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#### **President's Page**

#### **Chris Grooms**

#### Happy 60th Birthday Kingston Field Naturalists!

Sixty years ago the KFN was born. The first general meeting was held on November 24, 1949. Nine people attended. The Club was originally called the Kingston Nature Club. Our objectives have always been "to acquire, record and disseminate knowledge of Natural History; to stimulate public interest in Nature, and in the protection and preservation of wildlife." You can read about our history online at <a href="https://www.kingstonfieldnaturalists.org">www.kingstonfieldnaturalists.org</a> and in articles reprinted in this year's Blue Bill.

To celebrate this milestone, we have planned some special events. First, we are hosting Ontario Nature's Eastern Regional Meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Second, we are reviving an old tradition and putting on a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birthday Breakfast and field trips at the Helen Quilliam Sanctuary. It will be held on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>; check your Newsletter or the KFN website for details. Thirdly, we have a special speaker for our October meeting: John Cartwright, a founding member of the KFN. His presentation will without doubt be nostalgic and entertaining.

Perhaps as an anniversary gift (as well as the result of conservation efforts!), we were given two ornithological presents this year. One is the restoration of chimney swifts roosting in the Fleming Hall chimney at Queen's University. Following our removal of an exclusion

screen from the chimney's mouth, a flock of about 100 swifts used it every night for most of the summer. It seems that we have restored important habitat for this threatened species.



Another gift this summer was the successful nesting of a pair of peregrine falcons in downtown Kingston. Two young falcons fledged from a nest built on top of Princess Towers on the corner of Princess and Division Streets. Club members were aware of a pair of falcons in the area from late winter into the summer but did not realize there was a nest until the young were hopping about the top of the building. Building staff knew early on, of course. They were happy to be hosts and tolerant of the many pigeon carcasses scattered about the buildings' roofs. Let's keep our eyes on the Towers and the Fleming chimney next spring.

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#### KINGSTON FIELD NATURALISTS INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2009

INCOME	
Book Auction	770.00
Donations - General	1,588.00
Donations - Habitat Preservation	3,181.00
Donations - Queen's Scholarship Fund	11,206.00
Donated camera - Swift Monitoring	800.00
Grazing Income - Amherst Island	1,900.00
GST Rebate	423.87
Interest Income	2,472.31
May Dinner Meeting	2,592.00
Memberships - Seniors	11,440.05
Memberships - Juniors	1,340.00
Other Income	2,000.00
Net Sales - Old Books	40.00
Net Sales - 2008 Books	1,744.75
Sales - Other Merchandise	369.00
TOTAL INCOME	41,866.98
EWDENGEG	
EXPENSES Administration-Seniors	166.91
Administration - Juniors	902.80
Auministration - Juniors Awards	213.39
Bank Charges	121.20
Bioblitz Expenses	-76.31
Blue Bill	4,330.29
Book Inventory Write-off - old books	396.00
Book Publishing - 2008 Book	2,101.06
Conservation Committee	56.19
Donations	200.00
Insurance	3,188.68
Inventory Purchases	220.00
May Dinner Meeting Expenses	2,480.00
Membership Expenses	2,586.38
Property Expenses	-63.08
Property Tax	682.99
Publicity	1,318.61
Queen's Scholarship Fund	18,547.00
Room Rent - Junior Meetings	735.00
Room Rent - Senior Meetings	304.50
Speakers Expenses	401.17
Subscriptions and Memberships	500.06
Telephone Line + Website	741.36
TOTAL EXPENSES	40,054.20
SURPLUS ON 2008/2009 OPERATIONS	1 812.78

# KINGSTON FIELD NATURALISTS BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2009

ASSETS		
Bank Account	25,252.68	
D 1 HCDC (2011)	10,000,00	
Bond - HSBC (2011)	10,000.00	
Bond - Can. Tire Corp. (2010)	21,903.00	
GIC - Can. Western Bank (2011)	30,000.00	
Equipment	10,731.88	
2008 Book Inventory	5,206.00	
Property (at cost)	120,800.00	
TOTAL ASSETS		223,893.56
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Habitat Preservation Fund	4,271.00	
Life Membership Reserve	7,600.00	
Marion Webb Fund	28,000.00	
Nan Yeomans Young Naturalists Fund	1,993.00	
Property Management Reserve	20,000.00	
Queen's Scholarship Fund	90.00	
Total Committed Equity	61,954.00	
General Equity	161,939.56	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		223,893.56 **
NOTE		
Total Liabilities & Equity - March 31, 2008	213,191.72	
Adjust Asset Value - Amherst Island	8,889.06	
Surplus on 2008/2009 Operations	1,812.78	
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We have reviewed the bank statements together with the supporting documents. We find the above statements accurately reflect the financial position of the Kingston Field Naturalists for the year ended March 31, 2009.

Arthur Rowe

Total Liabilities & Equity - March 31, 2009

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#### Summer Season 2009 June 1 – July 31 Ron D. Weir

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> summer in succession, the weather for the reporting period was a mixture of substantial rain and hot, sunny days with frequent alternation not unlike spring. Grass remained green and was not scorched. Roadside Breeding Bird Surveys yielded the usual finds with normal densities and distributions.

A group led by Dan Derbyshire formed the Frontenac Bird Studies team. Their focus during summer 2009 was on breeding birds from Sydenham to Westport. With his permission, his report is appended to this summary.

The northbound wader flight continued into early June as usual and departure dates from our area concurred with the 60-year averages. The most numerous species included Black-bellied Plover, Semipalmated Plover. Whimbrel. Ruddy Turnstone, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Least Sandpiper, Whiterumped Sandpiper, and Dunlin. However, three species posted record late departures:

Latest-ever Departures	Previous
Am. Golden Plover 7 Jun (1)	28 May 71
Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward	
JH Ellis, B Rowe	
Marbled Godwit 5 Jun (1)	30 May 08
Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward P	
Stagg	
Red-necked Phalarope 2 Jun	28 May 73
(1) Kaiser X Road, <i>Prince</i>	& 97
Edward JH Ellis, B Rowe	

The first southbound waders arrived on 8 Jul (Greater and Lesser Yellowlegs) and species returned on average by six days earlier than the 60-year averages. None put in an earliest-ever appearance. High water levels along Lake Ontario and at the Amherstview Sewage Lagoons have reduced the prime habitat for the waders for their autumn passage.

#### **Species Accounts**

**Least Bittern** – 13 Jun 09 Varty L., Bioblitz, KFN.

**Great Egret** – 12 Jul (2) Amherst I. and 12 Jul (4) Kingston, JH Ellis, RD Weir.

**Brant** – 11-26 Jul (2) Snake and Amherst I., DV Weseloh, JH Ellis, RD Weir.

**Rough-legged Hawk** – 7 Jul (1) Amherst I., *fide* B Ripley.

**Peregrine Falcon** – 1 Jun to 31 Jul, successful nest, downtown Kingston, 2 young, E Batalla.

**Whimbrel** – 1 Jun (1) Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward, RT Sprague.

**Marbled Godwit** – 5 Jun (1) Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward P Stagg, 6<sup>th</sup> spring in 60 years.

**Ruddy Turnstone** – 2 Jun (15) Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward JH Ellis, B Rowe.

**Dunlin** – 2 Jun (150) Kaiser X Road, Prince Edward JH Ellis, B Rowe.

**Common Tern** – 22 Jul (40) Snake I., DV Weseloh, post-breeding congregation.

**Snowy Owl** – 6 Jun (1) Simcoe I., near Wolfe I., Y. Medina.

**Red-headed Woodpecker** – 14-16 Jun (1) Wolfe I., K. MacDonnell; 1 Jul (1) Bath, N. Chapman

**Loggerhead Shrike** – 9 nesting pairs, Kingston area, K .Hennige.

**Lark Bunting** – Rock X Road Prince Edward *fide* RT Sprague (3<sup>rd</sup> spring in 60 years for Kingston area)

**Evening Grosbeak** – 12 Jul (2) Elginburg E Batalla.

# Appendix: Frontenac Bird Studies Kicks Avian Research and Monitoring into High Gear! Dan Derbyshire

Year one of the Frontenac Bird Studies (FBS) program has been a great success! Over 200 surveys of breeding birds were completed in June and July throughout the FBS study area, which encompasses over 15,000 hectares between Sydenham and Westport, Ontario.



This substantial effort, which included roughly 42 km of walking in Frontenac Provincial Park, revealed an incredibly rich avian community. Several Species at Risk in the area were encountered including Whip-poor-will, Common Nighthawk, Louisiana Waterthrush, Golden-winged Warbler and a

remarkably high number of Cerulean Warblers.

We also established a new network of Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) stations to index and monitor critical demographic patterns for breeding landbirds in the Frontenac Arch. Over 300 birds were banded and recaptured during the summer for this program, the most unusual of which was an adult Broadwinged Hawk captured at our Rock Ridge site in June.

A nest monitoring effort was also initiated this summer to assist in the collection of demographic statistics for local bird populations. Over 70 nests were monitored in 2009, which included records of Winter Wren, Brown Creeper, Common Nighthawk, Whip-poor-will, Scarlet Tanager, Northern Waterthrush, Osprey and Red-shouldered Hawk.

Project Whip-poor-will successfully took flight with over 30 roadside surveys conducted in late June and early July. These nocturnal surveys were

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timed to coincide with the full moon, peak time for vocalizing Whip-poorwills. Over 50 Whip-poor-wills, now classified as a threatened species, were detected during the surveys!

These are highlights from our busy summer that further support Frontenac Arch as a region of significance to bird populations in Ontario and Canada. Frontenac Breeding Birds in 2009 will serve as a foundation for us. The program was made possible by a network of spirited and generous volunteers, collaborators and donors. Staff and directors of the Migration Research Foundation extend a big thanks to the following for their support in 2009!

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Volunteers and Sponsors. Andrew Jano, Don Johnston, Friends and family of Gail Woolnough, Ian Sturdee, Jan McDonald, Julia Marko Dunn, Kerry Adams, Larry Menard, Matthew MacGillivray, Pierre Robillard, Sally Wills, Seabrooke Leckie, Steve Gillis, Wendy Derbyshire

Support: Ontario Parks, Ontario MNR, Mark Peck (ROM), Ron Weir (KFN), Don Ross & David Bull (Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve), Audrey Heagy & Jon McCracken (BSC).

We are looking forward to 2010, and encourage everyone to visit our website <a href="https://www.frontenacbirds.ca">www.frontenacbirds.ca</a> or contact us at <a href="mailto:fbs@migrationresearch.org">fbs@migrationresearch.org</a>.

