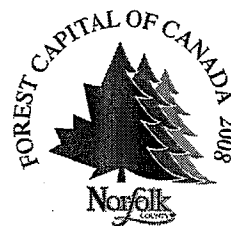


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President's MESSAGE



The President's Message is very short in this edition – as our main message is to invite you and other woodlot owners who have not joined the NWOA to the Annual General Meeting at the Delhi German Hall on Wednesday February 6th, 2008.

As you may have heard in the news, Norfolk is the Forest Capital of Canada, but is also facing many challenges that we need to locally address immediately. Within this newsletter you will see the 2 deputations we presented to Council asking for their help in managing strategically those areas with high to severe gypsy moth populations and the pending Emerald Ash Borer population in the Turkey Point area.

Please make your views known to your Councillor and our MP and MPP – as not taking action now will affect all of us. As they say we are not out of the Woods yet!

MARK SOMMERVILLE – PRESIDENT NWOA



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Interested in helping out with workshops or specific events for the 2008 Forest Capital of Canada Celebrations. We need your expertise and help.

Please contact any director of the NOWA to get in touch with us!

WHAT's INSIDE?

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6th, 2008

DELHI GERMAN HALL, Delhi ~ Hwy #3

DISPLAY / INFORMATION FORUM

Doors Open 5 pm / Meeting starts 7 pm

Guest Speakers

- Glen Blouin, Author
AN ECLECTIC GUIDE TO TREES EAST OF THE ROCKIES
- James Cowan
CANADIAN RAPTOR CONSERVANCY

ACTIVITIES IN THE WOODS



Monday February 11th, 2008

CHAINSAW SAFETY

AND MAINTENANCE NIGHT

Springview Farm Golf Course

657 Culver Rd – Waterford

Refreshments – Pizza & Pop – 6:00 pm

Questions / Chainsaw Mtce. Review – 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Pre-registration required. Call Tracey at 443-8754 to help with ordering of the food and books.



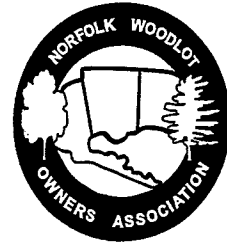
Events Sponsored by the NWOA

– for further information visit

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Norfolk Woodlot Owners Association



Wednesday February 6th, 2008 7:00 PM
Delhi German Home - Delhi

Forestry Information Forum & Information Displays – open 5 pm

Over 34 Information Displays! \$ 1800 in Door Prizes! Including a Chainsaw!

SEND YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN TODAY!

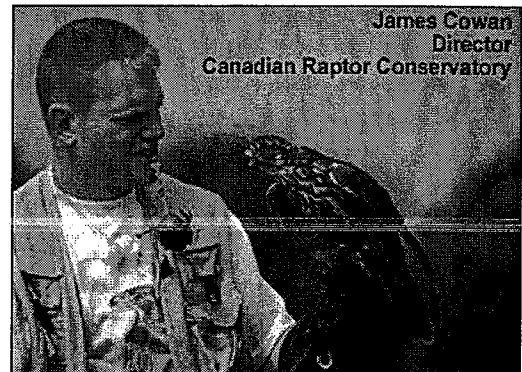
For more information call Mark Sommerville 519-426-3762



MEETING STARTS AT 7 PM

BRING THE FAMILY.....

James Cowan,
Honorary NWOA Member
... will be once again bringing his feathered
friends to provide us a display of various
raptors who make their home in our woodlots



Canadian Raptor Conservancy



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GUEST SPEAKER ~ Glen Blouin, Author

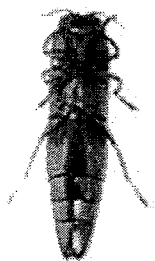
AN ECLECTIC GUIDE TO TREES EAST OF THE ROCKIES

A "one-of-a-kind" book on tree species occurring in N.A. east of the Rockies. Identifies close to 50 major tree species by their components (size, wood, bark, leaf, flower, fruit, twig, etc.). Goes beyond these details to provide: the history of each species; its range, record sizes, preferred sites, & seasonal changes; value as habitat for fauna; natural enemies (insects, blights, diseases); uses by humans; the properties of its wood, and; more. A valuable, multi-faceted book for those with an interest in trees.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE A DIRECTOR?

