as a good area to invest for species at risk.
- To maintain natural connections between the 5 surrounding ecological regions.
- To build community capacity for management of a more sustainable

**Geographic Area**

Brockville to Kingston East to Westport

**Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Research
- Public education
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together



## **Projects**

- Healthy Shoreline Review  
Contact person: Don Ross  
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- Healthy Shoreline Makeovers  
Contact person: Don Ross  
Tel: 659-4590
- Nature Trails at Landon Bay  
Contact person: John Macleod  
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- Paddle1000.com  
Contact person: Don Ross  
Tel: 659-4590
- Landscape Level Database and Application to Biosphere Reserve area  
Contact person: Don Ross  
Tel: 659-4590

We have also assisted other organizations in the following projects:

- Compilation of G.I.S. database for town of Gananoque
- Completion of 700 stewardship plans over 3 years for Charleston Lake
- Compilation of conceptual plan for voluntary land management at Landon Bay
- Watershed fundraisers serve as environmentally focused, ongoing projects as well. A recent example is the sale of native trees and shrubs that ere rescued from a hydro site.

## **Audiences**

- Waterfront Landowners
- Area Organizations

## **Status**

Not for Profit, Incorporated, Registered Charity

## **Governance**

15 member board of Directors

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 150
- Active volunteers: 30
- Paid staff (FTE): 5-15

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website <http://www.biospherenetwork.com>

**Funding**

Memberships, Trillium Foundation, Human Resources Development Canada, Parks Canada, Community Foundation of Greater Kingston

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**Alternate Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Canadian Museum of Nature****Mission**

The purpose of the Canadian Museum of Nature is to increase, throughout Canada and internationally, interest in, knowledge of, and respect and appreciation for the natural world.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To be an engaging and trusted source of information for the development of a sound, knowledge-based relationship with the natural world;
- To work as a catalyst, coordinator or contributor, in a Canada-wide network of natural history expertise and resources (Curate the national collections of natural history for Canada; conduct research across Canada and around the world on topics of natural history)
- To showcase, celebrate, and encourage learning about the natural diversity of Canada and people's roles and responsibilities as members of larger natural communities;
- To be a valued contributor, to inform and to influence Canadian public policy on natural science issues.

**Geographic Area**

Mainly Canada-wide, although research is being conducted around the world.

**Interests**

- Surface water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Education
- Curate the Natural History specimens/collections

## **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- Rideau River Biodiversity Project (biodiversity and water quality).  
Contact person: Dr. Michel Poulin  
Tel: 613-566-4788
- Fish of the Ottawa Region  
Contact person: Dr. Brian Coad  
Tel: 613-364-4067
- Molluscs of the Ottawa Region (including the invasive Zebra mussel)  
Contact person: Dr. Andre Martel  
Tel: 613-364-4061
- Algae and water quality of the Ottawa Region.  
Contact person: Paul Hamilton  
Tel: 613-364-4080
- Adopt a River: School-based ecological monitoring program.  
Contact person: Catherine Dumouchel  
Tel: 613-566-4708

## **Audiences**

- Citizens of Canada/general public
- Other researchers around the world in areas of specialization
- Highschool students and community organizations (for the Adopt a River program).

## **Governance**

The Canadian Museum of Nature is a Crown Corporation, governed by a board of directors appointed by the Canadian Government.

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 2,300
- Active volunteers: 155
- Paid staff (FTE): 190

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding:** Federal Government of Canada, Foundations

**Main Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Canadian Organic Growers

**Mission**

COG Inc is Canada's national membership-based education and networking organization representing farmers, gardeners and consumers in all provinces.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Find alternatives to chemical and energy intensive food growth practices
- Creation of a decentralized food distribution system
- Promote sustainable practices in farming

**Geographic Area**

Canada

**Methods**

- Public Education/demonstration
- Events/workshops
- Information distribution
- Lobby for governmental change

**Audiences**

- Organic Farmers, gardeners and consumers
- Government

**Governance**

Board of Directors with 11 members. There are local chapters throughout all provinces.

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website
- Magazine (The Canadian Organic Grower)
- Library

**Funding:** Memberships and Magazine sales

**Contact Information**

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Fax: 613-236-0743

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Website: <http://www.cog.ca>

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Canadian Parks and Recreation Association**

**Mission**

CPRA exists to build healthy communities and enhance the quality of life and environments for all Canadians through collaboration with our members and partners.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Be a national voice for parks and recreation
- Build and nurture partnerships
- Advocate parks and recreation as essential to individual, family and community health and well-being
- Communicate and promote the values and benefits of parks and recreation
- Provide educational opportunities

**Geographic Area**

CPRA is a national organization

**Methods**

Please see the 2003-2005 CPRA's strategic plan which is available on the website.

**Projects**

For comprehensive list of their projects, please visit the website.

**Audiences**

All Canadians

**Governance**

Board of Directors, with regional directors throughout the country.

**Members and Staff**

10 staff at the CPRA National Office.

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Contact Information**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society****Mission**

CPAWS envisages a healthy eco sphere where people respect and experience natural ecosystems, where the full diversity of nature and its species is protected, and where the Earth's ecological and evolutionary processes continue unimpaired.

**Goals and Objectives**

- protecting and preserving Canada's wild ecosystems in parks, wilderness and similar natural areas
- promoting the understanding of ecological principles through education, appreciation and experience
- encouraging individual action to accomplish these goals
- working co-operatively with government, First Nations, businesses, organizations and individuals

**Geographic Area**

National, with various chapters across the country.

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Public Education
- Stewardship
- Landowner education

**Projects**

- The Algonquin to Adirondacks Conservation Campaign (A2A)  
An effort to maintain natural habitat connections for wildlife between Ontario's Algonquin Park and Adirondack Park in northern New York.
- New Park Program  
An opportunity to achieve new protected parks and wilderness areas, currently in Quebec.
- Real Parks Program  
Promoting sustainable management plans in parks.

- Boreal Forest Campaign  
An effort to effect legal protection to large networks of heartlands in the boreal forests of Canada.

**Audiences**

General public/landowners

**Status**

Non profit, charitable.

**Governance**

Board of directors

**Members and Staff**

The Ottawa Valley chapter of CPAWS has over 2000 members, dozens of active volunteers and 3 paid staff.

**Communication**

- Promotion done at canoe and camping shows
- Press releases
- Website

**Funding**

- Donations from Members
- Funding from Charitable Organizations

**Contact Information**

Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society  
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Website: [www.cpaws-ov.org](http://www.cpaws-ov.org)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## Canadian Thousand Islands Heritage Conservancy

**Mission**

We are a land trust. Our mission is to help protect the natural and cultural heritage of the Canadian Thousand Islands.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To acquire ecologically significant lands.
- To hold conservation easements on ecologically significant lands.
- To assist private property owners, government agencies and NGOs to meet their goals in protection of habitat and cultural landscapes.
- The enhancement of biodiversity on the Frontenac Arch.

**Geographic Area**

The Canadian 1000 Islands region, from Gananoque to Brockville, south to the international boundary. The northern boundary is being redefined to include the majority of lands within the Biosphere Reserve.

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes

**Projects**

- Conservation easement on 40 ha property
- Accepted donations of island properties
- Successful nomination of this area as a biosphere reserve

**Audiences**

- Island property owners
- Mainland property owners
- General public

**Status**

Not for profit, Incorporated, Registered Charity

**Governance**

12 Member Board of Directors

**Members and Staff**

- Members: 75
- Active volunteers: 12
- Paid staff (FTE): 0

**Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

Membership fees; Fund raising event (annual tour of historic island homes)

**Contact Information**

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Web site: [www.1000islands-conservancy.on.ca](http://www.1000islands-conservancy.on.ca)

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)



# Canadian Wildlife Federation

## **Mission**

Encourage a future where Canadians live harmoniously with nature and within the natural order.

## **Goals and Objectives**

- encouraging an understanding of the impact of human activities on the environment
- promoting the sustainable use of natural resources
- conducting and sponsoring research relating to wildlife and the environment
- recommending legislative changes to protect wildlife and habitats
- co-operating with organizations and government agencies with similar interests

## **Geographic Area**

Canada - national

## **Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration

## **Methods**

- Advocacy
- Public Education
- Research

## **Projects**

- species reintroduction
- species studies and research
- examination of forestry practices impacts
- contribution to the federal task force on endangered species
- conservation education programs
- promotion of international and national events ie. National Wildlife Week

## **Audiences**

General Public

## **Members and Staff**

There are 35 staff members working with CWF who include writers, biologists, accountants, receptionists etc. The CWF has over 300 000 members and supporters nationwide.

## **Communication**

The website is a major source of information for the public while booths at events such as garden shows promote the organization. CWF has very extensive educational offerings which include education kits and workshops, guidebooks and surveys. Members are also sent bulletins 4 times per year.

## **Funding**

Donations and government grants.

**Contact Information**

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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Canadian Wildlife Service****Mission**

The CWS is a national wildlife agency (part of the federal Department of Environment) which handles wildlife matters that are the responsibility of the federal government. Staff capacities include environmental science, computer science, data assimilation and biology backgrounds.

**Geographic Area**

National

**Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/Restoration

**Methods**

- Control of National and International Wildlife Treaties, helping prevent trade in endangered species
- Research

**Projects**

The CWS focuses on national and international projects that include:

- research on migratory birds which provides a science base for conservation action
- field surveys
- North American Waterfowl Plan to protect and enhance wetland habitat throughout North America
- presence of an international management board which ensures the well-being of caribou herds
- founding member of the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (produces the official list of Canadian endangered species)
- production of educational resources
- provides advice to projects planning the location of highways and pipelines to avoid sensitive habitat

**Audiences**

General Public

**Communication**

Website and Surveys

**Funding**

Federal Government

## **Contact Information**

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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## **Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority**

### **Mission**

The CRCA's programs include water management, environmental planning, forestry, habitat protection, conservation education and outdoor recreation. We own more than 4,000 hectares of land including conservation areas, boat ramps, trails, dams, environmentally sensitive areas, forests and wetlands.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- To conserve water resources, including the safeguarding, management and restoration of rivers, lakes and streams, and to work cooperatively with our partners to protect the water cycle.
- To implement policies that will protect life and property from natural hazards such as flooding and erosion.
- To conserve woodlands, wetlands and natural habitat.
- To facilitate protection of natural resources in order to conserve, restore, develop or manage them.
- To provide opportunities for the public to learn from the public open spaces within the jurisdiction, and to respect the local natural environment.

### **Geographic Area**

The area bounded by Greater Napanee to the west, Brockville to the east, Newboro to the north, and Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River to the south. Contains 11 municipalities and 10 major watersheds.

### **Interests**

- Surface water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Environmental education

### **Methods**

- Research
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes

### **Projects**

- **Cataraqui Trail** – acquisition and development of a 104 km long trail along former rail line in conjunction with local communities and trail users.  
Contact person: Rob Gerritsen, Conservation Lands Coordinator  
Tel: (613) 546-4228 ext. 234

- **Regional Groundwater Study** – coordinated groundwater study for the western part of CRCA watershed including the municipalities of Greater Napanee, Loyalist, South Frontenac and Kingston. Contact person: Steve Knechtel, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer  
Tel: (613) 546-4228 ext. 239
- **Millhaven Creek Watershed Pilot Project** – one of three pilot projects in Ontario to examine water flows and water taking permits in the Millhaven Creek system. It looks at various techniques on how to measure water flows and how much water can be taken from the creek system without causing environmental problems.  
Contact person: Sean Watt, Watershed Engineer  
Tel: (613) 546-4228 ext. 241
- **Networking with Other Organizations** – e.g. Wilton Creek Association for agricultural improvements in Wilton Creek watershed, lake association network for information sharing and encouraging community action.  
Contact person: Holly Evans, Resource Technician and Tom Beaubiah, Biologist  
Tel: (613) 546-4228 ext. 244; ext. 240
- **Workshop Series** – wells and septic, erosion control, shoreline, etc developed and delivered to target audiences of municipal staff, contractors, real estate agents and property owners.  
Contact person: Tom Beaubiah, Biologist or Karla Maki-Esdon, Communications Coordinator  
Tel: (613) 546-4228 ext. 240; ext. 226

#### **Audiences**

- Municipal councillors
- Landowners – rural, agricultural and waterfront
- Elementary and secondary school students

#### **Status**

Not for profit, registered charity.

#### **Governance**

17 Member Board of Directors appointed by member municipalities.

#### **Members and Staff**

- Active volunteers: 50
- Paid staff: 18 full-time, 10 contract

#### **Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

#### **Reports**

- River Care 2000 – Joint project of the Rideau and Cataraqui Conservation Authorities

#### **Funding**

Municipal levies, provincial and federal government grants, self-generated revenue, donations.

**Main Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Centre for Geographic Information Systems

**Mission**

Empowering Lake Associations and Citizen Scientists with Organizational, Communications and Data Management Tools. Creating Integrated Community GIS partnerships.

**Goals & Objectives**

- Get Lake Associations, Municipalities and Conservation Authorities working together.
- Show how technology exists to provide these groups with web based GIS applications that are integrated without these groups having to make substantial investments in hardware, software or GIS/technical expertise.
- Provide lake associations with tools to find out contact information for neighbouring lake associations, what projects these associations are working on, project details (i.e. steps), common libraries of agency contacts & useful web sites, ability to maintain their own membership lists and email lists (and have their own members update their own contact info), ability to see a digital GIS map of their lake, ability to add water and wildlife info to the map, capture septic re-inspection data, capture shoreline and aquatic vegetation data ....

**Geographic Area**

Application currently running in Frontenac County and Tay Valley Township.

**Interests**

- Surface water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- Implement above application with Frontenac Environmental Partnership  
Contact person: Marilyn Crawford  
Tel: 613-273-4511
- Implement above application with Tay Valley Township (Long Lake)  
Contact person: Sabah Towaij  
Tel: 613-264 0193
- Interwork application with Wildlife Habitat Canada for benthic monitoring  
Contact person: Lynn McIntyre  
Tel: 1-800-669-7919 x234

## **Audiences**

Lake Associations

## **Status**

For profit, incorporated.

(Note: it is not expected that this application will generate sufficient revenue to cover costs – it falls under the category of ‘giving back to the community’ and a ‘marketing tool’ for introducing us to new municipalities (our main product line).

## **Governance**

Privately owned

## **Members & Staff**

Paid staff (FTE): 9

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

## **Funding:**

Revenue from sales of other applications and services to municipalities.

## **Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## Centre for Sustainable Watersheds

### **Mission**

Centre for Sustainable Watersheds (CSW) was developed to provide support for community groups in water resource protection. It also aims to facilitate the channels of communication, serving as a link between community groups and different levels of government and working to improve the community position in water resource management and make the most of government programs and services.

### **Shoreline Projects (2004 and 2005)**

- New Ontario Provincial Office for the Living By Water Project
- Delivery of 100 Shoreline Consultations in the Rideau Lakes Region
- Training for other groups interested in delivering LBW programs
- Presentation of Shoreline Living workshops
- Watersheds Information Centre and Ontario Living By Water Headquarters located in Portland Ontario
- Living By Water Demonstration Site at the Portland Bay Conservation Area

### **Geographic Area**

Provincially and in the Rideau, Mississippi and Cataraqui Watersheds

### **Funding**

Federal government, foundations

### **Audiences**

- Lake associations
- Residents
- Stewardship organizations
- Government agencies

### **Governance**

Board of Directors, National Steering Committee and Advisory Committees

### **Members and Staff**

Paid staff: 10 full-time, 25 contract

#### **Main Contact**

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#### **Alternate Contact**

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Source: RVCA Shoreline Stewardship Directory (2004)

# Charleston Lake Association

## **Mission**

The mission of the CLA is to keep Charleston Lake beautiful in every way.

## **Geographic Area**

Charleston Lake and its shoreline

## **Interests**

- Surface Water
- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/Restoration
- Biodiversity

## **Methods**

- Monitoring/indicators
- Public Education

## **Projects**

Many of the CLA projects are conducted in partnership with the Charleston Lake Environmental Association, the Leeds County Land Stewardship Council and Charleston Lake Provincial Park:

- water monitoring
- promotion of Fisheries Conservation catch and release
- establishing Osprey Nesting Sites
- provide summer youth activities including swimming lessons etc.
- promotion and education concerning boat safety
- public education on how to keep Charleston Lake beautiful

## **Audiences**

- Residents/Landowners
- General Public

## **Status**

Non Profit

## **Governance**

Volunteer Board of Directors

## **Members and Staff**

There are 700 members of the Charleston Lake Association

## **Communication**

Newsletters, public education and programming act as important tools for communication.

