



Lower Thames Conservation

NEWSLETTER

Update on Seedlings

If you ordered seedlings they will arrive shortly. An e-mail will be sent out with information about tree pick-up dates, times and locations. Please keep an eye out.

Field Season

Spring for staff is extremely busy and many are out doing field work with little access to e-mail or cell service. Please be patient during this time, we will get back to you as soon as we can!



Urban Stewardship

Large stock tree order updates will be emailed with dates and locations for pickup within a few weeks.

2025 Parking Passes

With warm weather approaching don't forget to get your 2025 Conservation Area Parking Pass; \$65 each or two for \$100. Many local libraries have them available to borrow free of charge with a library card, contact your library to find out more!



Conservation Areas

Want to start birding? There are many viewing opportunities at our Conservation Areas! Pick up a copy of our 2025 Conservation Area Guidebook today.



Relax, Refresh, Return

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CONSERVATION AREAS

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Upcoming Spring Events

- East Free Tree Giveaway: April 12 - Registration Required
- West Free Tree Giveaway: April 19 - Registration Required
- Breakfast & BMPs: April 24 & 25 - Details Below
- Big 'O' Birding: May 17 - Details Below

For more details on our upcoming events follow us social media!

Longwoods Road Conservation Area

The renovations at the Ska-Nah-Doht Museum are nearing completion. A key objective of these renovations is to establish an inclusive and accessible environment for everyone. To achieve this, an elevator is being installed to ensure that all visitors can access every exhibit. If you'd like to contribute to the elevator funding, please check the link below to make a donation.



Camping

Camping season starts on May 16, 2025 at C.M Wilson Conservation Area and Big Bend Conservation Area. If you are looking for a campsite, you can book online at letscamp.ca.

If you are interesting in becoming at seasonal camper at C.M Wilson Conservation Area please email adam.gibb@ltvca.ca and for Big Bend Conservation Area email nicole.clark@ltvca.ca to be added to the waitlist.

Nature Notes

Birding in Southwestern Ontario is a BIG deal. You may be wondering why. The Lower Thames Watershed is located in two migratory flyways: The Atlantic and the Mississippi. That means when birds fly to their summer breeding grounds many come through our area to stay or for a rest break during this long journey.

Website

Something new and exciting is coming soon! LTVCA has a full website redesign in the works, and we hope all of the work being done will improve accessibility and navigation for the public. The URL will stay the same (www.ltvca.ca), but we are looking forward to a new, modern design with improved user experience. We anticipate the launch of the new site will be May 1, 2025, so stay tuned for updates and don't forget to follow us on our social media channels in the meantime!

Conservation Tip

Delay garden clean-up until soil temperatures are consistently 10°C to support pollinators.



Birding BIG 'O'

When: May 17, 2025

Time: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Where: Big O Conservation Area
ON-77, Comber, ON, N0P 1J0



- ✓ Wild Ontario Bird Show 10 a.m- 12 p.m.
- ✓ Nature Walks
- ✓ Children's Activities

Contact Us
info@ltvca.ca



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Breakfast & BMPs



Rise & Shine! Join LTVCA for a Q&A session over a hot breakfast.

We're hosting two events in April to help answer your questions about the Precision Phosphorus Reduction Program (PPRP).

SIGN UP NOW

Please note: pre-registration is required for both events.



Questions about the program or event?
AGRICULTURE@LTVCA.CA

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APRIL

WESTERN EVENT

🕒 8:00AM - 10:00AM

📍 Links of Kent - River Room
120 Indian Creek Road W
Chatham, ON. N7M 2E2

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EASTERN EVENT

🕒 8:00AM - 10:00AM

📍 Arrowwood Farm & Events
6460 Riverside Drive.
Melbourne, ON. N0L 1T0

The Lower Thames Valley PPRP is offering regional farmers the chance to apply for financial incentives to implement agriculture best management practices (BMPs).