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#### KFN Field Trips July-August 2009

#### Napanee Plain July 5 Joseph Benderavage

Kurt Hennige led this hike in search of dragonflies and butterflies. We visited several diverse areas, the first of which was the NCC Scheck site. Under a morning sun, we detected many dragonflies and damselflies, among them spreadwings, Marsh Bluets, Twelve-spotted Skimmers (male and female), Eastern Forktails, Dot-tailed Whitefaces, a Lyre-tipped Spreadwing,

and a Halloween Pennant. Many were in the environs of a shallow pond, where Whirligig Beetles bustled about the surface. Butterflies such as European Skippers and Bronze Coppers were present. We walked through widespread Viper's Bugloss and Birdsfoot Trefoil on our way back to the cars, en route to the next destination.

While on the road, we sighted a Kingbird, a Bluebird, Cedar Waxwings along the Salmon River, and a Sedge

Wren. The last was so stealthy that, while others saw it on a rail fence two meters away, I could not.

At the Menzel Centennial Conservatory grounds, we saw Widow Skimmers, Ebony Jewelwings, Slaty Skimmers, Dot-tailed Whiteface skimmers, and a Rainbow Bluet damselfly which had one of its tail segments showing as blue, and very orange eyes. Other dragonflies seen, netted, examined, photographed, and identified were Brush-tip Emerald, Kennedy's Emerald, Chalk-fronted Corporal, Northern Cloudy Wing, and Frosted Whiteface skimmers.



Brush-tipped Emerald Kurt Hennige

A Little Wood-Satyr butterfly on a cedar tree branch was fussed over. Buterflies included Meadow Fritillary, Northern Broken-dash Skipper, Eastern Comma, Summer Azure, Least Skipper, Northern Crescent, and White Admiral.

Spreading Dogbane, Crown Vetch, Chicory, Foxglove (or Northern Beardtongue), Bladder Campion, White Sweet Clover. Grass Pink Orchid. and Butterflyweed, and widespread Phragmites, formed part of the botanical backdrop.

## Amherst Island August 9 Peter Good

There were nine birders and a not very promising weather forecast to start the day. We walked the KFN property to the bar first, then trekked through the Owl Woods later in the morning. The number of shorebirds was disappointing, but with high water levels on Lake Ontario and few mudflats behind the dike it wasn't really a surprise. Killdeer, Spotted and Least Sandpipers were all that we found. Two Great Egrets were a nice bonus and we noted several broods of small ducklings despite the lateness of the season. The Purple Martins were still numerous around the houses.

There is a bumper crop of honeysuckle berries in the Owl Woods so Cedar Waxwings and American Robins were abundant. There was a pair of Cooper's Hawks in the jack pines and a single Ring-necked Pheasant on the Owl Woods Road. Driving back to the ferry we tallied a Red-tailed Hawk and two Northern Harriers. Like the shorebirds the number of swallows on the wires was considerably smaller than expected.

#### Presqu'ile Prov. Park August 30 Owen Weir

The day began with an ominous threat of rain as 21 of us gathered on the tarmac of the Flying 'J' for our annual trip to the Brighton area. We arrived at

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the Brighton polishing ponds at 8:30 a.m., and were immediately greeted by "Tiny" & Maureen with information about the presence of birds and butterflies. Shortly afterwards we saw one of the highlights of the day-which was spotted by our group- 2 RED-NECKED GREBES.

We proceeded to Presqu'ile Provincial Park, looking for shorebirds. Once more we had a surprise bird: the Baird's Sandpiper, as well as Sanderlings, Semipalmated Plovers and Peeps. Time for lunch in Mr. Bill Gilmour's back yard – a

place any nature-watcher would die for: Fauna (birds, butterflies, and 4-footed visitors) and FLOWERS of just about every size, colour, and shape - truly a WOW garden to enjoy. Best birds here Wilson's Warbler, were, Blue-gray (2).Gnatcatchers and Red-Bellied Woodpecker. Thanks to the Gilmours for welcoming us to their one-of-a-kind garden. A special in the butterfly world was also seen by most: Question Mark. We left with fond memories and good weather. Owen Weir & Howard Bridger thank you for coming.

# The Great Canadian BioBlitz 2009 Anne Robertson

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Great Canadian BioBlitz of the Kingston Field Naturalists was held on the lovely 125-acre property of Peter and Jane Good near Camden East. The aim is to record as many species as possible in 24 hours. This site has

woodlands, wetlands, field, alvar and karst habitats, providing for a variety of plants and animals.

The weather was good

the

Going pond-dipping at the Bioblitz

whole, not hot, not cold, not too wet nor windy

Over 70 club members, friends, neighbors and professionals and a number of youths, all with a natural interest or expertise, came to record everything from night creatures to early morning birds. Field observers spread

over the property from Friday, 3p.m. June 12 3p.m. Saturday June 13. collecting information on everything from mammals to minnows and ferns to frogs.



by Janis Grant

A variety of natural history topics was covered for those wishing to participate and learn

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about the ecology of the area. Guided walks took place to observe moths, butterflies, dragonflies, small mammals, snakes and birds. These walks were open to the public, and were well attended. The young and not so young enjoyed dipping in a pond for a variety

of small animals to add to other invertebrate species.

Nighttime activities allowed addition species more active after dark. The evening walk included frog

calls, owl calling, predator calling,

invertebrate pitfall trap setting and the ever popular moth attracting Blacklight made a definite difference in bringing moths in compared with a Coleman lantern. After midnight, as the temperature cooled, fewer moth species were recorded.

Small mammal trapping yielded no specimens this year. Boards laid down for snakes showed their worth when several Garter snakes were revealed to the delight of the children! Plants varying in size from trees and shrubs to grasses and sedges and some sporebearing species like ferns, mosses and lichens were recorded. We also listed some algae this year.

A delicious BBQ was held at noon on Saturday when sausage-on- a-bun and ice cream was enjoyed by all. Prizes were presented at this time for answering quiz questions. Anne thanked participants and presented the Goods with a cheque for their favourite

charity.

Many thanks are due Peter and Jane Good who provided excellent help with all aspects of the organization.

The committee for 2009 consisted of Batalla.

Anne thanks the Goods by Janis Grant Erwin (ideas, tally board, signs, advice), Hugh Evans (guidance),

Connie Gardiner (paperwork), Peter Good (host, map), Larry McCurdy (trails, finances), Darren Rayner (chef) and Anne Robertson (chair). This group was most effective in attending to all the volunteers details. The 10 registration were essential and did a grand job. Once again almost half the participants volunteered in one way or another. Last but not least the compilers had a demanding job to generate the full lists. Thank you Erwin (vertebrates), Shirlev (invertebrates). Barry (vascular plants) and Anne (nonvascular plants).

The cost to KFN was offset by donations for the BBQ and amounted to less than

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`\$300.00. Many thanks to the Stewardship Council for the use of the tent and others for various gifts in kind.

Our volunteer listers did a wonderful job. Outstanding listers were Paul Mackenzie with 97 species and David Bree with 106 invertebrates, including 61 moths! Outstanding plant listers were Rob and Mary Alice Snetsinger with 132 plants in one afternoon and the McMurray/ Robertson team with 182 plant species overall. No endangered species were recorded, but special species include the alvar plants Geum triflorum (Three-flowered Purple Senecio Avens) and pauperculus

**Balsam Ragwort by Paul Mackenzie** 

(Balsam Ragwort).

The Giant Swallowtail at the base site was a good sighting. Amongst the vertebrates, a Least Bittern was a good find, evidence of Black Bear was noteworthy and the Milk and Brown Snakes special sightings.

What was found? The final count compares favourably with previous BioBlitzes. We recorded 94 vertebrates, 213 invertebrates, 264 vascular plants and 20 non-vascular plants for a grand total of 591 species. Species lists follow. This snapshot of the biodiversity of this site will serve as a baseline for changes that may occur in the future.

Thanks to you all and do come again in 2010!

#### **Vertebrates by Erwin Batalla**

#### **Mammals**

<b>Common Name</b>	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
Bat sp.		Plainnose bats	Vespertilionidae	Chiroptera
Black Bear	Ursus americanus	Bears	Ursidae	Carnivora
N. Raccoon	Procyon lotor	Racoons	Procyonidae	Carnivora
E. Gray Squirrel	Sciurus	Squirrels	Sciuridae	Rodentia
	carolinensis			
E. Chipmunk	Tamias striatus	Squirrels	Sciuridae	Rodentia
Red Squirrel	Tamiasciurus	Squirrels	Sciuridae	Rodentia
	hudsonicus			
E. Cottontail	Sylvilagus	Hares & rabbits	Leporidae	Lagomorpha
	floridanus			
White-tailed	Odocoileus	Deer	Cervidae	Artiodactyla
Deer	virginianus			

#### Birds

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	Ducks & geese	Anatidae	Anseriformes
Wood Duck	Aix sponsa	Ducks & geese	Anatidae	Anseriformes
Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Ducks & geese	Anatidae	Anseriformes
Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	Grouse & ptarm.	Phasianidae	Galliformes

Common Loon Gavia immer Gaviidae Gaviiformes Loons **Dbl-cr Cormorant** Phalacrocorax Cormorants Phalacrocoracidae Pelecaniformes auritus American Bittern **Botaurus** Herons/bitterns Ardeidae Ciconiiformes lentiginosus Ixobrychus exilis Herons/bitterns Ardeidae Ciconiiformes Least Bittern Great Blue Heron Ardeidae Ardea herodias Herons/bitterns Ciconiiformes Green Heron Butorides virescens Herons/bitterns Ardeidae Ciconiiformes **Turkey Vulture** Cathartidae Cathartes aura Vultures Falconiformes American Kestrel Falco sparverius Caracara/falcons Falconidae Falconiformes Killdeer Charadrius Plovers Charadriidae Charadriiformes vociferus **Spotted Sandpiper** Acitis macularia Scolopacidae Charadriiformes Sandpipers/allies Wilson's Snipe Gallinago delicata Charadriiformes Sandpipers/allies Scolopacidae Amer. Woodcock Scolopax minor Sandpipers/allies Scolopacidae Charadriiformes Larus delawarensis Gulls and allies Laridae Ring-billed Gull Charadriiformes Rock Pigeon Columba livia Pigeons & doves Columbidae Columbiformes Zenaida macroura Mourning Dove Pigeons &doves Columbidae Columbiformes Black-billed Cuckoos Cuculidae Cuculiformes Coccyzuz erythropthalmus Cuckoo Whip-poor-will Caprimulgus Goatsuckers Caprimulgidae Caprimulgiformes vociferous **Chimney Swift** Chaetura pelagica Swifts Apodidae **Apodiformes** Ruby-throated Archilochus Hummingbirds Trochilidae **Apodiformes** Hummingbird colubris **Belted Kingfisher** Ceryle alcyon Kingfishers Alcedinidae Coraciiformes Downy Woodpckr Picoides pubescens Woodpeckers Picidae Piciiformes Hairy Woodpckr Picoides villosus Woodpeckers Picidae Piciiformes Picidae Northern Flicker Colaptes auratus Woodpeckers Piciiformes E. Wood-Pewee Contopus virens Tyrant flycatchrs Tyrannidae Passeriformes Alder Flycatcher Empidonax Tyrant flycatchrs Passeriformes Tyrannidae alnorum Eastern Phoebe Passeriformes Sayornis phoebe Tyrant flycatchrs Tyrannidae Gr Crstd Flycatchr Myiarchus crinitus Tyrant flycatchrs *Tyrannidae* Passeriformes Eastern Kingbird Tvrannus tvrannus Tyrant flycatchrs Tvrannidae Passeriformes Warbling Vireo Vireo gilvus Vireos Vireonidae Passeriformes Vireos Vireonidae Passeriformes Red-eyed Vireo Vireo olivaceus Blue Jay Cyanocitta cristata Corvidae Passeriformes Jays & crows American crow Corvus Jays & crows Corvidae Passeriformes brachyrhynchos **Tree Swallow Swallows** Hirundinidae Passeriformes Tachycineta bicolor Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica **Swallows** Hirundinidae Passeriformes Bl-cpd Chickadee Poecoile atricapillus Chickadees Paridae Passeriformes R-brstd Nuthatch Sitta canadensis Nuthatches Sittidae Passeriformes W-brstd Nuthatch Sitta carolinensis Nuthatches Sittidae Passeriformes House Wren Troglodytes aedon Wrens Troglodytidae Passeriformes