### **Main Contact**

Don Curry (President)  
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### **Alternate Contact**

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Athens, ON, K0E 1B0  
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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)



# Charleston Lake Environmental Association

## **Mission**

The mission of the CLEA is to protect and sustain the incredible ecosystem known as Charleston Lake

## **Geographic Area**

Charleston Lake and Area

## **Interests**

- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/Restoration
- Surface Water

## **Methods**

- Monitoring/Indicators
- Public Education
- Landowner or householder education

## **Projects**

CLEA has a broad range of projects, some of which include:

- continuous and extensive water quality testing
- shoreline preservation program
- watershed inventor
- composing a Charleston Lake Management Plan
- lake use education programs

## **Audiences**

Property Owners

## **Status**

Not for Profit, registered charity

## **Governance**

Volunteer Board of Directors

## **Communication**

- Newsletter (Paper)
- Press Releases

## **Funding**

Private donations, Government grants (Trillium, Ministry of Natural Resources)

## **Contact Information**

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Athens, ON, K0E 1B0  
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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

# Charleston Lake Provincial Park

## **Mission**

The mission of Ontario Parks is to ensure that Provincial Parks protect significant natural, cultural and recreational environments while providing ample opportunities for visitors to participate in recreational activities.

## **Goals and Objectives**

- Protection
- Recreation
- Heritage Appreciation
- Tourism

## **Geographic Area**

Charleston Lake and Blue Mountain Area

## **Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Shoreline or habitat restoration/protection
- Surface water

## **Methods**

- Museum Programs
- Public Education (Interpretive Programs)

## **Projects**

- deer enclosures (to monitor vegetation and browsing levels)
- possible rerouting of a boardwalk within the Park
- Black Rat Snake monitoring
- public education including Seasonal Natural Heritage Programs
- Park Management Plan (beginning stages including public review of issues and alternatives, amendment to a boundary etc)

## **Audiences**

- General Public
- Landowner or Homeowners

## **Members and Staff**

Paid staff: 3 full time, 30 seasonal.

## **Communication**

- Word of mouth
- Ontario Parks Guide
- Ontario Parks website
- Camping and Outdoor

## **Funding**

Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Friends of Charleston Lake

**Contact Information**

Charleston Lake Provincial Park  
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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**City of Ottawa****Note**

The city of Ottawa is very large and the survey we distributed did not really fit their organization. Therefore there are small pieces of information below, but it is recommended that you visit the City of Ottawa Website at [http://www.ottawa.ca/city\\_services/environment/index\\_en.shtml](http://www.ottawa.ca/city_services/environment/index_en.shtml) to get an idea of the services and programs they provide.

**Programs**

- Natural Areas Protection and Enhancement
- Water Protection Programs
- Climate Change/Energy Efficiency/Air Quality Management
- Waste Management

**Environmental Funding Programs**

- Community Environmental Grants Program
- Community Partnership Tree Planting Projects
- Green Acres - Ottawa's Rural Reforestation Program
- Pesticide Reduction Grant Program
- Rural Clean Water Program

**Contact Information**

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Web site: [http://www.ottawa.ca/city\\_services/environment/index\\_en.shtml](http://www.ottawa.ca/city_services/environment/index_en.shtml)

Source: City of Ottawa web site (2004).

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**Crosby Lake Environment Group****Mission**

To provide information, education and networking opportunities for property owners of Crosby Lake to help them minimize their impact on the lake and its shore.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To provide information to property owners that will help them minimize their impact on the lake.
- To assist property owners to access current information on a range of environmental topics and issues that will help them make informed decisions regarding their activities on the lake and land.

**Geographic Area**

Crosby Lake (geographically located between the towns of Perth and Westport)

**Audiences**

Year-round and seasonal residents of Crosby Lake

**Status**

Non-profit, not incorporated

**Governance**

A small group of individuals.

**Members and Staff**

3 Volunteers

**Communication**

Crosby Lake Association AGM, word of mouth.

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Ducks Unlimited (Kingston Chapter)****Mission**

The mission of DU is to conserve wetlands and associated habitats for the benefit of North America's waterfowl, which in turn provide healthy environments for wildlife and people.

**Goals**

DU focuses on three major programs:

- habitat conservation
- research (Institute of Wetland and Waterfowl Research)
- education (Greenwing)

**Geographic Area**

National

**Interests**

- Surface Water
- Shoreline or Habitat Protection
- Biodiversity

## **Methods**

- Research
- Public Education

## **Projects**

Focusing their efforts on habitat conservation, research and education, DU of Eastern Ontario has been a key player in the following projects: (this list is partial)

- Wetland restoration proposals
- Input into municipal plan reviews
- Extension of educational services
- Distribution of 'How To' brochures to the public
- Land acquisition in strategic coastal areas
- Habitat conservation and restoration with private landowners

A large wall map is a tool used in the Kingston DU office to display current and proposed projects in the Eastern Ontario region.

## **Audiences**

- Landowners
- General Public

## **Status**

Not for Profit, registered charity

## **Governance**

Operations are managed by an executive vice president. There is also a board of directors.

## **Members and Staff**

Paid staff: 450 full-time in 40 offices across Canada.

## **Communication**

The national website contains plenty of information about DU. In the Kingston office, there are magazines available which highlight habitat conservation and hunting issues. The media also informs people of any DU events and projects.

## **Funding**

- Corporate donations
- Special events such as fund-raising dinners
- Membership fees
- Other DU chapters
- US Fish and Wildlife Service

## **Contact Information**

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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

## Earth Day Ottawa

### Mission

To promote environmental awareness and encourage positive environmental actions by observing the annual celebration of International Earth Day on April 22 in the Ottawa area.

### Goals and Objectives

- Hold events/contests to encourage the public, especially students, to embrace environmentally sustainable lifestyles
- Introduce alternative energy technologies such as wind and solar to young people
- Introduce engineering solutions to today's sustainability issues
- Make environmental education fun
- Encourage volunteerism and participation

### Geographic Area

Ottawa

### Interests

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change

### Methods

- Public education
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Hold awareness events and contests

### Projects

- Held annual EcoForum, 1997-2004  
Contact person: Deena Splinter  
Tel: 733-8733  
Thousands of trees planted at Brewer Park, highlighted activities of 20-30 local Environmental groups.
- Annual Solar Sprint race for students, 2000-2004  
Contact person: Deena Splinter  
Tel: 733-8733  
Up to 50 school teams construct and race solar powered model cars for competition; produce web sites and posters on solar power
- Wind Warriors, 2004  
Contact person: Deena Splinter  
Tel: 733-8733  
7 school teams make micro wind turbines for competition at EcoForum
- Ugliest School Yard Contest, 1998-99  
Contact person: Deena Splinter  
Tel: 733-8733  
Two local school yards received makeovers in conjunction with the Canadian Biodiversity Institute
- Annual poster contest, 1999-2004

**Audiences**

- Elementary students, grades 1-8
- General public
- High school students

**Status**

Not for Profit, Incorporated

**Governance**

3 Member board of Directors with an executive coordinator

**Members and Staff**

Active volunteers: 50

Paid staff (FTE): 3

**Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

- Charitable foundations – Trillium, FEF
- Corporations and businesses (events)

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Eastern Ontario Biodiversity Museum****Mission**

The mandate of the Eastern Ontario Biodiversity Museum (EOBM) is to encourage appreciation and understanding of the natural communities of Eastern Ontario and to educate about biodiversity. The EOBM is a centre for research and a repository for natural history collections representing Eastern Ontario, with a strong emphasis on gathering and sharing information with the public. The EOBM is active year-round.

The Eastern Ontario Biodiversity Museum is a typical museum with a focus on exhibits, collections and research. It has also become a leader in biodiversity education and an active learning centre in Eastern Ontario, through innovative in-house and outreach school and public programmes, activities, field outings and publications.

## **Goals and Objectives**

The Eastern Ontario Biodiversity Museum envisions a future in which the protection of biodiversity is central to the thinking, priority-setting, planning, decision-making and actions of society. To advance this goal, the Museum will be a dynamic catalyst for change in the Eastern Ontario community, helping to connect people to their homeplace and awakening their sense of kinship with all species. Through innovative programming, original research, information sharing and strategic partnerships the EOBM will play a leadership role in the preservation of our valuable natural heritage.

## **Geographic Area**

The geographical mandate of the EOBM includes Lanark, Leeds-Grenville, Ottawa-Carleton, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry, and Prescott-Russell as a core area for programming and exhibits outreach (dark green area on map). The scientific research and collections mandate extends beyond this core area to cover Eastern Ontario from Kingston to Algonquin Park to Pembroke and parts of the drainage basins of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Rivers upstream of Montreal, including areas of northern New York State and western Quebec

## **Interests**

Biodiversity

## **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring
- Publications
- Public education
- School programs

## **Projects**

- **Museum-in-a-Suitcase:** Curriculum-based program that Museum's Education Coordinator delivers in elementary, middle and high schools throughout Eastern Ontario. Titles include: The Secret Life of the Forest; Diversity of Life; Climate Change; Bug Watch/Insecta; Life Cycles and Seasonal Adaptations, and Classification of Biodiversity.  
Contact person: Andrea Howard  
Tel: 613-258-3415
- **Literacy Through Natural History:** Literacy program based on natural history information (from books and other sources), hands-on experiences, field outings, storytelling, drama and music. The Museum's Education Coordinator delivers this program to pre-schoolers (3-5 years) and early schoolers (to grade 2) throughout Eastern Ontario.  
Contact person: Andrea Howard  
Tel: 613-258-3415
- **Natural History Heritage Program:** Umbrella title for all of our research, collections and database inventory, monitoring, networking and publications projects.  
Contact person: Heather Hamilton  
Tel: 613-258-3415

## **Audiences**

- Families with children
- Schools
- General public



**Status**

Incorporated not for profit, Registered charity

**Governance**

Board of Trustees with 8 members.

**Members and Staff**

- Members: 120
- Active volunteers: 20
- Paid staff (FTE): 2

**Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

- Foundations
- Government grants
- Private donations
- Service generated income (sales, admission, memberships, programs, etc)

**Contact Information**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Eastern Ontario Model Forest

**Mission**

The Eastern Ontario Model Forest (EOMF) is a coalition of partners working together to sustain and ensure the health of the forests of eastern Ontario and beyond.

Our vision of forests for seven generations is a mosaic of healthy forest ecosystems within a landscape of rural and urban areas throughout eastern Ontario, providing long-term economic, social, and spiritual benefits, while ensuring a healthy environment that is valued by all.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Increase the quality and health of forest ecosystems in eastern Ontario
- Increase forest cover across the landscape of eastern Ontario
- Expand the population that is knowledgeable about and supportive of sustainable forest management
- Increase the transfer of sustainable forest management beyond the boundaries of the Eastern Ontario Model Forest

- Strengthen sustainable forest management through equity generation, partnership-building, and analysis and evaluation

### **Geographic Area**

The EOMF stretches over 1.5 million hectares. It is bound by the province of Quebec to the north and east, and by northern New York State to the south. It extends westward to include the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, and the County of Lanark. It also includes the territories of the Mohawk community of Akwesasne.

### **Interests**

- **Forest sustainability is our key focus**
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity

### **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

### **Projects**

*N.B. All projects described below are ongoing.*

- **Bog to Bog Landscape Demonstration**

Contact person: Pierre Boileau

Tel: (613) 487-3183

The Bog to Bog (B2B) project is working with landowners to protect and link isolated natural areas with a series of forested corridors in a study area extending from the Mer Bleue Bog to Alfred Bog, and eastward as far as Voyageur Provincial Park. A field coordinator has been working closely with landowners, through site visits, providing advice on forest and land management practices based on goals and objectives that landowners have identified for their properties. More than 60 site visits have been conducted, encompassing close to 4,100 acres in the project area. An online stewardship reporting tool has been developed which assists in connecting landowners to available extension information. Workshops covering topics ranging from conifer plantation management to backyard habitat have been an important component of B2B. Together these workshops have reached an audience of close to 500 landowners.

- **Sustainable Forest Certification in the EOMF**

Contact person: Scott Davis

Tel: (613) 258-8422

The EOMF has been the catalyst in assembling a group of landowners representing more than 10,000 acres in Lanark County, along with members of the Domtar (Cornwall) private woodlot program, which has been successful in obtaining SmartWood Resource Manager Certification in accordance with the principles and criteria of the Forest Stewardship Council. This pilot project is demonstrating

the utility of certification as a highly effective tool in promoting sustainable forest practices on the ground.

- **State of the Forest Monitoring and Reporting in the EOMF**

Contact person: Mark Rowsell

Tel: (613) 258-8400

In 1999, the EOMF released its first-ever State of the Forest Report (SOF), which reported on a suite of 18 indicators of forest sustainability. Following release of the technical report, two companion plain-language summaries were published for broad public consumption. Recent efforts, led by the Forest Science Committee of the EOMF, have been aimed at identifying gaps and refining the “starter set” of indicators reported on in 1999. A modular approach to monitoring and reporting has been adopted for the current phase of the model forest program (2002-2007), with 2 criteria to be reported on each year. A newly-developed Web site will be used as a key tool to showcase the results of ongoing criteria and indicator work. A biodiversity monitoring project involving private landowners is also underway with the goal of expanding and enhancing the capacity for biodiversity monitoring in eastern Ontario

- **Woodland Valuation System**

Contact person: Mark Rowsell

Tel: (613) 258-8400

The Woodland Valuation System is a methodology and product intended to help municipalities consider a healthy, forested landscape in their official plans. Developed by the EOMF Mapping & Information Group, in partnership with the Eastern Ontario Natural Heritage Working Group, the Woodland Valuation System uses GIS technology to identify significant woodlands on the basis of factors such as patch size, interior forest, connectivity, slope, proximity to water, and islands, adjusted to a goal of 30% forest cover by watershed. The Woodland Valuation System has been incorporated in a number of initiatives including: Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands – Schedule B in Official Plan; United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry draft Official Plan; Raisin Region Conservation Authority Natural Heritage Strategy; United Counties of Leeds and Grenville Limerick Forest Long Range Plan.

- **Black Ash Preservation**

Contact person: Elizabeth Holmes

Tel: (613) 258-8415

In partnership with the Mohawk community of Akwesasne, efforts have been underway to research and share knowledge relative to the propagation and establishment of black ash – a tree species used extensively in traditional basket making by Mohawks and other eastern First Nations.

Experimentation to discover optimum growing conditions for black ash is underway, as are ongoing efforts to collect black ash seed. The findings of the research are collected in the *Handbook for Black Ash Preservation, Reforestation / Regeneration*. The project has also engaged many individuals and communities (First Nations and otherwise) in outreach efforts aimed at preserving the centuries-old tradition of basket making. This has been in the form of numerous workshops (in eastern Ontario and beyond), along with a now-yearly black ash conference which brings together researchers and basket makers from eastern Canada and the northeastern U.S. Among other positive contributions, the project has resulted in a renewed interest in, and uptake of, basket-making at Akwesasne and beyond.

## **Audiences**

- (Forest) landowners
- Government and non-government resource management organizations
- Municipalities

## **Status**

Incorporated not-for-profit, Registered charity.

## **Governance**

EOMF is governed by a 10 member board of directors as well as standing committees and working groups.

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 500+
- Active volunteers: 100+
- Paid staff (FTE): 8

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

## **Reports**

Please see our Web site ([www.eomf.on.ca](http://www.eomf.on.ca)) for a complete list of publications or to request a hard copy of our Publications Catalogue.

## **Some examples of recent reports include:**

- The EOMF's 1998-1999 State of the Forest Report
- The EOMF's Forest Certification Policies and Procedures Manual
- A Review of the Use of Buffer Strips for the Maintenance and Enhancement of Riparian Ecosystems
- Handbook for Black Ash Preservation, Reforestation / Regeneration
- Findings of the Afforestation Survey of Landowners in Eastern Ontario
- Biodiversity Indicators for Woodland Owners
- Methods and Rationale for Assigning Woodland Value at the Patch Scale for Consideration in Planning and Conservation in Eastern Ontario

## **Funding**

The Canadian Forest Service of Natural Resources Canada provides core funding for EOMF activities and initiatives. The Ontario Trillium Foundation and the Richard Ivey Foundation are among other key financial supporters.

