



Spring 2017 Hike Schedule

Hikes times change with **Daylight Savings (March 12)**.

10am hikes will be changed to 9am after this date (unless otherwise posted).

Tuesdays 9am 1.5 hrs. Meet at Pelham Rd entrance, Short Hills Prov Park. **Brisk-Strenuous.**

Hike Leader: Vince Zvonar vmzvonar@bell.net 905-563-1109

Tuesdays 10am (**9am after March 12**) 1.5 hrs. Meet at Wiley Rd entrance, Short Hills Prov Park. **Moderate-Strenuous.**

Hike Leaders: Robert McKeown r_mckeown7@hotmail.com 289-273-3059,

Rowan Shirkie trampsnark@gmail.com 905-687-9805

NOTE for MARCH & APRIL: Both Tuesday hikes move to Glenridge Quarry, St David's Rd (Reg Rd 71), St Catharines.

Thursday: 9am 1.5 hrs. Meet in parking lot across from Boo's, 2980 King St., Vineland (Jordan Hollow). **Medium-Moderate.**

Hike Leader: Vince Zvonar vmzvonar@bell.net 905-563-1109

MARCH

Wednesday March 1

8:30am Spring in Iroquoia 1 of 3 19.4 km 4-5 hours

Meet at Lions Club Pool parking lot - 1 Elm St., Grimsby.
Carpool to Devil's Punch Bowl - Ridge Road, just west of First Rd East, Stoney Creek Mtn. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader:
Ruth Moffatt ruthdmoffatt@gmail.com 905-928-7056

10am Lock #1 Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet in parking lot of Lock 1, Welland Canal, Welland Canal Pkwy, St Catharines. Moderate-Easy. Hike Leader: Mary Leighton
leighonbarr@yahoo.ca 905-934-7733

Saturday March 4

9am End-to-End #1 of 5 15.2 km

Meet in Queenston Heights Park lot, near the cairn, Niagara Parkway, Queenston. (Map 1,0) Carpool to Woodend.
Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Margaret Northfield
margaret.northfield@gmail.com 905-324-2707

10am Fonthill Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet in the parking lot of the Pelham Municipal Building, 20 Pelham Town Square, Fonthill. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader:
Robert McKeown r_mckeown7@hotmail.com 289-273-3059

Sunday March 5

2pm Merritt Island 2 hrs

Meet in the parking lot of Merritt Island, at the west end of Cross St., Welland. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Sylvia Wheeler
girlupontrek@gmail.com 905-735-2059

Wednesday March 8

8:30am Spring in Iroquoia 2 of 3 21.2 km 4-5 hrs

Meet at Devil's Punch Bowl - Ridge Road, just west of First Rd East, Stoney Creek Mtn. Carpool to parking lot at Upper Paradise Road and Scenic Drive, Hamilton Mtn. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader:
Ruth Moffatt ruthdmoffatt@gmail.com 905-928-7056

10am Port Dalhousie Lighthouse – Waterfront Trail 1.5 hrs

Meet at the lighthouse on Lighthouse Rd, off Lakeshore Rd in St. Catharines. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leaders: Gary & Donna Sands
gsands1941@gmail.com 905-682-3433

Saturday March 11

9am Queenston to Woodend (E2E #1 Reversed) 15.2 km

Meet at the entrance of Woodend Conservation Area, Taylor Rd, Niagara-on-the-Lake (Map 2, km 15.2). Carpool to Cairn at Queenston. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Rowan Shirkie
trampsnark@gmail.com 905-687-9805

10am Short Hills to St. Johns Loop 2 hrs

Meet at Pelham Rd entrance to Short Hills, Provincial Park, St Catharines (Map 3). Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Steve Bortolussi
stebor@cogeco.ca 905-684-1684

Sunday March 12

2pm Green Ribbon Trail 1.5 hrs

Meet in the parking lot for the Green Ribbon Trail, Martindale Rd near Courtland St, St Catharines. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leaders:
Gary & Donna Sands gsands1941@gmail.com 905-682-3433

Please NOTE Many hikes change to 9am unless otherwise posted

Wednesday March 15

8:30am Spring in Iroquoia 3 of 3 18km 4-5 hrs

Meet at parking lot at Upper Paradise Road and Scenic Drive, Hamilton Mtn. Carpool to Sydenham Road and Romar Dr, Dundas
Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Ruth Moffatt
ruthdmoffatt@gmail.com 905-928-7056

