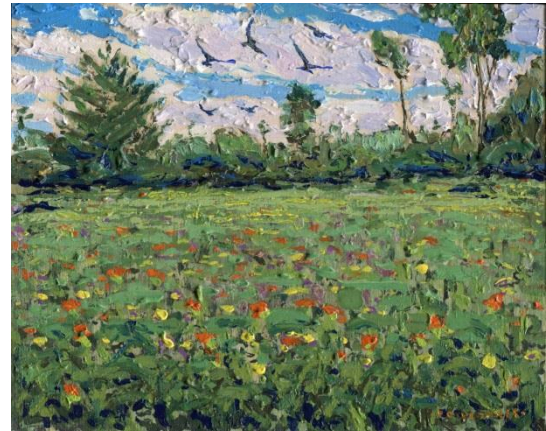




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Vision

A prosperous healthy community,
Laced with clean lakes
And beautiful natural spaces –
A place we all feel blessed to call home.

Mission

Protecting nature for current and future generations
since 1993

Goals & Objectives

Preserve, Protect, Restore and Improve
Encourage and Foster Environmental Awareness
Acquire, Maintain and Preserve Lands
Promote and Undertake Research



Message from the President and Executive Director

It turns out you can get a lot done in 25 years.

Given the right people and a shared vision, you can take an idea and develop it into a living community that protects and cares for more than 13,000 acres in the Lake Couchiching region.

In November, we marked our 25th anniversary. The common sentiment expressed by those who were there at the beginning is a sense of wonder at what we've become.

Virtually all the unique habitats in our region are represented to some extent in our holdings. Through your dedication to an idea, alvars, shield barrens, wetlands, grasslands, upland forests and river complexes have all been granted the right to exist indefinitely.

That's impact.

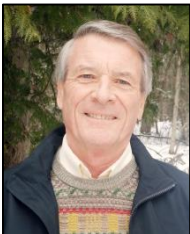
But we don't stop at our property lines. Species are on the move. We facilitate that movement by being strategic, by mobilizing citizen scientists to help us understand changing patterns, by feeding information to provincial and national networks studying ways to sustain the teeming life still remaining at a time when our overconsumption of the Earth's resources is starting to adversely affect the future of the planet.

Those 25 years have not been without challenges. Coming off our most productive year ever, we slammed into the prospect of a gun range planned for the heart of the Carden Alvar.

But we are here to respond.

Twenty-five years is a flicker in geologic time, but it's possible we are living in the most pivotal era in the planet's history. In our own small way we're at the front, on the right side.

Is there another place you'd rather be?



Doug Christie

Doug Christie
President



Mark Bisset

Mark Bisset
Executive Director

Board of Directors

Margaret Pomeroy, *Past President*

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Jamie Ross, David A. Homer

Staff

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Dorthea Hangaard, *Citizen Science Project Manager*

Tanya Clark, *Development Coordinator*

Courtney Baker, *Administrative Assistant*

Joelle Burnie, *Engagement Organizer*

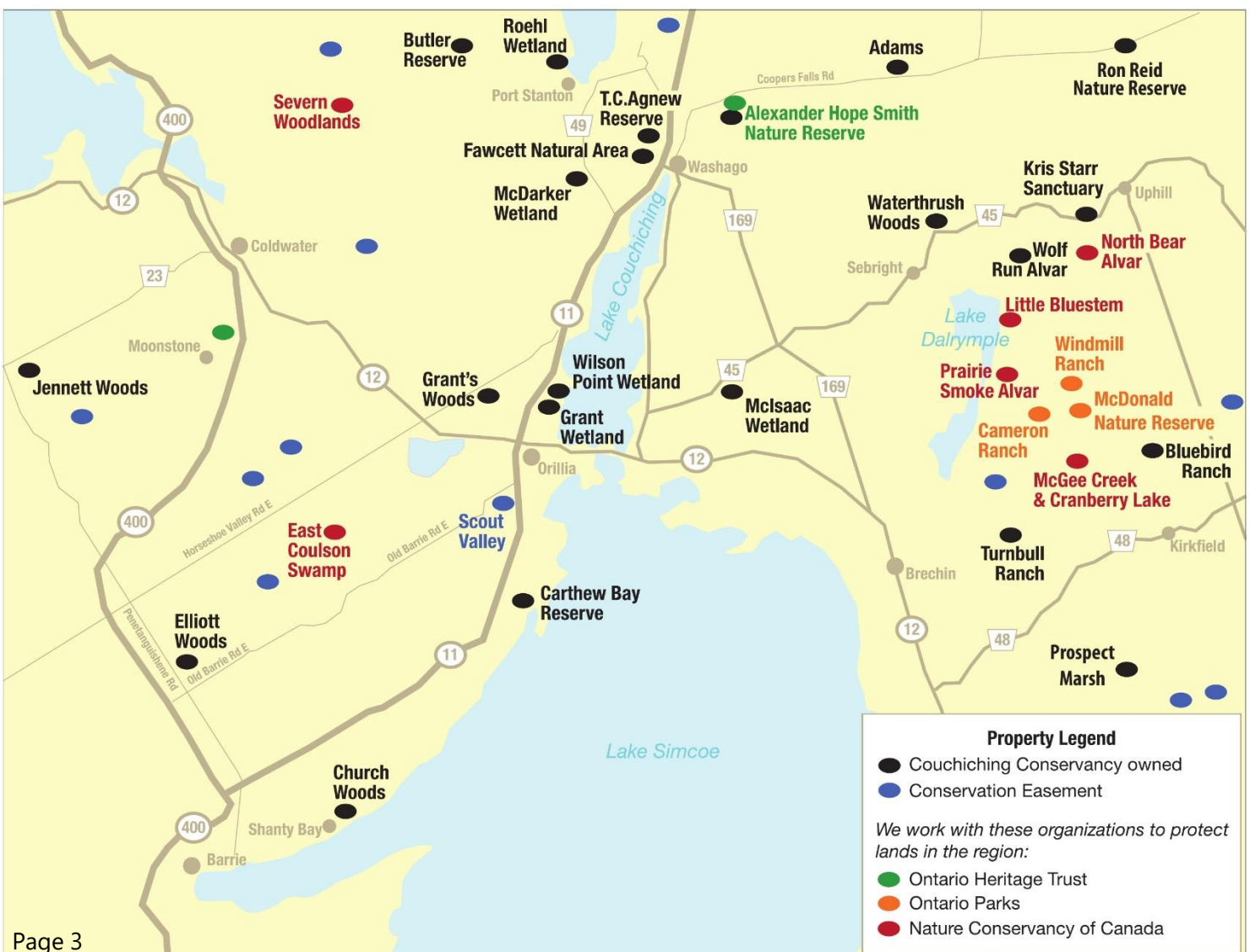
Contractors: Ron Reid, Ginny Moore, Kathy Connor, Meagan Coughlin