## **Main Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## ecoPerth

**Mission:** To demonstrate how a rural community can implement real-world climate change actions.

### Goals and Objectives

- to build awareness through action
- to show leadership related to energy, transportation, planting and food issues and communication related to climate change
- to motivate other groups and individuals in the area to take on projects, and provide necessary support

### Geographic Area

Although we are based in Perth, we provide services and implement projects throughout Lanark County and in some cases even outside Lanark County

### Interests

- Waste management/reduction/recycling
- Energy Conservation/climate change
- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration

### Methods

- Public Education
- Homeowner/landowner education
- Action projects

### Projects

- Tree & Shrub Sales – sold over 35,000 trees  
Contact person: Cheryl Nash  
Tel: 613-267-1128
- Residential Solar Hot Water System promotion  
Contact person: Bob Argue  
Tel: 613-267-1128
- Local Flavour program (farm gate sales, food box, recipes etc)  
Contact person: Cheryl Nash  
Tel: 613-267-1128
- First Class Across Canada (education/action program for grade 4 students)  
Contact person: Alfred Von Mirbach  
Tel: 613-267-1128
- ecoPerth Forest (naturalization program in downtown Perth)  
Contact person: Alfred or Cheryl  
Tel: 613-267-1128

### Audiences

- General Public
- Businesses
- Municipal Councils

**Status**

EcoPerth is an incorporated, non-profit organization.

**Governance**

EcoPerth is governed by a 3 member board of directors.

**Members and Staff**

Active volunteers: 50+

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

Done through occasional fundraisers such as selling trees or the Polar Bear Plunge.

**Main Contact**

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**Alternate Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Environment Committee of Ottawa South****Mission**

To preserve and enhance the natural environment in Old Ottawa South and beyond.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Enhance Brewer Park ecological integrity
- Restore Windsor Park ecological integrity
- Promote environmental awareness in Old Ottawa South
- Represent Old Ottawa South's interests on environmental issues
- Support similar environmental groups in our immediate area

**Interests**

- Surface water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity

## **Methods**

- Research (some, rarely original or extensive)
- Public education (minor – articles in local paper)
- Advocacy (science-based presentations, advocate fact-based decisions rather than political tactics)
- Undertake restoration projects at two local parks

## **Projects**

- Two Fish Embayments created on the Rideau River in Brewer Park  
Contact person: Hedrik Wachelka  
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- Regional Workshop called “Restore the Rideau”  
Contact person: Mike Loewen  
Tel (613) 730-9005
- Three Regional Earth Day Celebrations  
Contact person: Sandy Garland
- Restoration Plan for Windsor Park  
Contact person: Gary Lum  
Tel: (613) 730-4383
- Requiem For a Wetland - Brochure on the need to preserve Leitrim Wetlands  
(worked with CBI, Sierra Club, and variety of other groups)  
Contact person: Heather Hamilton  
Tel: 258-3415

## **Audience**

Residents of Old Ottawa South

## **Status**

Incorporated, Not for Profit. Indirectly a registered charity through the Ottawa South Community Association. (OSCA)

## **Governance**

Our Board has two co-chairs – who are also elected directors of OSCA and selected by OSCA to co-chair committees – and three chief environmental stewards. Eligibility of all five positions is based on environmental expertise/knowledge, strong ability to work collegially, demonstrated capacity to get the job done, and unwavering dedication. These five individuals manage ECOS collegially. Where decisions are not unanimous, they are based on majority vote. Major financial decisions are ratified by OSCA’s executive. (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary).

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 75-80
- Volunteers: 100+

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets, Reports
- Workshops and events
- Maps

## Reports

- Meta-data report for DFO on the Rideau River (200+ pages; 2000) – literature review

## Funding

- OSCA
- Occasional modest donations from local individuals and groups
- Small amounts from the City Of Ottawa
- Foundations
- Province
- Federal government.

## Main Contact

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## Alternate Contact

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations

### Mission

To provide representation, assistance and leadership to cottagers' associations on issues affecting their interests, and to encourage good environmental stewardship on the part of every cottager.

### Goals & Objectives

- To provide a forum for Ontario's cottagers to work together on common issues
- To communicate FOCA's concerns and positions effectively to all cottagers
- To preserve Ontario's natural environment
- To achieve fair property and education tax systems for Ontario's cottagers
- To ensure sound land-use planning policies are implemented locally and provincially
- To promote safe recreational boating

### Geographic Area

Ontario-wide, plus any international issues (e.g. transboundary movement of invasive species) that affect the waterfronts or aquatic resources of Ontario

### Interests

- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Other: taxation issues
- Other: safe boating



## **Methods**

- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- Lake Partner Program w. Ontario MOE  
Contact person: FOCA Office  
Tel: 416-429-0444
- Take The Plunge: Stewardship of Ontario's Waters (Manual)  
Contact person: FOCA Office  
Tel: 416-429-0444
- Founding Members of Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation  
Contact person: FOCA Office  
Tel: 416-429-0444
- Stewardship Seminars  
Contact person: FOCA Office  
Tel: 416-429-0444

## **Audiences**

- Lake or cottage associations
- Waterfront Landowners
- Public users of Ontario's waterways, other rural landowners

## **Status**

Incorporated, not-for-profit.

## **Governance**

Volunteer Board of Directors with 15 Members.

## **Members & Staff**

- Paid-up members: 600
- Other members: 45,000
- Active volunteers: 300
- Paid staff (FTE): 2.5

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Reports:** Take the Plunge

**Funding:** Member-based organization, fee for services

**Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Federation of Ontario Naturalists

**Mission**

FON protects Ontario's nature through three major efforts:

- research
- education
- conservation action

**Geographic Area**

Ontario, with regional directors in Carolinian East, Carolinian West, Great Lakes West, Huronia, Lake Ontario North, Northern and Ontario East. FON is responsible for over 4000 acres of land province wide which includes 20 properties and 2 conservation easements. These areas preserve some of the provinces best remaining examples of imperilled and vulnerable habitats.

**Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration

**Methods**

- Education
- Research
- Land Management
- Workshops/camps

**Projects**

FON is involved in an extensive number of projects that include:

- Active participation in Oak Ridges Moraine Campaign
- Publication of books (ie. Southern Ontario Woodlands: The Conservation Challenge)
- Southern Ontario Woodlands Project (restoration and conservation)
- Park Boundary Checklist (overview of concepts that local naturalists and citizens could use during the public consultation process on planning and development discussions)
- Establishment of twenty Important Bird Areas
- Involved in Protection for Algonquin Wolves

**Audiences**

- General Public
- Teachers
- Students

**Status**

Charitable Organization

**Governance**

Board of Directors

**Members and Staff**

- Individual members: 25,000
- Member organizations: 119

**Communication**

- Conferences and workshops
- Magazine
- Website

**Funding**

- Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Membership Fees
- Sale of merchandise

**Contact**

Federation of Ontario Naturalists  
Mike Boysen (Ontario East Regional Director)  
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Website: [www.ontarionature.org](http://www.ontarionature.org)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Fisheries and Oceans Canada****Mission**

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans has the mandate under the federal Fisheries Act to protect and conserve fish habitat in support of Canada's fisheries resources.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Achieve a net gain in of fisheries habitat
- Conservation
- Restoration
- Development

## **Geographic Area**

All Canadian waters in the Thousand Islands region within the Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Ontario-Great Lakes Area, Prescott and District boundaries is the region of focus for DFO projects and duties.

## **Interests**

- Surface Water
- Biodiversity
- Shoreline or Habitat Restoration/Preservation

## **Methods**

- Monitoring
- Public Education
- Habitat Planning

## **Projects**

DFO is involved in the following projects:

- biologists and technicians review proposals for work around water to (ie. docks and bridges) to assess compliance with the Fisheries Act
- biologists and technicians provide guidance on ways to avoid damage to fish habitat and where necessary to develop suitable habitat compensation measure where damage to fish habitat is unavoidable
- when Fisheries Act authorizations are required, environmental assessments under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act are conducted
- also participates in watershed and fish habitat planning, community outreach and stewardship

## **Audiences**

General Public (especially those living near water)

## **Members and Staff**

There are twelve staff members at the Prescott District office. These staff members include a district manager, administrative assistant, impact assessment biologists, fish habitat biologists, a fish habitat technician, a conservation and protection field supervisor and fishery officers. This office is one of many across Canada.

## **Communication**

- Website
- Fact Sheets
- Other Publications

## **Funding**

Federal Government

## **Contact**

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Web site: [www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca](http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Directory (2002)

## Friends of Charleston

### Mission

FOC aims to support the Park's management and fill in places where the Park's resources are limited.

### Projects/Programs

- Trail improvement
- Publishing research papers ie. Hunters and Gatherers
- Publishing trail guides and lake map
- Friends Store within the Park-an environmental store which sells books, t-shirts, camping materials, lake friendly sinkers etc.
- Providing entertainment in the Park
- Raffles
- Initiation of canoe rentals, fire wood sales, laundry facilities

### Audiences

Those who visit the park

### Status

Not for Profit

### Members and Staff

The organization is made up of 6 outdoor enthusiasts, cottagers and homeowners in the Charleston Lake Area. There are approximately 50 to 60 members.

### Communication

Programs within the Park

### Funding

- Membership fees
- Grants
- Sale of merchandise
- Money from raffles

### Contact Information

Friends of Charleston

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Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## Friends of the Rideau

### Mission

The Friends of the Rideau are people dedicated to preserving and enhancing the irreplaceable charm of the Rideau Canal Corridor and to develop strong public support for the long term well being of the Rideau.

## **Goals and Objectives**

- support and supplement Parks Canada's mandate for the protection of the Rideau Canal's heritage resources (cultural, environmental, recreational).
- educate residents and visitors about the heritage and values of the Rideau Waterway
- supplement the Rideau Canal's services to the visiting public
- develop strong public support for the long term well being of the Rideau Waterway
- promote co-operative Rideau Waterway information distribution

## **Geographic Area**

Rideau Corridor (Kingston to Ottawa)

## **Interests**

- Heritage
- Public Awareness

## **Methods**

- Public Education
- Information Distribution (Books, Website, Newsletter)

## **Projects**

Most of our work is cultural heritage oriented (since so many other groups are doing environmental work on the Rideau). The following are some of our environmental efforts:

- *Be Rideau Loon Aware Brochure (spring 2004 – paper, PDF and website versions)*  
Contact person: Ken Watson  
Tel: 613-283-5810 / info@rideaufriends.com
- *Bass Spawning Awareness Signs (in co-operation with MNR) – Spring 2004*  
Contact person: Ed Bebee  
Tel: 613-283-5810 / info@rideaufriends.com
- *World Heritage Nomination (2002-2004)*  
Contact person: Cam McNeil  
Tel: 613-283-5810 / info@rideaufriends.com
- *Website Info Links (including to many government sites with info on septic, fish habitat, fact sheets, Parks Canada guidelines, etc.)*  
Contact person: Ken Watson  
Tel: 613-283-5810 / info@rideaufriends.com
- *Website version of our STOP WASH Booklet (Stop Washing Away Shoreline Habitat)*  
Contact person: Ken Watson  
Tel: 613-283-5810 / info@rideaufriends.com

## **Audiences**

- Visiting (to the Rideau) Public
- Rideau Residents (year-round & seasonal)
- Other public (that can't visit the Rideau – outreach through books/website)

## **Status**

Incorporated not for profit, registered charity.

## **Governance**

Friends of the Rideau is governed by a 15 member board of directors.

## **Members and Staff**

- Paid-up members: 200
- Other members: 150
- Active volunteers: 20
- Paid staff (FTE): 1

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact Sheets
- Workshops and Events (AGM)
- Website

## **Funding**

Self funded through retail sales, memberships and private donations.

## **Contact Information**

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Web site: <http://www.rideaufriends.com>

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Friends of the Tay Watershed**

### **Mission**

The “Friends” was founded in 2002 to monitor and promote action to implement the recommendations of Tay River Watershed Management Plan and to carry out activities to ensure the ongoing care of the watershed and its related water resources.

### **Goals and Objectives**

This Association’s over-riding objective is to involve stakeholders in the watershed in programs aimed at preserving and improving the health of the water-related resources of the watershed, by:

- Promoting research and the development of information on the watershed
- Disseminating information on the watershed
- Initiating, executing, and assisting with activities to maintain water resources
- representing watershed interests in advising on the development of government policy and legislation
- Supporting activities of other organizations towards the same objectives.

### **Geographic Area**

The “most magnificent tributary in the entire Rideau Valley system”, the Tay River, and its watershed, in eastern Ontario flows 95 kilometres through beautiful lake country, Canadian shield and limestone parkland, entering the Rideau waterway at Port Elmsley and Beveridges Locks. (with apologies for the hyperbole!)

## **Interests**

- Surface Water
- Ground Water
- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/Restoration

## **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Providing technical input to government policy-development

## **Projects**

- Organization of Community Input to Tay Watershed Management Plan (Guidance, Funding and technical writing by Rideau Valley Conservation Authority; Plan Published June 2002)  
Contact person: David Taylor, Chair  
Tel: 264 0094
- Watershed Education Program (Materials and maps to Area Schools; Information dissemination to community through booths in festivals, lake association AGMs, Municipal events, mailings, and participation in conferences and seminars.  
Contact person: Carol Dillon; Orion Clark  
Tel: 264 0680
- Encourage development of sub-watershed lake plans (for lakes in the Tay watershed)  
Contact person: Karen Hunt, Cameron MacLeod  
Tel: 264 9273
- Input to Policy Discussion and Development of Technical Submission to Ontario Government Draft Water Legislation (Safe Drinking Water Act; Water Source Protection Act; Nutrient Management Act)  
Contact person: Carol Dillon  
Tel: 264 0680
- Water-edge Cleanup Activities ('Pitch-In Program'; National Shoreline Cleanup)  
Contact person: Marilyn Devolin; Carol Dillon; David Taylor  
Tel: 264 0680/264 0094

## **Audiences**

- General public
- Youth/students
- Government agencies with water resource mandates

## **Status**

Not for profit, incorporated, registered charity.

## **Governance**

15 member board of directors



**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

Memberships and Donations

**Main Contact**

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Web site: [www.tayriver.org](http://www.tayriver.org)

**Alternate Contact**

Carol Dillon, Co-President  
(613) 264 0680

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Gananoque Forestree Advisory Committee****Mission**

The purpose of this organization is to advise and educate the residents of the Gananoque region about the condition and importance of trees in the town.

**Goals and Objectives**

- hands-on planting
- tree nursery operation
- tree maintenance
- long term planning

**Geographic Area**

Town of Gananoque

**Interests**

Habitat or Shoreline Preservation/Restoration

**Methods**

- Land Management
- Planting

**Projects**

- planting, restoration and maintenance of trees
- educational workshops for the public
- private consultations for landowners about the health of their trees
- running of a tree farm to grow trees for GFAC projects and sales
- organization of long term strategic plan for the Gananoque Urban Forest

**Audiences**

- Landowners
- General Public

**Status**

Not for Profit, Charitable

**Communication**

- Media
- Word of mouth
- Website
- Brochures

**Funding**

- The Legion
- Grants from the Federal Government (ie. Ice storm grants)
- The Watershed-HRDC grants
- Donations

**Contact Information**

Gananoque Forestry Advisory Committee

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Email: [dbick@kos.net](mailto:dbick@kos.net)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## **Gananoque River Waterways Association**

**Mission**

The GRWA is committed to:

- promoting a strong sense of community along the waterways;
- maintaining and, where possible, enhancing the vitality of ecosystems within the area served by the Association;
- supporting the economic viability of the community; and
- promoting sustainable development that strengthens our social, economic and environmental assets.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Recognize that the river is part of the U.N.1000 Islands-Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve designation and leveraging opportunities arising from this designation;
- Protect and balance the interests of all stakeholders;
- Provide an opportunity for members of the community to come together and to create ways to achieve our mission;
- Conduct appropriate research into the issues that affect the quality of life on the river;
- Inform and advise members of all issues that impact the quality of the river community and seeking their advice to develop strategies to address these issues; and
- Work with the community to protect the environment.

## **Geographic Area**

The Gananoque River Waterway Association serves the community along the Gananoque River and its watershed from the Lyndhurst Dam to Marble Rock Dam in the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands.

