

Walk in the Woods: “Getting by with a Little Help From My Friends.”

Sunday, May 30th 2010

Description:

Learn about what happens to a landfill when it is both given a bit of human help and left to recover on its own. How can the community help - and when should it?

Iola Price, Rockcliffe Park village resident and former OFGAC chair leads this walk through the Caldwell-Carver Conservation Area (Urban Natural Area No. 176), on the east side of McKay Lake in Rockcliffe Park.

The area was once marshland, but was land-filled in the 1960s and 1970s. It is now a recovering woodland, facing common but serious stressors such as invasive species.

Map & Directions:

Take the Rockcliffe Parkway to Buena Vista, sharp left (almost a u-turn) onto Cloverdale, then right onto Hillsdale Road. Park on the west side of the Hillsdale Bridge (the gravel shoulder has room to park on an angle).



Other Upcoming Events

DATE	TOUR
June 2010	<i>Money DOES grow on trees.</i> Discover the hidden monetary value of individual trees, and the eco-services they provide for us. Learn how these values are calculated, and how you can determine the value of any tree.
Fall 2010	<i>What's boring at Rideau Hall?</i> Ever wondered how the grounds at Rideau Hall remain beautiful all year round? Join us for a guided walk throughout the grounds while learning about the lengths foresters have gone to in order to protect ash trees at the Governor General's residence.
Winter 2010	<i>Name that Tree!</i> Enjoy a walk though the National Capital Greenbelt and learn some techniques for identifying trees along the way.
Updates & information: www.ottawaforests.ca	

Walk in the Woods Details

Date and time: Sunday May 30th 2010
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Location: Meet at the outlet of McKay Lake,
(at the small bridge on Hillsdale Road)

Notes: This walk is geared towards adults and older children. Walk will be held rain or shine. Please dress for the weather.

Note: This tour will be delivered in English.

All OFGAC events are free of charge.

About OFGAC

The Ottawa Forests and Greenspace Advisory Committee (OFGAC) was established in 2001 to advise Ottawa City Council and provide a forum for citizens on issues related to forests and greenspace. The committee has 15 members, appointed by Council, from all areas of the City of Ottawa.

OFGAC advises the City of Ottawa on:

- Municipal policies relating to trees, forests and wetlands;
- Protection, management, acquisition and conservation of greenspaces;
- Management of community forests;
- Public-private initiatives to protect greenspace; and
- Rural reforestation.

We are working with City Council toward greening of streets, parks, and communities by developing:

- An Ottawa Forest Strategy;
- A Biodiversity Strategy;
- A tree cover inventory and objectives;
- Tree Conservation Bylaws and;
- Development of a Rural Greenspace Master Plan

OFGAC provides a forum for citizens interested in forests and greenspaces. We also create partnerships with local community groups and work closely with other organizations through numerous workshops, conferences, and networking opportunities.

Our monthly meetings are open to the public.



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