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PASSION FOR MAJOR FUNDRAISER ISN'T DAMPENED— VOLUNTEERS DO IT AGAIN!



The Rideau Waterway Land Trust has been blessed with good weather for our annual Corn Roast at Chaffey's Lock for the past 6 years, but this year it seemed like our luck had run out. With over 3" of rain falling that day it should have been a washout. But that wasn't to be the case.

Over 800 people came out to support the Land Trust and enjoy the Corn Roast. This year our volunteers made it happen once again. They worked for hours to husk and serve over 2000 cobs of corn, 175 lbs of beef, and over 500 burgers, sausages and hotdogs.

The Fast & Furious Sea Trials were postponed until Sunday afternoon due to Saturday's rain. The boat builders and crews enjoyed sunshine and blue skies as they entertained approximately 400 spectators in their race for the coveted Rideau Cup. The Licari family, with the help of the Jaspers-Fayer family scored the highest number of total points in the 5 category competition. Once again their name will appear on the Rideau Cup.



The Rideau Idol contest brings out the best! Ten competitors sang their hearts out at the first Rideau Idol Contest. Dillon Wilson took home \$50 cash prize and a medal for the best in the Junior category. Samantha Clement won \$75 & a medal for the Intermediate category and Tamsynn-Lee Isaacs wowed the crowd and the judges and walked home with \$125, the Senior medal and the Rideau Idol Trophy.

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It's been a great year!

So far 2004 has been a great year. The property acquisition program is working with Environment Canada to complete the donation of an easement from Ms. Edwards on 180 acres of wetlands, forest and 1600 feet of shoreline on the Big Rideau Lake. The Trust has completed the purchase of 12 islands in the Bog on Newboro Lake and is in discussions with several other property owners concerning acquiring additional lands in this important ecological area. The Trust has agreed to accept the donation of 23 acres of land just north of Portland that forms part of the buffer around the provincial significant wetlands in that area. In addition to these projects, the Trust is working on the acquisition of three islands in Devil Lake.

Education and training of volunteers and staff is extremely important to ensure the success of a land trust. Your land trust hosted a very successful day-long training workshop for 49 volunteers in March. The staff of the Rideau Waterway Land Trust has been retained by the Ontario Land Trust Alliance (OLTA) to develop the 2004 OLTA Gathering to be held at the Opinicon Resort this October. The RWLT volunteers will be joined by 125 land trust representatives from across Canada, for three days of educational workshops and seminars.

After another successful Corn Roast in Chaffey's our volunteers are ready to celebrate this very successful year with the Annual General Meeting and Dinner set for September 17th at the Queen's Biological Station on Lake Opinicon.

Thanks to your ongoing support the Rideau Waterway Land Trust remains an active and vibrant part of the Rideau Community.



MEMBERSHIP CONTINUES TO GROW

The Rideau Waterway Land Trust would like to welcome the new members who have joined over the summer. You are joining a dynamic group of your neighbours and friends who share your interest in the preservation of natural lands in the Rideau Corridor.

Membership is important to the Trust. RWLT members provide funding for our projects and a strong core of volunteers that are active in the securement of our properties. Once secured, members help monitor the properties to ensure that the natural features are left undisturbed for all to enjoy.

But quite possibly the most important role a strong membership plays is that it shows funders and government agencies from outside the Rideau Corridor that our Land Trust is truly supported by the community. This support is what these funders and government agencies look for when they make decisions to support the Trust financially.

Although many of our members have renewed their membership for 2004, we would like to remind those that have not yet renewed, to please take a few minutes to send in your membership card.

With a strong and vibrant membership your Trust is making a difference.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & DINNER

One of our favourite events is the RWLT Annual General Meeting and Dinner. Each year, the staff and volunteers look forward to spending the evening with our long time and new members. The Board of Directors are on hand to present the Financial Reports and Activities of the Trust for the preceding year and to share information about new projects we are working on.



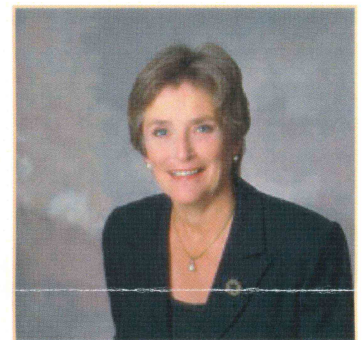
Our AGM is special for many reasons, one in particular is the beautiful venue. The Queen's Biological Station Operations Centre provides the perfect setting for us. The lower area conference room holds over 60 people for our AGM. Later, we enjoy our meal in the dining room with its high vaulted ceilings, skylights and tall windows.

The meal choices are either boneless Cornish Hen or Prime Rib, deliciously prepared by Brian Coghlan and Staff in the Queen's Kitchen. The Dessert Auction that follows the meal has become a raucous bidding competition for the best Cake! The auctioneer (Dave Walker) pounds away until the table with the highest bid digs deep for their favourite cake.

The proceeds of course go to your Land Trust and the pounds go to your waist!

Our Very Special Guest

This year, we welcome Dr. Christina Cameron, Ph.D. as our guest speaker. As Director General of National Historic Sites for Parks Canada, Dr. Cameron provides national direction for Canada's historic places, focusing on heritage conservation and education programs. As head of Canada's delegation to the World Heritage Committee since 1990, she has been actively involved as Chair, Rapporteur and Bureau member, as well as chairing international expert meetings on strategic planning, historic canals and a global strategy for a representative World Heritage List. When she has time to relax, Dr. Cameron enjoys spending time at her cottage on the Rideau and is an avid boater.



Dr. Christina Cameron, Ph.D.

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