## **Interests**

Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration

## **Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy

## **Projects**

- Shoreline restoration  
Contact person: Barbara Jones  
Tel: 613-659-5984
- Zebra Mussel testing  
Contact person: Bonnie Mabee  
Tel: 613-237-1056
- Working with ‘developer’ to put setback limits and other restrictions by means of a Township bylaw to prevent any nutrient loading from the properties to be severed and sold.  
Contact person: Cam Smith  
Tel: 613-387-3889
- Survey of all Red Horse Lake property owners re: development + nutrient loading.  
Contact person: Bonnie Mabee  
Tel: 613-237-1056

## **Audiences**

- Waterfront owners
- Waterway users – fishermen, boaters who are may not own property
- Township politicians and gov’t agencies such as CRCA, OMNR etc

## **Status**

Not for Profit, Unincorporated

## **Governance**

9 Member Board of Directors

## **Members and Staff**

- Paid-up members: 91
- Other members: 240
- Active volunteers: 12
- Paid staff (FTE): 0

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Website

### **Funding**

Membership Fees

### **Main Contact**

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### **Alternate Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Greater Bobs and Crow Lakes Association**

### **Mission**

To preserve and enhance the quality of the environment around the greater Bobs and Crow Lakes area for present and future generations.

### **Goals & Objectives**

- monitor our lakes to ensure good water quality and quantity.
- improve cottage and marine safety through marker buoys, boat training and Cottage Watch.
- promote the improvement of lake fisheries and wildlife habitats.
- provide education on environmentally sound practices.
- develop an environmental lake plan for the lakes.
- coordinate with townships and other bodies in the interests of all lake residents.

### **Geographic Area**

Bobs and Crow Lakes are part of the headwaters of the Rideau system, feeding the Tay River into Perth. These lakes are part of the Townships of South Frontenac, Central Frontenac and Tay Valley.

### **Interests**

- Surface water- lake water quality and quantity
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Walleye and lake trout management
- Development of lake plan

### **Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Work closely with Municipalities and Ministries

## **Ongoing Projects**

- Official lake Plan for Bobs and Crow Lakes  
Contact person: Peigi Wilson – Director  
Tel: (613) 279-1080
- Fisheries Habitat – rehabilitation and stocking  
Contact person: Mel Fleming - Director  
Tel: (613) 279-2871
- Water Quality Testing  
Contact person: Bonnie Carabott - Director  
Tel: (613) 279-2939

## **Completed Projects**

- Identified mapping & signage for 911 for Bedford District, South Frontenac  
Contact person: Robbie Hughes - past Director  
Tel: (613) 273 -7770
- Sponsored Pumper Truck Ball – raised over \$50,000. for pumper truck for Bedford District Fire department. Contact: Susan O'Brien Mactaggart (see below)

## **Audiences**

- Lake residents – seasonal and permanent
- Rural landowners in adjacent areas
- The Community at large in the area.

## **Status**

Incorporated not-for-profit.

## **Governance**

Board of Directors with 16 members (at present).

## **Members & Staff**

- Paid-up members: 232
- People on email list: 400
- Active volunteers: 30 to 40
- Paid staff (FTE): 0

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Annual Meeting
- Web site

## Reports

Formal research reports have not be written, however, reports for water testing, fish habitat statistics / rehabilitation reports, lake plan documentation and data are all on-going for the Association.

## Funding:

Membership fees, Donations

### Main Contact

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### Alternate Contact

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Grenville County Land Stewardship Council

### Mission

The council exists to enhance the quality of life, health, and well being of human and natural communities, and to promote their positive interaction.

### Goals & Objectives

Our goals are to encourage responsible land stewardship within the county based on long term environmental sustainability, and to work toward fulfilment of our purpose by being proactive in 3 types of activities: projects, education, and through networking and affiliations.

### Geographic Area

Grenville County

### Interests

- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Other: preserve the rural culture and character of Grenville County for future generations.

### Methods

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)

## Projects

- **Trees for Peace Program**

The Grenville Land Stewardship Council continues to plant trees and shrubs in Grenville County with the help of school children, landowners, volunteers and community groups. This project provides the landowners with information and resources to manage environmentally significant and sensitive, river and stream shorelines. The Trees for Peace Program has entered into its second year. Funding has been provided by Environment Canada through the Eco-Action Fund. A program Coordinator has been hired to coordinate and plan and implement the program. The Trees for Peace Program target is 50 site visits and 25,000 trees/shrubs to be planted in Spring 2005.

Contact person: Jackie Dunn, Project Coordinator

Tel: 613-342-8528

- **Who's Doing What?**

There are countless environmental and ecology-based groups undertaking research throughout eastern Ontario. The Grenville Land Stewardship Council would like to provide an online catalogue of organizations and their research efforts. We feel that this would promote partnerships between organizations, minimize duplication of effort, focus effort on under-studied areas, and increase the general awareness of environmental efforts in eastern Ontario.

Deliverables:

A Web site featuring: 1) A searchable database-driven catalogue of organizations including contact information and a link to the organization's Web site. 2) An area where organizations can submit their details into the organization catalogue. Submitted data will be reviewed by the Web site administrator prior to publishing. 3) A searchable database-driven catalogue of projects. 4) An area where organizations can submit projects to the project catalogue, including the ability to digitize the project study area using ArcIMS. The Web site will store the study area on the server, and the study area will be displayed on a map in search results. Submitted data will be reviewed by the Web site administrator prior to publishing. 5) A spatial search capability that allows users to digitize an area of interest on a map and returns a list of projects and organizations working in that area. 6) Online help for using all of the above.

Contact person: Jack Henry, GLSC, Stewardship Co-ordinator

Tel: 613-342-8528

- **HRSDC Eco Crew**

The Eco Crew project in partnership with Human Resources Development Canada and the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville, as well as the two Stewardship Councils has been very successful. The results have surpassed expectations and had a very positive impact on the environment and the communities of Leeds and Grenville. The Crews have provided a variety of physical labour for tree planting projects, fencing for stream restoration, nursery maintenance, forest and plantation assistance for private landowners. They have also supported many community endeavours such as cleaning up cemeteries and participating in communities in bloom activities. The Eco Crew has assisted in clearing of fire access roads in Limerick Forest, habitat improvement, and wildlife restoration projects such as the Peregrine Restoration Project in Leeds.

Contact person: Jack Henry, GLSC, Stewardship Co-ordinator

Tel: 613-342-8528

- **Limerick Forest**

The Limerick Forest Advisory Committee has successfully engineered the management of the forest and establishment of a Strategic Plan for Limerick Forest on a short and long-term basis as well as an annual activity plan to carry out the details of the work. The United Counties of Leeds & Grenville has approved a budget drafted by the manager under the direction of the Advisory Committee, and it appears the Counties sees the value in caring for this precious resource. The Limerick Forest Open House has been very successful and will be held again this year at the Chalet, on October 10, 2004.

Contact person: Jack Henry, GLSC, Stewardship Co-ordinator  
Tel: 613-342-8528

- **Fisher Video**

Pine Grove Productions, in partnership with the Lanark Stewardship Council and the Grenville Land Stewardship Council are making application to the Ontario 's Living Legacy fund to finance the production of a video on Fisher in agricultural landscape.

The video will cover the biology and ecology of the fisher. It will cover their distribution and behaviour off the Canadian Shield. The results and implications of recent studies such as the radio telemetry genetics research, a stomach analysis study, population monitoring through the rabies program and harvest records will be presented.

Contact person: Jack Henry, GLSC, Stewardship Co-ordinator  
Tel: 613-342-8528

**Audiences:**

- Landowners
- Public
- Municipal government

**Status**

Not-for-profit. Not incorporated.

**Governance**

Governed by a volunteer council with 14 members.

**Members & Staff**

- Active volunteers: 14
- Paid staff (FTE): 2

**Communication**

- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

HRDC, MNR, Grant applications.

**Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)



## **Kingston Field Naturalists**

### **Mission**

The objective of the Kingston Field Naturalists is to stimulate public interest in nature, the protection and preservation of wildlife and to acquire and provide knowledge of natural history.

### **Geographic Area**

The KFN concentrates its efforts in a 50 kilometre radius from Mac Donald Park in Kingston. They also own two sanctuaries north of Kingston and a strip of land on Amherst Island.

### **Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Shoreline or Habitat Protection/Restoration

### **Methods**

- Provide financial support to other organizations
- Public/Landowner Education

### **Projects (completed individually or through partnerships)**

- Production of the Breeding Bird Atlas
- Wetland projects
- Field trips for members
- Habitat Preservation Fund (helps to purchase land for the KFN and other groups)
- Contribution of money to external projects such as the Logger Head Shrike Program
- Letter writing campaigns

### **Audiences**

General Public

### **Status**

Not for Profit, Charitable

### **Governance**

Elected Executive Committee

### **Members and Staff**

Members: 325

Paid staff: 0

### **Communication**

- Website
- Kingston This Week
- Kingston Whig Standard
- Hotline
- Public Relations Volunteer

### **Funding**

Membership Fees

**Contact Information**

Kingston Field Naturalists  
Sid Andrews (President)  
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Website: <http://pavlov.psyc.queensu.ca/~davids/kfn.html>

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Lanark County Stewardship Council****Mission**

To sustain and enhance the natural environment of Lanark County through the combined efforts of all.

**Interests**

- Surface Water
- Shoreline or Habitat Preservation/Rehabilitation
- Biodiversity
- Ground Water

**Geographic Area**

Lanark County

**Shoreline Projects for 2004-2005**

- Assist with the Clean Water Programs - Rideau Valley and Mississippi Valley
- Support Watershed Watch Programs - Rideau Valley and Mississippi Valley
- Spawning Bed rehabilitation - Christie Lake

**Funding**

OMNR base funding, other funding sources as required.

**Audiences**

- Private Landowners of Lanark County
- Land Interest Groups that cover Lanark County as their administrative area
- Resource Agencies that cover Lanark County as their administrative area
- Upper Canada District School Board

**Governance**

Stewardship Council (10 members)

**Members and Staff**

Paid staff (FTE): 1

**Contact Information**

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Perth, Ontario, K7H 3E2  
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web: [www.ontariostewardship.org](http://www.ontariostewardship.org)

Source: RVCA Shoreline Stewardship Directory (2004)

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**Landon Bay Centre****Mission**

The LBC is dedicated to protecting our natural environment with low impact facilities and activities.

**Geographic Area**

The LBC owns, promotes and maintains a 200 acre Ecological Reserve on the Frontenac Axis. The grounds feature a campground, gardens, pavilion, walking trails and wildlife sanctuary located off of the 1000 Islands Parkway.

**Interests**

- Shoreline or Habitat protection/restoration
- Recycling

**Projects**

The LBC projects are usually based on the interests and needs of community groups.

- Non-profit organizations create their own activities on the grounds of the LBC. Church groups, Brownies and Big Sisters are a few of the groups who use the area for picnics and art sessions.
- The LBC also runs a Red Cross Lansdowne Swim Program for children.

Other organizations are a large part of the LBC's project efforts; the interlocking of efforts with various groups provides the support for the LBC to participate in projects of local interest. Some of these include:

- Recycling programs
- Regrowth of trees
- Sale of trees

**Audiences**

- Community Groups
- General Public

**Status**

Not for Profit

**Members and Staff**

- Paid staff (FTE): 3
- Volunteers: many

**Communication**

- Website
- Brochures
- Magazines sometimes advertise the centre

**Funding**

Grants (Human Resources Development Canada and Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation)

**Contact Information**

Kristine Burridge (Manager)

302-1000 Islands Parkway

P.O. Box 668

Gananoque, ON, K7G 2V2

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Website: [www.landonbay.org](http://www.landonbay.org)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## Leeds County Stewardship Council

**Mission**

Serving the Land, Lakes and People of Leeds, the Leeds County Stewardship Council works with landholders to promote responsible land care using our natural resources in ways that will not diminish the ability of future generations to enjoy the same benefits and life style we have today.

**Goals & Objectives**

- To have our land produce to its fullest sustainable potential.
- To preserve the rural character of our county for future generations.
- To have local citizens make the right choices for their environment.
- To use education and partnerships to demonstrate sustainable land use.
- To network in the community to encourage co-operation between agencies serving landowners.
- To help landowners help themselves.

**Geographic Area**

County of Leeds

**Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Other: Tree Planting

## **Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- **Adopt A Stream**  
Contact person: Rhonda Elliott  
Tel: 613-928-3195
- **Peregrine Falcon Restoration Project**  
Contact person: Dwayne Struthers  
Tel: 613-275-2321
- **Buells' Creek Restoration**  
Contact person: Bill Renkema  
Tel: 613- 345-4433
- **Big Rideau Lake Viewing Platform**  
Contact person: Garnet Baker  
Tel: 613-275-2970
- **School Yard Greening**  
Contact person: Andy Mannseichner  
Tel: 613-345-3168

## **Audiences**

- Landowners
- Elementary and high school students
- General Public

## **Status**

Not-for-profit. Not incorporated.

## **Governing body:**

Volunteer Council with fifteen members.

## **Members & Staff**

- Members: 15
- Active volunteers: 15
- Paid staff (FTE): 2

**Communication**

- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding:**

Provincial Government provides leverage funding. Environmental organizations and partnerships.

**Contact Information**

Leeds County Land Stewardship Council

Gary Neilsen (Stewardship Coordinator)

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Brockville, ON, K6V 5Y8

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Website: [www.ontariostewardship.org/LEEDS.leeds2.htm](http://www.ontariostewardship.org/LEEDS.leeds2.htm)

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Lennox and Addington Stewardship Council****Mission Statement**

The Lennox and Addington Stewardship Council is a volunteer organisation which promotes responsible land care and stewardship of our natural environment. We identify and develop ways of meeting the stewardship needs of our communities.

**Geographic Area**

Lennox and Addington County

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration
- Biodiversity
- Sustainable Forestry

**Methods**

- Public Education
- Landowner/homeowner education
- Advocacy
- Financial Assistance for other organizations
- Create networks and coalitions to bring other organizations together

**Projects**

- Trees For Peace [ 25000 trees planted ]  
Contact person: Stephen Pitt  
Tel: 613-531-5723

- Wilton Creek Partnership [ 20 stewardship plans prepared ]  
Contact person: Stephen Pitt  
Tel: 613-531-5723
- Upper Canada Woods Cooperative { 32 members / 6000 acres]  
Contact person: Cliff Maclean  
Tel: 613-477-1100
- Amherst Island Alternate Energy Pumping System  
Contact person: Chris Grooms  
Tel: 613-386-5041
- Salmon River Habitat Mapping / Assessment  
Contact person: Stephen Pitt  
Tel: 613-531-5723

### **Audiences**

- Woodlot Owners
- Rural Landowners
- School Groups

### **Governance**

Governed by a ten member board of directors.

### **Members and Staff**

Members: 10

Volunteers: 1,500

Paid staff (FTE): 1

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (paper version)
- Fact Sheets
- Press Releases
- Workshops and Events
- Website

### **Funding**

COA, Ontario Government

### **Main Contact**

Stephen Pitt, Stewardship Coordinator  
51 Heakes Lane  
Kingston, ON, K7M 9B1  
Phone: (613) 531-5723  
Fax: (613) 531-5730

### **Alternate Contact**

Dave Sexsmith, Chair  
R.R. #2  
Napanee, ON, K7R 3K7  
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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## **Lanark Leeds Green Community (LL Green)**

A project of the Rideau Environmental Action League (REAL)

### **Mission**

To protect, preserve and enhance our environment for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations through advocacy, education, recognition and projects within Eastern Ontario. To provide residents with the answers they want to live lives that sustain our region's environment, economy and society.

### **What We Do**

LL Green addresses the environmental concerns of the urban and rural residents in our region, including household heating, electricity and water use, cleaners, wells and septic, landscaping, shorelines, pesticides, etc. through social marketing and direct contact in the form of home visits, workshops and public forums.

### **Geographic Area**

Lanark, Leeds and Grenville counties, centred around the Rideau and Tay Rivers.

