

Natural Landscapes



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Preserving Nature on Private Lands

Nature Trust Launches Campaign for the Coast

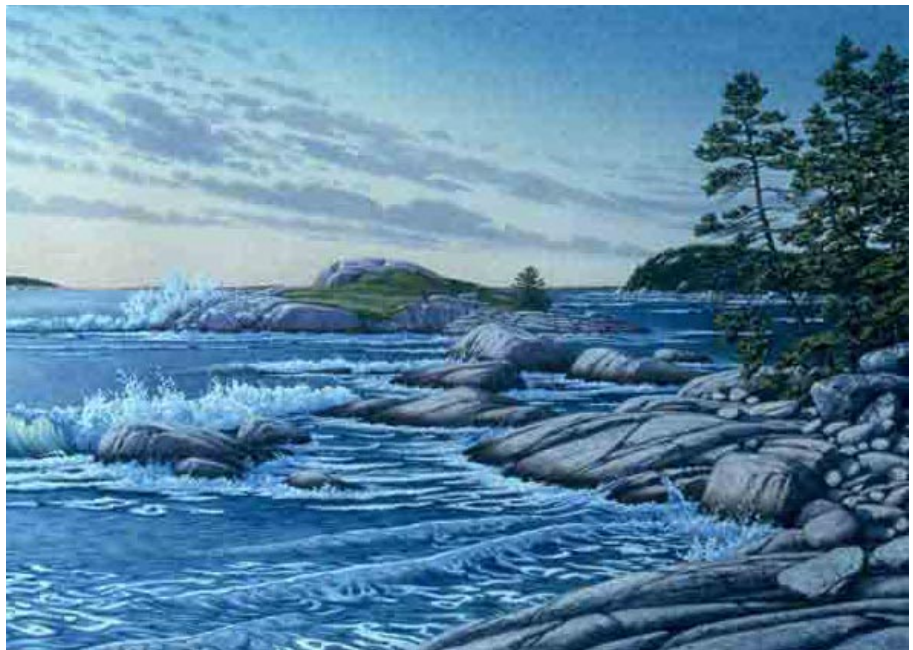
by Jennifer Pinks

In Nova Scotia, coastal ecosystems are among the richest in plant and animal life, yet these natural communities are facing increasing pressure from development, tourism and recreation.

Nova Scotia has over 12,000 kilometres of coastline, yet less than 5%, or approximately 600 kilometres, is protected. This includes wilderness areas (136 km), national parks (129 km), provincial parks and reserves (242 km), and private interests (approximately 100 km).

As the interface between land and sea, coastal lands create a variety of unique habitats. Coastal islands, wetlands, saltmarshes and estuaries support a high diversity and abundance of marine birds and other wildlife. These areas are critical for breeding, feeding, over-wintering and migratory stop-overs. The Roseate Tern, a nationally Endangered species, uses the coastal lands and islands of Nova Scotia as breeding grounds during the summer months. Nova Scotia provides coastal habitat for 94% of the Roseate Tern population in Canada.

There is a sense of urgency to conserve coastal lands in our province before they are designated for other land uses or it becomes cost prohibitive to do so. To respond to this need, the Nature Trust has launched a multi-year effort to preserve coastal lands in Nova Scotia: the "Campaign for the Coast."



Alice Reed, Dawn, Terence Bay, watercolour

Only 5% of Nova Scotia's 12, 500 kilometre coastline is protected.

Under this campaign, the Nature Trust endeavours to increase the amount of privately owned coastal lands under formal protection and to ensure that these special places are effectively stewarded over the long term. The geographic scope of the project is province wide, featuring the Eastern Shore, Chedabucto Bay, the northern and western coasts of Cape Breton, the Bras d'Or Lakes and the Minas Basin in the Bay of Fundy.

The launch of this campaign was made possible with funding from:



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You are invited to attend the Nova Scotia Nature Trust's
Annual General Meeting on April 22, 2003
 with special guest speaker, **Andrew Hebda, Curator of Zoology**
 See details on page 2!

