

THE FRIENDS OF ALGONQUIN PARK

Celebrating 35 years of enhancing education & interpretation!



The Friends of Algonquin Park is pleased to be celebrating its 35th Anniversary as a registered charity committed to enhancing the educational and interpretive programs in Algonquin Park.

With the commitment of our members, volunteers, donors and partners, The Friends is able to continue to foster an appreciation for Algonquin Park. It is because of this assistance that we have been able to successfully reach this milestone.

As you review our newsletter you will see our most



recent accomplishments. Each year we are committed to supporting many new projects that enhance Park visitors' appreciation for this exceptional place.

The Friends has shared many successes with the Park over the last 35 years...thank you!

For information on The Friends of Algonquin Park, join our eNews at www.algonquinpark.on.ca or email: friends@algonquinpark.on.ca

GROUP EDUCATION PROGRAM

If you are a teacher or educational professional, The Friends of Algonquin Park can offer you creative and fun new learning opportunities! We are pleased to continue to offer school, youth, and adult groups a wide variety of educational programs. Over 70 Algonquin-themed programs are available in half-day, full-day, evening and overnight formats. A special itinerary can be tailored to your group's interests and needs.

Welcome • Willkommen • 歡迎
Join a bilingual German- or Japanese-speaking Naturalist who can help you get the most out of your Algonquin Park visit.

For more information, download program details from www.algonquinpark.on.ca, send an email inquiry to groupeducation@algonquinpark.on.ca, or call the Group Education Coordinator at (249)700-0015.



2017 VISITOR SERVICES SPECIALISTS

Over the summer, The Friends of Algonquin Park was privileged to have German-speaking student **Tidian Baerens** join our team. Tidian provided customer service to Park visitors at the Visitor Centre and assisted with the delivery of Group Education Programs to German groups.



Eugenie Au join The Friends of Algonquin Park. Eugenie was an enthusiastic addition to our fall team and provided excellent Park information to our visitors in not only English, but also Cantonese and Mandarin.

Thank you both for a great season and for all your enthusiasm!



Tom Thomson Legacy Path at the Algonquin Art Centre.

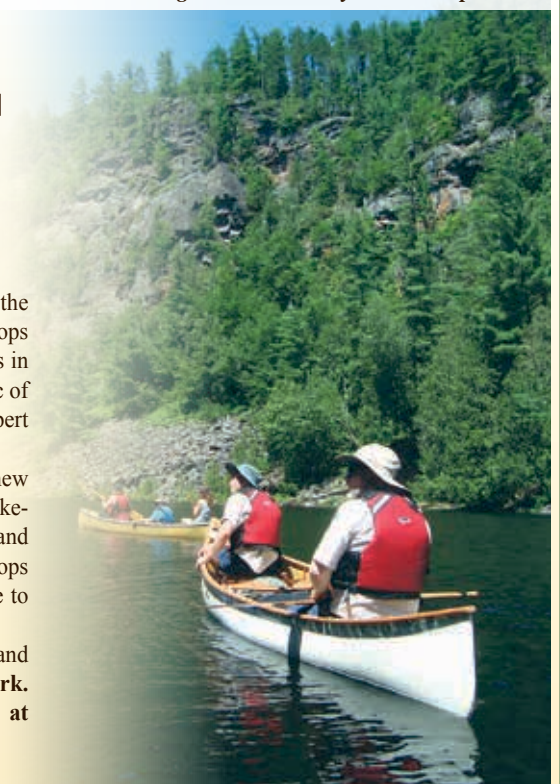


Appealing to both the curious beginner and the experienced enthusiast, Experience Algonquin workshops offer a broad range of Algonquin Park-related courses in small, fun, and hands-on settings. Sign up for the topic of your choice and spend the day learning under the expert instruction of a Park Naturalist.

Workshops are a great way to get a fresh new perspective on Algonquin Park, while meeting like-minded people and getting access to first-rate tools and skills to help you further pursue your interest! Workshops have limited space and sell out quickly, so make sure to reserve your spot today!