Wood Thrush	Hylocichla	Thrushes	Turdidae	Passeriformes
	mustelina			
American Robin	Turdus migratorius	Thrushes	Turdidae	Passeriformes
Gray Catbird	Dumetella	Mockingbirds &	Mimidae	Passeriformes
	carolinensis	thrashers		
Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum	Mockingbirds &	Mimidae	Passeriformes
		thrashers		
European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	Starlings	Sturnidae	Passeriformes
Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla	Waxwings	Bombycillidae	Passeriformes
	cedrorum			
Nashville Warbler	Vermivora	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
	ruficapilla			
Yellow Warbler	Dendroica petechia	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
Blck-&-wht Wrblr	Mniotilta varia	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
Amer. Redstart	Setophaga ruticilla	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
Ovenbird	Seiurus aurocapilla	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
Com Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	Wood-warblers	Parulidae	Passeriformes
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	Tanagers	Thraupidae	Passeriformes
Eastern Towhee	Pipilo	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
	erythrophtalmus			
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
	gramineus			
Savannah	Passerculus	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
Sparrow	sandwichensis			
Grasshopper	Ammodramus	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
Sparrow	savannarum			
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza	Emberizids	Emberizidae	Passeriformes
	georgiana			
Rose-breasted	Pheucticus	Cardinals and	Cardinalidae	Passeriformes
Grosbeak	ludovicianus	allies		
Indigo Bunting	Passerina cyanea	Cardinals and	Cardinalidae	Passeriformes
		allies		
Bobolink	Dolichonyx	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
	oryzivorus			
R-wngd Blackbird	Agelaius phoenicus	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
E Meadowlark	Sturnella magna	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
Brwn-hd Cowbird	Molothrus ater	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
Orchard Oriole	Icterus spurius	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula	Blackbirds	Icteridae	Passeriformes
Finch sp.	Carpodacus sp.	Finches	Fringilidae	Passeriformes
Amer Goldfinch	Carduelis tristis	Finches	Fringilidae	Passeriformes

Reptiles

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
E. Painted Turtle	Chrysemys picta	Box &pond turtles	Emydidae	Testudines
E. Milk Snake	Lampropeltis	Colubrids	Colubridae	Squamata
	triangulum			
E. Garter Snake	Thamnophis	Colubrids	Colubridae	Squamata
	sirtalis			
Brown (DeKay's)	Storeria dekayi	Colubrids	Colubridae	Squamata
Snake				

#### Amphibians

<b>Common Name</b>	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
Bullfrog	Rana catesbeiana	Frogs	Ranidae	Salietia
Green Frog	Rana clamitans	Frogs	Ranidae	Salietia
N. Leopard Frog	Rana pipiens	Frogs	Ranidae	Salietia
American Toad	Bufo americanus	Toads	Bufonidae	Salietia
Gray Treefrog	Hyla versicolor	Treefrogs	Hylidae	Salietia

#### Fish

<b>Common Name</b>	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
Brk Stickleback	Culaea inconstans	Sticklebacks	Gasterosteidae	Gasterosteiformes
Rock Bass	Ambloplites	Sunfishes	Centrarchidae	Perciformes
	rupestris			
Pumpkinseed	Lepomis gibbosus	Sunfishes	Centrarchidae	Perciformes

#### **Invertebrates by Shirley French**

Common Name	Scientific	Family	Family (Sci.)	Order
	Name	(Comm.)		
Phylum Pyrrophyta, Cla	ass Dinophyceae,	Dinoflagellates		
	Ceratium sp.		Ceratiaceae	
Division Bacillariophyta	, Class Fragilaria	aceae, Diatoms		
	Diatoma sp.			
Phylum Protozoa, Class	<u>Mastigophora,</u> F	lagellates		
	Volvox sp.			
Phylum Coelenterata, C	<u>lass Hydrozoa,</u> H	Iydroids		
	Hydra sp.			
Phylum Trochelminthes	<u>, Class Rotifera</u> , l	Rotifers		
	Keratella sp.			
	Asplanchna			
	sp.?			
	Platyias sp.			

Phylum Annelida, Class Oligochaeta Earthworm sp. Lumbricus Earthworms Lumbricidae Megadrili terrestris Tubificidae 1 Species Bloodworms Megadrili <del>M</del>egadrili Glossiphoniidae Leech sp. Leeches Phylum Mollusca, Class Gastropoda Clam 1 species Clams/Mussels Unionidae Unionoida Land Snail **Land Snails** Succineidae Pulmonata Euchemotrema fraternum 1 Species Snails Lymnaeidae/ Basommatophora Physidae Limacidae Slug 2 species Slugs Basommatophora Phylum Arthropoda, Subphylum Crustacea, Class Maxillopoda 1 Species Harpacticoida 2 Species Calanoida 1 Species Cyclopoida Class Branchiopoda, Suborder Cladocera Ceriodaphnia Daphniidae sp. Daphinia pulex Daphniidae Scapholeberis Daphniidae Daphniidae 1 other species Bosmina sp. Bosmina Holopedium Holopedium Polyphemus **Polyphemidae** sp. Class Ostracoda 1 Species Class Malacostraca 1 species Sow Bugs Oniscidae Isopoda Crayfish sp. Crayfish Astacidae Decapoda Subphylum Chelicerata, Class Arachnida **Wolf Spiders** Hogna sp Lycosidae Arneae Orb Spider Acanthepeira Orb Spiders Araneidae Arneae stellata Maple Spindlegall Vasates Eriophyidae Acari aceriscrumena Mite Maple Bladdergall Vasates Eriophyidae Acari quadripedes Mite Water Mite sp. (1 Mites Hydrachnidae **Trombidiformes** species) Subphylum Hexapoda, Class Entognatha 1 species Collembola

#### **Class Insecta**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)	Order
Cricket sp.		True Crickets	gryllidae	orthoptera
Grasshopper sp.		Grasshoppers	acrididae	orthoptera
1 species (nymph)		Stoneflies		plecoptera
Spring Fishfly	Chauliodes	Common	panorpidae	mecoptera
	rastrinicornis	Scorpionflies		
	Panorpa sp.?	Common	panorpidae	mecoptera
	latipennis or debilis	Scorpionflies		
Green Lacewing	Chrysopoda sp.	Lacewings	chrysopidae	mecoptera
Mayfly sp.		May Flies	ephemerida	ephemeroptera
Northern	Lestes disjunctus	Spreadwing	lestes	odonata
Spreadwing	, and the second	Damselflies		
Emerald	Lestes dryas	Spreadwing	lestes	odonata
Spreadwing	-	Damselflies		
Taiga Bluet	Coenagrion	Pond Damselflies	coenagriidae	odonata
	resolutum			
Eastern Forktail	Ischnura verticalis	Pond Damselflies	coenagriidae	odonata
Sedge Sprite	Nehalennia irene	Pond Damselflies	coenagriidae	odonata
Dusky Clubtail	Gomphus spicatus	Clubtails	gomphidae	odonata
Racket-tailed	Dorocordulia libera	Emeralds	corduliidae	odonata
Emerald				
Comm. Baskettail	Epitheca cynosura	Emeralds	corduliidae	odonata
Calico Pennant	Celithemis elisa	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Common	Erythemis	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Pondhawk	simplicicollis			
Frosted Whiteface	Leucorrhinia frigida	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Hudsonian	Leucorrhinia	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Whiteface	hudsonica			
Dot-tailed	Leucorrhinia intacta	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Whiteface				
Belted/Red-	Leucorrhinia	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
waisted Whiteface	proxima			
Slaty Skimmer	Libellula incesta	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Chalk-fronted	Libellula julia	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Corporal/Skimmer				
Pied Skimmer,	Libellula luctuosa	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Widow Skimmer				
Comm. Whitetail	Libellula lydia	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
12-Spottd Skimmer	Libellula pulchella	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Four-Spotted	Libellula	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
Skimmer	quadrimaculata			
Blue Dasher	Pachydiplax	Skimmers	libellulidae	odonata
	longipennis			
Water Strider sp.	Gerris sp.	Water Striders	gerridae	hemiptera