Nature Trust News

Executive Director's Message

Doris Cameron, Interim ED

I am extending an invitation for you to join us at our Annual General Meeting on April 22, 2003 at Nova Scotia Community College, Halifax Campus with guest speaker Andrew Hebda. Come learn about the Nature Trust's successes in land securement. It has been a productive year as we are in the process of securing an additional 1250 acres. As well, we launched a new fundraising initiative "Our Natural Legacy, Our Challenge, Our Opportunity" and an exciting new project *Campaign for the Coast*. Andrew Hebda, Curator of the Museum of Natural History, will speak about an important topic in conservation -- exotic species.

Congratulations!

A warm welcome to baby Jack Lukeman, born on Feb. 18 to Greg and Jennifer Lukeman. Greg Lukeman is a member of the Nature Trust Board of Directors, and serves as Chair of the Public Relations Committee.

The Nova Scotia Nature Trust

The Nova Scotia Nature Trust is a charitable land conservation organization dedicated to protecting significant natural areas on private lands throughout the province. Since 1994, the Nature Trust has protected 1300 acres.

Mission

To identify, protect, maintain, and restore Nova Scotia's native biodiversity and ecological integrity, including representative, rare, outstanding, and unique or otherwise ecologically significant natural features and phenomena by:

- working with private landowners on a voluntary basis
- raising awareness of the need for and benefits of private land conservation
- making use of, and encouraging the development of effective tools and incentives for private land conservation
- cooperating with other conservation partners to achieve mutually desirable goals
- preserving and stewarding priority conservation lands in perpetuity through acquisitions and conservation easements

New Newsletter Committee Volunteers

The newsletter committee welcomes three enthusiastic new volunteers. **Jessica Meijer** is a veterinarian who recently returned to Nova Scotia after working in Ontario and New York State. She is interested in ecosystem health

and loves being back in Nova Scotia despite her geriatric dog's hatred of rain. **Sharon Glynn** is an avid hiker and photographer. Trained as a lawyer, she runs her own website development & photography business. **Chris Bennett** enjoys kayaking, sailing, and hiking. He currently works in Halifax as a software developer.



NOVA SCOTIA NATURE TRUST



Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, April 22, 2003 at 7:00pm

Nova Scotia Community College
Halifax Campus, AV Room - 1825 Bell Road

Show your support for land conservation on Earth Day!
Join us for a slideshow showcasing our conservation work.

Guest Speaker: Andrew Hebda, Curator of Zoology,
Nova Scotia Museum of Natural History

"Exotics - What's wrong with one more species out there?"

Andrew Hebda, Curator at the Museum since 1995, comes from a very broad background. His professional career has included everything from a military commissioned officer, to a biological consultant, to a pig and sheep farmer, and a university instructor. Andrew has hosted 44 nature-related television programs as well as an 8-part television series on Nova Scotia Environmental Industries.

Snacks and beverages will be provided.
All Are Welcome

Conservation News

Meander River Easement Completed

by Donald Sam

It's official -- a conservation easement now formally protects a sensitive section along the Meander River, Hants County. And what a learning experience it has been for everyone involved!

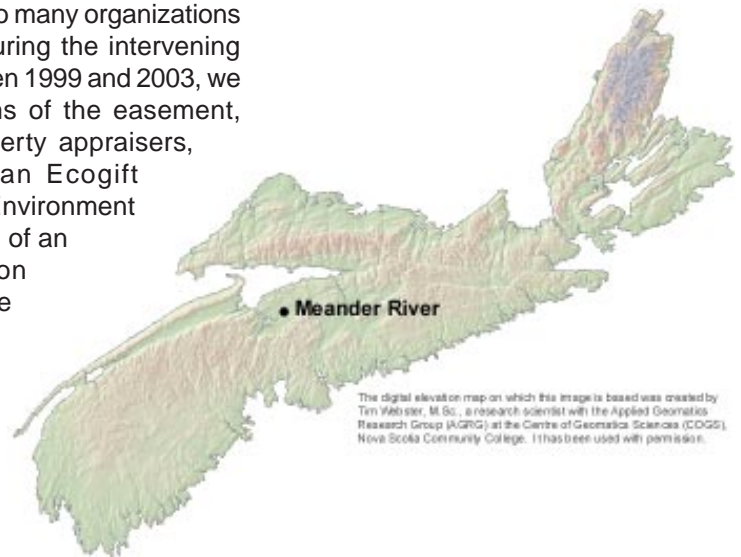
George and Sylvia Plater, owners of this quiet wooded area, first met with the Trust in 1997 to discuss the possible protection of their gorgeous "backyard." Magnificent stands of hardwood, richly vegetated forest floor, and riverside floodplain made the site an obvious candidate for protection. However, conservation easements were relatively new to Nova Scotia, and the mechanisms in place for processing easements were untested.

