

## Saturday, May 11, 2024

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### Dawn Chorus: Early Bird Gets The Worm

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 5:30 am - 6:30 pm

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Join us for a captivating exploration of the dawn chorus, where the early bird truly gets the worm! Delve into the enchanting world of avian melodies with Watershed Resources Technician, Rob Stavinga, as he guides visitors through the morning ritual where birds burst into song at sunrise.

Participants will uncover the mysteries behind why birds sing at dawn and how this behavior shapes their survival and influences the surrounding ecosystem. From deciphering the intricate melodies to understanding the evolutionary significance, Rob will provide fascinating insights into the captivating world of bird behavior.

Perfect for nature enthusiasts and those curious about the wonders of the natural world, this event promises an unforgettable experience in tranquil surroundings. Whether you're an avid birdwatcher or simply seeking to connect with nature, the dawn chorus offers a unique opportunity to witness the beauty and magic of the early morning hours.

Registration is free. Meet Rob at the Lakeview area (old beach) at 5:30 am. Don't forget to bring a chair!

### Winged Wonders: Bird Identification Adventure at Ken Reid Conservation Area

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 7:30 am - 8:30 am

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Calling all bird enthusiasts! Join us for an exciting Bird Identification guided hike at Ken Reid Conservation Area, where you'll immerse yourself in the fascinating world of avian diversity. This hike offers a fantastic opportunity for birdwatchers of all levels to explore and identify the rich array of bird species inhabiting the scenic landscapes of the conservation area.

As you wander along the tranquil trails and through the lush woodlands, keep your eyes and ears open for the fluttering wings and melodic calls of our feathered friends. Our knowledgeable guide will be on hand to help you spot and identify the various birds, sharing interesting facts about their behaviors, habitats, and conservation status.

Whether you're passionate about ornithology or simply enjoy the serenity of birdwatching, this guided hike promises an enjoyable and educational experience for all ages.

Don't forget to bring your binoculars!

Cost is \$12.00 plus HST for adults and \$6.00 plus HST for kids 12 and under.

We will be meeting at the Lakeview Parking Lot (old beach) where we will begin our adventure.

## How To Use The eBird App

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 9:30 am - 10:00 am

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Join Kawartha Conservation staff for a 30-minute tutorial on the eBird app, setting the stage for an exhilarating day of birding in the conservation area. Under the guidance of knowledgeable staff member Jenna Stephens, participants learn to navigate the app's features, from logging sightings to contributing data to scientific research.

Armed with newfound skills, we encourage everyone to venture into the picturesque landscape, where each sighting becomes a moment of excitement and discovery. We hope our guests will reflect on their contributions to eBird's database and enjoy their adventure at Ken Reid Conservation Area.

We will meet on the front lawn of our Administrative Building. There is no cost to join this informative chat.

## Guided Sound Exploration Hike with Pinnguaq Association

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Embark on a unique journey of auditory discovery with Caitie Blumsom of Pinnguaq Association as your guide! This guided hike promises an immersive experience that combines technology, nature, and creativity. Caitie will lead participants through the trails while utilizing the Merlin app for sound identification, providing an interactive and educational exploration of the natural soundscape.

Equipped with iPads provided by Pinnguaq, participants will use the Merlin app to identify various bird songs encountered along the way. This hands-on approach allows for a deeper understanding of the biodiversity present in the area and highlights the interconnectedness of species within the ecosystem.

Afterward, participants will engage in a pencil-to-paper sound mapping activity, capturing the unique sounds heard during the hike. Notebooks and pencils will be provided for this creative endeavor, allowing participants to document their auditory experiences and express their observations in a tangible way.

Cost is \$12.00 plus HST for adults and \$6.00 plus HST for kids 12 and under.

We will be meeting at the main parking lot (dog park parking lot).

## Into the Canopy: A Tree Identification Adventure at Ken Reid Conservation Area

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Step into the enchanting world of trees and unlock the mysteries of the forest with our Into the Canopy guided hike at Ken Reid Conservation Area. We invite nature enthusiasts of all ages to embark on a captivating journey through the wooded trails of one of Ontario's most scenic conservation areas.