### **Projects**

- Green Home Visits – Susan Brandum – worked directly with 300 homeowners to reduce their energy use by a minimum 5%. Influenced close to 1,000 homeowners to reduce energy use.
- Pesticide Free Naturally – Susan Brandum – Delivered 6 “Get Your Lawn Off Drugs” workshops and 2,000 copies of Pesticide Free Naturally Action Kit throughout the region. Influenced more than 8,000 homeowners to reduce or eliminate their use of pesticides.
- Naturalizing Workshops – Susan Brandum – worked directly with 60 homeowners through workshops to naturalize properties, restore shorelines, plant trees and shrubs, reduce lawn mowing and reduce or eliminate pesticide and fertilizer use. Influenced 150 homeowners to naturalize their properties.
- Green Garden and Shoreline Visits – Susan Brandum – worked with 100 homeowners through home visits, about half along the Tay and Rideau Rivers, to naturalize their properties, restore shorelines, reduce lawn mowing and reduce or eliminate pesticide and fertilizer use. Influenced 300 homeowners to naturalize their properties.
- Rural Water Protection – Susan Brandum – Conducted 13 public workshops on wells and septic, 1 information provider workshop, and 4 talks; delivered action information to 1,500 people and conducted 75 Well Aware home visits. Influenced 3,000 rural homeowners to upgrade existing wells, decommission old wells and take care of their groundwater, wells and septic systems.

### **Audiences**

- Rural homeowners
- Urban homeowners
- Cottagers

### **Funding**

Ministry of Environment



## **Governance**

Rideau Environmental Action League (REAL) Board of Directors

## **Members and Staff**

- Paid staff (FTE): 1
- Volunteers: 3

## **Contact Information**

Susan Brandum, Manager, LL Green

Phone: 613-267-2257

Email: [sbrandum@cogeco.ca](mailto:sbrandum@cogeco.ca)

Web site (REAL): [www.rideauenvironmentalactionleague.org](http://www.rideauenvironmentalactionleague.org)

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Lower Beverley Lake Association**

### **Mission**

The mission of the LBLA is:

- to foster preservation of the pristine character of the lake environment
- to serve as a focal point for lake stewardship and improvement projects
- to provide information concerning matters related to the lake community
- to provide a forum for lake users to meet and to get know each other

### **Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration

### **Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

### **Geographic Area**

Lower Beverley Lake and its shorelines and tributaries

### **Projects**

- Clean up the lake days 2003 & 2004  
Contact person: Sandy Ellis  
Tel: (613) 340- 6394 / fsellis@earthlink.net
- Water quality monitoring  
Contact person: Don Santos  
Tel: (613) 928-3111 / mary0918@aol.com
- Wood duck and loon nesting platforms  
Contact person: Earl Patric  
Tel: (613) 359-6448 / earljeannepatric@aol.com

- Development of Association Constitution and By-laws  
Contact person: Louise Mantha  
Tel: (613) 359-9972 / [summun@sympatico.ca](mailto:summun@sympatico.ca)

#### **Audiences**

- waterfront landowners on Lower Beverley Lake
- visitors and users of the lake

#### **Status**

Not for profit, in the process of becoming incorporated.

#### **Governance**

The organization is governed by an Executive Committee made up of 7 Elected Officials.

#### **Members and Staff**

- Paid-up members: 120
- Total members: 300
- Active volunteers: 15

#### **Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Website

#### **Funding**

Membership

#### **Main Contact**

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Elgin, ON, K0G 1E0  
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Web site: <http://lbla.eton.ca>

#### **Alternate Contact**

Betty Penstone, Treasurer  
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Delta, ON, K0E 1G0

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **MAPLE**

(Mutual Association for the Protection of Lake Environments)

#### **Mission**

Our goal is to encourage lake associations to assess and protect the quality of their lake and its shoreline and to provide indigenous shrubs from our nursery to help improve shoreline quality.

#### **Interests**

Shoreline or Habitat Protection/Restoration

## **Methods**

- Land Management
- Provision of Shoreline Classification Manual
- Providing plant life

## **Geographic Area**

Generally speaking MAPLE operates, where possible throughout Ontario at various lakes and at the nursery located at Christie Lake.

## **Projects**

- Cutting (Fall) and Planting (Spring) at the nursery at Christie Lake to be able to provide the shrubs necessary for shoreline restoration.
- Distribution of Shoreline Classification manual through the Landowner Resource Centre.

## **Funding**

- Lake Associations
- Individual memberships
- MNR grant

## **Audience/Client Base**

Various Lake Associations in Eastern Ontario

## **Governance**

Board of Directors

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 10 Lake Associations
- Staff: 1 part-time summer staff
- Volunteer Directors: 3

## **Communication**

Website

## **Contact Information**

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Managing Director: Pat Ferris

Tel: (613) 747-9311

Treasurer: Austin Sweezy

tel: (613) 829-1323

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web: [www.rideauvalley.on.ca/maple](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/maple)

Source: RVCA Shoreline Stewardship Directory (2004)

# Ministry of Environment and Energy

## Lake Partner Program

### **Mission**

The MOEE is concerned with the health of water in Ontario Lakes.

### **Geographic Area**

The Lake Partner Program is concerned with lakes throughout Ontario.

### **Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Surface Water
- Shoreline or Habitat Restoration/Preservation

### **Methods**

- Monitoring
- Research
- Publishing Material
- Public Education

### **Projects**

- The **MOEE Lake Partner Program** works with volunteer cottagers and residents to observe water clarity and collect total phosphorus information for lakes across Ontario. Samples are analysed at the MOEE lab in Dorset and results are collected into the Lake Partner database and reported to the volunteers or by request. The MOEE presents information at various events such as the Cottage Life Show, The Peel Region Children's Water Festival and the Federation of Ontario Cottagers Annual General Meeting.
- The MOEE also concentrates on publishing public education material. The Lake Partner Brochure, Great Ontario Dip-In brochure and information in magazines such as the Cottage Life Magazine are also MOEE contributions to healthy lakes awareness.

### **Audiences**

- General Public
- Landowners

### **Members and Staff**

Lake Partner staff: 2

### **Communication**

- Information requests by phone or email
- Hotline

### **Funding**

Government of Ontario

**Contact**

Pam Griffiths, Lake Partner Program Assistant Co-ordinator  
Ministry of Environment and Energy, Lake Partner Program  
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Dorset, ON, P0A 1E0  
Hotline: 1-800-470-8322  
Fax: 1-705-766-2254  
Email: [lakepartner@ene.gov.on.ca](mailto:lakepartner@ene.gov.on.ca)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Nature Canada**

(formerly the Canadian Nature Federation)

**Mission**

Our mission is the protection of nature, its diversity and the processes that sustain it.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Ensure the permanent protection of habitats for birds, species at risk, and broader biodiversity
- Contribute to and enhance the effectiveness of national and international nature networks
- Build a nature ethic throughout Canadian society

**Interests**

- Energy conservation / climate change
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Bird Conservation
- Endangered Species and National Wildlife Areas

**Methods**

- Public education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

**Geographic Area**

Canada and South America

**Projects**

- Stewardship - Communities in Action Fund  
Contact person: Kate McNeil  
Tel: 613-562-3447
- Bird Conservation - Important Bird Areas  
Contact person: Sara Wren  
Tel: 613-562-3447

- Protected Areas  
Contact person: Marc Johnson  
Tel: 613-562-3447
- Species at Risk Report Card  
Contact person: Marc Johnson  
Tel: 613-562-3447
- Nature Watch Programs  
Contact person: David Atkinson  
Tel: 613-562-3447

### **Audiences**

- Government and decision makers
- General Public and members
- Educators and students

### **Status**

Not for profit organization, registered charity.

### **Governance**

Nature Canada is governed by an 8 member Board of Directors.

### **Members and Staff**

- Paid-up members: 6,000
- Total members: 34,000
- Active volunteers: 50
- Paid staff (FTE): 19

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Reports
- Press releases
- Website

### **Funding**

- Donations, memberships, and bequests
- Corporation and foundation funding

### **Main Contact**

Ruth Catana, Director of Public Affairs  
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Ottawa, ON, K1N 7B7  
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Fax: 613-562-3371  
Web site: [www.cnf.ca](http://www.cnf.ca)

### **Alternate Contact**

Darcie Barnatt, Communication Coordinator

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

# Nature Conservancy of Canada

## **Mission**

The goal of the NCC is to ensure all the natural areas it is involved in helping to care for, sustain into the future the natural ecosystems that define them. They will preserve ecologically significant areas by:

- outright purchase of land
- accepting land donations
- conservation easements

## **Geographic Area**

All of Canada

## **Projects**

The NCC is concerned with the acquisition of land and the protection of these lands. This organization identifies significant land based on a criteria list to evaluate its ecological value. Once land is identified as significant, the NCC may approach private or public landowners in an effort to acquire the land, encourage a donation or conservation easement and protect that area.

In Ontario, NCC is currently focused on the following properties:

- Happy Valley Forest (Greater Toronto Area)-to secure and preserve this natural heritage area
- Clear Creek Forest (Chatham-Kent Area)-negotiated a 1 year reprieve to allow time to secure its protection
- Long Swamp (Bruce Peninsula)-secured 3 key holdings within Long Swamp
- Awenda Provincial Park Extension (Penetanguishene Peninsula)-additional property will be managed as part of the provincial park system in co-operation with the NCC
- Bickford Oak Woods (south of Sarnia)- negotiated an option to purchase this rare 762 acre forest
- Alfred Bog (east of Ottawa)- negotiated an option to purchase over 3000 acres of Alfred Bog

## **Status**

National Charity

## **Members and Staff**

No precise numbers

## **Funding**

- Sponsors
- Government funding
- Grants
- Private donors

## **Communication**

- Website
- Globe and Mail
- Radio and television ads

**Contact Information**

Nature Conservancy of Canada  
John Grant (Regional Director)  
Orchard Park Office Centre  
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Fax: 1-519-826-9206  
Email: [ontario@natureconservancy.ca](mailto:ontario@natureconservancy.ca)  
Website: [www.natureconservancy.ca](http://www.natureconservancy.ca)

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Ontario Federation of Agriculture (Lanark County)****Mission**

“Farmers Working for Farmers”....The mission of the OFA is to improve the economic and social well-being of farmers in cooperation with county, commodity and rural farm groups.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To educate members about various programs that may affect them.
- To develop leadership in the agricultural community
- To assist in lobbying efforts.
- To assist members with various problems.
- To inform the county organization of what the provincial body is doing.

**Geographic Area**

Lanark County

**Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Surface water
- Ground water

**Methods**

- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

**Projects**

- Commissioned an “Economic Impacts of Agriculture on the Economy of Lanark County

**Audiences**

Farmers

**Status**

Not for Profit, Unincorporated



**Governance**

A Board of Directors of up to 16 members

**Members and Staff**

- Members: 460
- Active volunteers: 20
- Paid staff: 0

**Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events

**Funding**

Membership Fees

**Main Contact**

John Vander Spank, President  
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Lanark, ON, K0G 1K0  
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**Alternate Contact**

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Carleton Place, ON, K7C 4G5  
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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Ontario Federation of Agriculture (Frontenac, Leeds, Grenville, Dundas)****Contact Information**

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**Ontario Federation of Agriculture (Lanark, Renfrew, Ottawa, Carleton)****Contact Information**

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# Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters

## **Mission**

We aim to protect Ontario's hunting and fishing heritage and promote conservation and wise use of our natural resources.

## **Interests**

- Shoreline or Habitat Preservation/Restoration
- Surface Water

## **Methods**

- Research
- Public education

## **Geographic Area**

Projects and efforts are distributed all across Ontario.

## **Projects**

OFAH's past and current projects include:

- Reintroduction of Eastern Elk
- Pheasant introduction
- Quail reintroduction
- Fish Hatchery and stocking programs
- Research involving fish age and mortality
- Youth outdoor activity programs (OFAH Get Outdoors)
- Prairie Tall Grass programs
- Travelling Teacher programs
- Hunter Education programs

## **Audiences**

- Anglers and Hunters
- General Public

## **Status**

Non-profit, charitable

## **Members and Staff**

- Staff: 38
- Members (individuals): 83,000
- Members (organizations): 620

## **Communication**

- Website
- Education Programs

## **Funding**

- Membership sales
- Corporate sponsorship
- Conservation donations
- Fund raising activities

**Main Contact**

Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters  
Mark Cousins (Communications Liaison)  
P.O. Box 2800  
Peterborough, ON, K9J 8L5  
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**Alternate Contact**

Dick Blanchfield, Chair  
Zone F, Eastern Ontario  
1-613-826-2362

Source: 1000 Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Ontario Marine Operators Association****Mission**

The Ontario Marine Operators Association is a group of 600 marinas, yacht clubs and associated companies, working together since 1967 with a common goal of promoting recreational boating in Ontario.

**Goals & Objectives**

- Promote and encourage boating as a recreation
- Encourage safe and environmentally responsible boating practices
- Provide information to visitors from outside Canada
- Encourage among marina operators, a sensitivity to the needs of all recreational water users
- Provide water access to all types of recreational water users including cottagers with no land access.

**Geographic Area**

All of Ontario, land and water-based marina and yacht club facilities.

**Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration

**Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Other: Environmental education of marina operators and boating groups

**Projects**

- Developed Clean Marine Operations Handbook and Clean Marine Eco-Rating Program  
Contact person: Robert Eaton. Tel: (705) 326-9359

- Eco-Rated (environmentally certified) 194 marinas  
Contact person: Robert Eaton. Tel: (705) 326-9359
- Developed Clean Boater Program  
Contact person: Cyndi Hodgson. Tel: (705) 549-1667

### **Audiences**

- Marinas & yacht clubs
- Boaters of all types (sailors, power boaters, cottagers, paddlers).

### **Status**

Not-for-profit, incorporated.

### **Governance**

Board of Directors with 10 members.

### **Members & Staff**

- Members: 600
- Active volunteers: 50
- Paid staff (FTE): 4

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

### **Funding:**

- Member contributions
- Environmental programs: Marine Expert Insurance, MOE, Environment Canada, Trillium Foundation

### **Main Contact**

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### **Alternate Contact**

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Penetanguishene, ON, L9M 1M2  
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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## **Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG - Carleton)**

### **Mission**

OPIRG-Carleton is a student run, non-profit organization that does research, provides educational programming and engages in action on environmental and social justice issues.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- Lobby, research and implement sustainable campus practices
- Augment green space on Carleton's Campus (adjacent to the Rideau River)
- Educate on issues of globalization and its impacts
- Indigenous solidarity issues
- Promote anti-oppressive organizing

### **Geographic Area**

Carleton University between Bronson and HogsBack, and the Ottawa area.

### **Interests**

- Habitat or Shoreline Protection/Restoration

### **Methods**

- Research
- Public education
- Advocacy

### **Projects**

- Carleton Sustainability Campus Network  
Contact person: Karen Hawley  
Tel: 520-2757
- Naturalization of Oxbow Park (on campus site)  
Contact person: Karen Hawley  
Tel: 520-2757

### **Audiences**

- Local Ottawa South Community
- Campus Community (Staff, Faculty, Students)

### **Status**

OPRIG is an incorporated not for profit provincially registered charity.

### **Governance**

OPRIG Carleton is governed by a 7 member board of directors.

### **Members and Staff**

- Members (students): 14,000
- Active volunteers: 75
- Paid staff (FTE): 2

## **Communication**

- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

## **Funding**

Membership Dues

## **Main Contact**

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## **Alternate Contact**

Jeff Monaghan, Board Member

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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# **Ottawa Stewardship Council**

## **Mission**

To work in partnership with individuals, organizations and communities throughout the Ottawa area to promote and maintain a healthy environment.

## **Goals & Objectives**

- To facilitate programs for landowners and residents which will assist them in protecting, restoring, enhancing and managing land in a sustainable manner.
- To promote educational opportunities relating to environmental stewardship through initiatives such as demonstration models, tours, lectures, etc.
- To act strategically in terms of the Ottawa area landscape in identifying additional needs in services, knowledge and programs related to environmental stewardship.
- To involve, network with and solicit support from a diverse base of the Ottawa area community including: individuals, groups, organizations and agencies.
- To encourage creative alternatives and/or Best Management Practices whenever possible to non-sustainable environmental practices by agencies or landowners.
- To assist in developing programs which encourage people to set objectives for their properties and to achieve those objectives.