For a complete list of workshops, pricing, and availability for the 2018 season, visit algonquinpark.on.ca, or call the Program Administrator at (613) 637-2828 ext. 236 for more information.

Padding the Barron Canyon workshop



CELEBRATING TOM THOMSON

The Directors Award was established in 1985 by The Friends of Algonquin Park to honour those who have made significant contributions towards the appreciation of Algonquin Park. On July 8, 2017, The Friends of Algonquin Park posthumously presented Tom Thomson with the Directors Award on the 100th anniversary of his death. The award was presented by acclaimed author Roy MacGregor at the Algonquin Art Centre.

As part of the Directors Award celebration in memory of Tom Thomson, The Friends of Algonquin Park unveiled the new outdoor Tom Thomson Legacy Path at the Algonquin Art Centre. This outdoor exhibit includes interpretive panels tell the story of Tom Thomson's time in Algonquin Park.

There is no doubt that Tom Thomson shared his enthusiasm for Algonquin Park with his fellow artists who called themselves the "Algonquin Park School", and who eventually formed the Group of Seven just a few years after Thomson's death in Algonquin Park. Tom Thomson continues to foster appreciation of Algonquin Park through his hundreds of striking Algonquin Park paintings that are known the world over.

Thank you to the following sponsors who generously donated to the Tom Thomson Legacy Path: The Gordon & Lorraine Gibson Family Foundation, Algonquin Forestry Authority, the 2017 Celebrating Algonquin Park event, Bartlett Lodge / Camp Tanamakoon, Smoke Lake Leaseholders Association, and the Cache Lake Leaseholders Association.

Algonquin Park Webcam

Watch Algonquin Park during any season. Choose from either live streaming video, panorama, or archived images of the view from the Algonquin Park Visitor Centre, courtesy of **The Friends of Algonquin Park** in partnership with **EarthCam**. See it at www.algonquinpark.on.ca



MEET THE RESEARCHER DAY

The Friends of Algonquin Park and Algonquin's Wildlife Research Station, in collaboration with Ontario Parks and the Harkness Laboratory of Fisheries Research invite you to come out and meet the researchers who use Algonquin Park as their laboratory. Researchers who study reptiles and amphibians, birds, small mammals, fish, wolves and even humans will be there to explain and share their research.

The 10th Annual Meet the Researcher Day will be held on **Thursday, August 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the East Beach Picnic Pavilion. A fundraising barbeque (noon to 2:00 p.m., or while quantities last) is hosted by The Friends of Algonquin Park in support of research in the Park.

Special thanks to...Lori Beecroft and Tina McAuley for volunteering at the BBQ!

22ND ANNUAL Loggers Day

was held Saturday, July 29, 2017

A special thanks to our partners, exhibitors and volunteers who made this day possible:

Algonquin Forestry Authority, Lori Beecroft, John Brook, Chris Cameron, Clyde & Edie Clute, Harvey Cowan, Robert Crosby, Steve Estok, John Foreman, Jake Hancock, Sid James, Hans Koster, Charles Larking, Danny Luckasavitch, Rory MacKay, Frances Mawson, Tina McAuley, Adrianna Midwinter, Laura Moore, Bernadette Nugent, Tessa Smith, Tom Stephenson, Ron Tozer, Dan, Michele, Erin & Greg Wilson.



Join us on **Saturday, July 28, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** for this highly entertaining and educational day when the Algonquin Logging Museum comes to life. Brought to you by **The Friends of Algonquin Park and the Algonquin Forestry Authority**, in cooperation with **Ontario Parks**.

Take in the demonstrations around the Logging Museum trail and try the old-time loggers lunch served in the sawlog cookery from noon to 2:00 p.m., or while quantities last (\$10 per person). Also listen to the music of the Wakami Wailers throughout the day.

The Friends of Algonquin Park would like to thank the LCBO for allowing us to fundraise at several locations in communities surrounding Algonquin Park. A total of **\$327.39** was raised through their Donation Box Program, which ran for a one-month period. Thank you for your generosity!