Building Corridors of Connected Wilderness



The Couchiching Conservancy acknowledges that the land on which it operates is the traditional territory of Haudenosaunee, Anishnaabeg, Wendat and Metis Peoples. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties.

Our land base encompasses several habitats collectively called "eco-regions". There are three main divisions and many subdivisions of large categories. The greater the mix and number of these different vegetative communities, the greater the richness of biodiversity, and ecological value. Woodlands are forests of hardwoods, conifers or a mix of both; rocklands are the granite Canadian Shield and limestone alvars; wetlands include swamps, marshes, bogs and fens. Each of these may be further divided to quite specific habitat niches, eventually becoming a rare and essential home for species at risk, and for all species that interact within that eco-region.



25 Years of Protecting Nature for Future Generations

25 years ago, a small group of people started something great. They saw a problem, and sprang into action. The beautiful wetlands, forests and alvars were being destroyed, and it felt like nothing could be done. That feeling, that need was the driving force for the founders. The idea was simple – to protect as much land as possible while we still could. Today, that simple idea still stands. Together we have accomplished impressive feats.

In honour of the anniversary of that simple idea, we present to you a look back at some of the key activities from the past 25 years.



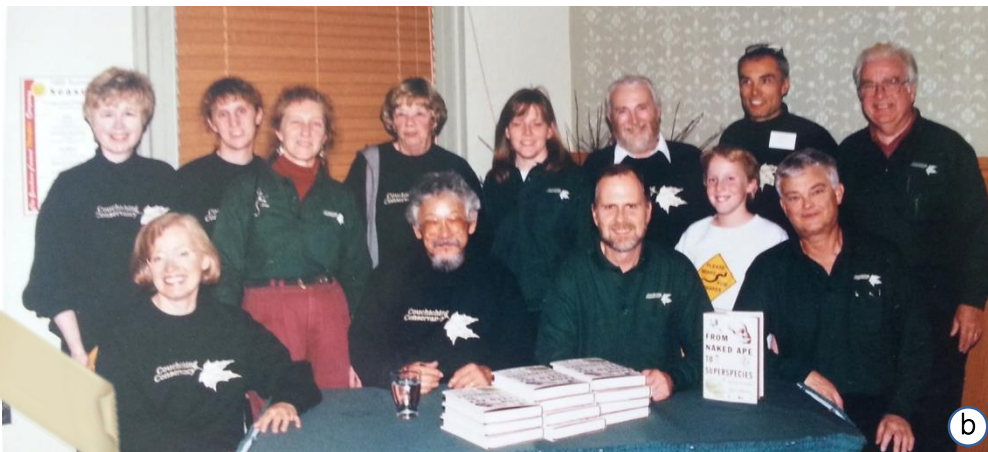
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Pictured on opposite page: Over 100 people attended the opening and dedication of the Ron Reid Nature Reserve in September

1993

A conversation around a kitchen table started it all – The Couchiching Conservancy (CC) is founded!

1994

Planning, planning, planning. The Founders work through putting together the Natural Heritage Action Plan

1995

Bill & Dave Darker donate Roehl Wetland, 71 acres near Sparrow Lake

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Charles Grant, Sandra Hamilton and Kerry Rusk donate two parcels of land in Orillia, now known as Grant Wetland & Wilson Point Wetland

1996

Robert & Ruth Warling donate 600 acre, Severn Woodlands, to Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), to be managed by CC

1998

Basil Mclsaac donates an 83-acre wetland property in Ramara, now named Mclsaac Wetland

Assist in stewardship of McCuaig McDonald Nature Reserve, a 104-acre NCC property

1999

Begin management of Severn Woodlands, an NCC property in Severn Township

David Suzuki joins CC as a guest speaker

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50-acre McDarker Wetland protected with funds from Amy and Dave Darker

The Conservancy develops a website

Pens built in Carden for Eastern Loggerhead Shrike

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411-acre Turnbull Ranch Easement protected in Carden

Legacy Landscapes



“Essential viewing for every Ontarian with an interest in the natural world. Loved it!”