## **Geographic Area**

City of Ottawa (Urban and Rural)

## **Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Other: Fish, Wildlife, Soil, Agriculture
- Other: Education, Public Awareness

## **Methods**

- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Other: Help provide project resources

## **Projects**

- Ottawa Envirothon Regional Competition  
Contact person: Joffre Cote, Stewardship Coordinator  
Tel: 613-692-0014
- Green Acres, Ottawa's Rural Reforestation Program  
Contact person: Joffre Cote, Stewardship Coordinator  
Tel: 613-692-0014
- Ottawa Wildlife Festival  
Contact person: Madeline Kallio, Festival Coordinator  
Tel: 613-831-2253
- Bog to Bog Project  
Contact person: Pierre Boileau, Project Coordinator  
Tel: 613-487-3183
- Eastern Ontario Children's Water Festival  
Contact person: Robert Gratton, Festival Coordinator  
Tel: 613-936-6620 ext. 229

## **Audiences**

- All landowners.
- General Public in Ottawa.
- Youth in Ottawa

## **Status**

Not-for-profit. Not incorporated.

## **Governance**

Board of directors with up to 15 members.

## **Members & Staff**

- Members: 15
- Active volunteers: 200+
- Paid staff (FTE): 1.25

## **Communication**

- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

## **Funding**

- Government Seed Funding
- Grant applications

## **Main Contact**

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## **Alternate Contact**

Rosalind Kee, Administrative Assistant  
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Phone #2: 613-692-0160

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Parks Canada - Rideau Canal**

### **Mission**

Historic Canals Policy Objective: To foster appreciation, enjoyment and understanding of Canada's historic canals by providing through navigation; by managing cultural and natural resources for purposes of protection and presentation; and by encouraging appropriate uses.

### **Goals & Objectives**

As a historic canal the Rideau Canal:

- protects cultural resources under its stewardship
- protects the natural resources of the Canal
- provides the public with an appreciation of the significant values of the Canal
- provides a safe and enjoyable recreational navigation system
- contributes to the ecological health of the Rideau and Cataraqui watersheds.
- encourages compatible and appropriate use
- involves others in the protection of the Canal and its setting, and the provision of facilities and services for public use and enjoyment
- protects the heritage values of the Rideau Waterway as a Canadian Heritage River through co-operative action.

### **Geographic Area**

The Rideau Canal consists of a chain of lakes, rivers and canal cuts winding 202 kilometres from Kingston to Ottawa. The Rideau Canal links the Rideau and Cataraqui Rivers through 47 locks at 21 lock stations, and 18 kilometres of Canal cuts to create a navigable waterway between the Ottawa River and Lake Ontario.

### **Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Other: see goals and objectives (above)



## **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (to other organizations)
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes

## **Projects**

- Hibernaculum and home range investigation of Black Rat Snakes (*Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta*)  
Contact person: Adrienne Shaw  
Tel: (613)283-7199 ext.253
- Rideau Canal and Trent-Severn Waterway Policies for In-Water and Shoreline Works and Related Activities  
Contact person: Adrienne Shaw  
Tel: (613)283-7199 ext.253
- Environmental Assessments under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*  
Contact person: Adrienne Shaw  
Tel: (613)283-7199 ext.253

## **Audiences**

- Canal corridor residents and resident/landowner associations
- Boating, tourism and heritage interests
- Canadians interested in Heritage Canals/Parks Canada

## **Status**

Federal Government Agency

## **Governance**

Federal Government Agency

## **Members & Staff**

Paid staff (FTE): 120

## **Communication**

- Press releases
- Reports
- Workshops and events
- Website

## Reports

- The Control of *Myriophyllum spicatum* (Eurasian Watermilfoil) in the Rideau Canal 2004 (Paul Hamilton & Rebecca Danard)
- Rideau Canal and Trent-Severn Waterway Policies for In-Water and Shoreline Works and Related Activities 2004
- Black Rat Snake Hibernacula Location and Home Range Investigation 2003

## Funding:

Federal Government

### Main Contact

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Queens GIS Lab

### Mission

The mandate of the Lab is to teach courses in GIS and GIM (Geographic Information Management) at Queen's and to engage in research.

### Goals and Objectives

- to educate students and professionals in GIS and GIM
- to encourage community outreach in GIS research, development and teaching
- to develop innovative uses of GIS and GIM in various disciplines

### Geographic Area

The Lab focuses on projects within Eastern Ontario.

### Interests

Teaching and Research

### Projects

- health care planning/utilization, wildlife disease monitoring and social services planning/provision
- spread and control of the rabies virus in North America, stochastic modelling of wildlife disease, frameworks for integrating GIS into public service reporting
- web based interactive mapping and database management
- road mapping using GPS

### Members and Staff

Paid staff (FTE): 5

### Communication

Website

**Status**

Charitable

**Funding**

Queens University, Research collaborations

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Website: [www.gis.queensu.ca](http://www.gis.queensu.ca)

Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## Queens University Biological Station

**Goals and Objectives**

- Research
- Teaching

**Geographic Area**

From real estate purchases and gifts, the QUBS owns more than 2000 hectares of land. This includes 6 small lakes and extensive shoreline on Lake Opinicon and Hart Lake. The land provides long term security for study sites.

**Projects**

- Currently, the QUBS is developing a Geographic Information System that will include spatial information on physical and ecological features of QUBS properties and surroundings.
- QUBS has an electronic weather station that monitors air, soil and water parameters continuously.
- Research and teaching are the main focuses of the QUBS.
- The teaching component of the QUBS includes the Ontario Universities Program in Field Biology. This is an educational collaboration between 12 universities with a range of biological courses. Most courses are hosted at the QUBS and students must apply and meet the prerequisites of the courses. Assignments are given and credits can be obtained.

**Audiences**

- Students
- General Public

**Communication**

- Open House
- Annual Report
- Brochures
- Website
- Workshops for General Public

**Status**

Registered charity.

**Funding**

- Annual operations and maintenance budget from Queen's University
- Major Facilities Access grant from the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council
- User fees

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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## Renewing the Sacred Balance

**Mission**

We are a multi-faith organization considering environmental issues with various faith communities around Ottawa.

**Goals & Objectives**

- Supporting the ecological work of individual faith communities
- Hosting forums for multi-faith discussions on environmental issues
- Raising public awareness about environmental issues
- Raising the profile of positive multi-faith collaboration
- Respecting diversity and encouraging communication among different faith groups

**Geographic Area**

Ottawa area, although there are similar programs in various cities across Canada.

**Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Public education
- Advocacy
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- Started Ottawa group of 'Renewing the Sacred Balance'  
Contact person: Kristina Mellway  
Tel: 613-364-8576
- Sacred Earth Day Celebration in April 2004
- Networking events for local faith communities

## **Audiences**

- Faith Communities
- General public
- Youth

## **Status**

Not-for-profit; incorporated; registered charity.

## **Governance**

Steering committee with flexible number of members.

## **Members & Staff**

Members: 150

Active volunteers: 35

Paid staff: 1 part time

## **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

## **Contact**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Rideau Environmental Action League**

### **Mission**

To protect, preserve and enhance our environment for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations through advocacy, education, recognition and projects within Eastern Ontario

## **Goals & Objectives**

- Raise public environmental awareness.
- Undertake achievable local environmental projects
- Encourage environmentally friendly practices.
- Network with other environmental groups and agencies
- Recognize local environmental achievements
- Raise funds for our work.

## **Geographic Area**

REAL conducts community wide environmental projects and promotes household environmental improvements within the Town of Smiths Falls and the counties of Lanark and Leeds and Grenville.

## **Interests**

- Waste management / waste reduction / recycling
- Energy conservation / climate change
- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Raise environmental awareness, through various workshops

## **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes
- Communicating through web page and newsletters, press releases etc.

## **Projects**

- Launched Lanark Leeds Green Community (LL Green) in 1998  
Contact person: Susan Brandum  
Tel: 613-267-2257 see <http://www.realaction.ca> for details.
- Smiths Falls ReUse Centre  
Contact Person: Elva Corless  
Tel: 613-283-0309  
Results: Year round free drop off/pick up of reusable household goods. Divert 2,000 kg per year from landfill.
- Pitch-in Smiths Falls  
Contact Person: Barb Hicks  
Tel: 613-283-9966  
Results: Spring community-wide, pride building, litter pickup project. Approx. 400 people picked up 300 bags.

- Created Evergreen Avenue in Victoria Park, Smiths Falls in 2002  
Contact Person: Peter Au. Tel: 613-284-8338  
Results: A tree, park enhancement project created in 2000 as a living memorial to veterans and peacekeepers, featuring native plants and climate change solutions. 130 Trees and bushes planted together with amenities such as park benches, waste receptacles and lights.
- Voyageur Canoe Tours  
Contact Person: Peter Au. Tel: 613-284-8338  
Results: Participatory tours of the Rideau Canal and locks with interpretation on ecological, cultural and heritage highlights of the area. Over 140 people participated in the interpretative tour of the Swale, a class I wetland in Smiths Falls in 2004, with many a first-time experience thro' the locks. .
- Shoreline & Diving Clean-up  
Contact Person: Corey Turnbull 267-5300 ext 4605 and Dan Davidson 283-9819.  
Results: Recovered materials diving; filled a dumpster.

### **Status**

Not-for-profit, Incorporated. Registered charity under Rideau Environment Trust

### **Governance**

8 member Board of Governors

### **Members & Staff**

- Volunteers: 350 +
- Members: 115 (80 individuals and families, 35 corporate)
- Active volunteers: 750
- Paid staff (FTE): ranges from 0.6 to 2

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

### **Reports**

Rural Ecological Footprints (see link on website)

#### **Main Contact**

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Website URL: [www.realaction.ca](http://www.realaction.ca)

#### **Alternate Contact**

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Email:  
Website URL: [www.realaction.ca](http://www.realaction.ca)

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## **Rideau Roundtable**

(Formerly Rideau River Roundtable)

### **Mission**

The Rideau Roundtable provides leadership, facilitates communication, encourages cooperation, and supports collective action by individuals, organizations and communities to care for the health of the Rideau and Cataraqui Rivers and their watersheds.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- Coordinate and deliver projects to protect surface and ground water quality and quantity, improve habitat for a diversity of land and water-based species, and conserve native biodiversity.
- Increase public awareness of watershed stewardship issues, and support individuals and organizations to take action.
- Conduct research on the Rideau and Cataraqui watersheds, and disseminate this information to stakeholders.
- Improve coordination and cooperation between government agencies, community organizations and individuals working on watershed issues.

### **Geographic Area**

The Rideau and Cataraqui watersheds from Ottawa to Kingston with a focus on the Rideau and Cataraqui Rivers and the Rideau Canal.

### **Interests**

- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat and shoreline protection
- Biodiversity

### **Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring/indicators
- Public education
- Landowner/householder education
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

### **Projects** (see contact information below)

- **State of the River Report:** Produced a “State of the Rideau River” report that provided a snapshot of the river’s health and served as a benchmark for monitoring changes over time.
- **Turtle Habitat:** Installed 6 turtle basking platforms and 16 basking logs at four locations along the Rideau, and erected 14 road signs to warn motorists of locations where turtles frequently cross busy roads.
- **Fish Embayment:** Partnered with Muskies Canada to create a 20 by 30 metre calm water fish sanctuary (embayment) on the banks of the Rideau River in Brewer Park, Ottawa. Planted 262 trees, 440 shrubs, and hundreds of bulrushes and cattails (49 species in total).
- **Water Protection Workshops:** Partnered with LL Green to hold eight Water Protection Workshops throughout the watershed. Workshops were attended by more than 400 people and covered topics ranging from well and septic system maintenance to shoreline naturalization.



- **Natural Landscaping Workshops:** Partnered with LL Green to deliver six Natural Landscaping Workshops throughout the watershed. These hands-on workshops were full to capacity and helped rural property owners create natural landscaping plans for their properties.
- **Rideau River Stewards:** A series of photographs were taken to document best shoreline practices along the Rideau River. The property owners who were “doing it right” were contacted and will likely be acknowledged as the first *Rideau River Stewards*. This is the first phase of what we hope will be a multi-year program.
- **Community Tree Sales:** Distributed over 8,000 seedlings and provided tree planting information to residents throughout the Rideau watershed.
- **Voyageur Canoe Tours:** Coordinated a series of interpretive tours in voyageur canoes through the Smiths Falls Swale and Merrickville Bird Sanctuary. Response was very positive and plans are underway to grow the program next year.

### **Audiences**

- all landowners, with a focus on waterfront and rural landowners
- river and lake “users”
- other stewardship and environmental organizations
- schools and students

### **Status**

Incorporated, not-for-profit.

### **Governance**

Board of Directors with 8-12 members.

### **Members & Staff**

- Members: 100+
- Active volunteers: 15
- Paid staff: 0.5 full time equivalent

### **Communication**

- Electronic newsletters
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website (under construction)

### **Reports:**

Produced a State of the Rideau River Report (2001) that pulled together existing data on 20 indicators of ecosystem health, such as: water chemistry, biodiversity, species at risk and invasive species.

### **Funding**

- Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Environment Canada - EcoAction
- HRSDC
- RVCA Rural Clean Water Program
- Membership, user fees and donations.

## **Main Contact**

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Web site: <http://www.rideauroundtable.ca>

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **Rideau Valley Conservation Authority**

(Including the LandOwner Resource Centre)

### **Mission**

Our goal is the protection and improvement of the natural functions of the river valley on a watershed basis. The RVCA and its partners work towards and promote clean water, natural shorelines and sustainable land use throughout the Rideau watershed.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- Better water quality for everyone
- Good water supply for everyone
- Reduced flood and erosion risk
- Improved watershed habitat for fish and wildlife
- Conservation areas and programs for everyone
- Better watershed information for everyone

### **What We Do**

- Planning and Regulations: Section 28 under the *Conservation Authorities Act*, Section 35 under the federal *Fisheries Act* and plan review (PPS, natural hazards)
- Watershed Planning: writing plans and partnering to implement the recommendations
- Private Land Forestry Assistance: tree planting projects which encompass buffer planting
- Flood forecasting
- Floodplain management: planning and regulations, slope stability and erosion control works
- Clean Water Program: grants available for buffer planting and erosion control works
- Beaver Management Pilot Project: removing beaver dams from natural watercourses in Kemptville Creek
- Water Quality Monitoring: collection and reporting of water quality on lakes and rivers
- Shoreline Classification: classifying the condition of shorelines along the Rideau River
- LandOwner Resource Centre: one-stop information shop for watershed landowners, municipalities and land developers
- Partnerships: support community stewardship efforts and promote other agencies programs
- Foundation: accepts and manages donations of shoreline property to maintain environmental value in cooperation with the Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation

### **Geographic Area**

- RVCA serves the Rideau Valley watershed (comprised of 18 municipalities)
- Landowner Resource Centre serves all of Ontario (especially Eastern Ontario)

### **Projects**

- **Rural Clean Water Program**  
 Martha Bradburn (613) 692-3571 ext. 1136  
[http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/rcwp/rvca\\_rcwp.html](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/rcwp/rvca_rcwp.html)  
 Since May 2002, 79 on-the-ground projects were created worth \$280, 044 (\$109, 106 in grant dollars), such as septic system repair, livestock access restriction from water, well upgrades and decommissioning, safer fertilizer, chemical, pesticide and fuel storage/handling.
- **Tree Planting**  
 Rudy Dyck (613) 692-3571 ext. 1135  
 Planted 140,000 trees for spring 2004. Tree planting this spring brings the total number of trees planted through Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (RVCA) programs to 2.5 million over the past 21 years.
- **Lower Rideau Watershed Strategy**  
<http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/lrws/index.html>  
 Bruce Reid (613) 692-3571 ext. 1103
- **Watershed Monitoring**  
 Charles Billington (613) 692-3571 ext. 1116  
<http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/watershed/index.htm>  
 Sampling and testing of various environmental factors such as benthic invertebrates, water quality, lake quality, beaver dams, forest cover, invasive species (with OFAH), municipal drain classifications, planting success rates, city streams, stream flow, water levels and precipitation across the valley. All the data is entered in the Watershed Information System available on the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority website.
- **Watershed Watch Program**  
[http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/wwatch/watershed\\_watch.htm](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/wwatch/watershed_watch.htm)  
 Marina Petrovic (613) 692-3571 ext. 1109  
 45 Key lakes are being intensely monitored in the Rideau Valley watershed. 14 State of the Lake Environment reports produced since 2001.
- **Rideau River Shoreline Classification Project**  
 Brad Stephens (613) 692-3571 ext. 1157  
 127 km of shoreline between Kars and Merrickville have been classified in terms of vegetation, erosion, and land use and shoreline structures.

