

# CONNECTING WITH NATURE

## 2017 EVENTS

Space is limited. Please register in advance. To register call (902) 425-5263 or email [events@nsnt.ca](mailto:events@nsnt.ca). For event updates, visit [www.nsnt.ca](http://www.nsnt.ca) or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (@NSNatureTrust).



**MAY 14**

1-4pm

### **WILD KIDS** *Meander River*

Calling all kids! You and your parents/grandparents/guardians are invited to join the Nature Trust, the Young Naturalists Club and the Nova Scotia Bird Society for an afternoon of adventure! Enjoy a nature scavenger hunt for the unique plants and birds that make the beautiful Meander River their home. Learn why the Nature Trust works hard to care for this special place. Rain or shine.

Cost: Free



**OCT 1**

10am - 3pm

### **100 WILD ISLANDS PADDLE AND HIKE** *Shelter Cove*

**NOTE DATE CHANGE!** Join us in exploring the 100 Wild Islands, as we hike and kayak to the beautiful white sand beaches of the Shelter Cove Wilderness Sanctuary. Participants can hike one way and kayak the other, or hike or kayak both ways. Sea kayaks available for rent through Coastal Adventures.

Cost: \$15; Kayak rental - please inquire when registering.



**JULY 22**

1-4pm

### **GO WILD!** *Pleasant River*

Join us in celebrating three new conservation lands that advance our work protecting critical freshwater and endangered species habitats. Together with our partners at the Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute we guarantee a fun-filled family day, with opportunities to learn about the unique wildlife and natural history of southwestern Nova Scotia.

Cost: Free



**AUG 27**

10am-3pm

### **BEACH CLEANUP & BIRD WALK** *Hemeons Head*

Help keep the bird habitat at Hemeons Head healthy by lending a hand. After the beach cleanup, learn about the fascinating shorebirds that return to the Hemeons Head Conservation Lands each year with a guided bird walk co-hosted by the Nature Trust and Bird Studies Canada.

Cost: Free



**AUG 12**

1-4pm

### **ST. MARYS RIVER CELEBRATION** *St. Mary's River*

Join us to celebrate a new conservation success on the gorgeous St. Marys River! We will also host 2 guided hikes (one easy, and one moderately challenging), showcasing the unique forests that line the river and the wildlife that depend on these freshwater habitats.

Cost: Free



**SEPT 23**

1-4pm

### **BACKLANDS HIKE** *Purcells Cove*

Explore the fire-adapted Jack Pine barrens of the Purcells Cove Backlands. Witness the incredible rejuvenation from the 2009 forest fire. The trail is moderately challenging.

Cost: \$15



**SEPT 30**

10-3pm

### **INVASIVE PLANT REMOVAL & BIRD HIKE** *Hemeons Head*

Help us remove a patch of an invasive rose species that threatens potential Piping Plover breeding habitat on the beach at Hemeons Head. Afterwards, learn about the migrant shorebirds that use the mudflats of Matthews Lake on their southwards migration.

Cost: Free



**WINTER '18**

Time TBA

### **MOONLIT SNOWSHOE HIKE** *Wolfville Watershed*

Join us for a unique guided snowshoe hike exploring the beautiful Wolfville Watershed Nature Reserve by moonlight.

Detail TBA.

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# OTHER NATURE TRUST EVENTS

## 2017 EVENT SERIES



**JUNE 22**

6-9pm

### FOREVER WILD

*Museum of Natural History*

We invite you to join us for an evening of exciting news, celebration and appreciation, marking a tremendous year of land conservation achievements. We will be announcing new conservation successes and honouring some very special people who made these accomplishments possible. Enjoy a visual journey through over 10,000 acres of protected areas in Nova Scotia! Donations are accepted at the door.

Annual General Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation begin at 6pm with Showcase to follow.

Cost: Donations welcome



**OCT 26**

5:30pm

### INTO THE WILD

**Annual Dinner & Auction**  
*Cunard Centre, Halifax*

Step Into the Wild with us as we host our 20th Annual Dinner and Auction! Our special guest Brian Keating will take us on an incredible wildlife and wilderness escape around the world, from the Arctic to the African savannahs. Help celebrate exciting conservation successes, network with like-minded friends, and help raise critical funds to save even more special places across Nova Scotia.

Tickets are on sale now! Early bird deadline is June 30, 2017.

For tickets call: 902-425-5263 or visit [www.nsnt.ca/dinner](http://www.nsnt.ca/dinner)



**SEPT 21**

4-6pm

### NATURE'S HOUSE OPEN HOUSE

*81 Prince Albert Rd., Dartmouth*

The Nature Trust has a brand new home! Visit our new neighbourhood in Dartmouth, and learn about our exciting plans to green our property and enhance its sustainability.



**DATES TBA**

TIME TBA

### PROPERTY GUARDIAN TRAINING

Our volunteer Property Guardians actively care for our network of conservation lands. They are essential to ensuring that we meet our commitment to protect our lands, forever. We aim to grow and enhance this program to meet the challenges of our expanding network of conservation lands and increased visitors.

Stay tuned for updates on this program and opportunities to participate in hands-on training.

Learn more about the Property Guardians program at: [www.nsnt.ca/participate/volunteer](http://www.nsnt.ca/participate/volunteer)



**DATE TBA**

TIME TBA

### 100 WILD ISLAND OPEN HOUSES

*Eastern Shore*

If you live on the Eastern Shore, or spend time in the 100 Wild Islands, we want to hear from you! Stay tuned for updates on community open houses, surveys and other opportunities to share your knowledge, ideas and learn more about our project to plan for the future of the islands.



**JULY 29**

12:30pm

### HEMEONS HEAD OPEN HOUSE

*Hemeons Head*

Are you a local resident or frequent visitor to Hemeons Head? Share your knowledge and participate in management planning for the Hemeons Head Conservation Lands.



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