By 1999, the Nature Trust had completed much of the preparatory work required to formally protect the site. In the spring of 1999, we organized a celebration to publicly acknowledge the Plater's commitment to conservation and the imminent protection of their land. A large group joined us on a sunny spring day for a guided walk along the Meander River. The cover story of *Natural Landscapes* (Summer, 1999) featured the day-long celebration at the site. Little did we know that the process of formally protecting the property would last several more years.

The closing of this easement

provided lessons to many organizations and their staff. During the intervening three years between 1999 and 2003, we finalised the terms of the easement, worked with property appraisers, and completed an Ecogift application with Environment Canada. Approval of an Ecogift application meant that the Plater's could enjoy optimum tax benefits for conserving ecologically valuable land.

The Nature Trust extends its appreciation to George and Sylvia Plater for their commitment to conservation and their patience. The Plater's were amongst the first landowners to work with the Nature Trust to formally preserve land. By being leaders they often traveled through uncharted water alongside the Trust -- and together we encountered many procedural surprises. Despite occasional set-backs, the Plater's remained steadfast in their conviction to protect their land. Thanks to their perseverance, a section along the Meander River will remain unspoiled.



The final securing of this property was made possible with funding from:



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Why Not Write an Article for *Coastlines*?

The Ecology Action Centre is looking for writers for its weekly natural history column, *Coastlines*. The column covers a wide range of topics related to wildlife and habitats in coastal Nova Scotia and runs in 11 community newspapers around the province. For more information, contact Penny at eac_mic@istar.ca or (902)429-2202.

New website: www.gov.ns.ca/enla/areas/index.htm

Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour - Protected Areas Branch
The Protected Areas Branch is responsible for planning and managing Nova Scotia's Wilderness Areas, Nature Reserves and Heritage Rivers, and for encouraging private land stewardship.

Volunteer Appreciation

George Alliston – Volunteer Extraordinaire

by Jennifer Pinks

“Extraordinary” and “remarkable” seem fitting words to describe volunteer Dr. George Alliston’s dedication to the Nature Trust. George, who resides in the Wolfville area, has been associated with the organization for approximately four years. He has contributed significantly to the Nature Trust in various and continuing roles — as a Board member, as Chair of the Properties Committee, in landowner and public relations, as field technician, boundary delineator, genealogical researcher, property monitor, proposal writer and “Glossy Buckthorn eliminator,” to name a few.

I have had the pleasure of working closely with George over the past eight months and know first hand the incredible effort he makes — his thoroughness and attention to detail. George often logs 8-10 hour days several times a week, taking care of various tasks at our three Annapolis Valley properties or tending to other Nature Trust matters in Halifax or points beyond. Field days with George are always enjoyable with his encyclopedic knowledge of all things biological, sharing in his Arctic experiences, listening for bird songs and always pointing out something he’ll take care of next time out! Never a complaint either – even on those days when all we had to look forward to was cleaning up

an old dump site and sitting down to lunch with mosquito swarms and ticks.

As well, George has logged countless hours at the computer preparing reports, memos, Committee/ Board assignments and documenting NT research findings. Last spring, there were boundary concerns on the Aylesford (Clem) property that required some investigative work — George was hooked!

It seemed that renovations to the Alliston home were not quite as intriguing as the genealogical and notorious history of this property. After many trips to the Registry of Deeds, interviews with family members, field sleuthing and more than 500 hours of his time, George has become a “Clem expert.” This has proven invaluable in understanding and managing this property.

We are very fortunate to have this type of commitment from a volunteer, and his doctorate in biology also has proven most helpful! At all levels of the



George Alliston(left) shows a map of Aylesford property to Properties Committee members and walk participants

organization, we are grateful and appreciative of his knowledge and understanding of conservation, and his dedication that, together, have contributed to the growth of the organization. We are ever hopeful George will continue his remarkable association with the Nature Trust.

I would like to say a sincere thank you to Margaret Alliston for all her efforts in supporting Nature Trust work and for always being the pleasant voice to greet the daily Nature Trust telephone calls!

