

Summer - Bulletin 2017



Here Comes Summer !

2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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Don't forget to always "scoop" after your dog.

Our general meeting was held on May 11th, 2017 and was attended by members and interested citizens. Brian Tayler, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer of the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority, was our guest speaker. He highlighted the numerous programs which they operate throughout their extensive watershed jurisdiction. The NBMCA and Friends share a wardenship over the Laurier Woods Conservation Area . It was interesting for our members to be informed of the variety of other programs managed by the Conservation Authority. In addition to the meal, the members voted on the Board of Directors for 2017. President Fred Pinto reviewed the events and accomplishments in 2016.



What is happening in the Woods ?

Thanks to the dedication of our board members, volunteers, and CA staff the trails have never been in better condition. Runners and walkers are taking advantage of the natural setting to enjoy their outdoor passion.

Summer Themed Walks – We are again offering free guided walks with various experts sharing their know-how. On July 1st Brent Turcotte will be leading an informative walk on butterflies, dragonflies and other insects found in the woods. To keep updated on other coming monthly themed walks, check our website at: www.laurierwoods.com.

LDK Festival – Pairing up with Nipissing Naturalists and NBMCA, the Third Annual Festival will be held on August 19th/17. To view information on participants, activities and times, go to www.nipnats.com .

Trails and Maintenance - Trail brushing and removal of cat tails will be taking place throughout the summer. We are planning to spread more gravel along with wood chips and expand the fuchsia trail on the newly acquired land. Tree planting and restoration work has been ongoing around Arum pond, near the scrap yards.

Picnic Tables - This summer 2 picnic tables will be installed, one, courtesy of the NBMCA, alongside the parking lot, and the second, courtesy of the Marsh family, along the Fuchsia Trail & across from the Haist family platform. Anyone interested in purchasing a picnic table or bench as a memorial in Laurier Woods should contact a director.

May Walks - This year we were pleased to offer five separate guided May walks in the woods. Thanks to our resident bird expert, Dick Tafel who wowed the hikers with his knowledge and Lori Beckerton, our plant "ologist" delighted attendees with information on edible plants, herbal uses and more.