ALGONQUIN PROVINCIAL PARK'S 7TH ANNUAL

WINTER IN THE WILD

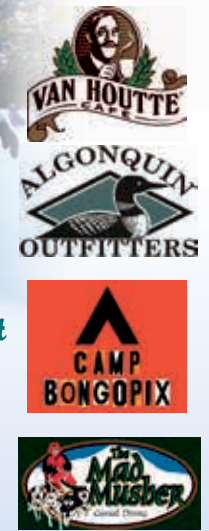
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There was a wide variety of activities held at various locations throughout the Highway 60 Corridor of Algonquin Park, such as snowshoeing, winter bird walks, winter camping presentations and demonstrations, ice skating, winter camping, marshmallow-roasting and more...

Thank you to our enthusiastic volunteers: Kevin Callan, Chris Cameron, Harvey Cowan, Tina McAuley, Mariska McEathron, Bev & Ken Richardson, Peter Simons, the Sonntag family and Paul & Andrea Waldron. **Join us at the annual Winter in the Wild on February 16, 2019.**



With help from our generous sponsors:



WAKAMI WAILERS OUTDOOR CONCERT

The Wakami Wailers are scheduled to perform in Algonquin Park at **Loggers Day** on **Saturday, July 28** at the Logging Museum and an open-air concert on **Sunday, July 29, 2018 at 7 p.m.** at the Outdoor Theatre. The award-winning, Ontario-based group will get your toes tapping through a fun filled evening of entertaining stories and songs. This concert is brought to you by The Friends of Algonquin Park as a special event. Admission is a minimum donation of \$2 per person.



The newly released fourth album by the Wakami Wailers!

CELEBRATING ALGONQUIN PARK

On September 9, ticket-holders enjoyed an evening viewing the beauty of Algonquin Park captured by photographers and presenters who share a passion for this special place.

The evening included door prizes, a silent auction, refreshments generously catered by **The Mad Musher** and presentations by **Bruce Di Labio, Hugo Kitching and Alison Lake**.

With special thanks to photographers **Steve Dunsford** and **Jerry Schmanda** who displayed a variety of canvas prints at the Algonquin Visitor Centre for August and September, donating 50% of the proceeds of their artwork to The Friends of Algonquin Park in support of this event.

This event will be held again on September 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. For more details or to register, please visit algonquinpark.on.ca.

LOGGING MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

The Friends of Algonquin Park provided volunteers at the Logging Museum from June to October. Thanks to our volunteers, Park visitors had a great visit to the museum.

Thank you to... Gord & June Ashcroft, Lila Baig, Lori Beecroft, Harvey Cowan, Bonnie Engel, Ellen Gendreau, Jolene & Spencer Haines, Ally Holmberg, Sid James, Frances Mawson, Laura Moore, Janet Webber & Andrea Zadow.



Cathy Chartrand, Museum Technician, June Ashcroft, volunteer and Stacey Finch, Partnership Coordinator

ADOPT-A-TRAIL

Thanks to our volunteers, all of our interpretive trails were adopted in 2017! Participants are asked to hike their trail once a week from May through October, cleaning up both the trail and parking lot area by picking up litter and reporting any maintenance requirements. A plaque at the entrance of the trail recognizes volunteers for their hard work and dedication.

The Friends of Algonquin Park is very grateful to the following dedicated volunteers:

Algonquin College students (Pembroke Campus), Jeff Bowman, Cedar Lake-Brent Access Point staff, Leon Budziszewski, Canoe Lake Access Point staff, Phil Deadman, Dan Demianiw, Jarrett Donaldson, Morwen Galway, Celine Griffin, Chris Herbener, Huntsville Nature Club, Lucille Lepinskie, Sarah MacBeth, Lynne Newell, Gord & Bernadette Nugent, George & Sharon Oram, Alice Ruddy, and Lynn Stewart.



A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

to Gord Ashcroft and Digby who filled in whenever they were needed!