This immersive experience will deepen your connection to nature as you learn to recognize and appreciate the diverse array of trees that call Ken Reid home. Our experienced guides will provide fascinating insights into the ecological importance of trees and their role in supporting wildlife habitats.

Whether you're a seasoned naturalist or simply curious about the world around you, this guided hike offers something for everyone. Join us as we explore the beauty and wonder of Ken Reid Conservation Area and discover the forest in a whole new light.

Cost is \$12.00 plus HST for adults and \$6.00 plus HST for kids 12 and under.

We will be meeting at the covered pavilion located by the main parking lot (dog park parking lot).

## **Birding Essentials: Learn 'How to Do a Point Count' at Ken Reid Conservation Area**

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Immerse yourself in the fascinating world of bird monitoring during our expert-led hike through the picturesque landscapes of Ken Reid Conservation Area. Our knowledgeable guide will teach you the essential skills of conducting point counts, a vital method for monitoring bird populations.

As you travel the trails, you'll learn to identify bird species by their distinctive calls and behaviors, contributing to ongoing conservation efforts. This immersive experience offers not only educational insights but also a deeper appreciation for the diverse avian life thriving within the conservation area.

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## **Blooms & Beauty: Spring Ephemeral Identification Hike at Ken Reid Conservation Area**

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

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Step into the enchanting world of spring as we invite nature enthusiasts of all ages to join us for a captivating Spring Ephemeral Identification hike at Ken Reid Conservation Area. Led by our experienced guides, this immersive adventure offers a wonderful opportunity to discover the beauty and significance of spring ephemeral wildf

lowers.

As you meander along the tranquil trails, learn to identify these delicate blooms. Each flower holds its own story and ecological importance, enriching our understanding of the seasonal rhythms of nature. This hike promises a memorable experience for everyone, whether you're a budding botanist or simply eager to embrace the wonders of spring. Don't miss out on this educational and inspiring exploration of Ken Reid Conservation Area's vibrant springtime treasures!

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## Exploring Climate Change Impacts at Ken Reid Conservation Area

Date and Time: Saturday, May 11 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Unlock the mysteries of climate change and its impact on our natural environment with our guided hike at Ken Reid Conservation Area. Led by Forestry and Landowner Services, Colleen Cathcart, this immersive experience invites participants to witness firsthand the effects of climate change on local ecosystems and biodiversity.

As we traverse the trails of Ken Reid Conservation Area, you'll discover how rising temperatures, changing precipitation patterns, and other environmental shifts are reshaping the landscape. From altered plant communities to shifts in animal behavior, each observation provides valuable insights into the complex interplay between climate and ecology.

Together, we'll explore how individuals and communities can take action to protect our planet and build a more sustainable future for generations to come.

Cost is \$12.00 plus HST for adults and \$6.00 plus HST for kids 12 and under.

We will be meeting at the Main Parking lot (dog park parking lot).

## Friday, May 24, 2024

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### Garlic Mustard Pull at Ken Reid Conservation Area

Date and Time: Friday, May 24 9:30 am

Address: 277 Kenrei Road

Join Kawartha Conservation and Invading Species Awareness Program (ISAP) on Friday, May 24 for the 15th annual Garlic Mustard Pull at Ken Reid Conservation Area in Lindsay, Ontario!

Kicking off at 9:30am, volunteers and staff will meet at the former beach parking lot to begin removing invasive garlic mustard plants by hand. Volunteers are welcome to stay for as long as they are able, with the event finishing once all garlic mustard plants have been removed.

Volunteers must bring appropriate clothing and gear for the day, which includes a hat, gloves, long pants, close-toed shoes, and any water or snacks as desired. Kawartha Conservation will supply bug spray, sunscreen, gloves (if needed), waste bags, and a brief orientation to review safety protocols with all participants.

We can't wait to see you there!

To learn more about garlic mustard, visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/garlic-mustard>.

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