#### **Audiences**

Municipalities, landowners, farmers, real estate agents, lawyers, contractors, and community groups/nongovernmental organizations.

#### **Status**

RVCA is an incorporated non-profit organization.

#### **Governance**

The RVCA is a partnership of municipalities in the watershed created under the Conservation Authority Act to deliver watershed management programs. We are directed in our work by a 12 member Board of Directors appointed by the member municipalities.

## Members and Staff

- Volunteers: Various community groups (Lynn Preston (613) 692-3571 ext. 1171)
- Paid staff: approximately 50
- Members: 22 members appointed by member municipalities  
member Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation Board of Directors

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## Communication

- [Around the Rideau](#) bimonthly newsletter
- Watershed studies
- Annual RVCA report
- The LandOwner Resource Centre (LRC) is where you can get accurate, impartial, user-friendly information on forestry, agriculture, wildlife, water, soil and any land management issues.
- The LRC also creates information for landowners through the LRC Production Centre. We are known for our specialized skills in producing educational materials focused on the environment and natural resources. All of the information is listed in our Product Line ([www.lrconline.com](http://www.lrconline.com)).
- All kinds of watershed monitoring data, lake reports, water quality studies, etc. on the Watershed Information System on our main website.

## Web Sites

- [www.rideauvalley.on.ca](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca)
- [www.lrconline.com](http://www.lrconline.com)
- [www.rideauvalley.on.ca/foundation](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/foundation)

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Rideau Valley Field Naturalists

### Mission

Acquiring, recording and disseminating knowledge of natural history and active protection and conservation of the natural environment.

### Goals and Objectives

- acquire, record and disseminate knowledge of natural history
- actively engage in the protection and conservation of the natural environment
- stimulate public interest in nature and in the protection and conservation of the natural environment

### Geographic Area

Rideau Lakes, Tay Valley and Lanark Highlands areas.

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Protection and conservation of the natural environment

**Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Advocacy
- Financial assistance (provide funding to other organizations)
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)

**Audiences**

- General Public
- Students

**Status**

Not for profit, un-incorporated

**Governance**

12 Member Board of Directors

**Members and Staff**

- Members: 85
- Active volunteers: 20

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Press releases
- Workshops and events

**Funding**

Membership Dues

**Main Contact**

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**Alternate Contact**

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Phone: 264-1937

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Rideau Waterway Land Trust Foundation****Mission**

The Rideau Waterway Land Trust Foundation (RWLT) believes the conservation of ecologically sensitive and cultural heritage lands is important to protect the natural environment and improve the quality of life in communities throughout the Rideau Corridor for the benefit of present and future generations.

**Goals & Objectives**

- Land Conservation
- Volunteer and Employee Training
- Community Outreach and Fundraising

**Geographic Area**

The Rideau Corridor, including the watersheds of the Rideau and Greater Cataraqui systems.

**Interests**

Land securement

**Methods**

- Landowner or householder education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes

**Projects**

- Secured seven ecologically sensitive properties  
Contact person: RWLT Office  
Tel: 613-284-2010
- Produced one National, one Provincial and numerous Regional workshops on capacity building  
Contact person: RWLT Office  
Tel: 613-284-2010

**Audiences**

- Waterfront Landowners
- Rural Landowners

**Status**

Not-for-profit. Incorporated. Registered charity.

**Governance**

Board of Directors with 7 members.

**Members & Staff**

- Members: 450
- Active volunteers: 50
- Paid staff (FTE): 3

**Communication**

- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Fact sheets
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding:**

Community donations, special events, government and foundations.

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Sand Lake Estates Inc.****Mission**

Sand Lake Estates has the mission of dealing with the ongoing and occasional issues that affect the ownership interests of SLEI.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To provide a venue for the identification, discussion, and decision-making related to significant issues concerning property and community affairs of owners of SLEI residents and owners.
- To provide a mechanism for dealing with access issues related to SLEI properties.

**Geographic Area**

The property owned directly by SLEI and its members (Walnut Point Road, Pine Road and Eden Road).

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Access (roads)

**Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Advocacy
- Own or manage land for conservation purposes

**Projects**

- Brushing activity along all access roads  
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- Community beach development  
Contact person: Michael Miles  
Tel: 613-722-0820
- Road maintenance  
Contact person: Michael Miles  
Tel: 613-722-0820

**Audiences**

- SLEI property Owners
- Members of the local county administration

**Status**

Not for Profit, Incorporated

**Governance**

7 Member Board of Directors

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Website

**Funding**

Membership

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## Sawmill Creek Stewardship Council

**Mission**

We work to bring together the various groups, organizations and volunteers interested in working to improve the quality of the water and shoreline along the length of Sawmill Creek. The Stewardship Council is a committee of the Heron Park Community Association, whose geography encompasses more than half of the length of the creek.

**Goals & Objectives**

- Organize clean-up activities with different stakeholders
- Education and outreach through Earth Day Ottawa activities
- Partnership with other agencies for training programs
- Develop volunteer network of communities of interest
- Work with Rideau Valley Conservation Authority and City of Ottawa on long term projects related to development of creek baselines for future comparisons

**Geographic Area**

Sawmill Creek originates south of the Ottawa International Airport and flows into the Rideau River just east of Billings Bridge (in the City of Ottawa).



## **Interests**

- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration

## **Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Advocacy
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## **Projects**

- Tree Planting – Billings Bridge Transit Station at Sawmill Creek  
Contact person: James McLaren  
Tel: N/A
- Tree Planting – Mouth of Sawmill Creek  
Contact person: Sandy Garland  
Tel: N/A
- Member, Public Advisory Committee – Sawmill Creek Constructed Wetland and Stormwater Management Project  
Contact person: Donna Silver  
Tel: (513) 580-2487
- Chair, Steering Committee, City Stream Watch Project  
Contact person: Donna Silver  
Tel: (613) 580-2487
- Member, Steering Committee, Earth Day Ottawa Event (Tree Planting, Fish Embayment at Brewer Park)  
Contact person: Mike Lascelles, Environment Committee of Ottawa South  
Tel: N/A

## **Audiences**

- community groups
- business owners adjacent to Sawmill Creek
- general public

## **Status**

Incorporated not-for-profit.

## **Governance**

Board of Directors with 8 – 10 members

## **Members & Staff**

- Members: 80-90
- Active volunteers: 80-90
- Paid staff (FTE): 0

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Workshops and events

### **Funding**

Limited funds are available from the Heron Park Community Association, of which the Sawmill Creek Stewardship Council is a committee.

### **Contact Information**

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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## **South Nation Conservation**

### **Mission**

Our mission is to ensure that the management of natural occurrences, natural resources, and human activities results in the protection or improvement of our water resources

### **Shoreline Objectives 2004**

- Improve water quality in the South Nation River watershed through the administration of water quality improvement grants
- Initiate riparian planting initiatives in cooperation with landowners
- Educate residents on their roles in protecting shorelines, minimizing erosion, and other best management practices
- Provide flood forecasting, flood plain management, septic inspection services, and stream bank erosion control services
- Promote awareness and protection of the South Nation fishery to residents of Eastern Ontario and beyond

### **Geographic Area**

From headwaters north of Brockville, the South Nation River flows northeast for 175 kilometres and empties into the Ottawa River near Plantagenet. This 3,900 square kilometre area is called the South Nation watershed, a complex ecosystem that South Nation Conservation is mandated to protect.

### **Interests**

- Shoreline or Habitat Conservation/Rehabilitation
- Groundwater
- Surface water

### **Methods**

- Land Stewardship
- Published materials
- Working with Partners
- Monitoring

## Shoreline Projects in 2003, 2004 and 2005

- Administer over \$200,000 in grants to landowners completing water quality improvement projects through the South Nation Clean Water Program (grants for cattle fencing, buffers strips etc)
- Plant over 110,000 trees and shrubs in co-operation with municipalities and landowners
- Provide technical advice on a myriad of issues ranging from sensitive groundwater recharge areas to fish habitat enhancement projects
- Partnerships: support community stewardship efforts and promote a network of environmentally sound practices through the Healthy Home Guidebook
- Upgrade existing weirs, dams and dikes in accordance with water management strategies; monitor the quality and quantity of groundwater and surface water; and enforce regulations for construction, erosion, and sediment control in the floodplain
- Ensure that septic systems are properly constructed and maintained
- Enforce legislation for building and other construction within floodplains
- Initiate a 3-5 year Fisheries Management Plan (study) of the South Nation River, implemented by a multi-stakeholder advisory committee, which will see many fish habitat enhancement initiatives

### Audiences

- Municipalities
- Landowners and the agricultural sector
- Community groups and residents of the South Nation Watershed
- Government and non-government organizations
- Contractors
- Research Agencies

### Funding

- Member municipalities
- Federal and Provincial initiatives
- Private sector partnerships
- Watershed residents

### Governance

12 member Board of Directors as appointed by our member municipalities and a wide range of advisory groups and committees

### Members and Staff

- Members: 40+
- Volunteers: secondary and post-secondary students and the general public
- Paid staff (FTE): 30

### Main Contact

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## **St. Lawrence Islands National Park**

### **Mission**

On behalf of the people of Canada, we protect and present nationally significant examples of Canada's natural and cultural heritage and foster public understanding, appreciation and enjoyment in ways that ensure their ecological and commemorative integrity for present and future generations.

### **Interests**

- Biodiversity
- Shoreline or Habitat Restoration/Conservation

### **Methods**

- Public Education
- Research
- Monitoring
- Land Management

### **Projects**

- Bio-diversity GAP analysis/protected areas strategy
- Ecological Integrity Indicator Selection and Monitoring
- Information Management
- Visitor Use and Limits of Use
- Prescribed Burns
- Impacts of Land Use
- Community Outreach which encourages sustainable lifestyles

### **Geographic Area**

Owns and manages 20 Islands totalling 11 square kilometres.

### **Audiences**

- General Public/Users of the Park
- Students

### **Funding**

Federal Government – Department of Canadian Heritage

### **Communication**

- Website
- Newspapers
- Brochures
- Programs/Workshops for area schools and users of the park

### **Contact Information**

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

## **St. Lawrence Parks Commission**

### **Mission**

The Commission's mandate is to provide recreation, tourism, cultural and educational opportunities for residents of Ontario and visitors to the province through presentation and interpretation of historical attractions and the development and operation of parks, campgrounds, scenic parkways and recreational areas.

### **Methods**

- Land Management
- Public Education

### **Projects/Programs**

- children's summer camps
- school children curriculum outings
- Victorian Education Program
- Bonnycastle Tours
- guided canoe outings
- bike tours
- llama treks
- trail walks

### **Geographic Area**

Territory includes 280 km from Quinte Bay to the Quebec boarder. We also manage 4000 hectares of land.

### **Funding**

- Government of Ontario
- user fees
- corporate sponsorship

### **Audiences**

- General Public
- Students

### **Members and Staff**

- Paid staff: 500
- Summer Student are hired each summer

### **Communication**

- Annual Reports (on request)
- Media Releases (on request)
- Newsletters
- Ads in Tourism Magazines
- Brochure

**Contact Information**

St. Lawrence Parks Commission  
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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2004)

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**St. Lawrence River Institute of Environmental Sciences****Mission**

The River Institute will be a leader in environmental research, education and community action on the St. Lawrence River and other large river ecosystems in Canada and the world.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Contribute to the scientific foundation of how large river ecosystems, and their natural and human components, function
- Help define, analyze, solve and prevent environmental problems using interdisciplinary approaches
- Foster innovation and economic development
- Create a “Science Community” of knowledgeable and technically-skilled people who can work on a broad spectrum of environmental issues and are environmentally responsible
- Identify and articulate river-related features, issues and concerns of common interest to communities
- Build bridges to surmount institutional barriers that block environmental improvements and progress and inspire similar programs and activities elsewhere

**Geographic Area**

Our focus is on the St. Lawrence River from Kingston to the Quebec Boarder and other large river ecosystems in Canada and the world.

**Interests**

- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity
- Ecotoxicology
- Air Quality
- Ecology

**Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Training and capacity-building (provide support to other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations together

## Projects

- Methyl Mercury Concentrations in Small Fish  
MBC Hickey, Gibson JC, Hill JR, Ridal JJ, Davidson J, Richardson GM, Holmes J, Lean DRS. Mercury Cycling in a Wetland-Dominated Ecosystem: A Multidisciplinary Study. Chapter 15: The influence of lake chemistry on methyl mercury concentrations in lake water and small fish in Ontario and Nova Scotia. Anticipated publication date: 2005.  
Contact person: Dr. Brian Hickey  
Tel: (613) 936-6620 ext. 225
- Eastern Ontario Children's Water Festival  
More than 3900 elementary school students splashed their way to a better understanding of water resources at water festivals that have been run since 2002.  
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- Annual International Conference on the St. Lawrence River Ecosystem  
Our first conference took place in 1993. Between 2002 and 2004, approximately 400 leading scientists from around the world took part in the conference.  
Contact person: Christina Collard  
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- Bat Research
  - Hickey, M. B. C. and J. Dunlop. 2000. *Nycteris grandis*. Mammalian Species Account #632. Pages 1-4.
  - Hickey, M. B. C., M. B. Fenton, K. C. MacDonald and C. Soulliere. 2001. Trace elements in the fur of bats (Chiroptera, Vespertilionidae). *Bulletin of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology* 66:699-706.
  - Jung, T. S., I. D. Thompson, M. B. C. Hickey and R. D. Titman. 2002. Apparent capture myopathy in hoary bats, *Lasiurus cinereus*: a cautionary note. *Canadian Field Naturalist* 116:136-137.
  - Hickey, M. B. C., L. Knox and G. Rawnsley. 2002. Do anthropogenic contaminants play a role in the decline of bat populations? STAC Globe: Learned Discourses. Society of Environmental Toxicologists and Chemists.  
Contact person: Dr. Brian Hickey  
Tel: (613) 936-6620 ext. 225
- IDRC WaterTox International Research Network project:  
We and our partners developed a simple bioassay method to test ambient waters in Eastern Ontario and developing countries around the world.
  - Beaugard, T. and J.J. Ridal. 2000. Assessment of 6 simple bioassays for the determination of drinking water quality. *Int. J. Environ. Toxicol.*, 15(4): 304-311.
  - Ronco, A., P. Gagnon, M.C. Diaz, V. Arkhipchuk, B.J. Dutka, G. Castillo, Y. Pica-Granados, L.E. Castillo, J.J. Ridal, R.C. Srivastava, W.A. Sanchez. 2002. Overview of results from the watertox intercalibration and environmental testing phase II program: Part 1, Statistical analysis of blind sample testing. *Environ. Toxicol.*, 17(3):232-240.
  - Diaz, M.C., W.A. Sanchez, B.J. Dutka, A. Ronco, G. Castillo, Y. Pica-Granados, L.E. Castillo, J.J. Ridal, V. Arkhipchuk, R.C. Srivastava. 2002. Overview of results from the Watertox Intercalibration and environmental testing phase II program: Part 2: Ecotoxicological evaluation of drinking water supplies. *Environ. Toxicol.*, 17 (3), 241-249.

Contact person: Dr. Jeff Ridal  
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### **Audiences**

- Fellow scientists (at universities, federal agencies and industries)
- Students (elementary, secondary, college and university)
- General public

### **Status**

Incorporated not for profit organization, registered charity.

### **Governance**

The River Institute is governed by a 23 member board of directors

### **Members and Staff**

- Active volunteers: 25
- Paid staff (FTE): 10

### **Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Reports
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

### **Reports**

Many of these reports were co-written with research associates.

### **Published**

- Actinomycetes in Lake Ontario: Habitats and Geosmin and 2-Methylisoborneol Production. *J. Am. Wat. Works. Assoc.*, 95(2):113-118.
- Apparent capture myopathy in hoary bats, *Lasiurus cinereus*: a cautionary note. *Canadian Field Naturalist* 116:136-137.
- Assessment of 6 simple bioassays for the determination of drinking water quality. *Int. J. Environ. Toxicol.*, 15, 304-311.
- DDT levels in the environment after 50 years of use in Botswana. *Environ. Chem. Toxicol.*, 22(1):7-19.
- Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane in the aquatic ecosystem of the Okavango Delta, Botswana, South Africa. *Environ. Toxicol. Chem.* 22(1):7-19.
- Do anthropogenic contaminants play a role in the decline of bat populations? *STAC Globe: Learned Discourses. Society of Environmental Toxicologists and Chemists.*
- Effects of nutrients and planktivory of the accumulation of organochlorine pesticides in food chains. *Environ. Toxicol. Chem.*, 20, 1312-1319.
- Factors affecting removal of taste and odour compounds by granular activated filtration. *Wat. Q. Res. J. Can.* 36 (1): 43-54.
- Increased metal bioavailability following alteration of freshwater dissolved organic carbon by ultraviolet B radiation exposure. *Environ Toxicol.*, 17(3):267-74
- Is Lake Ontario the source of odour compounds for the St. Lawrence River? *J. Great Lakes Res.*, 26, 315-322.