~ Robert & Katie



Whenever The Couchiching Conservancy becomes involved with a property it is for its unique ecological values, and what better way to capture the essence of the land than with timeless art? Legacy Landscapes is a celebratory event to honour the diversity of land forms found in this region, and is unabashedly modeled after a "Group of Seven" showing.

Like an image immortalized by Carmichael, Harris, Casson or their peers, the scenes presented in this exhibition visually capture and describe a moment in the timeline of the landscape. Decades into the future it is hoped a visitor to these properties will be able to reflect on these images and see that the only changes incurred are those brought on by natural succession. The artists chosen to create these images are diverse in their backgrounds, experiences, styles, and expressions. Their enthusiasm to be involved proved artistically strong and personally profound; read their statements that accompany each piece and you will discover how incredibly supportive they are towards land conservation.

As the title infers, these protected lands will be our collective legacy to future generations; these images being an insightful record of the ecological jewels they are to inherit.

Many of the artworks are available for purchase, with proceeds divided between the artist, Orillia Museum of Art & History, and Couchiching Conservancy. A catalogue of the show will be available at a later date.

The 'Legacy' Team consisted of: David and Juliana Hawke, Shannon Hawke, Mary Ann Tully and David Wilkins, Tanya Clark and Ninette Gyorody.

Pictured clockwise from top left: Adams Nature Reserve by Claudia McKnight, Ron Reid Nature Reserve by Dave Beckett, David and Juliana Hawke, co-curators of the Legacy Landscapes exhibit, Scout Valley by Wendy Bermingham.

Supporter Spotlight: Sheila MacFeeters

Sheila's heart belonged to the land.

Sheila MacFeeters' legacy is following her heart. She was a long time supporter of conservation efforts in the Couchiching area, and across Ontario. Her gifts, directed by her family to fulfil her wishes, continue to have a lasting impact on the wilderness in our region.

Her childhood was spent at a summer camp for girls in Algonquin Park, a family cottage on Go Home Bay, and she learned the importance for life long education and giving back from her parents. These formative lessons and experiences shaped Sheila. She started her career with Parks Canada and a short while later joined the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR). Sheila always recognized the need for balance in the natural world. From working with Forestry to Fish and Wildlife to Crown Lands and Waters, Sheila managed Ontario's natural resources and was proud of being the third woman in Ontario to be appointed a District Manager by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. Sheila loved central and northern Ontario and in her later years worked at Queen's Park as Executive Assistant to the MNR Deputy Minister. She enjoyed learning, had a pure curiosity for nature and lived her life with compassion, care and courage.

In 2009, Sheila was told she had an incurable and inoperable brain cancer. She underwent several years of treatments and a clinical trial but the inevitable progression of the disease could not be prevented. In 2012, she and her husband Michael purchased a home in Orillia and moved there in 2014, where they had planned to retire, to enjoy the rest of Sheila's life. When she passed away in 2017, Michael and her family knew of her intentions to help further the land trust movement in any way possible. With a gift in her will, Sheila helped support our Citizen Science program and a portion of her gift is being held in our Acquisition Fund, to be used when an opportunity arises to protect more environmentally significant land.

At the end of 2018, there was an additional gift to foster a next generation of environmental leaders. A gift from Sheila's estate has enabled the Conservancy to hire Joelle Burnie, Engagement Organizer, on a full-time basis. This position was originally funded by The Gosling Foundation.

We are so honoured by Sheila's gifts and grateful to her family. With her help, we are furthering conservation efforts to help protect the wilderness that she loved so much. Thank you Sheila.



2000

44-acre Konda Easement protected in District of Muskoka

65-acre Wilkins Easement protected in Oro-Medonte

The Carden Alvar is officially designated as an Important Bird Area

50-acre Tushingam property under CC management on behalf of Ontario Heritage Trust (OHT)

2001

Ross Butler donates 31 acres near Sparrow Lake

2002

John & Betty McCulloch donate the 22-acre Carthew Bay Nature Reserve near Lake Simcoe

2003

Ron Reid becomes the first staff member, as Executive Director

87-acre East Coulson Swamp donated by Margaret Atwood to NCC is now managed by CC

Cameron Ranch, a 2869-acre property in Carden, purchased by a coalition of conservation organizations

2004

52-acre forest donated by Bill Grant in memory of his brother Jack, called Grant's Woods. The house is converted into the Conservancy's office.

40-acre Agnew Easement protected in Oro Medonte

Gazebo at Grant's Woods built in partnership with Home Depot Orillia

Preserve and Protect



Acquisition

We celebrated the generous donation of a 134-acre conservation easement in Oro-Medonte in early January by Peter Dale and Louise Calvert-Dale to start 2018.

In March we announced the recently-acquired 730-acre Black River property would be named the Ron Reid Nature Reserve, recognizing Ron's lifetime conservation achievement. The reserve was officially dedicated at a well-attended ceremony in September.

The Conservancy continues to refine its acquisition strategy and pursue a short list of properties, including the 1,350-acre Cedarhurst in the heart of the Carden Alvar. Slated for development as a shooting range, securing it is crucial to alvar conservation.

Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas

There are 600 Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas in Canada, and the Carden Plain IBBA is an outstanding example both in size and importance. Covering 372 square kilometers, it has been ranked as having National Significance due to the breeding populations of Loggerhead Shrike, Henslow's Sparrow, Bobolink, Eastern Meadowlark, Golden-winged Warbler and other grassland dependent birds. These sites are selected by international criteria and are administered in Canada by Bird Studies Canada and Nature Canada.

We love seeing how you experience the Nature Reserves and the natural magic of the region. Thanks for tagging us on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook!





What goes into stewarding 37 properties?

The on-going care of local Nature Reserves is a big effort. Support from donors and volunteers like you helps make these activities possible:

- Volunteer training
- Trail maintenance
- Actively control invasive plants such as Garlic Mustard, Phragmites Reed, Dog-strangling Vine, Japanese Knotweed, Purple Loosestrife, European Frog-bit and more
- Species at Risk projects
- Site trespass investigations
- Site dumping investigations
- Developing new property plans
- Review of existing Property Management Plans
- Coordinating volunteers
- Handling neighbour relations
- Site visits and monitoring
- Managing cattle grazing leases
- Manage existing structures

A Good Neighbour

Each Nature Reserve has specific boundaries, but of course, the bordering properties and neighbours are connected to our Nature Reserves! What happens on those properties can impact the Nature Reserves. With your support, we manage these relations and issues such as roadside dumping, commenting on development, keeping neighbours safe from hazard trees and more.

Pictured opposite page: fragrant white waterlily at Alexander Hope Smith. northern water snake at the Thomas C. Agnew Nature Reserve. **Pictured above:** American bullfrog at the Ron Reid Nature Reserve.



2005

Waterthrush Woods, an 86-acre parcel, donated by Gladys Leslie who owned the land with her husband for over 50 years

First Annual Carden Challenge, a 24-hour event of birding and biodiversity to raise funds to protect the Carden Alvar

Bob MacDonald of Quirks & Quarks joins the Conservancy as a guest speaker

678-acre Prairie Smoke Alvar protected by NCC, making it the 500th property in Canada to be certified under the federal Ecological Gifts program. CC managed this property

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2006

Private Stewardship Program started in Carden

17-acre Elliott Woods in Oro-Medonte donated by Don & Heather Elliott

Church Woods, a 25-acre forest in Shanty Bay, protected thanks to a \$600,000 fundraising effort by the community

1600-acre Windmill Ranch purchased & protected in partnership with CC, NCC, Ontario Parks & others

23-acre Jennett Woods donated by Rhonda Cowen in memory of her parents

2007

113-acre Alexander Hope Smith property near Washago donated by Mrs. Hope Smith

Hewitson property protected, connected to Grant Wetland in Orillia

The first Carden Nature Festival offered 30 field trips and had over 200 participants

Interpretive trail created in Grant's Woods to spotlight Indigenous uses of medicinal plants

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Engaging the Community, Supporting Conservation



PASSPORT TO NATURE

\$20,000+

contributed by
**50 generous
businesses and
participants**

**TWENTY-FIVE EVENTS
WITH HELP FROM**

35+ 

CARING VOLUNTEERS

CARDEN CHALLENGE

\$22,000+

RAISED BY 10 TEAMS

227 species
counted



BEST SIGHTINGS:

**Ermine
Ashy Clubtail
Eastern Pine Elfin
Nelson's Sparrow
Bonaparte's Gull
Hooded Warbler
Blue-spotted Salamander**

Our fourth year of the Passport to Nature program was special, with 25 events in celebration of our anniversary. With free guided events and activities throughout the year, this program is one of the best ways to get out to the Nature Reserves our supporters help protect. This year, over 570 people participated in these events. A special thanks to all of our sponsors, including Sojourn Outdoors, Dr. Kevin Vennard, Lynda Hepinstall of Century 21, Al Langman Construction, Meridian Credit Union Orillia, Home Hardware Orillia, Brewery Bay and Rustica Pizza Vino.

The Carden Challenge is simple. Teams of four explore the Carden Alvar in search of as many species as possible in 24 hours – and there are trophies too! We are so grateful to the people who take part, and everyone who donates and sponsors participants. There were many great additions to the Carden Checklist this year, and one special sighting was of a Bald Eagle flying overhead with a Ermine in its talons. You never know what you will see when you go out exploring!

Citizen Science



2018 marked a new era in property stewardship for the Conservancy: biological research led by volunteers.

Three factors inspired us: An ever-growing property portfolio that keeps the stewardship manager hopping, the successful citizen science Water Monitoring Program, and concern that climate change, habitat loss, and invasive species are making management of conservation lands very complicated.

Based on the premise that, 'we can't protect what we don't know about', we now have volunteer monitoring programs that deliver population data on reptiles and amphibians, birds, species-at-risk, and invasive species – all on Conservancy lands throughout our region.

We have 148 citizen science stories to tell this year: protecting turtle eggs from predation, discovering five-lined skinks for the first time, capturing critical footage of brook trout in a threatened stream, uncovering a hotbed of vernal pools brimming with salamanders, tracking pollutants in streams, and standing out under the full moon listening to whip-poor-wills. Every story makes us wiser, and helps ensure a future for all our fellow beings.

CITIZEN SCIENCE STATS

148 volunteers
of those, 80 were new

219 property visits

1,428 hours contributed to this project

287 people
Took part in **nine**
training courses

Observations contributed to the Ontario Reptile & Amphibian Atlas:

299

Number of Species at Risk observations submitted to Natural Information Centre:

194

All water monitoring data is made available to any organization who requests it, and is now online at waterrangers.ca.