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Water Scorpion sp.	Ranatra sp.	Water Scorpions	nepidae	hemiptera
Water Boatman sp.		Water Boatman	corixidae	hemiptera
Tarnishd Plant Bug	Lygus lineolaris		miridae	hemiptera
Diamond backed	Lepyronia	Spittle Bugs	cercopidae	hemiptera
Spittle Bug	quadrangulans			
Meadow	Philaenus spumarius	Spittle Bugs	cercopidae	hemiptera
Spittlebug				
2 species		Spittle Bugs	cercopidae	hemiptera
	Okanagana	Cicadas	cicadidae	hemiptera
	Canadensis			
	Oncopsis variabilis	Leafhoppers	cicadellidae	hemiptera
	Draeculacephala zeae	Leafhoppers	cicadellidae	hemiptera
Leafhopper sp.		Leafhoppers	cicadellidae	hemiptera
One-spotted Stink	Euschistus		pentatomidae	hemiptera
Bug	varioclarus			
Two-spotted Stink	Cosmopepla		pentatomidae	hemiptera
Bug	bimaculata			
Stinkbug sp.	Banasa dimiata		pentatomidae	hemiptera
	Zelus longipes	Assassin Bug	reduviidae	hemiptera
Aphid sp.		Aphids	aphididae	hemiptera
Soldier Beetle sp.	Podabus sp.	Soldier Beetles	cantharidae	coleoptera
	Cantharis sp. senso	Soldier Beetles	cantharidae	coleoptera
	lato			
Flower Longhorn	Pseadogaurotina	Long-Horned	cerambycidae	coleoptera
Beetle	abdominalis	Beetles		
Elm Borer Beetle	Saperda tridentate	Long-Horned	cerambycidae	coleoptera
		Beetles		
Purple Tiger Beetle	Cicindela purpurea	Tiger Beetles	cicindelidae	coleoptera
Six-spotted Tiger	Cicindela sexguttata	Tiger Beetles	cicindelidae	coleoptera
Beetle				
Red-blue	Trichodes nutalli	Checkered	cleridae	coleoptera
Checkered Beetle		Beetles		
Predacious Diving	Colymbetes sp.		dytiscidae	coleoptera
Beetle				
Whirligig Beetle sp	Dineutes sp.	Whirligig Beetles	gyrinidae	coleoptera
Firefly sp.	Photinus sp.	Fireflies	lampyridae	coleoptera
Firefly sp.	Lucidota atra	Fireflies	lampyridae	coleoptera
	Calopteron	Net-Winged	lycidae	coleoptera
	reticulatum	Beetles		
June Beetle	Phyllophaga sp.	Scarab Beetles	scarabaeidae	coleoptera
	Nicrophorus	Carrion Beetles	silphidae	coleoptera
	orbicollis			
	Nicrophurus	Carrion Beetles	silphidae	coleopte ra
	pustulatus			
Sumac Leaf Beetle	Blepharida rhois	Leaf Beetles	chrysomelidae	coleoptera

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Fifteen-Spotted	Anatis labiculata	Ladybug Beetles	coccinellidae	coleoptera
Lady Beetle				
One sp.		Flower Weevils	curculionidae	coleoptera
1 Species			phryganeidae	trichoptera
2 Species			phryganeidae	trichoptera
	Helcystogramma fernaldella	Twirler Moths	gelechiidae	lepidoptera
Viper's Bugloss Moth	Ethmia bipunctella		ethmiidae	lepidoptera
Casebearer Moth	Coleophora sp.		coleophoridae	lepidoptera
Coruscana group	Epiblema sp.		tortricidae	lepidoptera
Epiblema sp group	Olethreutes sp.		tortricidae	lepidoptera
Formosana group	Phaneta sp.		tortricidae	lepidoptera
White-spotted Sable Moth	Anania funebris		crambidae	lepidoptera
	Nymphula ekthlipsis		crambidae	lepidoptera
Pondside Pyralid	Munroessa icciusalis		crambidae	lepidoptera
Large-spotted	Evergestis		crambidae	lepidoptera
Evergestis	unimacula			
Splendid Palpita	Palpita magniferalis		crambidae	lepidoptera
Double-banded Grass Veneer	Crambus agitatellus		crambidae	lepidoptera
Eastern Grass-	Crambus		crambidae	lanidantana
veneer Moth	laqueatellus		Cranibidae	lepidoptera
veneer wour	Glyptocera		pyralidae	lepidoptera
	consobrinella		руганиае	Териоргега
	Tetracis crocallata		pyralidae	lepidoptera
1 Species		Plume Moths	pterophoridae	lepidoptera
Common Gray	Anavitrinella	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
Powder Moth	pampinaria Eufidonia sp.	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
r owder Moth	Pero sp.(?	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
	morrisonaria)	menvorm wions	geometridae	териория
	Metarranthis sp.	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
Pistachio Emerald	Hethemia pistasciaria	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
	Leptostales ferruminaria	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
	Eupithecia sp.	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
Bad-wing	Dyspteris abortivaria	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
Pale Beauty	Campaea perlata	InchWorm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
White Slant-line	Tetracis cachexiata	Inch Worm Moths	geometridae	lepidoptera
E. Tent Caterpillar Moth (larva)	Malacosoma america num		lasiocampidae	lepidoptera

**Common Name Scientific Name** Family (Comm.) Family (Sci.) Order Forest Tent Malacosoma distria lepidoptera lasiocampidae Caterpillar (larva) Hog Sphinx Darapsa myron sphingidae lepidoptera Waved Sphinx Ceratomia undulosa sphingidae lepidoptera Moth Io Moth Automeris io Silkworm Moths saturniidae lepidoptera Polyphemus Moth Antheraea Silkworm Moths saturniidae lepidoptera polyphemus Double-toothed Nerice bidentata notodontidae lepidoptera Prominent Linden Prominent Ellida caniplaga notodontidae lepidoptera notodontidae lepidoptera Heterocampa sp. Isabella Tiger Moth Pyrrharctia Isabella arctiidae lepidoptera (Woolly Bear) Yellow Bear Moth Spilosoma virginica arctiidae lepidoptera (Virginia Tiger) Anna's Tiger Moth Grammia anna arctiidae lepidoptera Hickory Tussock Lophocampa caryae arctiidae lepidoptera Virbia ferruginosa arctiidae lepidoptera lepidoptera Saltmarsh Moth Estigmene acrea arctiidae Pink-legged Tiger Spilosoma latipennis lepidoptera arctiidae Moth Fall Webworm Hyphantria cunea arctiidae lepidoptera Virginia Ctenucha Ctenucha virginica arctiidae lepidoptera 8-Spotted Forester Alypia octomaculata Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Spottd Grass Moth Rivula propingualis Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Zale curema Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Zale horrida noctuidae Owlet Moths lepidoptera Toothed Euclidea cuspidea Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Somberwing Zanclognatha sp. Owlet Moths lepidoptera noctuidae Lascoria ambigualis lepidoptera Owlet Moths noctuidae Marathyssa basalis Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Baileya ophthalmica noctuidae Eyed Baileya Owlet Moths lepidoptera Black-dotted Maliattha synochitis Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Lithacodia The Brother Rafia frater Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Ochre Daggr Moth Acronicta morula Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Olive-shaded Bird Tarachidia Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Dropping Moth candefacta Cloaked Marvel Chytonix Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera palliatricula Mythimna oxygala Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera **Bristly Cutworm** Lacinipolia renigera Owlet Moths noctuidae lepidoptera Moth

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Flame-shouldered	Ochropleura	Owlet Moths	noctuidae	lepidoptera
Dart	implecta			
	Xestia dolosa	Owlet Moths	noctuidae	lepidoptera
	Xestia adela	Owlet Moths	noctuidae	lepidoptera
Corn Earworm	Helicoverpa acesias	Owlet Moths	noctuidae	lepidoptera
Moth				
Arctic Skipper	Amblyscirtes vialis	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Common Roadside	Carterocephalus	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Skipper	palaemon			
Juvenal's	Erynnis juvenalis	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Duskywing				
Columbine	Erynnis lucilius	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Duskywing				
Indian Skipper	Hesperia sassacus	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Long Dash	Polites mystic	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Peck's Skipper	Polites peckius	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Tawny-Edged	Polites themistocles	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepido ptera
Skipper				
Hobomok Skipper	Poanes hobomok	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
N. Cloudywing	Thorybes pylades	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
European Skipper	Thymelicus lineola	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Northern Broken	Wallengrenia	Skippers	hesperiidae	lepidoptera
Dash	egeremet			
Giant Swallowtail	Papilio cresphontes	Swallowtails	papilionidae	lepidoptera
Canadian Tiger	Papilioglaucus	Swallowtails	papilionidae	lepidoptera
Swallowtail				
Clouded Sulphur	Colias philodice	Whites/Sulphurs	pieridae	lepidoptera
Cabbage White	Pieris rapae	Whites/Sulphurs	pieridae	lepidoptera
Juniper Hairstreak	Callophyrs gryneus	Harvesters/Copp	lycaenidae	lepidoptera
		ers/Hairstreaks &		
		Blues		
Silvery Blue	Glaucopsyche	Harvesters/Copp	lycaenidae	lepi doptera
	lygdamus	ers/Hairstreaks &		
	_	Blues		
Banded Hairstreak	Satyrium calanus	Harvesters/Copp	lycaenidae	lepidoptera
		ers/Hairstreaks &		
		Blues		1
Common Ringlet	Coenonympha tullia	Brush-Footed	nymphalidae	lepidoptera
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Viceroy	Limentis archippus	Brush-Footed	nymphalidae	lepidoptera
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Little Wood Satyr	Megisto cymela	Brush-Footed	nymphalidae	lepidoptera
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Northern Crescent	Phyciodes cocyta	Brush-Footed	nymphalidae	lepidoptera
		Butterflies		

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**Common Name Scientific Name** Family (Comm.) Family (Sci.) Order Question Mark Polygonia **Brush-Footed** nymphalidae lepidoptera interrogationis Butterflies Eastern Tailed Blue Cupido comyntas **Brush-Footed** nymphalidae lepidoptera Butterflies **Brown Scoopwing** Calledapteryx uraniidae lepidoptera dryopterata **Anthomyiid Flies** anthomyiidae 1 species diptera **Robber Flies** asilidae 1 species diptera Dioctria baumhauer **Robber Flies** asilidae diptera Mosquito sp Mosquitoes culicidae diptera Rhamphomyia Dance Flies empididae diptera longicauda (one species) **Muscid Flies** muscidae diptera Flesh Flies Flesh Fly species Sarcophaga sp. sarcophagidae diptera Sciomyza sp Marsh Flies sciomyzidae diptera Hover Fly (1 sp.) **Hover Flies** syrphidae diptera tabanidae Deer Fly Chrysops sp. diptera Chrysops excitans tabanidae diptera Tabanus sp.s tabanidae Horsefly species diptera Gymnoclytia Parasitic Flies tachinidae diptera occudua Parasitic Fly (2 sp.) **Parasitic Flies** tachinidae diptera Crane Fly (2 sp.) Tipula sp. Crane Flies tipulidae diptera Black Carpenter formicidae hymenoptera Camponotus Ants pennsylvanicus Ant Ant sp. (1 species) formicidae Ants hymenoptera Theronia hilaris Ichneumon Flies ichneumonidae hymenoptera Paper Wasp Polistes sp. Vespid Wasps vespidae hymenoptera Sweat Bees Lasioglossum sp. **Halictid Bees** halictidae hymenoptera Green Bee sp. **Halictid Bees** halictidae hymenoptera

**Bumblebees** 



Bombus sp.