Helping Hands

by Karen Potter



Leah Bartlett and Lisa MacAlpine



Shawn Vessey

Nature Trust volunteers braved a rainy day last November to help clean up a future Nature Trust property on Moody Lake, Halifax County. A big thank you to the hard-working volunteers: father and son team Chris & Blake Oakley for taking down the old cabin on the property, Jack & Darlene Stone, Shawn Vessey, Lisa MacAlpine, and Leah Bartlett for their tireless efforts cleaning up and carrying away the garbage. Special thanks to landowners Jack and Darlene Stone for their dedication to conservation. (Thanks Darlene for the chili and cookies!)

Once warmer and drier weather is upon us, we hope to get out to the property to finish the clean-up job. Anyone interested in fresh air and exercise? Please contact Karen at the Nature Trust office: karen@nsnt.ca or 425-5263.



Jack Stone

Project News

Yellow Birch & Wildlife - Working Together to Survive

by Heather McKinnon

“When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it is attached to the rest of the world.” – John Muir

Wildlife and trees rely on each other for their survival. Trees provide animals with food and shelter, while wildlife aids in tree reproduction and helps get rid of insect pests. This relationship can be seen in the yellow birch, *Betula alleghaniensis*.

Wildlife feasts on every part of a yellow birch tree. Birch seeds scattered over the snow supply much needed winter food to finches, goldfinches, pine siskins, blue jays, nuthatches, chickadees and squirrels. In return, these animals distribute the seeds and aid in pollination during the summer months. Seedlings, sprouts and twigs of young trees are a tasty treat for mice, hares, moose, and especially white-tailed deer. These tree parts contain wintergreen oil once used to flavour gum

and toothpaste until the invention of synthetic flavourings. Ruffed grouse depend on the buds and catkins for protein during the winter. The yellow birch’s curly, paper-like bark is a favorite food of porcupines, snowshoe hares and beavers. By devouring insect larvae, woodpeckers get a high protein meal while freeing trees of insect pests.

Yellow birch is susceptible to a fungus that decays the heartwood of the tree, but since the heartwood is not living, the tree can survive. Yellow-bellied sapsuckers and pileated woodpeckers take advantage of the decaying cores by boring holes for their nests. Wood ducks move into these holes after they are abandoned. Many different species of birds build their



Old yellow birch at Gold River Lake.

nests up above in the birch’s branches.

The relationship between yellow birch and wildlife is just one example of many relationships that exist in nature. If one species is removed from the natural environment, many could be affected.

Update -- The Fundy Shorebird Project

by Donald Sam, Project Co-ordinator

Imagine a coastal community where nature and people coexist and thrive. This is the vision of the Fundy Shorebird Project. And as the project nears the start of its third and final year, this vision is becoming closer to reality.



Launched in 2000, the Fundy Shorebird Project is a three-year interprovincial effort that will secure and protect internationally important habitat for shorebirds and other non-game birds. Key partners include the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the Nature Conservancy of Canada, the U.S. Federal Government, the Canadian Wildlife Service and the U.S. Nature Conservancy.

In Nova Scotia, the program continues to take its message of conservation directly to landowners at targeted areas in the Minas Basin. Activities include negotiation of stewardship agreements, public education, and monitoring the activity

of shorebirds and people at critical sites. Staff of the Nature Trust is delivering the stewardship message.

Several landowners at key sites along the coast have entered into stewardship agreements promoting land use practices that support the conservation goals of the project. We will continue to meet with landowners to discuss shorebird conservation. As well, the project is assisting with community-based initiatives to conserve shorebirds, and their habitats are beginning to be discussed by the community itself. The community of North Grand Pre is taking steps to make their area both “shorebird friendly” and a great place for visitors to see the spectacular flocks of migrating shorebirds.

Friends of the Nature Trust

New and renewed memberships from November 1, 2002 to March 1, 2003

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More Nature Trust News

The Chester Chapter of the Nature Trust 2002 Annual Report

Submitted by George Mitchell, Chairman

The Chester Chapter has had a very full year. The most important development is the pending gift of a conservation easement of more than six acres of forest at the center of Big Gooseberry Island. This area contains an Acadian forest, which does not exist elsewhere on islands in the Province.