Pictured: In addition to the individual volunteers who have signed on as citizen scientists, we have partnerships with volunteers from the Orillia Fish & Game Conservation Club and Environmental Science students from Patrick Fogarty Secondary School. In April we all gathered at the Langman Sanctuary in Orillia for a training program on species at risk.

2008

Carden Conservation Strategy formed

A second section of Alexander Hope Smith is secured and owned by OHT, with management by CC

Scout Valley Conservation Easement established, making it the first agreement completed with a Municipality

490-acre McGee Creek & Cranberry Wetland protected by NCC and management by CC

2009

Published and launched two field guidebooks: Species on the Edge by Kristen Field, and Alvar Specialty Plants of Central Ontario by Margo Holt

Completion of a major project on Species at Risk along the Trent Severn Waterway, Waterway Wildlife Project

654-acre Little Bluestem protected in Carden by NCC, with fundraising assistance by CC

Volunteers create safer nesting sites for turtles at the Fawcett Natural Area near Washago

The Conservancy joins the social media age, with a Facebook page

2010

299-acre Ironside Easement protected in Township of Severn

Janet Grand and Ron Reid's Big Year raised over \$34,000 to help fund the Wolf Run Alvar

303-acre Wolf Run Alvar protected in Carden

Volunteers: People Power



We are so grateful to the hundreds of people who give their time, knowledge and expertise to help power conservation efforts, monitor for species at risk, help in the office, and assist in a myriad of other activities. This year, thousands of hours were volunteered!

Adams, Heather & Alec
 Aggarwal, Aiesha
 Agnew, Sandy & Melnyk, Lynne
 Ariss, Kimberly
 Arthur, Arthur
 Atkinson, Eileen
 Aykler, Petra & Bob
 Baker, Courtney & Bramhall, Mark
 Ball, Gord & Jane
 Ball, Jon
 Bender, Ian
 Bensette, Jeremy
 Beresford, Lori Ann
 Berndt, Joan & Richard
 Binsted, Kevin
 Bisset, Mark
 Bone, Dan & Blayney, Susan
 Bonsteel, Jane
 Booth, Jack
 Bowden, Lydia
 Bowles, Bob
 Brasher, Jane
 Brown, Holly
 Brown, Jerry & Lorraine
 Bulguth, Melissa & Reid

Burns, Jordyn
 Callahan, Kathy
 Canning, Robert
 Careless, Philip
 Carlyle, Gayle & Challis, John
 Christie, Douglas & Barbara
 Church, Gerald
 Cirino, Anthony
 Clark, Jennie
 Clark, Marilyn & Hayward, Peter
 Clark, Tanya
 Cole, Jeff & Kristi
 Cornish, Lorelei
 Coughlin, Meagan
 Coughlin, Trudy
 Crosby, Estella
 Curran, Cameron
 Curry, Shannon
 Dale, Peter & Louise
 Damery, Roland
 Deadman, Sue
 Dickson, Laura
 Duncan, Bruce
 Dunlop, Garfield
 Dymont, Leslie
 Elliott, Claire

Ewing, Heather
 Ferguson, Kristyn
 Ferris, Cynthia
 Ford, John
 Fox, Mike & Karen
 Francis, Bella & Simon
 Fulford, Pamela
 Furman, Hank
 Gamroth, Mary Sue & Konda, Ed
 Gauldie, Heather
 Gilchrist, Judy
 Gillette, Lisa & Peters, Gary
 Grand, Janet & Reid, Ron
 Hall, Harry & Marian
 Hancock, Ron & Sharon
 Handley, Lukas
 Hangaard, Dorthea
 Hawke, David & Juliana
 Hawke, Shannon
 Hewitt, Luke
 Hodgkiss, Sarah
 Hodgson, Glen
 Hodgson, Tony
 Holden, Clare
 Homer, David & Bonnie
 Hope, Brittany

Howes, Kyra
 Humphries, Jean
 Hunt, Katrina
 Ilyniak, Morris
 Iron, Jean
 Jenkins, Jeramie
 Jaski, Greg & Massig, Joanne
 Johnston, Krystie
 Johnston, Richard & Wendy
 Juneau, Mary
 Kallin, Fred
 Keaveney, Andrew
 Kelly, Carley
 Kerr, Jacqueline
 Ketchum, Anna
 Klimuk, Vanessa
 Kohl, Adrienne
 Kungl, Ann-Marie & Baker, Joe
 Larsen, Ellen
 Lauer, Tim
 Laver, Paul & Frances
 Leadbeater, Dale
 Lord, Dave
 Lowles, Marilyn & Doug
 Lowry, Wendy
 MacDonald, Andrew

Pictured above: Meagan Coughlin at Ragged Rapids – the north end of the Ron Reid Nature Reserve, volunteers Anthony Cirino, Alan Smale and John Walinck install gates at the Ron Reid Nature Reserve, polyphemus moth at Elliott Woods.



“I volunteer for the camaraderie and being able to work outdoors. My support of the Conservancy continues because of the huge impact it is making in the protection of habitat for species at risk in our area. Conservancy groups and Land Trusts are essential in preserving natural habitat and preventing population growth and property development from destroying our natural surroundings.”