Bumblebee

Bioblitz Balsam Ragwort photo by Paul Mackenzie

hymenoptera

apidae

#### **Vascular Plants by Barry Robinson**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Family (Comm.)	Family (Sci.)
Horsetail, Field	Equisetum arv ense	horsetail	equisitaceae
Horsetail, Water	Equisetum fluviatile	horsetail	equisitaceae
Spleenwort, Ebony	Asplenium, platyneuron	spleenwort	aspleniaceae
Fern, E. Hay-scented	Dennstaedtia punctilobula	bracken fern	dennstaedtiaceae
Wood Fern, Marginal	Dryopteris marginalis	wood fern	dryopteridaceae
Fern, Ostrich	Matteuccia struthiopteris	wood fern	dryopteridaceae
Polypody, Common	Polypodium virginianum	true fern	polypodiaceae
Fern, Sensitive	Onoclea sensibilis	maidenhair fern	pteridaceae
Tamarack	Larix laricina	pine	pinaceae
Spruce, Norway*	Picea abies	pine	pinaceae
Spruce, White	Picea glauca	pine	pinaceae
Pine, Jack	Pinus banksiana	pine	pinaceae
Pine, Red	Pinus resinosa	pine	pinaceae
Pine, Eastern White	Pinus strobus	pine	pinaceae
Juniper, Common	Juniperus communis	cypress	cupressaceae
Cedar, Eastern Red	Juniperus virginiana	cypress	cupressaceae
Cedar, Eastern White	Thuja occidentalis	cypress	cupressaceae
Cattail, Narrow-leaved	Typha angustifolia	cattail	typhaceae
Cattail, Broad-leaf	Typha latifolia	cattail	typhaceae
Pondweed, Sago	Potamogeton pectinatus	pondweed	potamogetonaceae
Pondweed, Slender	Potamogeton pusilus	pondweed	potamogetonaceae
Water Plantain, South.	Alisma subcordatum	water plantain	alismataceae
Arrowhead, Grass-leavd	Sagittaria graminea	water plantain	alismataceae
Arrowhead, Broadleaf	Sagittaria latifolia	water plantain	alismataceae
Arrowhead, Sessile-frut d	Sagittaria rigida	water plantain	alismataceae
Frog's-bit, European	Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*	frog's bit	hydrocharitaceae
Bentgrass, Creeping	Agrostis stolonifera	grass	poaceae
Brome, Awnless	Bromus inermis ssp. Inermis	grass	poaceae
Canada Bluejoint	Calamagrostis canadensis	grass	poaceae
Grass, Orchard	Dactylis glomerata	grass	poaceae
Fescue, Meadow	Festuca pratensis*	grass	poaceae
Manna-grass, Fowl	Glyceria striata var striata	grass	poaceae
Grass, Reed Canary	Phalaris arundinacea	grass	poaceae
Timothy, Meadow	Phleum pratense*	grass	poaceae
Bluegrass, Kentucky	Poa pratensis ssp. pratensis	grass	poaceae
Sedge, Shining Bladder	Carex intumescens	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Slender	Carex lasiocarpa	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge	Carex normalis	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Pennsylvania	Carex pensylvanica	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Rosy	Carex rosea	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Pointed Broom	Carex scoparia	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Sprengel's	Carex sprengelii	sedge	cyperacae

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Sedge, Stalk-grain	Carex stipata	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Tussock	Carex stricta	sedge	cyperacae
Sedge, Fox	Carex vulpinoidea	sedge	cyperacae
Cotton-grass, Sheathed	Eirphorum callitrix	sedge	cyperacae
Jack in the Pulpit	Arisaema triphyllum	arum	araceae
Duckweed, Lesser	Lemna minor	duckweed	lemnaceae
Pickerelweed	Pontederia cordata	pickerel-weed	pontederiacea
Rush, Soft	Juncus effusus	rush	juncacae
Rush, Path	Juncus tenuis	rush	juncacae
	Allium schoenoprasum var		
Chive	schoe	lily	liliaceae
Trout Lily	Erythronium americanum	lily	liliaceae
Lily of the Valley, Wild	Maianthemum canadense	lily	liliaceae
Solomon's Seal, Starry			
False	Maianthemum racemosum	lily	liliaceae
Solomon's Seal,			
Starflower False	Maianthemum stellatum	lily	liliaceae
Solomon's Seal, Downy	Polygonatum pubescens	lily	liliaceae
Twisted-stalk, Rose	Strepopus roseus	lily	liliaceae
Trillium, Red	Trillium erectum	lily	liliaceae
Trillium, White	Trillium grandiflorum	lily	liliaceae
Blue Flag, Larger	Iris versicolor	iris	iridaceae
Blue-eyed Grass, Comm	Sisyrinchium montanum	iris	iridaceae
Helleborine , Eastern	Epipactus helleborine*	orchid	orchidaceae
Poplar, White	Populus alba	willow	salicaceae
Poplar, Balsam	Populus balsamifera	willow	salicaceae
	Populus deltoides ssp.		
Cottonwood, Eastern	deltoides	willow	salicaceae
Aspen, Large-tooth	Populus grandidentata	willow	salicaceae
Aspen, Trembling	Populus tremuloides	willow	salicaceae
Pussywillow	Salix discolor	willow	salicaceae
Willow, Meadow	Salix petiolaris	willow	salicaceae
Sweetgale	Myrica gale	bayberry	myricaceae
Hickory, Bitternut	Carya cordiformis	walnut	juglandaceae
Hickory, Shagbark	Carya ovata	walnut	juglandaceae
Butternut	Juglans cinerea	walnut	juglandaceae
Alder, Speckled	Alnus incana	birch	betulaceae
Birch, Paper	Betula papyrifera	birch	betulaceae
Beech, Blue	Carpinus caroliniana	birch	betulaceae
Hop Hornbeam, Eastern	Ostry a virginiana	birch	betulaceae
Oak, White	Quercus alba	beech	fagaceae
Oak, Bur	Quercus macrocarpa	beech	fagaceae
Oak, Red	Quercus rubra	beech	fagaceae
Elm, American	Ulmus americana	elm	ulmaceae
Elm, Slippery	Ulmus rubra	elm	ulmaceae

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Hops, Common	Humulus lupulus*	hemp	canabaceae
Nettle, Stinging	Urtica dioica ssp.gracilis*	nettle	urticaceae
Bastard Toadflax,	Comandra umbellata	sandalwood	santalaceae
Dock, Curled	Rumex crispus*	knotweed	polygonaceae
Sandwort, Thyme-leavd	Arenaria serpyllifolia*	pink	caryophyllaceae
Chickweed, Mouse-eard	Cerastium fontanum*	pink	caryophyllaceae
Lychnis, Evening	Silene latifolia	pink	caryophyllaceae
Campion, Bladder	Silene vulgaris*	pink	caryophyllaceae
Stitchwort, Lesser	Stellaria graminea*	pink	caryophyllaceae
Water Lily, Yellow	Nuphar variegata	water lily	nymphaceae
Hepatica, Round-leaved	Anemone americana	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Anemone, Canada	Anemone canadensis	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Thimbleweed	Anemone virginiana	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Columbine, Wild	Aquilegia canadensis	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Buttercup, Kidney-leavd	Ranunculus abortivus	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Buttercup, Tall	Ranunculus acris*	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Buttercup, Early	Ranunculus fascicularis	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Meadow Rue, Early	Thalictrum dioicum	buttercup	ranunculaceae
Celandine, Greater	Chelidonium majus	рорру	papaveraceae
Bloodroot	Sanguinaria canadensis	poppy	papaveraceae
Corydalis, Golden	Corydalis aurea	fumatory	fumariaceae
Mustard, Tower	Arabis glabra	mustard	cruciferae
Yellow Rocket	Barbarea vulgaris*	mustard	cruciferae
Mustard, Wormseed	Erysimum chieranthoides*	mustard	cruciferae
Dame's Rocket	Hesperis matronalis*	mustard	cruciferae
Peppergrass, Field	Lepidium campestre*	mustard	cruciferae
Pennycress, Field	Thlapsi arvense*	mustard	cruciferae
Early Saxifrage	Saxifraga virginiensis	saxifrage	saxifragaceae
Black Currant, Wild	Ribes americanum	gooseberry	grossulariaceae
Gooseberry, Prickly	Ribes cynosbati	gooseberry	grossulariaceae
Black Currant, Bristly	Ribes lacustre	gooseberry	grossulariaceae
Currant, Bristly Black	Ribes lacustre	gooseberry	grossulariaceae
Agrimony	Agrimonia gryposepala	rose	rosaceae
Serviceberry, Downy	Amelanchier arborea	rose	rosaceae
Chokeberry, Black	Aronia melanocarpa	rose	rosaceae
Strawberry, Wood	Fragaria vesca	rose	rosaceae
Strawberry Wild	Fragaria virginiana	rose	rosaceae
Avens, White	Geum canadense	rose	rosaceae
Prairie Smoke	Geum triflorum	rose	rosaceae
Apple	Malus pumila*	rose	rosaceae
Cinquefoil, Silvery	Potentilla argentea*	rose	rosaceae
Cinquefoil, Tall	Potentilla arguta	rose	rosaceae
Cinquefoil, Ashy	Potentilla inclinata	rose	rosaceae
Cinquefoil, Rough	Potentilla norvegica	rose	rosaceae
Cinquefoil, Sulphur	Potentilla recta*	rose	rosaceae

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Cinquefoil, Common	Potentilla simplex	rose	rosaceae
Plum, Canada	Prunus nigra	rose	rosaceae
Cherry, Black	Prunus serotina	rose	rosaceae
Cherry, Choke	Prunus virginiana	rose	rosaceae
Rose, Smooth	Rosa blanda	rose	rosaceae
	Rubus idaeus ssp.		
Raspberry, Red	melanolasius	rose	rosaceae
Raspberry, Black	Rubus occidentalis	rose	rosaceae
Ragwort, Balsam	Senecio pauperculus	rose	rosaceae
Meadowsweet, Narrow-			
leaved	Spiraea alba	rose	rosaceae
Barren Strawberry	Waldsteinia fragaroides	rose	rosaceae
Trefoil, Birdsfoot	Lotus corniculatus*	pea	leguminosae
Black Medick	Medicago lupulina*	pea	leguminosae
Alfalfa	Medicago sativa*	pea	leguminosae
Clover, Yellow Sweet	Melilotus officinalis*	pea	leguminosae
Locust, Black	Robinia pseudo -acacia	pea	leguminosae
Clover, Hop	Trifolium agrarium*	pea	leguminosae
Clover, Alsike	Trifolium hybridum*	pea	leguminosae
Clover, Red	Trifolium pratense*	pea	leguminosae
Clover, White	Trifolium repens*	pea	leguminosae
Vetch, Tufted	Vicia cracca*	pea	leguminosae
Vetch, Slender	Vicia tetrasperma*	pea	leguminosae
Wood Sorrel, Yellow	Oxalis stricta	wood sorrel	oxalidaceae
Herb-Robert	Geranium robertianum*	geranium	geraniaceae
Prickly Ash, Northern	Zanthoxylum americanum	rue	rutaceae
Sumac, Fragrant	Rhus aromatica	cashew	anacardiaceae
Sumac, Smooth	Rhus glabra	cashew	anacardiaceae
Sumac, Staghorn	Rhus typhina	cashew	anacardiaceae
	Toxicodendron radicans ssp.		
Poison Ivy	Negundo	cashew	anacardiaceae
Bittersweet, Climbing	Celastrus scandens	staff tree	celastraceae
Maple, Manitoba	Acer negundo	maple	aceraceae
Maple, Silver	Acer saccharinum	maple	aceraceae
Maple, Sugar	Acer saccharum	maple	aceraceae
Jewelweed, Spotted	Impatiens ca pensis	touch-me-not	balsaminaceae
Buckthorn, Common	Rhamnus cathartica	buckthorn	rhamnaceae
Virginia Creeper	Parthenocissus inserta	grape	vitaceae
Grape, Riverbank	Vitis riparia	grape	vitaceae
Basswood, American	Tilia americana	linden	tiliaceae
Marshmallow	Althea officinalis*	mallow	malvaceae
St. John'swort, Common	Hypericum perforatum	St. Johnswort	guttiferae
St. Johnswort, Spotted	Hypericum punctatum	St. Johnswort	guttiferae
Violet, Canada	Viola canadensis	violet	violaceae
Violet, Northern Marsh	viola epipsila	violet	violaceae