Wednesday March 15

10am Agape Pancake Hike 1 hr

Meet at Agape Valley Pancake 392 Kilman Rd, Ridgeville. Pancake lunch to follow. Medium-Moderate Hike Leader: Bernice Thiessen
bthiessen@becon.org 905-684-0085

Saturday March 18

9am End-to-End #2 of 5, 14.6 km

Meet at entrance to Woodend Conservation Area on Taylor Rd. Niagara-on-the-Lake (Map 2, km 15.2) Carpool to DeCew House. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Lauren Doig ldoig_4@bell.net 905-309-1398

9am Niagara Glen (Gorge) 2 hrs

Meet at the Niagara Glen parking lot (across from the Niagara Parks Botanical Gardens). Niagara Parkway, Niagara Falls. Brisk-Strenuous. Hike Leader: Karen Green kargreen44@gmail.com 905-964-0020.

Sunday March 19

2pm Cave Springs 1.5 hrs

Meet at the parking lot on Quarry Rd., Beamsville (Map 4, km 65.0). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bill Russell bill.russell003@sympatico.ca 905-563-4700

Wednesday March 22

9am Port Weller East 1.5 hrs

Hike along the spit trail. Meet at the end of Broadway Ave., St Catharines. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leaders: Gary & Donna Sands gsands1941@gmail.com 905-682-3433

Saturday March 25

9am 12 Mile Creek Loop 3.5+ hrs

Meet in the parking lot at the bottom of Welland Vale Rd, St Catharines. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bernice Thiessen bthiessen@becon.org 905-684-0085

9am Woodend Loop, 2 hrs

Meet at the Niagara College (Glendale Campus, Taylor Rd) near greenhouse (Map 2). Medium-Strenuous. Hike Leader: Dan Wilson dkw1@sympatico.ca 289-931-3063

Sunday March 26

2pm Bailey Bridge 1.5 hrs

Meet at the parking lot near the Bailey Bridge (just west of 21 St), Jordan (Map 4). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bill Russell bill.russell003@sympatico.ca 905-563-4700

Wednesday March 29

9am Glenridge Quarry 1.5 hrs

Meet at Glenridge Quarry parking lot, St David's Rd, St Catharines (Map 3). Medium-Moderate Hike Leaders: Merle & Derek Richards merle.richards@sympatico.ca 905-685-6984

APRIL

Saturday April 1

9am Four Seasons at the Comfort Maple Celebrating Canada's 150th 4 hrs (backroads)

Meet at the Pelham Rd parking lot of Short Hills Prov Park. Carpool to Comfort Maple. This hike will be repeated in each season during 2017 (Tentatively June 18, Sept 23 & Dec 9). A draw will be made following the hike for a pen made by Fenwick resident Mr. Marv Ens. Medium-Moderate. Leader: Ruth Moffatt ruthdmoffatt@gmail.com 905-928-7056

9am End-to-End #3 of 5 19.5 km

Meet at DeCew House on DeCew Rd., Thorold (Map 3, km 29.8) Carpool to Staff Ave. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Rowan Shirkie trampsnark@gmail.com 905-687-9805.

9am Cave Springs Witch Hunt 2 hrs

Meet at the parking lot on Quarry Rd., Beamsville (Map 4, km 65.0). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bill Russell bill.russell003@sympatico.ca 905-563-4700

Sunday April 2

2pm Firemen's Park 1.5 hrs

Meet at upper parking lot, corner of Dorchester and Mountain Rds, Niagara Falls. Medium-Moderate Hike Leader: Ann Judd agsjudd@hotmail.com 905-468-8273

Wednesday April 5

9am Woodend Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet at the parking lot near the Education Centre, Woodend Conservation, Taylor Rd., Niagara-on-the-Lake (Map 2, km 12.5) Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Keith Rae krae@pppoe.ca 905-892-6633

Saturday April 8

7am Fort To Fort

Hike along the beautiful Niagara River (54K) over two days.

Event Coordinator: Lauren Doig ldoig_4@bell.net 905-309-1398
Register online: [Fort-to-Fort Eventbrite](#)

9am Rockway to Louth & Back 3.5+ hrs

Meet at Rockway Community Centre on Pelham Rd. St. Catharines. (Map 3, km 45.1). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Rowan Shirkie trampsnark@gmail.com 905-687-9805.