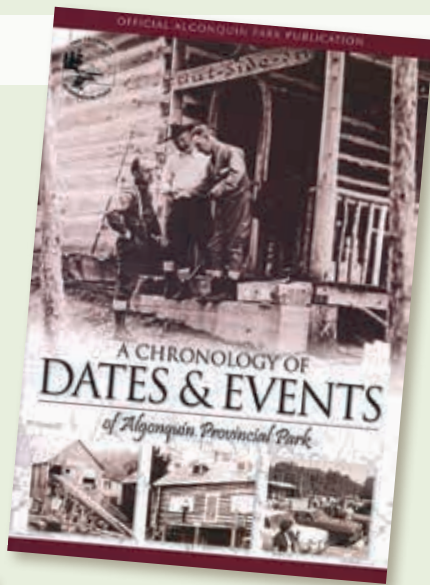
If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Stacey at: volunteer@algonquinpark.on.ca

THE FRIENDS OF ALGONQUIN PARK BOOKSTORE & NATURE SHOP

NEW PRODUCTS

A CHRONOLOGY OF DATES & EVENTS OF ALGONQUIN PROVINCIAL PARK

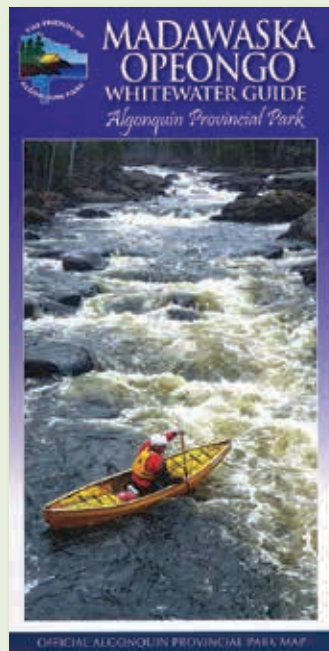
This book presents, in chronological order, the year and a brief description of important facts and events in Algonquin Park's history, plus some major occurrences elsewhere that affected the Park. This revised and updated edition includes archival photographs depicting many of the events described. 36 pages. Roderick MacKay. 2018.



2019 NATURALIST'S CALENDAR



This year's production features another spectacular collection of 12 new Algonquin Park images with interpretive messages, by photographer and retired Park naturalist, Michael Runtz. The 2019 Algonquin Park Naturalist's Calendar makes the perfect gift and continues to be one of our most popular products each year. Purchase your copy at the Visitor Centre, Logging Museum or online at www.algonquinpark.on.ca.



MADAWASKA/OPEONGO WHITewater GUIDE

This guide is meant for the "serious whitewater" canoeist thoroughly familiar with the techniques of canoeing. Suggestions are given on how to equip yourself and how to size up the river by learning how to read it. Basic whitewater skills are outlined as well as river signals. Detailed maps to help outline your trip are given, showing portages and river conditions. Revised and updated. 96 pages, spiral bound. George Drought, with revisions by Beth Kennedy. 2017.

MAKE YOUR PURCHASE COUNT!

Show your passion for Algonquin and make purchases from The Friends of Algonquin Park at the Visitor Centre, Logging Museum, via phone/email order or online at www.algonquinpark.on.ca | **100% OF PROCEEDS** from sales remain in Algonquin Park to further the Park's educational objectives.



The Algonquin Provincial Park Archives and Collections (or "Archives") is the repository for artifacts of significance to the natural and cultural history of Algonquin Park. Through the ongoing efforts of The Friends of Algonquin Park, researchers and Park visitors around the world can now search over 16,000 artifacts from the physical Archives via the Archives Online at www.algonquinpark.on.ca/archives.

Explore documents, reprints, letters, brochures, postcards, maps, images, and artifacts on your computer, tablet, or smart phone.



MUSKOKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT

The Friends of Algonquin Park was one of fifteen organizations that received a grant from the 2017 Community Fund for Canada's 150th and Smart & Caring Fund from the Muskoka Community Foundation. The Friends received the grant for the Tom Thomson Centennial Project. This project created interpretive panels in Algonquin Park that highlighted the art and life of Tom Thomson and his importance within the local art community.