- Alan Smale (pictured in the white shirt above)

Machan, Janet
 Machan, Sarah
 MacLachlan, Pam
 Mask, Grant
 Mathewson, Stan
 & Sophie
 Meadows, Keith
 Meleg, Ethan
 Mick, Omer & Mary E.
 Middaugh, Paul
 Mills, Alex &
 Catherine
 Moore, Ginny
 Moy-Shuster, Stefanie
 Noble, Susan
 Pitts, John
 Poge, Joe
 Poge, Sue
 Pomeroy, Margaret
 & Duncan, Ted
 Powell, Valerie & Jamie
 Probst, Lou & Judy
 Read, Mike
 Reed, Eleanor
 Reekie, Pam
 Rekret, Philip
 Robson, Laura

Rockhill, Nathalie &
 Pengelly, Elizabeth
 Pityk, Ross
 & Smith, Jane
 Ross, Jamie & Anne
 Rusak, Aaron
 Rusak, Cindy
 Russell Baird, Jill
 Russell, M. Lynn
 Ryckman, Barbara & Warren
 Schulz, Karl
 Sherwood, Bill & Vicki
 Sinclair, Alex & Muriel
 Sinclair, Carol
 Sloley, Jane
 Smale, Alan
 Stefek, Marlene
 Stephenson, Shannon
 Stevenson, Mark
 Stewart, James K. & Barbara
 Stinnissen, Arni & Dianne
 Stinnissen, Tricia
 Storzinski, Eugene
 Storry, Noella & Robinson,
 Peter
 Sullivan, Bob & Wendy
 Swinimer, Susan & William

Symmes, Ric & Sandy
 Talbot, Candice
 Teubner, Dagmar
 Thiess, Isabelle & Gary
 Thompson, Courtney
 Thomson, Adam & Shirley
 Thomson, Ken & Corinne
 Tremblay, Phyllis
 Trumble, Don
 Tuck, Alan & Melanie
 Tuininga, Karlene
 Westerby, Lynne
 Van Oorschot, Darlene
 VanderMarel, Ingrid
 Varty, Doug & Charon
 Walinck, Jan & John
 Walker, Dave
 Wand, Kimberly
 Warboys, Meredith
 Ward, Andrea
 Wiancko, Leanore
 Wigham, Peter
 Wilkins, David & Mary
 Wilson, Bruce
 Wilson, Tom & Judy
 Woodford, Pat
 Wright, John F.

The Past Presidents of the Board create the Heartwood Fund for legacy gifts to support the long-term sustainability of CC conservation efforts

Involved in clean-up of Lake Simcoe. Help from several partners allowed us to undertake more than a dozen stewardship projects in Carden, such as fencing off wetlands & creating alternative water sources for cattle. These efforts earned us a Watershed Hero Award from the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

87-acre Williams Easement protected in Oro Medonte, near Copeland Forest

206-acre Bluebird Ranch protected in Carden

Copeland Forest Stewardship Initiative begins

Nature in the Neighbourhood created to bring environmental education to kids

100-acre Probst easement protected in Carden thanks to Lou and Judy Probst

86-acre Thomas C. Agnew Nature Reserve protected thanks to Joan Berndt, Susan Campbell and supporters

Partnered with Parks Canada, Trent Severn Waterway to enhance habitat for turtles at the Washago Centennial Park. A new observation platform was also constructed with the assistance of volunteers

Pictured above: Ontario Field Botanists event led by Dale Leadbeater at the Ron Reid Nature Reserve.

The Heartwood Fund



THE GOAL:

leave a green legacy for future generations by supporting the core work of the Conservancy

WHAT IS NEEDED:

\$10 million dollars, endowed by 2025

PROGRESS:

an estimated \$2.4 million dollars has been pledged to date in bequests, life insurance, cash and other legacy gift options.

The ecological future of our region is dependent on The Couchiching Conservancy being a viable organization for many generations to come. To be at the forefront of this protection effort we must be prepared to support our grass roots group of citizens, members and staff so that unique spaces can be recognized and preserved for those who follow us.

For information on the Fund, contact Bob Sullivan, chair of the Past Presidents Council at 705-325-8775 or sullyb@rogers.com, or Tanya Clark at 705-326-1620 or tanya@couchconservancy.ca for a confidential discussion.

Our sincere thanks to the following people who have pledged or contributed to the Heartwood Fund:

Sandy Agnew, Gord & Jane Ball, Cameron & Linda Bigelow, Philip Careless, Douglas & Barbara Christie, Timothy Crooks, Heather Gauldie, Ron & Sharon Hancock, David & Bonnie Homer, Maureen Kenny & Jim McDonald, Paul & Frances Laver, Robert & Beverley Leask, Wendy & Si Lowry, Cathy Massig, Ginny Moore, Bob & Allison Ormerod, Jamie & Valerie Powell, Ron Reid & Janet Grand, Nathalie Rockhill & Elizabeth Pengelly, Joan & John Rosebush, Jamie & Anne Ross, Lynn Russell, Marcia Stephen, Bob & Wendy Sullivan, Michael & Norma Tangney, Isabelle & Gary Thiess, Adam & Shirley Thomson, Ken & Corinne Thomson, Mary Walton-Ball.

There are also seven anonymous pledges and contributions.