Sunday April 9

2pm St John's Outdoor Centre 1.5 hrs

Meet at the St. John's Outdoor Education Centre, 2984 Holland Rd., Pelham (Map 3). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Sylvia Wheeler girlyupontrek@gmail.com 905-735-2059

Wednesday April 12

9am Happy Rolph's 1.5 hrs

Meet in Happy Rolph's parking lot, 650 Read Rd, (corner of Read & Northrup Cres), St Catharines. Medium-Easy. Hike Leader: Mary Leighton leightonbarry@yahoo.ca 905-934-7733

Friday April 14

9am Annual Hawk Watch 2 hrs

Meet at the Lions Pool parking lot (off Main St just West of Mountain St lights), Grimsby (Map 5, 80.4km). Leisurely-Moderate. Hike Leaders: Bruce Manion bamontrails@cogeco.ca 289-235-9192 & Dan Welsh bluebird6@sympatico.ca 905-659-4957

Saturday April 15

9am End-to-End #4 of 5 15.2 km

Meet at Louth Conservation Area parking lot on Staff Ave, Jordan Station (map 3). Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Lauren Doig ldoig_4@bell.net 905-309-1398

9am DeCew Loop 2 hrs

Meet at DeCew House on DeCew Rd., Thorold (Map 3, km 29.8). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Robert McKeown
r_mckeown7@hotmail.com 289-273-3059

Sunday April 16

2pm Louth Conservation 1.5 hrs

Meet at Louth Conservation Area parking lot on Staff Ave, Jordan Station (map 3). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bob Fish
fish@jockvalley.com 289-897-9211

Wednesday April 19

9am Malcolmson Park 1.5 hrs

Meet in Malcolmson Park at end of Niagara St & Lakeshore Rd, St Catharines. Medium-Easy. Hike Leaders: Gary & Donna Sands
gsands1941@gmail.com 905-682-3433

Saturday April 22

9am Fonthill Loop 3+ hrs

Meet at Pelham Arena 1120 Haist St, Pelham. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Diane Marlatt dianemarlatt@gmail.com 289-241-4211

9am Merritt Trail Loop 2 hrs

Meet in Sobeys parking lot, 344 Glendale Ave., St. Catharines. (Map 3, km 21.9). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Trudy Senesi
trudykp@becon.org 905-935-9777

Sunday April 23

2pm Market Square 1.5 hrs

Meet at Farmers Market, King St & Church St, St Catharines. Medium-Easy Hike Leader: Jeannine Verhenne 905-984-3153

Wednesday April 26

9am Glenridge Quarry 1.5 hrs

Meet at Glenridge Quarry parking lot, St David's Rd, St Catharines (Map 3). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leaders: Merle & Derek Richards merle.richards@sympatico.ca 905-685-6984

Saturday April 29

9am End-to-End #5 of 5 14.8 km

Meet at the parking lot on Quarry Rd., Beamsville (Map 4, km 65.0). Carpool to Lions Community Pool, Grimsby. Bring \$5 for badge. Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Margaret Northfield
margaret.northfield@gmail.com 905-324-2707

9am Queenston to Firemen's Park 2 hrs

Meet at upper parking lot, corner of Dorchester and Mountain Rds, Niagara Falls. Carpool to Queenston. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Keith Rae krae@pppoe.ca 905-892-6633

Sunday April 30

9am Louth to DeCew 20 km

Meet in the parking lot of DeCew House, DeCew Rd, Thorold and carpool to Louth Conservation (Map 3, 29.8). Brisk-Strenuous. Hike Leader: Chris Bruck greatdaychris@hotmail.com 289-689-3214

SUNDAY APRIL 30 | 2:00 PM NBTC Annual General Meeting ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!

Rockway Community Centre

2021 Pelham Rd (Reg'l Rd 69), St Catharines

1pm Loop to Swayze Falls 2.5 hrs, Medium-Moderate

2pm Rockway Area Loop 1.5 hrs, Leisurely-Moderate

4pm Meeting Learn about the activities of the club,
vote for and welcome the new board

5pm BBQ (Minimal Charge), cash bar

MAY

Wednesday May 3

9am Firemen's Park 1.5 hrs

Meet at upper parking lot, corner of Dorchester and Mountain Rds, Niagara Falls. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Keith Rae
krae@pppoe.ca 905-892-6633

Saturday May 6

9am Dump to Dump 3hrs

Meet at Glenridge Quarry parking lot on St David's Rd W, St Catharines (Map 3). Carpool to dump at Firemen's. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: John Lucente jslucente@cogeco.ca 905-685-5442

9am Kinsmen Park In & Out 2 hrs

Meet at Kinsmen Park, end of Frost Rd (just off Mountain Rd), Beamsville (Map 4 km 66.9). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Robert McKeown r_mckeown7@hotmail.com 289-273-3059