Thank you to Bushnell for donating 3 scopes for the viewing deck at the Visitor Centre.



28th ANNUAL RAFFLE

The Friends of Algonquin Park's 2017 Fundraising Raffle was our most successful yet, raising over \$49,590! This raffle has been an annual event since 1990 and has now raised over \$387,000 since it began. Thank you to all of our generous prize donors and to all those who purchased tickets!

Congratulations to our 2017 prize winners:

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| 1st prize – D. & J. Tedball – Forest, ON | 7th prize – R. Lynes – Scotland, ON |
| 2nd prize – T. Robinson – Niagara Falls, ON | 8th prize – K. Martindale – Jordan, ON |
| 3rd prize – O. Kennedy – Toronto, ON | 9th prize – D. Selleck – Scarborough, ON |
| 4th prize – S. Lazic – Etobicoke, ON | 10th prize – A. Smith – Chelmsford, ON |
| 5th prize – B. Harting – Angus, ON | 11th prize – S. Gledhill – Kitchener, ON |
| 6th prize – J. Stark – Toronto, ON | 12th prize – A. Boyd – Cambridge, ON |



First prize winners in the 2017 Raffle, picking up their canoe.

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FUNDRAISING 2018 RAFFLE

BUY YOUR TICKET for just \$10

Our fundraising raffle will be occurring again for the 2018 season, and tickets traditionally go on sale by the May long weekend. Be sure to pick up your \$10 tickets while visiting the Park at the Visitor Centre, Logging Museum, and various other businesses within the Park!

The 2018 Raffle promises to once again include many amazing prizes such as beautiful canoes, accommodation packages at Algonquin area resorts and lodges, and much more!

All proceeds go toward fulfilling The Friends of Algonquin Park mandate of enhancing the educational and interpretive programs in Algonquin Park.

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The Friends of Algonquin Park would also like to extend thanks to all of our seasonal staff that helped make 2017 another great year!

MONTHLY GIVING

The Friends of Algonquin Park is pleased to report that the following donors are part of our monthly giving program.

- Elva Bennett
- Rebecca Brooker
- Leon Budziszewski
- Barry Dartnell
- Stephen Derraugh
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- Gregory Worsnop

If you wish to join our monthly giving program, please contact **(613) 637-2828 ext. 239** to get started, or visit: <http://www.algonquinpark.on.ca/foap/donate/recurring-giving.php>

Thank you for your support!

WHAT IS YOUR *Algonquin Park Legacy?*



Inspire Future Generations

SIMPLE & EFFECTIVE WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR ALGONQUIN PARK:

Make a Donation – A contribution made today is greatly appreciated and very important. Donations can be made in person at the Visitor Centre and Logging Museum or by mail, telephone or online.

In Honour – Have your donation commemorate an event or person, or celebrate a special occasion in the life of a friend or family member. An acknowledgement card can be sent to the honouree on your behalf.

In Memoriam – Make a gift in memory of a loved one who was especially fond of Algonquin. An acknowledgement card can be sent to the family or friend that you designate.

Become a Member – Purchase an annual membership that shows your dedication to Algonquin while gaining you membership rewards.

Double Your Donation – Employee-matching gift programs are corporate giving programs in which the company matches donations made by employees to eligible charitable organizations. Inquire with your employer to see if your support of Algonquin Park can be easily doubled.

Make the Gift of Time – Volunteer to help with the operation of the Algonquin Logging Museum, or the Adopt-a-Trail program. For more details on our volunteer program visit: www.algonquinpark.on.ca/foap/volunteer

Third Party Fundraising – Hold an event in support of The Friends of Algonquin Park. Your event can be almost anything: sell a product or service and direct a portion of the proceeds to support Algonquin Park; throw a party and ask guests to bring a donation in place of a gift; host a recreational event and ask for a donation instead of an entry fee; or develop a donation box at your place of business with donations directed to The Friends of Algonquin Park. Please note that all third party fundraising events must be approved in advance of the event by The Friends of Algonquin Park. To find out more, visit www.algonquinpark.on.ca/foap/donate/third-party-fundraising.php

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These are all things you can do today to show your passion for Algonquin Park and allow us to continue to emulate this passion through our work.