IN OUR REGION, THERE ARE

41 species at some level of risk of disappearing forever



Of those,

27 species have been found on Nature Reserves you help protect



7 ENDANGERED 8 THREATENED 12 SPECIAL CONCERN

2012

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100-acre Kris Starr Sanctuary donated by Bill and Molly Starr to honour their late son Kris

85-acre Russell Easement protected within Carden Alvar Natural Area Conservation Plan

Four full-time staff now employed by CC

2013

180-acre Prospect Marsh in Carden donated by Judy Probst in memory of Ralph & Min McCleary

Awarded the Conservation Group Award at the Ontario Endangered Species Act Conference

93-acre Robert and Emily Fawcett Natural Area is transferred to CC from NCC

218-acre Leadbeater Easement protected near Raven Lake in City of Kawartha Lakes

The Heartwood Fund reaches over \$1 million in pledges and contributions

2014

Carden Alvar Provincial Park established; CC continues to steward this high quality alvar

354-acre Larsen Easement protected, creating a direct connection between alvar conservation lands and QEII Wildlands Provincial Park

2015

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The office of the Conservancy begins its renovation thanks to a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation and a legacy gift from Bill Grant

400-acre Ling Easement protected in the City of Kawartha Lakes

CC begins providing habitat offsets



“Jane Bonsteel (right) began volunteering in 2017 and quickly emerged as a leader. Her experience with Source Water Protection at the Region of Peel has been put to good use on our Water Monitoring Team. Last year Jane joined the Sundial Creek Working Group, took on a special research project examining pollutants in Sundial Creek (Grant Wetland), and helped train new water volunteers.”

- Dorthea Hangaard

Aiming for a Carbon Neutral Workspace

We have not used a drop of oil at the office since the spring of 2015. Between September, 2016 and December, 2018, we generated 15,244 kilowatt hours of electricity through our solar panels. We have saved \$3,500 in heating and cooling costs during the same time period.

Local Conservation Work Reaching New Heights

When people are engaged in conservation work, we all benefit. Although it is tricky to pin down an exact number of how many people we are connected to, we have taken a stab at tallying up the numbers. Between our website, donors, volunteers, events and more, we estimate we have reached well over 303,000 people this year. That's more people connected to loving the land and taking action to protect what is left.



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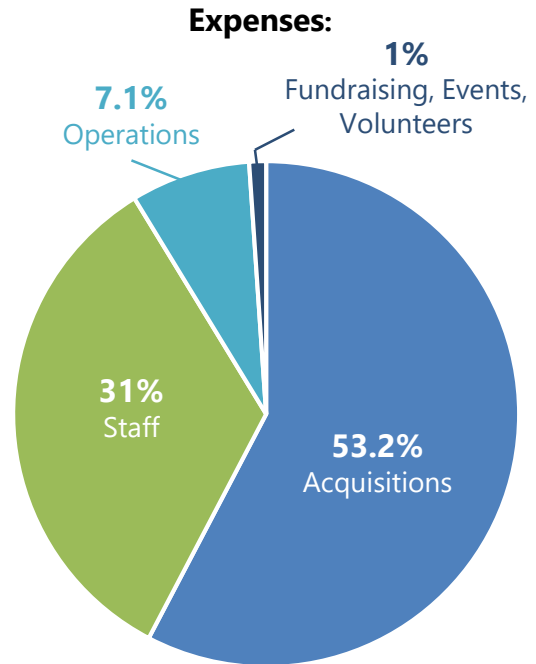
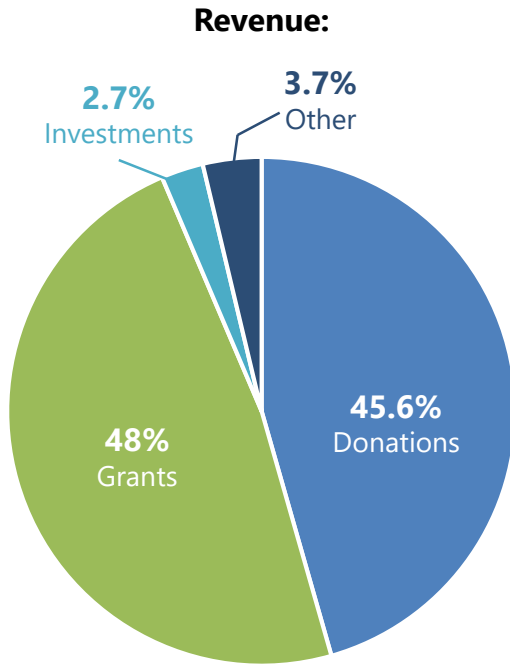


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Financial Report

Together, we are a beacon of hope. In a time of overwhelmingly grave environment news, our supporters step up for nature. They step up by making generous and kind donations of cash, stock and bequests and by becoming members. Businesses and foundations have a critical role as well to help further the land trust movement.

Accountability and transparency is important. We work hard with volunteers, the Board of Directors and staff to ensure your donations are used wisely and are making an impact.



	2018	2017
Donations	\$645,186*	\$498,722
Grants	679,846	318,150
Investment Income	37,948	18,119
Other	52,771	51,907
Total Revenue	\$1,415,748	\$886,898

	2018	2017
Property Acquisitions	\$608,698*	\$287,234
Wages and Benefits	354,431	333,425
Operations	80,671	95,741
Fundraising, Events & Volunteers	11,387	102,504
Total Expenses	\$1,143,523	\$792,772

*Includes a percentage of the Ron Reid Nature Reserve

A full independent financial audit for our fiscal year, ending October 31, 2018, has been prepared by Hehn Trickey Professional Corporation Chartered Professional Accountants and is available to the public at www.couchichingconserv.ca.