The Bluenose Atlantic Coastal Action Program (BACAP) in Mahone Bay has published its three year report identifying the most ecologically sensitive islands in Mahone Bay. During the study, Art Lynds, from the N.S. Dept. of Natural Resources identified the Acadian forest and spent several days surveying it and defining its perimeter. One of the oldest trees at Big Gooseberry Island is a 105 year old red spruce. Apparently, the forest escaped the clearing of the islands of Mahone Bay, which occurred during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The Brainard family has long realized that the forest was different from other areas of the island and had a special grace and tranquility. Now they feel that such a treasure should be permanently

preserved and are proceeding to give a conservation easement to the Nova Scotia Nature Trust. We hope that other island owners will take similar steps to permanently preserve their islands.

The August meeting of the Chester Chapter at the Chester Yacht Club was a great success. James J. Espy, Jr., President and CEO of the Maine Coast Heritage Trust gave a lively presentation on the activities of the Trust since 1970 when it was founded. They have protected 120,000 acres of outstanding scenic, ecological, recreational and cultural land, including 324 entire islands and hundreds of miles of shoreline. The presentation gave an informative view of how others are actively protecting large areas of marine properties, and was an inspiration to do the same for Mahone Bay!

Probably the most distressing event of the summer of 2002 was the loss of Strum Island to development into six house lots and service road. This high and very visible island is at the entrance to the waters of Mahone Bay Town. The subdivision of this natural habitat should

be a wake up call to all of us in the area that the landscapes we love are disappearing very quickly.

This summer during the evening of Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, Bob Bancroft will talk at the Chester Yacht Club at 7:30 PM. His talk will focus on the characteristics, management, and preservation of island forests and natural shoreline vegetation. His talk is very appropriate considering the tremendous pressure which the Mahone Bay islands and waterfront are experiencing. Please save the date. We look forward to seeing you at our third summer meeting.

Our mailing list continues to grow. We now have 172 names on the list. We hope more people will join the Nova Scotia Nature Trust so we can continue to build a strong and effective organization to promote conservation and aid in protecting valuable property. We encourage discussion with you to hear your thoughts and ideas. We gladly welcome volunteers. Preserving our wonderful area is everybody's business!



NOVA SCOTIA NATURE TRUST



Sixth Annual Dinner and Silent Auction

*with guest speaker Monte Hummel
President, World Wildlife Fund Canada*

Saturday, November 22, 2003
Lord Nelson Hotel
Halifax, NS

Reserve your tickets now!
Tickets \$75
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Climbing for Conservation Saturday, June 7, 2003

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climbing the walls?
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good use and
climb a wall for
the Nova Scotia
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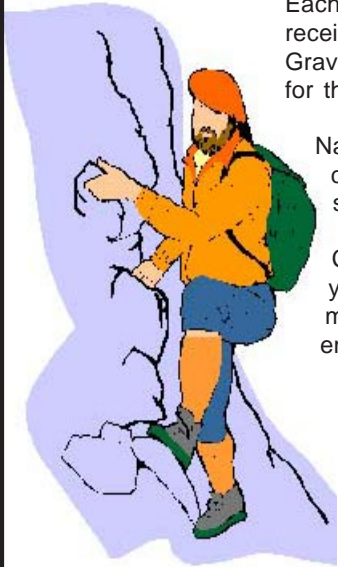
The Special Events Committee of the Nature Trust is organizing the first ever 'Climb-a-thon' in Nova Scotia. Climbing for Conservation is a one day indoor rock climbing challenge for both corporate and individual teams. The event offers participants an opportunity to learn a new skill and challenge themselves in a fun, safe environment, while raising funds to support the land conservation work of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust.

Each climbing team, made up of four individuals, will receive instruction from trained staff at the Beyond Gravity Climbing Gym in Halifax. Prizes will be awarded for the most pledges raised.

Nature Trust staff will be taking up the challenge and climbing the wall – if you would like to support the staff team, we welcome your pledge!

Contact Karen at the Nature Trust office to pledge your support, request a registration form, or for more information:
email: karen@nsnt.ca ph: 902-425-5263.

**Join us to celebrate
Environment Week!**



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Membership in the Nova Scotia Nature Trust is open to any person or corporation interested in the protection of Nova Scotia's natural beauty and native biodiversity. Members receive the newsletter, *Natural Landscapes*, are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, and may participate in the various committees. Members also have the satisfaction of knowing that they are making an important contribution to the protection of outstanding natural areas.

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