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Loosestrife, Purple	Lythrium salicaria*	loosestrife	lythraceae
	Circaea lutetiana ssp.	evening	
Enchanter's Nightshade	canadensis	primrose	onagraceae
Sarsaparilla, Wild	Aralia nudicaulis	ginseng	araliaceae
Goutweed	Aegopodium podagraria	carrot	umbelliferae
Hemlock, Bulb-bearing			
Water	Cicuta bulbifera	carrot	umbelliferae
Queen Anne's Lace	Daucus carota*	carrot	umbelliferae
Parsnip, Cow	Heracleum lanatum	carrot	umbelliferae
Aniseroot	Osmorhiza longistylis	carrot	umbelliferae
Parsnip, Wild	Pastinaca sativa*	carrot	umbelliferae
Snakeroot, Black	Sanicula marilandica	carrot	umbelliferae
Water Parsnip	Sium suave	carrot	umbelliferae
Dogwood, Silky	Cornus amomum	dogwood	cornaceae
Dogwood, Gray	Cornus racemosa	dogwood	cornaceae
Dogwood, Round-leavd	Cornus rugosa	dogwood	cornaceae
Dogwood, Red Osier	Cornus stolonifera	dogwood	cornaceae
Loosestrife, Tufted	Lysimachia thyrsiflora	primrose	primulaceae
Ash, White	Fraxinus americana	olive	oleaceae
Ash, Black	Fraxinus nigra	olive	oleaceae
Ash, Red	Fraxinus pennsylvanica	olive	oleaceae
Lilac	Syringia vulgaris*	olive	oleaceae
	Apocynum		
Dogbane, Spreading	androsaemifolium	dogbane	apocynaceae
Indian Hemp	Apocynum cannabinum	dogbane	apocynaceae
Milkweed, Swamp	Asclepias incarnata	milkweed	asclepiadaceae
Milkweed, Common	Asclepias syriaca	milkweed	asclepiadaceae
Swalowwort, European	Cynanchum rossicum*	milkweed	asclepiadaceae
Swallowwort, White	Cynanchum vincetoxicum	milkweed	asclepiadaceae
	Calystegia spithamaeus ssp.		
Bindweed, Upright	spithamaeus	morning-glory	convolvulaceae
Phlox, Blue	Phlox divaricata	phlox	polemoniaceae
Hound's Tongue	Cynoglossum officinale*	borage	boraginaceae
Viper's Bugloss	Echium vulgare*	borage	boraginaceae
Gromwell, European	Lithospermum officinale*	borage	boraginaceae
Ground Ivy	Glechoma hederacea*	mint	labiatae
Motherwort	Leonurus cardiaca*	mint	labiatae
Water Horehound	Lycopus americanus	mint	labiatae
Bergamot, Wild	Monarda fistulosa	mint	labiatae
Catnip	Nepeta cataria*	mint	labiatae
Heal-all	Prunella vulgaris	mint	labiatae
Basil, Wild	Satureja vulgaris	mint	labiatae
Skullcap, Common	Scutellaria galericulata	mint	labiatae
Hedge Nettle, Marsh	Stachys palustris	mint	labiatae
Nightshade, Bittersweet	Solanum dulcamara*	nightshade	solanaceae

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Butter-and-eggs	Linaria vulgaris*	figwort	scrophulariaceae
Lousewort, Early Wood	Pedicularis canadensis	figwort	scrophulariaceae
Beardtongue, Hairy	Penstemon hirsutus	figwort	scrophulariaceae
Mullein, Common	Verbascum thapsus*	figwort	scrophulariaceae
Bladderwort, Greater	Utricularia vulgaris	bladderwort	lentibularacea
Plantain, Common	Plantago major*	plantain	plantaginaceae
Cleavers	Galium aparine	madder	rubiaceae
Bedstraw, Rough	Galium asprellum	madder	rubiaceae
Licorice, Wild	Galium circaezans	madder	rubiaceae
Madder, Wild	Galium mollugo*	madder	rubiaceae
Bedstraw, Marsh	Galium palustre	madder	rubiaceae
Bedstraw, Small	Galium trifidum*	madder	rubiaceae
Bedstraw, Fragrant	Galium triflorum	madder	rubiaceae
Honeysuckle, Bush	Diervilla lonicera	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Honeysuckle, Fly	Lonicera canadensis	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Honeysuckle, Hairy	Lonicera hirsuta	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Honeysuckle, Tartarian	Lonicera tatarica*	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Troneysueme, rurturum	Sambucus nigra ssp.	Попсуваеме	capinonaceae
Elderberry, Common	canadensis	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Elder, Red-berried	Sambucus racemosa	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Horse Gentian, Orange-	Sambacas racemosa	Honeysuckie	сартнопассас
fruited	Triosteum aurantiacum	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Tinker's Weed, Perfoliate	Triosteum perfoliatum	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Viburnum, Maple-leavd	Viburnum acerifolium	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Nannyberry	Viburnum lentago	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Arrowwood, Downy	Viburnum rafinesquianum	honeysuckle	caprifoliaceae
Bellflower, Creeping	Campanula rapunculoides*	harebell	campanulaceae
beililower, Creeping	Achillea millefolium ssp.	Harebell	campanulaceae
Common Yarrow	millefo	aster	compositae
Ragweed, Common	Ambrosia artemisiifolia	aster	compositae
Pearly Everlasting	Anaphalis margaritacea	aster	compositae
Pussytoes, Field	Antennaria neglecta	aster	compositae
Burdock, Common	Arctium minus ssp. minus*	aster	compositae
Aster, Heart-leaved	Aster cordifolius	aster	compositae
Aster, New England	Aster novae-angliae	aster	compositae
Aster, Panicled	Aster simplex	aster	compositae
Thistle, Plumeless	Carduus acanthoides	aster	compositae
Thistle, Field	Cirsium discolor	aster	compositae
Fleabane, Daisy	Erigeron annuus	aster	compositae
Fleabane, Common	Erigeron philadelphicus	aster	compositae
Aster, Large-leaved	Eurybia macrophylla	aster	compositae
Hawkweed, Orange	Hieracium aurantiacum*	aster	compositae
Hawkweed, Field	Hieracium caespitosum*	aster	compositae
Hawkweed, Mouse-eard	Hieracium pilosella*	aster	compositae
Hawkweed, Tall/Smooth	Hieracium piloselloides*	aster	compositae
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Daisy, Oxeye	Leucanthemum vulgare*	aster	compositae
Black-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia serotina	aster	compositae
Goldenrod, Tall	Solidago altissima	aster	compositae
	Solidago canadensis var.		
Goldenrod, Canada	canadensis	aster	compositae
Goldenrod, Zigzag	Solidago flexicaulis	aster	compositae
Goldenrod, Late	Solidago gigantea	aster	compositae
Goldenrod, Early	Solidago juncea	aster	compositae
Tansy, Common	Tanasetum vulgare	aster	compositae
Dandelion, Common	Taraxacum officinale*	aster	compositae
Goat's Beard, Fistulous	Tragopogon dubius *	aster	compositae
Goat's Beard, Meadow	Tragopogon pratensis*	aster	compositae

#### Non-Vascular Plants and Fungi by Anne Robertson

#### **Bacteria**

Crown Gall Agrobacterium tumefaciens

#### Non-Vascular Plants

<b>Common Name</b>	Scientific Name	Family (comm.)	Family (scientific)	
Phylum Chloropl	hyta , Class Chlorop	hyceae Green Alg	gae	
	Pediastrum sp.		Hydrodictyaceae	
	Spirogyra sp.		Zygnemataceae	
	Microspora sp.?		Microsporoceae	
Stonewort	Chara sp.		Characeae	
Phylum Bryophy	ta, Class Bryopsida			
	Plagiomnium		Mniaceae	
	ellipticum			
Phylum Bryophyta, Class Sphagnopsida				
Peat Moss	Sphagnum sp.		Sphagnaceae	

#### Fungi

Fungi are classified somewhat differently and the classification is constantly changing, so the true fungi are presented in alphabetical order of scientific name.

#### True Fungi

Apiospora morbosa (Black Knot)
Calvatia excipuliformis (Pestle-shaped
Puffball)
Climacodon septentrionale (Shelving Tooth)
Gymnosporangium juniperi-virginianae
(Cedar-Apple Rust)
Hemitrichia sp. (Slime Mould)
Inonatus obliquus (Clinker Polypore)
Lactarius deliciosus (Delicious Lactarius)

Morchella esculenta (Yellow Morel)
Polyporus squamosus (Dryads Saddle)
Puccinia coronata (Buckthorn Crown Rust)
Sircoccus clavignenti-juglandaccarum
(Butternut Canker)
Trametes versicolor (Turkey Tail)

#### Lichens

Cladina Sp. (Reindeer moss)
Peltigera po nojensis (Pale-bellied Dog-lichen)

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# Diane Lawrence Wins Richards Education Award Anne Robertson

We are delighted that Diane Lawrence has won a well-deserved award from Ontario Nature, presented to her on June 13, during at this year's BioBlitz. The Richards Education award is presented to an individual who has succeeded in helping people understand the natural world and become enthusiastic supporters of conservation and environmental protection.