"I have enjoyed this beautiful planet. I want to leave the same beautiful planet for my grandchildren and great grandchildren."

Myrna Allison, Couchiching Conservancy Supporter for over 10 years

Connecting to the Business Community



The following businesses supported conservation by donating, providing in-kind services or products, helping at Nature Reserves and/or by supporting the Passport to Nature program. All of their contributions made a difference to the work we do and to the events we run. They know that a healthy environment is **vital** to a healthy community.

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Willow (\$150): Birchmere Retirement Residence, Crawford McLean & Anderson LLP, HGR Graham Partners LLP, Office Links, Brechin Timbermart

2015

411-acre Turnbull Ranch title transferred to CC

100-acre Deadman Easement protected in Severn Township

Passport to Nature program launched, a guide to visit Conservancy Nature Reserves

Water Quality Monitoring program launched

NCC begins management of their local properties

2016

107-acre Adams Nature Reserve donated by Alec and Heather Adams, featuring sections of beautiful Canadian Shield and beaver ponds

Advisory Council established to create connections, broaden resources, build profile, assist with fundraising

2017

730-acre Ron Reid Nature Reserve protected with \$575,000 fundraising campaign

2018

134-acre Dale Easement protected in Oro-Medonte, near Copeland Forest

25th anniversary! Here's to the next 25 years and beyond



Powering Local Conservation Efforts

Thank You!

The people listed in the following pages are the people to thank for everything that has been made possible this year. Many are regular supporters, with a long-standing commitment to the earth that we hold dear, and some are new supporters who have been inspired by the natural places in our region.

Those listed below donated over \$200 to our organization in 2018. Additional donors have requested anonymity.

Thank you to everyone who has supported conservation this year – together, we are making a difference.

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Belchamber, Patricia
Berndt, Joan & Richard
Bigelow, Cameron
Bisset, Sandi & Mark
Bonsteel, Jane
Booth, Jack
Bramhall, Mark
Brenner, Konrad & Jutta
Brown, Peter T.
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Callahan, Kathy
Carbert, Deanna A.
Catto, Margaret & John
Christie, Douglas & Barbara
Clark, Marilyn
Clarke, Richard M.
Coughlin, Trudy
Crooks, Rosaleen
Crowther, Barbara
Curran, Cameron
Dale, Peter & Louise
Deadman, Sue
Duncan, Bruce
Duncan, Robert (Ted)
Dunsmore, Rosemary & John
Dyment, Leslie
Fletcher, Richard & Diane
Ford, Derek
Frost, Doug

Fulford, Pamela & John
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Gordon, Michael
Grand, Janet & Reid, Ron
Guthrie, H. Donald
Hall, Harry & Marian
Hancock, Ron & Sharon
Handley, Tim
Harris, Nancy
Hawke, David & Juliana
Hird, Joyce
Homer, David & Bonnie
Humphries, Jean
Ironside, Nancy
Jenkins, John & Sharon
Johnson, Shirley
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HIKING TRAILS ON OUR NATURE RESERVES

13.4 km of trails
managed between 10 Nature Reserves

800m Trail developed at the
Ron Reid Nature Reserve

Visit our website for trail maps





“I believe that an organization that does so much to protect natural areas should be supported by all of us. I donate the equivalent to the cost of a daily cup of coffee. Having this amount withdrawn automatically each month means one less thing that I have to remember to do.”

Sue Deadman, Easement holder, Monthly Donor, Volunteer

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Pictured above: Pamela Fulford, Ron Reid and Dianne Saxe (the former Environmental Commissioner of Ontario), Heather Kerslake, Beth Johnstone and Kathy Hunt at the opening of the Ron Reid Nature Reserve, mourning cloak at the Adams Nature Reserve.

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Johnson, Peggy
Johnson, Rebecca
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Pictured above: Ponds at Prospect Marsh, the winners in the Competitive birding category of the Carden Challenge with 128 species – the Golden-winged Warriors (no hybrids), consisting of team members Andrew Keaveney, Tim Arthur, Jeremy Bensette, Dawn Calleja & Justin Kezsei

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Looking ahead

Thoughtful planning, careful execution of those plans, and strategic acquisition will dominate 2019 as The Couchiching Conservancy remains tightly focused on protecting land, caring for the land we protect and building community support to make those first two priorities possible.

Board director Pam Fulford is leading a strategic planning process that will guide our organization from 2020 to 2025. Work has been underway since the spring of 2018 to prepare a process that will engage our members, volunteers and supporters in 2019 to help chart the Conservancy's course into the future.

Central to that future will be the continued expansion of our Citizen Science programs, with more volunteers and more areas of focus. Understanding the landscape has never been more important than it is right now, and our citizen scientists are providing the material we need to continue making good stewardship decisions and avoid capacity bottlenecks that would slow our acquisition program.

Armed with our new natural heritage acquisition strategy we will continue to bring important ecological properties under protection. Working with our partners, a high priority for 2019 will be to bring a 1,350-acre parcel in the heart of the Carden Alvar under protection, and failing that, defend it from development that would have a negative impact on the thousands of acres of surrounding conservation land.

At the same time we will continue to pursue a list of properties to preserve vanishing habitat in the Lake Couchiching region, building on the last 25 years of work to create natural sanctuaries and connecting corridors to the south, north, east and west.

We will not stop.



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