- Mercury Cycling in a Wetland-Dominated Ecosystem: A Multidisciplinary Study. Chapter 15: The influence of lake chemistry on methyl mercury concentrations in lake water and small fish in Ontario and Nova Scotia. Anticipated publication date: 2005.
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- Occurrence of the odour compounds, geosmin and 2-methylisoborneol, in Eastern Lake Ontario and the Upper St. Lawrence River.
- Odours from pulp mill effluent treatment ponds: the origin of significant levels of Geosmin and 2-methylisoborneol (MIB). *Chemosphere*, 51 (8), 765-773.
- Overview of results from the watertox intercalibration and environmental testing phase II program: Part 1, Statistical analysis of blind sample testing. *Environ. Toxicol.*, 17 (3), 232-240.
- Overview of results from the Watertox Intercalibration and environmental testing phase II program: Part 2: Ecotoxicological evaluation of drinking water supplies. *Environ. Toxicol.*, 17 (3), 241-249.
- Periphyton – Inshore sources of taste and odour compounds. *En. Water Science and Technology*. In press.
- Spatial distribution of polychlorinated naphthalenes in air over the Great Lakes and air-water gas exchange in Lake Ontario. *Environ. Toxicol. Chem.* 22(9):1937-44.
- Successful spawning by Chinook salmon, *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*, in the St. Lawrence River at Cornwall, Ontario. *Canadian Field Naturalist* 116:642-645.
- Toxicological effects of geosmin and 2-methylisoborneol on rainbow trout hepatocytes. *Bulletin Env. Contam. Toxicol.*, 63, 174-180.
- Trace elements in the fur of bats (Chiroptera, Vespertilionidae). *Bulletin of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology* 66:699-706.
- A review of the use of buffer strips for the maintenance and enhancement of riparian ecosystems. Report prepared for the Eastern Ontario Model Forest. 15 pages.
- A water Quality Monitoring Program for the South Nation River.
- An Assessment of Coliform Bacteria Levels in Water Contact Recreation Zones in the St. Lawrence River (Cornwall) Area of Concern. Prepared for the St. Lawrence River Restoration Council and the Government of Canada's Great Lakes Sustainability Fund. 19 pages.

### **Funding**

Our funding comes from federal and provincial grants, municipalities, agencies, foundations and businesses and private donations.

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

## **Thousand Islands Area Residents Association**

### **Mission**

The principle goal of TIARA is to preserve and improve the present character of the Thousand Islands area (both the United States and Canada) with emphasis on the environment.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- Land use planning, Official Plans and zoning by-laws
- Long range perspectives concerning new development
- Cumulative impacts on the environment
- Preserving and passing on the rich human history of the area
- The integration of a healthy economy and environment

### **Geographic Area**

South of Highway 401 to the USA border and the area between Howe Island and Mallorytown Landing.

### **Interests**

Shoreline or Habitat Restoration/Protection

### **Methods**

- Workshops
- Letter Writing/Lobbying
- Advisory Committees

### **Audiences**

- General Public
- Government

### **Governance**

12 Member Board of Directors

### **Members and Staff**

Members: 700

### **Communication**

- Letters to the Editor in Newspapers
- Word of Mouth
- Website

### **Status**

Not for Profit, Charitable

### **Funding**

Membership Fees

### **Contact Information**

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholders Analysis (2002)

# Thousand Islands Association

## **Mission**

The mission of the TIA is to keep the St. Lawrence River a safe and beautiful area.

## **Geographic Area**

The Thousand Islands Region

## **Interests**

Shoreline or Habitat Protection/Restoration

## **Methods**

- Publications (Brochure)
- Donations to other organizations

## **Projects**

- placement of 200 shoal markers on the Canadian side of the river between the foot of Howe Island and Brockville
- donation of Stihl chainsaw to Leeds and 1000 Islands Volunteer Fire Department
- donation of money to Alexandria Bay Fire Department
- publicity brochure regarding boating safety (Look Back)
- renewal of speed signs in heavy traffic area of the river
- working with OPP to change speed zones on the river
- cleanup along the 1000 Islands Parkway

## **Audiences**

- Sailors and boaters
- Cottage owners
- General public

## **Members and Staff**

- Members: 1500
- Paid staff: 3

## **Communication**

- Website
- Newspaper Articles
- Newsletter publication (available at marinas)

## **Status**

Not for Profit, Charitable

## **Funding**

Membership fees  
Donation

**Contact Information**

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Thousand Islands Land Trust****Mission**

TILT is dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the scenic, recreational, natural and historic qualities of the St. Lawrence River and its landscape for generations.

**Geographic Area**

TILT is focused upon the 120 square miles between the towns of Cape Vincent and Hammond, New York. It stewards 7000 acres which includes easements, forest, wetland, a grassland preserve, bathing beach, 18<sup>th</sup> century British Fort Site, 1930's cattle farm, a 22 mile recreational trail and 2 interpretive nature trails.

**Interests**

Shoreline or Habitat Protection/Restoration

**Methods**

- Research
- Monitoring
- Landowner Education

**Projects**

- Trying to prevent improper development along the highway corridors within the towns of Cape Vincent, Clayton, Alexandria Bay and Hammond, while helping landowners realize a profit from their property.
- Collecting baseline data on conservation easements
- Monitoring these properties
- Collecting baseline data and continually monitor properties TILT owns
- Archive data for future uses such as academic purposes

**Audiences**

- Landowners
- General Public

**Governance**

14 Member Board of Directors

**Members and Staff**

Members: 700  
Paid staff: 2

**Communication**

- Media
- Community Outreach
- Website

**Status**

Not for Profit

**Funding**

- membership fees
- endowments
- donations
- general funds

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Trees for Peace (Leeds & Grenville)**

Grenville Land Stewardship Council and Leeds County Stewardship Council

**Mission**

To protect and enhance streams, rivers, and lakes in Leeds and Grenville in an effort to improve fish and wildlife habitat through a structured water quality driven awareness and implementation program.

**Goals and Objectives**

- riparian planting initiatives
- reduce cattle watering in rivers, lakes and streams
- replacement of faulty septic systems that pollute the water.

**Phases of the Program**

There are three phases to the Trees for Peace program:

- Phase 1: Shoreline Home Visit Assessment Program - Coordinator, council members and the Ontario Stewardship Rangers will visit local landowners, educating them on responsible land practices and provide action plans for landowners if required (riparian planting, fencing out cattle). July-Aug 2003.
- Phase 2: Education - Coordinator will be conducting school education sessions on improving water quality and the importance of planting trees. Sept-Nov 2003
- Phase 3: Tree planting - Coordinator will organize planting between schools and landowners in the spring of 2004.

## **Results**

We intend for the program to run yearly with more children and trees planted every year. Measurable results for year one:

- 25 sites planted
- 25,000 trees/ shrubs planted
- involvement of 10 schools
- 750 children educated through the Trees for Peace Program

## **Shoreline Projects in 2003 and 2004**

Areas of focus for the Trees for Peace shoreline home visits this year will be the South Nation River and the St. Lawrence River in Grenville County only. Assessments for Leeds will be done through the biosphere planting initiative and stream restoration programs, with the Trees for Peace program delivering on any education sessions and planting that result from these assessments. Planting for Grenville will come mainly from the Trees for Peace home visit program.

## **Geographic Area**

Shorelines and schools in Leeds and Grenville

## **Funding**

Ontario Stewardship Opportunity Fund, HRDC

## **Audiences**

Landowners and schools in Leeds and Grenville

## **Members and Staff**

- Six council members will be involved in the home visit program and planting.
- Landowners will be encouraged to offer in-kind direction to planting initiative.
- We anticipate the involvement of 750 children and some parents in education and planting.

## **Main Contact**

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Source: RVCA Shoreline Stewardship Directory (2004)

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## **University of Ottawa**

### **Mission**

Teaching, research and outreach. The University of Ottawa offers undergraduate programs in Environmental Sciences (Faculty of Science), Environmental Studies (Faculty of Arts) and Environmental Engineering (Faculty of Engineering). The Institute of the Environment (IE) fosters research and outreach.

### **Goals and Objectives**

- to maintain and develop the widest range of teaching and research programs of national and international standing in both French and English;
- to attract first-class scholars, students and support staff;
- to maintain and enhance the bilingual and bicultural milieu of the University;

- to exercise leadership in the development of teaching, research and professional programs designed specifically for the French-speaking population in Ontario;

### **Geographic Area**

Researchers are free to work anywhere in Canada and around the world. Local projects have focused on Eastern Ontario (Tri-Council St. Lawrence Ecosystem Rehabilitation Project, Community University Research Alliance Climate Change Project).

### **Interests**

- Waste Management/Reduction and Recycling
- Ground Water
- Surface Water
- Energy Conservation/Climate Change
- Biodiversity

### **Methods**

- Research
- Public Education
- Training and Capacity Building (provide support for other organizations)
- Create networks or coalitions to bring organizations closer together

### **Projects**

- State of the Rideau River Report. 2000. A student in EVS, U. of Ottawa initiated this project which was then finished by the Rideau River Round Table.  
Contact person: Dr. Frances Pick  
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- State of the South Nation River Report. A student in EVS conducted this report now on the SN website. <http://www.nation.on.ca/English/forms/SNRCA.erin.pdf>  
Contact person: Dr. Frances Pick  
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- Several other projects related to rivers, wetlands and lakes in Eastern Ontario  
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### **Audiences**

- university students
- government agencies
- general public

### **Status**

Incorporated, Not for Profit

### **Governance**

Governed by a board of Governors.

### **Members and Staff**

- Students: 30,000
- Paid staff: over 2,000

**Communication**

- Reports
- Press Releases

**Reports**

- Haughton, J. (2002). A State of the Environment Report for the South Nation River Watershed. Environmental Sciences honours thesis. Posted on the web site of the South Nation Conservation Authority.
- Crabbé, P. & M. Robin (2003). Institutional adaptation to climate change of water-related infrastructures in Eastern Ontario. Final Report of CURA (Community University Research Alliance project) University of Ottawa and The Federation of Canadian Municipalities

**Funding**

NSERC, BC Environment, NCC

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Waterfront Working Group****Goals and Objectives**

The goal of the WWG is to put in place a walking and bike path along the waterfront from Napanee to Brockville.

**Geographic Area**

The WWG presently has a trail proposal in place from Adolphustown to Loyalist County which has to be approved by the Waterfront Regeneration Trust. In the future, they aim to have their trails connected to the Cataraqui Trail and the Trans Canada Trail.

**Interests**

Shoreline or Habitat Protection/Restoration

**Methods**

Submitting Trail Proposals to the Waterfront Regeneration Trust

**Projects**

- hosting public input meetings
- fundraising
- establishment of waterfront parks
- waterfront regeneration projects
- establishing waterfront paths along the Napanee to Brockville corridor (paths require approval from the Waterfront Regeneration Trust)

**Audiences**

General Public



**Governance**

Elected Executive and 6 member Board of Directors

**Communication**

- Brochures and Maps
- Media
- Newsletter

**Status**

Not for Profit

**Funding**

- membership fees
- fundraising
- provincial funding
- Loyalist Township and the Township of Greater Napanee have donated money to the Waterfront Regeneration Trust who in turn donates funds to the WWG

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Source: Thousand Islands Stakeholder Analysis (2002)

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**Wildlife Habitat Canada (Wetland Habitat Fund)****Mission**

The mission of the Wetland Habitat Fund is to inspire, and build relationships with, landowners to conserve and enhance wetlands and other significant bird habitat through on-the-ground extension work. We provide financial and technical assistance to landowners who are planning wetland/wildlife habitat projects.

**Goals and Objectives**

- To increase the quality and quantity of wetlands and other significant bird habitats on private lands.
- To engage landowners in securement, enhancement, maintenance and monitoring of wetlands and other significant bird habitats.
- To respectfully promote voluntary stewardship and facilitate on-the-ground projects with landowners through collaboration, professional advice and cost-sharing.
- To successfully implement stewardship projects as contributions to the North American Waterfowl Management Plan and the North American Bird Conservation Initiative.

**Geographic Area**

Southern Ontario primarily. New initiatives are making the Wetland Habitat Fund available to landowners in some parts of Northern Ontario.

## **Interests**

- Surface Water
- Habitat or shoreline protection/restoration
- Biodiversity

## **Methods**

- Landowner/Homeowner Education
- Financial Assistance (provide financial assistance for other organizations)
- Training and capacity building (provide support to other organizations)
- Habitat Planning
- Securement of land through conservation agreements

## **Projects**

- Larose Forest – Wetland habitat enhancement  
Contact person: Olissia Stechishen  
Tel: 613-722-2090 ext 404  
Enhanced more than 500 acres of wetland habitat; established more than 50 waterfowl nesting structures in conjunction with Larose Forest staff and Municipality of Prescott-Russell
- Shirleys Bay to Constance Bay Conservation Project  
Contact person: Katherine-Ann Laman  
Tel: 613-722-2090 ext 248  
Enhanced 7,300 acres of wetlands and upland habitat through habitat projects; engaged 129 landowners in habitat planning and 10-year wetlands conservation agreements.
- Landowner Projects – 2003-2004  
Contact person: Mark Stabb  
Tel: 613-722-2090 ext 252  
In partnership with Southern Ontario private landowners, enhanced 4,146 acres of wetlands and 2,310 of upland habitat through habitat projects; 129 landowners in habitat planning and 10-year wetlands conservation agreements.
- Landowner Projects – 2002-2003  
Contact person: Mark Stabb  
Tel: 613-722-2090 ext 252  
In partnership with Southern Ontario private landowners, enhanced 4,146 acres of wetlands and 2,310 of upland habitat through habitat projects; 129 landowners in habitat planning and 10-year wetlands conservation agreements.
- Landowner Projects – 2001-2002  
Contact person: Mark Stabb  
Tel: 613-722-2090 ext 252  
In partnership with Southern Ontario private landowners, enhanced 3,812 acres of wetlands and 2,054 of upland habitat through habitat projects; 126 landowners in habitat planning and 10-year wetlands conservation agreements.

## **Audiences**

- Farmers
- Non-farming rural landowners
- Municipalities

**Status**

Non-profit incorporated, registered charity.

**Governance**

3 member Steering Committee

**Members and Staff**

- Paid staff: 7
- Active volunteers: 10

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Press releases
- Workshops and events
- Website

**Funding**

- Wildlife Habitat Canada sales
- Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Canadian Wildlife Service
- Trillium Foundation
- BHP Billiton

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Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)

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**Wolfe Lake Association****Mission**

Dedicated to the care, vitality and natural enhancement of Wolfe Lake, its natural areas, and its fish and wildlife.

**Goals and Objectives**

- Maintain and enhance the natural beauty and pristine state of Wolfe lake and its shorelines
- Provide information on the environmental aspects of cottage life to reduce pollution
- Encourage measures to prevent and reduce pollution
- Survey and maintain records of lake water quality
- Ensure that all future lake development is orderly and is not harmful to the lake

**Geographic Area**

Wolfe Lake in the Municipalities of South Frontenac and Rideau Lakes

**Interests**

- Surface water
- Ground water
- Habitat or shoreline protection / restoration
- Biodiversity

**Methods**

- Monitoring / indicators
- Public education
- Landowner or householder education

**Projects**

- Record and maintain water quality
- Compile and edit newsletter
- Maintain contact with other lake associations
- Membership survey of lake concerns
- Set up WEB site

**Audiences**

Waterfront Landowners

**Status**

Not for profit, Unincorporated

**Governance**

14 member Board of Directors

**Members and Staff**

- Members: 80
- Active volunteers: 14

**Communication**

- Newsletters (electronic)
- Newsletters (paper copy)
- Website

**Funding**

Membership fees

Source: Rideau Roundtable (2004)