Anne Robertson presents Richards Education Award to Diane Lawrence. Photo by Gaye Beckwith

Diane has been a volunteer coordinator for the KFN youth program for 28 years. She is extremely inspiring, her enthusiasm is contagious, and her reliable nature and long term commitment are exemplary. Diane helps with both the Junior and Teen naturalists. The junior program consists of about fifty 6 to 12 year olds, who meet twice monthly indoors, and once a month in the field. We have ten to fifteen Teen naturalists, who meet once a month in the field.

Diane has a wonderful ability to keep students focused, and to maintain a pleasant and instructive atmosphere throughout the meetings. She plans activities which emphasize hands-on experiences, such as tagging Monarch butterflies and studying bird skins. These activities are instructive and enjoyable, both for the young naturalists and for the university students who help as junior leaders, many of whom have limited previous experience in the natural environment.

The activities developed by Diane are also used in her teaching at Queen's University Faculty of Education, and are carried by her students across Ontario and beyond. Our youth programs have been running continuously since 1972 and their continued success would not have been possible without Diane's contributions. It has been a pleasure to work with Diane, and to see how she has helped many young people grow up to become dedicated naturalists and professional biologists.

# Shunned by Some, Loved by Others Terry Sprague

This column is about snakes. You know, the foul and loathsome in the animal kingdom. I will be up front about that, for the benefit of the lady who stood beside me in the Picton Gazette office a few weeks ago, and told the receptionist across the counter that the newspaper was excellent, but there were far too many snakes in one issue. As I recall, that was the issue which featured, among other things, a local conservation day camp and its visit from a herpetologist who captivated the young audience with the less-appreciated among our wildlife.

Why some people recoil whenever a live snake (or a photo of one!) appears has always mystified me. They are no more revolting than slugs, worms, maggots, salamanders, or the high school student some years back who yelled an expletive in my ear as she shouted to a classmate across Picton's Main Street. Except for the latter, all are part of the wildlife makeup in this world that form an important link in the natural scheme of things, and keep this world purring along. They belong, as surely as do bats, mosquitoes, bees, skunks and a host of others who haven't yet managed to endear themselves to all of us.

The late herpetologist, Tom Huff, with his gentle, soothing voice and ways changed many a person's attitude about snakes, and dispelled numerous myths about them through touch and interpretation. He, couldn't understand the fear of snakes some persons have, but accepted it, as long as they didn't hurl a stone at them, and understood their place in nature.

Their fear, he believed, was handed down, for he could not explain it any other way. The mother screams, the child instinctively screams, and the child goes through life with a fear that has been imprinted. If kids escape this misdirected imprinting, they eventually discover snakes by themselves, and learn on their own that these cold blooded animals are pretty cool. Through Tom's involvement with the defunct Reptile Breeding Foundation at Cherry Valley, and later, his work at the Conservation Cataraqui Region Authority, he dispelled many a fear during his short time with us.

There were no kids in the group I ushered around Jones Falls, north of Kingston, a few weeks ago as we explored the history of the area, prior to an interpretive kayak paddle to Chaffey's Lock. However, there were no screams either as I picked up a feisty smooth green snake, and held it in my hands for all to see. They were fascinated, not so much by my ability to comfortably hold the creature, but more by the outstanding colour on this tiny specimen. It was a soft, emerald green, and it was amazing that I found it at all

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given the rich, green vegetation along the path where it turned up.

Green snakes lay eggs, like so many other reptiles and amphibians, but unlike water snakes and garter snakes that are viviparous - bear live young. They do not start out green, but rather grey or even blue, which explains the excitement of a Madoc resident some years ago, when he was certain he had found a blue racer, normally confined to Pelee Island, in southwestern Ontario. Once green snakes settle on green, they stay that way, even after death apparently, as evidenced by several I have found dead along roadsides over the years, victims of cars.

Despite their small size, green snakes have the same weaponry as larger counterparts - chemical welfare, and they're not afraid to use it. The tiny individual I handled wasted no time in bathing my hands with its obnoxious odour, faint compared to that of garter and milk snakes, but nonetheless, powerful. Later that day, the odour was still evident, even after repeated scrubbings with hand sanitizer I carry for such occasions.

Through the years, I have become quite comfortable handling and being around snakes. One of my fondest recollections is the day a small child at Sandbanks delivered to me the largest garter snake I had ever seen. Because it was closing time at the Visitor Centre where I worked, I lowered the huge snake into a spare terrarium we had on display. Next morning, the reason for the snake's size

became apparent. The bottom of the terrarium was a seething mass of 80+ miniature garter snakes, almost surely a record for a female snake of any species.



Just a snake in the grass - a garter snake. Photo by Terry Sprague

I have always been a bit leery of water snakes though, after being rather aggressively bitten by a northern water snake as a young lad when I inadvertently stepped on one while in swimming, not so much by the memory of that day, but due to the infection their bite can cause, from their diet of carrion. Still, five years ago, while leading tours to Main Duck Island where water snakes still abound as their own little disjunct population, I would willingly lead the interested to their whereabouts, and conversely, the uninterested far away.

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# Odonate Sightings April 1 to August 31 2009 Kurt Hennige

This report includes records in the Kingston Checklist area and Charleston Lake & Menzel Provincial Parks. Cool weather delayed the appearance of many species by one to two weeks, and numbers for some common species were lower than in past years.

A new species was added to the Checklist when 3 Brush-tipped Emerald were seen along Roblin Road, 3km east of the Menzel Gate. This species was also seen in at least three more locations just outside the Kingston Checklist area and at least 15 were seen at Menzel.

The list includes several species of sought-after Emeralds in the group *Somatochlora* including Kennedy's, Williamson's and Brush-tipped Emerald. All were found at Menzel Centennial Provincial Park.



Williamson's Emerald by Kurt Hennige

Even more surprising was the discovery of 1 male and several female Ebony Boghaunters, our smallest Emerald, also at Menzel Centennial. It's rare anywhere in Ontario; even records in Algonquin Park are few and scattered.



**Bog Haunter by Murray Seymour** 

Other highlights include the second record of Saffron winged Meadowhawk, our third and fourth records of Swamp Darner, also on Charleston Lake, 3km from the 2007 location, a new population of Rainbow Bluet along Millhaven Creek, and 3 records of the rare Harlequin Darner.

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#### First Sightings 2009

Date	Latin Name	Species	Location
4/26/2009	Anax junius	Common Green Darner	Menzel & Bayview Bog
5/4/2009	Tetragoneuria canis	Beaverpond Baskettail	Third Depot Lake Rd
5/4/2009	Leucorrhinia hudsonica	Hudsonian Whiteface	Third Depot Lake Rd
5/12/2009	Ischnura verticalis	Eastern Forktail	Brady Rd near Newburgh
5/13/2009	Cordulia shurtleffi	American Emerald	Charleston Lake Prov Pk
5/13/2009	Chromagrion conditum	Aurora Damsel	Chrlston L Pr Pk Quiddity Trlhd
5/13/2009	Ladona julia	Chalk-fronted Corporal	Charleston Lake Prov Pk
5/13/2009	Leucorrhinia intacta	Dot-tailed Whiteface	Charleston Lake Prov Pk
5/13/2009	Epitheca spinigera	Spiny Baskettail	Charleston Lake Prov Pk
5/15/2009	Basiaeschna janata	Springtime Darner	Charleston Lake north shore
5/18/2009	Enallagma boreale	Boreal Bluet	Bullen Rd
5/18/2009	Libellula quadrimaculata	Four-spotted Skimmer	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L.
5/18/2009	Enallagma cyathigerum	Northern Bluet	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L.
5/19/2009	Gomphaeschna furcillata	Harlequin Darner	Charleston Lake Prov Pk
5/19/2009	Dorocordulia libera	Racket-tailed Emerald	Gananoque Conserv Area
5/22/2009	Tetragoneuria cynosura	Common Baskettail	Tr off Opin Rd 1k E of Rock L Rd
5/22/2009	Calopteryx maculata	Ebony Jewelwing	Millhaven Cr 581 County Rd #4
5/22/2009	Didymops transversa	Stream Cruiser	Tr off Opin Rd 1k E of Rock L Rd
5/23/2009	Leucorrhinia proxima	Belted Whiteface	Third Depot Lake Rd
5/24/2009	Gomphus spicatus	Dusky Clubtail	QUBS Pangman Trail
5/24/2009	Ischnura posita	Fragile Forktail	Collin's Creek
5/26/2009	Williamsonia fletcheri	Ebony Boghaunter	Menzel Nature Reserve
5/30/2009	Plathemis lydia	Common Whitetail	Frontenac Prov Pk
5/30/2009	Arigomphus furcifer	Lilypad Clubtail	Frontenac Prov Pk
5/30/2009	Lestes disjunctus	Northern Spreadwing	Frontenac Prov Pk
unknown	Lestes eurinus	Ambr-wngd Spreadwing	QUBS
5/30/2009	Nehalennia irene	Sedge Sprite	Frontenac Prov Park
6/2/2009	Coenagrion resolutum	Taiga Bluet	Portland Cons Area
6/12/2009	Lestes dryas	Emerald Spreadwing	KFN Bioblitz Camden East
6/13/2009	Celithemis elisa	Calico Pennant	KFN Bioblitz Camden East
6/14/2009	Erythemis simplicicollis	Common Pondhawk	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L
6/15/2009	Gomphus exilis	Lancet Clubtail	Cat Tr Opin Rd to Maple Leaf Rd
6/15/2009	Enallagma ebrium	Marsh Bluet	Cat Tr Opin Rd to Maple Leaf Rd
6/15/2009	Libellula luctuosa	Pied Skimmer	Cat Tr Opin Rd to Maple Leaf Rd
unknown	Arigomphus cornutus	Horned Clubtail	QUBS
6/15/2009	Epitheca princeps	Prince Baskettail	Cat Tr Opin Rd to Maple Leaf Rd
6/15/2009	Libellula pulchella	Twelve-spotted Skimmer	Cat Tr Opin Rd to Maple Leaf Rd
6/17/2009	Pachydiplax longipennis	Blue Dasher	KFN-Helen Quilliam Sanctuary
6/17/2009	Nannothemis bella	Elfin Skimmer	KFN-Helen Quilliam Sanctuary
6/17/2009	Leucorrhinia frigida	Frosted Whiteface	KFN-Helen Quilliam Sanctuary