An interest in natural resources management We meet once a month except July & August....
We need new members to keep the momentum of our associations growth moving forward.....

If interested please contact an existing director to learn more.....



Don't Move Firewood ~ It BUGS me! BUY LOCAL FIREWOOD!

Subject: Emerald Ash Borer Confirmed in Norfolk County

STATUS: Quarantine Defined
5 KM QUARANTINE within and around the TURKEY POINT AREA

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT UPON PUBLICATION OF THIS NEWSLETTER THE NOTICE OF QUARANTINES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL QUARANTINED LANDOWNERS WITHIN AND AROUND THE 5 KM QUARANTINE ZONE WHICH IS WITHIN THE GENERAL VICINITY OF TURKEY POINT.

NORFOLK COUNTY HAS ORGANIZED A PRIVATE MEETING BETWEEN LANDOWNERS ISSUED QUARANTINE NOTICES AND THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY.

THE NWOA WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH NORFOLK COUNTY ON IDENTIFYING THE NEXT STEPS AND HOW THE INFESTATION WILL BE MANAGED.

IT IS CRITICAL THAT PENDING THE PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THE EXACT BOUNDARIES OF THE QUARANTINE, WHERE THE INSECT HAS BEEN FOUND, THAT NO ONE RUSHES OUT TO MANAGE THEIR WOODLANDS.

IN OTHER AREAS, ie; MICHIGAN, MANY LANDOWNERS WERE TAKEN BY FAST TALKING LOGGERS WHO CONVINCED WOODLOT OWNERS THEY HAD TO LOG. THEY ENDED UP WITH THEIR WOODLOTS BEING OVERHARVESTED, NOT LIMITED TO ASH, AND NO PAYMENT..... SO PROTECT YOURSELF. OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS MORE INFORMATION WILL BE COMING OUT AND WE WILL MAKE SURE YOU ARE INFORMED.

UNINTENTIONAL SPREAD THROUGH THE SALE OF FIREWOOD OR HARVESTING CAN HAVE DISASTROUS RESULTS. THE CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY AND NORFOLK COUNTY HAVE ASSURED THE NWOA, THAT WE WILL BE WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE WE IMPLEMENT THE BEST PRACTICES TO PROTECT OUR WOODLANDS. STAY TUNED.

Norfolk County staff will be available to assist woodlot owners once the quarantine boundaries have been defined and urge landowners to visit the CFIA website at www.inspection.gc.ca for more information on Emerald Ash Borer.

EVENTS of INTEREST



THE ONTARIO FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

59th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: February 8, 2008 **Time:** 8:00-5:00 **Location:** Nottawasaga Inn, Alliston, ON

OUR FORESTS: EXPLORING BIODIVERSITY

Biodiversity is a commonly used but rarely explained term. The 2008 OFA Conference will explore the term and help you understand how it relates to privately owned forests. Private forest landowners have a key role to play in enhancing forest biodiversity. In addition to conserving and promoting a variety of forest types on individual properties, and across the landscape, landowners can support biodiversity in many ways.

Join us for an informative day long session designed to encourage discussion and give tips and tools to manage your forests and promote biodiversity. Learn from an impressive list of conference speakers, experts and fellow Ontario Forestry Association members and partners. **Our invited guest of honour is Minister of Natural Resources, Donna Cansfield, who will address attendees.**

The day long event will be held at the beautiful Nottawasaga Inn and includes a gourmet lunch. The registration cost is \$60.00 for OFA members, \$75.00 for non-members. Accommodation packages are also available by contacting the Nottawasaga Inn

Call the Ontario Forestry Association for details at: 1-800-387-0790 Or fax: 416-493-4608

The full agenda and detailed information is available at: www.oforest.on.ca.

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