If you recognize the importance of supporting Algonquin through The Friends of Algonquin Park but are unable to make a commitment today, you may wish to consider a planned giving option.

Build your legacy of support for Algonquin Park by contributing to The Friends of Algonquin Park.

It is the support from individuals who are passionate about Algonquin Park that enables The Friends of Algonquin Park to continue enhancing research, the development and delivery of educational programs, workshops, special events plus the production of award-winning educational materials.

Thanks for Your Support!

WHAT IS PLANNED GIVING?

Planned giving allows you to make a gift to Algonquin Park today where the value of the gift is deferred in whole or in part until a later date, often upon the death of the donor and depending on the type of gift, income tax relief is either realized today or in the future. Of course, talking to your lawyer or financial advisor will help you and your family decide how to best fulfill your legacy to Algonquin Park.

YOUR ALGONQUIN LEGACY GIVING OPTIONS

You can make a difference and ensure your legacy in Algonquin Park by considering these options:

Bequest - This is a gift that you make through your will. It can be for a specific amount, a percentage of your estate or the residual of your estate. Your bequest will symbolize a lasting memorial for you and your family.

Gift of Life Insurance - Life insurance is a way to make a significant gift in the future at an affordable current cost without reducing the value of your estate available to your family. You can either give an existing policy or take out a new policy naming The Friends of Algonquin Park as the beneficiary.

Shares or Securities - This can be established by contributing bonds, stock securities or mutual funds that have appreciated in value since their purchase and avoid capital gains tax.

Registered Assets (RRSPs & RRIFFs) - A gift of registered assets would enable you to fulfill dual goals of supporting your favourite charity while reducing the amount of taxes that your estate would have to pay. If the RRSP or RRIFF has The Friends of Algonquin Park as the direct beneficiary, the estate will receive a donation receipt for the entire value of the plan.

Gift of Real Estate - The gift of real estate allows you to give an immediate gift and receive an immediate tax receipt for the fair market value of your property. These gifts include: residences, farms, land and commercial property. Giving a gift of real estate allows you to simplify your estate and give to The Friends of Algonquin Park during your lifetime.

Residual Interest - This type of gift is given by those who plan to donate a property through a will bequest but would like to reduce income tax presently and continue to use and enjoy the property over their lifetime.

Endowment - Your charitable fund would be invested and earnings from your contribution would generate a reliable source of funds, providing a legacy that lasts forever.

For more information: Lee Pauzé, General Manager
(613) 637-2828 ext.234

JUST A FEW EXAMPLES OF LEGACY GIFTS

Gift In-Kind

Authors have donated their manuscripts to The Friends of Algonquin Park, so every time we sell their books the profits stay in Algonquin Park.

Recent Gifts In-Kind are:

- *Birds of Algonquin Park*, Ron Tozer
- *Paddling My Own Canoe*, Esther S. Keyser with John S. Keyser
- *An Algonquin Heart Song*, Amber J. Keyser
- *Mowat - Little Town of Big Dreams*, Mary Garland
- *Spirits of the Little Bonnechere*, Roderick McKay.

Third Party Fundraising

The Friends of Algonquin Park would like to thank the Canadian Institute of Forestry (CIF) Algonquin section for hosting a historical canoe tour on Canoe Lake in July and donating a portion of their proceeds from it to The Friends of Algonquin Park.

Partnership

Wild Birds Unlimited Toronto generously donates birdseed and feeders to the Algonquin Visitor Centre. This allows visitors to enjoy Algonquin Park's beautiful birdlife during winter and supports ongoing bird research.



For more information please contact The Friends of Algonquin Park
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Thank You For Being Passionate About Algonquin!

For a list of 2017 Donors who supported The Friends of Algonquin Park, visit www.algonquinpark.on.ca.