Sunday May 7

9am DeCew to Louth 20 km

Meet in the parking lot of Louth Conservation Area, 3193 Staff Ave, Jordan and carpool to DeCew House (Map 4 near 49.3). Brisk-Strenuous. Hike Leader: Chris Bruck greatdaychris@hotmail.com 289-689-3214

2pm Queenston Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet in Queenston Heights Park, near the cairn, Niagara Parkway, Queenston (Map 1, 0). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader Ann Judd
agsjudd@hotmail.com 905-468-8273

Wednesday May 10

10 am Port Dalhousie Carousel 1.5 hrs

Meet at Lakeside Park parking lot, near the carousel in Port Dalhousie. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leaders: Gary & Donna Sands
gsands1941@gmail.com 905-682-3433

Saturday May 13

9am Quarry Rd to Glen Road 3 hrs

Meet at Glen Rd parking lot, Jordan (Map 4, 53.7). Carpool to Quarry Rd. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader Susan Meinzinger
suszinger@hotmail.com 905-945-7065

9am Ode to Ewell Gibbons 2 hrs

Meet at the parking lot near the Bailey Bridge (just west of 21 St), Jordan (Map 4). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bill Russell
bill.russell003@sympatico.ca 905-563-4700

Sunday May 14

2pm Port Weller East 1.5 hrs

Hike along the spit trail. Meet at the end of Broadway Ave., St Catharines. Medium-Easy. Hike Leader: Barbara Waller
notlbarbarawaller@gmail.com 905-468-8484

Wednesday May 17

9am Bailey Bridge Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet at the parking lot near the Bailey Bridge (just west of 21 St), Jordan (Map 4). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Bob Fish
fish@jockvalley.com 289-897-9211

SATURDAY MAY 20 | ANNUAL END-TO-END

Hike the entire Niagara Section (80km) of the Bruce Trail in 3 days!
Event Co-ordinator: Trudy Senesi trudykp@becon.org
905-935-9777 Register online: [NBTC Annual End-to-End Eventbrite](#)

Wednesday May 24

9am Welland Tour 1.5 hrs

Meet at the Food Basics parking lot at 325 Thorold Rd., Welland. Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Fred Azzopardi 905-735-2345

Saturday May 27

9am Bert Lowe Loop 4.5 hrs

Meet at Merritt Trail parking lot beside Sobeyes, 344 Glendale Ave. St. Catharines. (Map 3, km 21.9). Brisk-Moderate. Hike Leader: Vince Zvonar vmzvonar@bell.net 905-563-1109

9am Queenston Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet in Queenston Heights Park, near the cairn, Niagara Parkway, Queenston (Map 1, 0). Medium-Moderate. Hike Leader: Karen Green kargreen44@gmail.com 905-964-0020.

Sunday May 28

2pm DeCew Loop 1.5 hrs

Meet at DeCew House on DeCew Rd, Thorold (Map 3, 29.8). Hike Leader: Sylvia Wheeler girgupontrek@gmail.com 905-735-2059

Wednesday May 31

9am Malcolmson Park 1.5 hrs

Meet in Malcolmson Park at end of Niagara St & Lakeshore Rd. St Catharines. Medium-Easy. Hike Leader: Bonnie Stevenson 905-935-5857

Hiking Pace: Leisurely < 3km/hr, Medium 3-4km/hr, Brisk 4-5 km/hr, Fast 5+ km/hr

Terrain: Easy - mostly flat with good footing; Moderate - some hills &/ some poor footing; Strenuous - hilly with steep climbs and some poor footing

Hiking tips

- ▶ Hike at your own risk
- ▶ Make sure you have adequate clothing & footwear, dress in layers
- ▶ Carry essential articles in a day pack - **WATER & SNACK**, identification
- ▶ When not using hiking poles, carry them horizontally with the points facing forward
- ▶ Map references are from the 28th edition of the **BRUCE TRAIL REFERENCE GUIDE**

While there are a few portions of the Bruce Trail within Conservation Areas that are wheelchair accessible, *use of the majority of the Trail is suitable for foot traffic ONLY.*

To participate in an organized hike, you need to be able to complete the specified length of the hike on your own or with your own support person within the time allowed. Please refer to the hiking schedule for hike details.

We invite you to submit your ideas for different hikes to:

Wed & Sun hikes: Lynda Bonnar, (905)227-8220

Sat hikes: Margaret Northfield (905)324-2707, margaret.northfield@gmail.com

Hike Co-ordinator: Margaret Northfield, **Schedule Design:** Karen Green

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