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Date	Latin Name	Species	Location
6/17/2009	Enallagma hageni	Hagen's Bluet	Third Depot Lake Rd
6/17/2009	Libellula incesta	Slaty Skimmer	KFN-Helen Quilliam Sanctuary
6/17/2009	Nehalennia gracillis	Sphagnum Sprite	KFN-Helen Quilliam Sanctuary
6/22/2009	Aeshna canadensis	Canada Darner	Frontenac Prov Pk
6/22/2009	Hagenius brevistylus	Dragonhunter	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L
6/22/2009	Enallagma vesperum	Vesper Bluet	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L
6/24/2009	Celithemis eponina	Halloween Pennant	Rideau Trail off Opinicon Rd
6/24/2009	Argia moesta	Powdered Dancer	Rideau Trail off Opinicon Rd
6/24/2009	Enallagma exsulans	Stream Bluet	QUBS Pangman Trail
6/24/2009	Enallagma signatum	Orenge Bluet	Charleston L Prov Pk Boatramp
6/25/2009	Somatochlora walshi	Brush-tipped Emerald	Menzel Nature Reserve
6/25/2009	Calopteryx aequabilis	River Jewelwing	Salmon River Forest Mills
6/26/2009	Macromia illinoiensis	Swift River Cruiser	Salmon River Forest Mills
6/27/2009	Argia fumipennis violacea	Violet Dancer	Collins Creek N of Taylor -Kidd
6/28/2009	Cordulegaster obliqua	Arrowhead Spiketail	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L
6/28/2009	Sympetrum obtrusum	Wht-face Meadowhawk	KFN Helen Quilliam Sanctuary
7/7/2009	Dromogomphus spinosus	Blk-shouldered Spinyleg	Salmon River Forest Mills
7/7/2009	Stylogomphus albistylus	Eastern Least Clubtail	Salmon River Forest Mills
7/7/2009	Somatochlora kennedyi	Kennedy's Emerald	Menzel Nature Reserve
7/7/2009	Lestes unguiculatus	Lyre-tipped Spreadwing	N of Newburgh NCC Sheck site
7/7/2009	Enallagma antennatum	Rainbow Bluet	Salmon River Forest Mills
7/9/2009	Sympetrum semicinctum	Bnd-wngd Meadowhawk	Menzel Nature Reserve
7/9/2009	Somatochlora willamsoni	Williamson's Emerald	Menzel Nature Reserve
7/15/2009	Enallagma civile	Familiar Bluet	Kingston Waterfront
7/19/2009	Aeshna tuberculifera	Black-tipped Darner	Menzel Nature Reserve
7/19/2009	Lestes vigilax	Swamp Spreadwing.	Salmon River Forest Mills
7/20/2009	Lestes rectangularis	Slender Spreadwing	Charleston L Pr Pk Blue Mt Trail
7/21/2009	Aeshna umbrosa	Shadow Darner	Burns Ln SW shore Chrleston L
7/28/2009	Sympetrum costiferum	Sffrn-wngd Meadowhwk	Goodyear Rd Napanee
7/30/2009	Tramea lacerata	Black Saddlebags	Bayview Bog(Lost Lake)
7/30/2009	Sympetrum internum	Chrry-facd Meadowhwk	Bayview Bog(Lost Lake)
7/30/2009	Enallagma carunculatum	Tule Bluet	Bayview Bog(Lost Lake)
8/1/2009	Sympetrum vicinum	Autumn Meadowhawk	QUBS Pangman Trail
8/5//2009	Enallagma geminatum	Skimming Bluet	Frontenac Prov Pk
8/5/2009	Lestes congener	Spotted Spreadwing	Frontenac Prov Pk
8/21/2009	Epiaeschna heros	Swamp Darner	Charleston Lake N shore

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#### The Kingston Field Naturalists at Fifty

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In its fiftieth year, the Kingston Field Naturalists is pleased to host for the sixth time the annual conference of the Federation of Ontario Naturalists. The last occasion on which the conference was held in Kingston marked the KFN's fortieth anniversary. The special edition of The Blue Bill published for that conference included a history of the club's first forty years written by Dr. Bob Stewart.

It was on November 24th, 1949, that nine people attended the inaugural meeting of what was first known as the Kingston Nature Club. One of these nine founding members was a young Robert B. Stewart. To describe his many contributions to the club and to the FON would require an article far longer than this one. Needless to say, his knowledge of the early days of the club is unique, and it would be pointless for one far less qualified than Bob to try to give a history of the first forty years yet again. Instead, only major milestones of those years will be mentioned, and the more recent history and present activities of the KFN will be described here.

It should also be mentioned that in her introduction to History of the Birds of Kingston, Helen Quilliam gave a highly readable account of the club's early days, and also some carefully researched details of the history of ornithology of the Kingston area dating

back to the 1850s.<sup>2</sup> There is even a reference to birds seen in the Kingston area by members of Champlain's entourage in 1615.

Much credit for the founding of the club must go to Dr. George M. Stirrett, who came to Kingston in 1948 as Dominion Wildlife Biologist. In five years the membership had increased to 50, and it exceeded 100 by the early 1960s.

By this time Helen Quilliam had become a central figure in many of the KFN's activities. Her weekly articles on birds the Kingston-Whig published in Standard were read by members and by non-members, many numerous whom were introduced to the club through them. Helen continued this endeavour for nine years, her last column appearing towards the end of 1968. Mention has already been made of her book, History of the Birds of Kingston, originally published in 1965. A second edition appeared in 1973 as the KFN's contribution to the City of Kingston's tercentenary celebrations.

By this time the checklist of birds seen within a 50 km radius of Kingston contained 303 species. In his book Birds of the Kingston Region published in 1989 on the club's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Dr. Ron Weir described the status of 343 species that had been observed up to that time in the Kingston area.<sup>3</sup> This

number continues to rise slowly, and now stands at 360.

Birding was then, and continues to be, by far the most popular club activity. However, since the early days of the KFN members have felt that one of its maior interests should be preservation of natural areas in the Kingston region. In 1963 the club purchased 200 acres (approximately 80 hectares) of land north of Sydenham with shoreline on Otter and Rothwell Lakes. The acquisition of the property necessitated the club becoming incorporated, at which time it changed its name from the Kingston Nature Club to Kingston Field Naturalists.

Three further purchases of land adjacent to the original property have been made possible by generous donations from club members. The original Otter Lake Sanctuary grew by 40 hectares in 1967, by a further 80 hectares in 1981, giving access to Gould Lake, and most recently by the purchase of the 6.6 hectare peninsular on Otter Lake known to members as Vanluven Point. On 11 June 1995 the Otter Lake Sanctuary was renamed the Helen Quilliam Sanctuary to honour a lovely and talented lady who had guided the KFN for close to 40 years.

The club also owns approximately 100 hectares of pasture and marsh at the eastern end of Amherst Island purchased in 1986 with the aid of funds from Wildlife Habitat Canada. Under an agreement with Duck's Unlimited part of the area is managed to maintain water levels in the marsh to protect

nesting Wilson's Phalaropes and other marsh dwelling species. An Osprey platform on the property is one of several that have been erected in the Kingston area by the KFN in the past few years. Each has been quickly occupied by a pair of Ospreys.

As was stated earlier, many of the KFN's members are active birders. A Kingston Christmas Count has conducted since the club was founded. and members have organized other counts in the surrounding area for many years. Last year counts were conducted in Kingston, Napanee, Amherst Island, Westport, Prince Edward Point and the Thousand Islands. Christmas Count species totals for Kingston rival those of Long Point, Rondeau and Hamilton. Other birding events that have become KFN traditions are the Spring Roundup in late May, which started in 1960 as the Big Day, and since 1966 the Fall Roundup, formerly the Owl Hunt, in early November. These events have generated a wealth of data over the years, as well as contributing greatly towards building a camaraderie and, at times, a little rivalry between club members.

Other field trips are held throughout the year, again mostly to well known birding areas such as Wolfe and Amherst Islands and Prince Edward Point. Recently, field trips for beginning birders have been held as part of what is referred to as a Field Studies program. Each trip focuses on a group of species such as hawks and owls, or ducks, to allow new birders to learn about these species at a more leisurely pace than is

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usually experienced on regular field trips and roundups.

A number of more scientifically conducted surveys have also been KFN projects over the years. Breeding Bird Surveys were first undertaken for the Canadian Wildlife Service and US Fish and Wildlife Service in 1966. More recently several members have participated in the Forest Breeding Bird Monitoring program. Some of the other surveys in which members are involved are mentioned later in this issue.



However, without doubt the KFN's biggest project started in 1971 when daily surveys of the Spring migration at Prince Edward Point were organized by Dr. Ron Weir. The survey was repeated the following year and later grew into a Spring and Fall migration banding program which continued until 1981. Between 1975 and the end of 1980 over 78,000 birds were banded. This massive

effort allowed the KFN to establish the importance of Prince Edward Point as a major migration stop-over, and persuade the Canadian Wildlife Service to set aside the area as Canada's first National Wildlife Area for non-game species.

Fall banding of Saw-whet Owls also determined that this species migrates through the area in considerable numbers each year. This activity is still carried out intermittently as part of the KFN's educational program. To date over 5000 Saw-whet Owls have been banded at Prince Edward Point. In 1998 the area became the fourth in Canada to be designated an Important Bird Area (IBA).

Education has always been one of the club's objectives. The greatest effort has been directed towards programs for the young. The Kingston Junior Naturalists has operated under the KFN's umbrella for 35 years. In its early days the group met in Earl Hall, the home of the Biology Department at Queen's University, under the direction of a KFN member. In 1972 the junior naturalists group became part of a new venture known as the West End Boys and Girls Club which met at Polson Park School.4 This arrangement lasted only a short before the Kingston Junior Naturalists resumed meeting at Earl Hall once again.

Under the enthusiastic leadership of Anne Robertson with strong support from Diane Lawrence, the group thrived, and was subdivided into two in 1987. The younger members meet twice

a month from September to April in McArthur Hall at Queen's, where they participate in a variety of natural history activities under the guidance of Anne, Diane and a number of student volunteers from the Faculty of Education plus several KFN members. Field trips are also held regularly and are well attended.

The teens group, also led by Anne Robertson, has a more extensive outdoor program that includes canoeing, cross-country skiing and helping with activities such as the Bio-Blitz and the annual cleanup of the Helen Quilliam Sanctuary.

As the club has grown the membership has taken part in an increasing number of projects, some of which have already been described above. In the December 1997 issue of The Blue Bill, Bud Rowe described thirty projects in which members had recently been involved.<sup>5</sup>

Many of these projects continue to this day. Some of the non-bird ones that are still active are amphibian call counts, butterfly, moth and lady beetle surveys and an invasive plants survey. Last year saw the club's first Bio-Blitz, an event that will be repeated in June this year.

Currently the membership list shows that there are over 180 individual memberships and over 150 family memberships. Since each of the latter represents at least two persons, the total number of people involved in the club is over 480. The Executive of the KFN feels strongly that to keep a club healthy it is important to have members involved in a wide variety of projects. At fifty, we believe there are many signs indicating that the club is in good shape. One hopes that this will still be the case for many years to come, and the FON will also flourish so that we will be able to welcome its members to Kingston yet again in the not too distant future.

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