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Trails in Motion 3 Film Tour

Trails in motion is a global annual trails and ultra running film tour, not only creating an annual outlet for aspiring film makers in this genre, but also creating a global community of like minded people who share a passion for the sport. Coming soon to *rare*!

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FEBRUARY

Saturday, February 7, 2015
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Exploring Nature in Winter by Snowshoe

Location: Meet at the Slit Barn, *rare* ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge

Join us for a family-oriented 5 km snowshoeing event, and rediscover the beauty of winter! Participants should dress warmly and bring a snack and water to keep their energy up. If you've never been snowshoeing, it's worth a try—you won't be the only first-timer! Snowshoes provided—register early!

Thursday, February 19, 2015
7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Gardening for Pollinators

Location: Resource House, *rare* ECO Centre, 768 Blair Rd, Cambridge

It seems, these days, that the subject of pollinator health and pollinator-friendly gardening is constantly being discussed in the media. Join Rodger Tschanz from Pollination Guelph as he talks about the groups efforts to promote a better understanding of the importance of pollinators and showcases model pollinator

Saturday, February 21, 2015
2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Gardening for Beginners Series, Class #1: Your Growing Space and Planting Plans

Location: Resource House, *rare* ECO Centre, 768 Blair Rd, Cambridge

Perfect for new gardeners and new gardeners to the area! This class offers a general gardening overview. It teaches participants where to grow, explores special considerations for different garden spaces, introduces basic gardening tools, and discusses how to best work with the very important foundation of your garden – its soil. Cost: \$30.00 for the series of four classes or \$8.00 for this one session.

Sunday, February 22, 2015
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Invasive Species Identification, Reporting, and Control

Location: Meet at the Slit Barn, *rare* ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge

Emily Johnston is a staff member from the Invading Species Awareness Program, based out of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters in Peterborough. She will be presenting on some of the Invasive Species in the Cambridge area, including how to identify them, the best methods of control, and how the average person can help to prevent the spread of invasive species in Ontario.

Saturday, February 28, 2015
2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Gardening for Beginners Series, Class #2: Seed Starting

Location: Resource House, *rare* ECO Centre, 768 Blair Rd, Cambridge

How do you actually plant all those different seeds? And when? How do I choose seedlings at the nursery and how do I care for them? We'll answer these questions and more to make sure you know how to give your plants the best start. We'll even start seeds that can be taken home and planted. Kids most welcome & supplies provided! Cost: \$30.00 for the series of four classes or \$12.00 for this one session.

M A R C H

<p>Saturday, March 7, 2015 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm</p> <p>Gardening for Beginners Series, Class #3: Getting Outdoors—Transplanting and Direct Seeding</p> <p>Location: Resource House, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Rd, Cambridge</p>	<p>Learn how to move your seedlings from their safe little pots out into the elements. We'll also cover how to plant seeds directly into your gardens (did you know that there are some varieties that don't need a head-start indoors)? Finally, we'll talk about how to take care of your new garden domain through proper watering and mulching. Cost: \$30.00 for the series of four classes or \$8.00 for this session.</p>
<p>Saturday, March 14, 2015 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm</p> <p>Gardening for Beginners Series, Class #4: Delightful Maintenance and Harvest Time</p> <p>Location: Lamb's Inn, <i>rare</i> Administration Building, 1679 Blair Rd, Cambridge</p>	<p>Gardens require attention, but don't be discouraged by the thought of the "work" - joy can be found in the maintenance of these wonderful food-providing plants once you learn how to be efficient and consistent. This class will cover weeding, composting, bug control, and general plant health. Cost: \$30.00 for the series of four classes or \$8.00 for this one session.</p> <p>Watch for the Fall series: "Harvesting & Preserving"</p>
<p>Thursday, March 26, 2015 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm</p> <p>Making the Case for Trails</p> <p>Location: Resource House, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge</p>	<p>The list of benefits of trails is long—from boosting the local economy to protecting the environment—yet many people have never considered all that trails offer them. Listen to Parks Canada's Lead Trails Analyst, as he shares the many benefits and showcases some of Canada's best trail experiences!</p>

A P R I L

<p>Sunday, April 12, 2015 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm</p> <p>Planting with Purpose: Nature's Rejuvenation in our Gardens</p> <p>Location: Resource House, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Rd, Cambridge</p>	<p>With a great variety of perennials available, native plant gardens can be designed to fit most peoples' needs, lifestyles, and budgets. For those interested in ecology, or attracting birds, butterflies, and insects, beautiful landscape designs can include a wide variety of plants native to southern Ontario. Join special guest Derek Lippert from <i>Quiet Nature</i> as he leads us through this informative session!</p>
<p>Saturday, April 18, 2015 9:00 am to 4:00 pm</p> <p>Basics of Sustainable Trail Building</p> <p>Location: Resource House, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge</p>	<p>There's more to building a trail than moving rocks and dirt—they are usually part of larger systems that are the result of careful and diligent planning and collaboration. This one-day workshop teaches proven trail building philosophies and techniques, and trains volunteers and land managers on how to build and maintain sustainable, multi-use trails. BYO Lunch!</p>
<p>Wednesday, April 22, 2015 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm</p> <p>Celebrate Earth Day: a <i>rare</i> Clean-Up</p> <p>Location: Meet at the Slit Barn, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge</p>	<p>Looking for a great way to get involved on Earth Day and make a positive environmental impact? Come out to <i>rare</i> and celebrate Earth Day by helping with our Earth Day Clean-up. With 12,000 cars driving down Blair Road each day, there is an ongoing need to help keep the property clean and the litter to a minimum. This event is FREE! Gloves and garbage bags provided!</p>
<p>Wednesday, April 22, 2015 7:30 am to 9:00 am 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm</p> <p>Earth Day Road Toll</p> <p>Location: Lamb's Inn parking lot, 1679 Blair Rd, Cambridge</p>	<p>Get your toonies ready this Earth Day and drive through the annual <i>rare</i> Road Toll! It's voluntary, of course, but we encourage the 12,000 cars a day that travel through the <i>rare</i> reserve along Blair Road, to swing in the parking lot and get to know us. We have free coffee in the morning and baked treats in the afternoon. Staff collect donations in change buckets and handout info about <i>rare</i>. It's always nice to see a friendly face, and we keep things moving so if you know anyone that travels the area, encourage them to stop too!</p>
<p>Sunday, April 26, 2015 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm</p> <p>Spring Awakening: Streams and Flowers and Birds Arise!</p> <p>Location: Meet at the Slit Barn, <i>rare</i> ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road, Cambridge</p>	<p>Watch where you step! Spring is a magical time at <i>rare</i>. Join Ross Dickson for an interactive hike through the Cliffs & Alvares area to discover the splendor of spring. Look for awakening plants and wildflowers, signs of animals astir, and spot birds arriving back to <i>rare</i> or just passing through on their journey to more northern climates. NOTE: This hike is moderately strenuous over uneven terrain.</p>