


# EVENTS CALENDAR 2019


## JANUARY

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## JANUARY



### Christmas Bird Count for Kids

January 12, 9:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.  
ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road

The **rare Charitable Research Reserve** is partnering with Waterloo Region Nature Kids once again! This is a family event, where parents learn alongside their kids. Please dress to spend approximately 1.5 hours outside. The exact length of the count will be weather dependent. Hot chocolate & coffee will be provided. Binoculars and field guides will be provided for those who do not have their own. All participants will receive a \$5 coupon from Armstrong Bird Foods for participating in the 2018 CBC4Kids. This event is **FREE!**



### Gathering Our Hearts and Minds to Restore Land: Feast

January 26, 6:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.  
Doon Campus Blue Room, Conestoga College

Gathering Our Hearts and Minds to Restore the Land Network welcomes all to celebrate winter and learn about winter storytelling protocols. A traditional foods feast will be service. For more information and to register, please visit the [raresites.org](http://raresites.org).

## FEBRUARY



### Watercolour Card Painting with rare

February 2, 1:00p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road

Join **rare** to learn to paint your own beautiful greeting card -- featuring wildlife at **rare!** This event will be led by Veronika Szostak, who will teach watercolour painting techniques while guiding participants through the process. All supplies will be provided and you will get to take your beautiful card home.

**Note: this event is intended for ages 13+.** Event cost is \$20 and registration is required.



### Valentine Winter Hike

February 14, 6:30p.m. - 8:00p.m.  
North House, 681 Blair Road

Spend this Valentine's Day in the beauty that winter offers. Join us for a winter night hike led by local ecologist, Ellen Esch around the Springbank Gardens Butterfly loop. Afterwards, come back to North House to warm up and enjoy hot chocolate with loved ones and new friends. This event takes place in the evening, so be sure to dress warm and bring along a head-lamp or flashlight!



### Family Fun with rare

February 18

Explore nature at **rare** with your family this Family Day Monday! Download our free scavenger hunt from our website to help guide a winter exploration of **rare's** trails. Use the hashtag #rarefamilyfun to share your discoveries on Instagram or Twitter to be entered into a prize draw! This event is **FREE!**

## MARCH



### Seedy Saturday

March 9, 10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.  
ECO Centre, 768 Blair Road

Our Seedy Saturday will be a fun, free event where you can swap and exchange seeds! You'll meet fellow gardeners and find exciting seed varieties that other seed savers are sharing. We encourage attendance whether you are a first-time gardener or a seasoned expert. Doors will be open from 10:00 a.m until noon. Please bring small, well-marked packets of vegetable, herb, and native seeds. If you don't have any seeds to contribute to the exchange, come anyway! Some people will simply share their seeds and the interesting stories that come with them. Enjoy light refreshments. This event is **FREE!**

## APRIL



### Earth Day Shoreline Clean-Up

April 22, 1:00p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Moyer's Landing

Join **rare** staff for an Earth Day Shoreline Cleanup at Preston Flats! You'll have the opportunity to explore part of the 900+ acre land trust that is not generally open to the public -- while contributing to the protection of our shoreline and the wildlife that call **rare** home. Garbage accumulates along the shore from upstream sources, especially after spring flooding. With your help, we will remove as much garbage as possible, creating a healthier ecosystem while enjoying nature and the company of other like-minded individuals!

Meet at Moyer's Landing (if you are heading north on Fountain Street from Kitchener, go straight through the roundabout at Blair Road. Then make your first right after the Fountain Street Bridge. If heading south on Fountain Street, take the last left before crossing over the Fountain Street Bridge). Parking is available at the site. This event is **FREE!**



### rare's Annual Road Toll

April 24, 7:30a.m. - 9:00a.m.; 3:00p.m. - 5:30p.m.  
Lamb's Inn Parking Lot, 1679 Blair Road

Get your toonies ready and drive through the annual **rare** Road Toll! It's voluntary, of course, but we encourage the 12,000 cars a day that travel through the **rare** 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 **rare**. 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!

**\*\*\*Events are \$8.00 per person or \$3.00 with a rare Event Discount Card, unless otherwise noted. Please register in advance, as spaces are limited. Visit [raresites.org](http://raresites.org) or call 519-650-9336 x 125.**