



# ENVIRO EVENTS | A 2004 calendar of events for conservation area visitors

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**Friday, June 18, 7 pm**  
**Summer Solstice 2004**  
**Celebrating the Bounty of our Backyard Paradise**  
Held at the Halton Region Museum, this year's event features live and silent auctions, a wheelbarrow of wine raffle, wine tasting, live birds of prey and seasonal food selections by Allison's of Milton. Tickets: \$40 per person. See page 7 for details. Proudly sponsored by Dufferin Aggregates.

## Crawford Lake Tel: (905) 854-0234 E-mail: [crawlake@hrca.on.ca](mailto:crawlake@hrca.on.ca)

Crawford Lake Conservation Area is open every day year round! Weekday facilities are limited from November to April. Please call for details.

### Daily until June 27 Season of Many Frogs Peeping 10 am – 4 pm

Wildflower wonders, video presentations, hands-on discoveries in the Iroquoian Village, discovery hunt and craft making. Visit our beautiful Native Species garden!

### Sunday, May 9 Wildflower Walk for Mom 1 pm – 3 pm

A special day to celebrate with an introductory spring slideshow followed by a guided wildflower walk and serving of nature's tea. Included with park admission.

### Sunday, June 6 Kid's Day Celebration 10 am – 5 pm

Celebrate National Kids Day! A variety of fun-filled, hands-on activities are planned, including storytelling, nature face painting, a discovery hunt, craft making and much more. You won't want to miss this one. Adults \$6, children 4 and under FREE.

### Sunday, June 20 Aboriginal Awareness Day! 10 am – 4 pm

A perfect place to celebrate Canada's Aboriginal Awareness Day... take a stroll along the woodland Moccasin walk, create a craft, listen and learn during longhouse storytelling, activities for kids and more! (All included with park admission.)

### June 28 to September 6 Season of the Three Sisters Daily 10 am – 5 pm

Come share in the discovery! Explore the Iroquoian village and longhouses. Enjoy self-guided native games, craft making, a discovery hunt for kids and video presentations. Visit the silent waters of Crawford Lake as you stroll around the elevated boardwalk or hike one of our many trails in the beautiful woodlands.

### Sunday, July 18 Dig in and Discover Archaeology! 10 am – 5 pm

Join us for a day of excitement and exploration into the past. Take part in a variety of activities, including pottery making, videos, and a chance to excavate for artifacts (space is limited for this activity; call ahead to register). All included in the price of regular admission.

### Sunday, August 15 The Spirit Sings 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Stars twinkle, crickets fill the air with song and a deep calm settles over the village longhouses. Crawford Lake is the perfect setting for the "Spirit Sings." Join us for a unique evening of traditional teachings, storytelling, and native games and challenges. Adults \$15, seniors/children \$12. Tickets are required for this special event and spaces fill quickly so call early!

### Daily, September 7 to October 31 Season of the Falling Leaves Weekdays 10 am – 4 pm Weekends and Holidays 10 am – 5 pm

Enjoy the spectacular autumn colours of the Niagara Escarpment. Take a step back in time as you explore and discover the history of the Iroquoian longhouse people. Free craft making, discovery hunts, and videos are available. Visit our unique gift shop and support conservation as all funds stay in the park!

### Sunday, September 19 Indian Summer Festival 10 am – 5 pm

Join us for this special day of celebration of Ontario's First Nations. Activities planned for this event include: native arts and crafts, corn husk doll making, discovery hunts with prizes, demonstrations, guest presenters and First Nations Dancers! Adults \$6, children 4 and under FREE.

### October 10 & 11 (Sunday/Monday of Thanksgiving Weekend) Autumn on the Escarpment Celebration 10 am – 5 pm

Crafts for kids of all ages, live folk musicians, fun-filled games, hot apple cider, family discovery hunt with prizes, free giant pumpkin raffle and more. Join us for this popular celebration! Adults \$6, children 4 and under FREE.

## Mountsberg Tel: (905) 854-2276 E-mail: [mtsberg@hrca.on.ca](mailto:mtsberg@hrca.on.ca)

Mountsberg Wildlife Centre is open every day, year round! Certain activities are available only on weekends and holidays. Call for season events and park hours.

### April 17 to June 27 Spring Fever Days Daily 10 am – 4 pm

Family hiking and biking on over 16 km of trails winding through woodlands, meadows and alongside our sparkling lake, with lookout towers and observation blinds. Check out our unique gift shop, romp in the PlayBarn, visit the spring baby goats and sheep, and tour the wildlife walkway including elk, bison, and birds of prey. The Lake is open for fishing beginning May 8.

### Saturday, May 1 & 8 Frogwatchers' Hike 7 pm – 9 pm

Secretive songsters and slippery sliders take over the swamp. Join us for a fun, hands-on evening to listen and search for Ontario's amphibians. Pre-registration is required. Call or e-mail for tickets. Adults \$12, children 14 and under \$8.

### June 28 to September 3 Lazy Days of Summer Daily 10 am – 5 pm

Mountsberg is a great place to visit in the summer. Leisure hiking and biking on over 16 km of trails winding through woodlands, meadows and alongside our sparkling lake, with lookout towers and observation blinds. Cast a line for pike or bass in the 500-acre lake, check out our unique gift shop, romp in the PlayBarn, enjoy a family picnic by the water's edge, and take in a birds of prey flying demonstration, at 1 and 3 pm from Wednesday through Sunday.

### Saturday, July 17 Damsels & Dragons 1 pm – 3 pm

Visit the pond to find some of the oldest insects on earth! Be ready to get "elbow-deep" as we dip nets to find and examine these amazing creatures. Please call or e-mail for tickets. Adults \$12, children \$8.

### Sunday, July 25 The Dog Days of Summer 10 am – 4 pm

Learn all about our "best friends" and the many different ways working dogs help us out. Several guest presenters will be here to showcase various working dogs in presentations throughout the day. Adults \$5.50, seniors/children \$3.75.

### Saturday, August 14 Bat Night 7 pm – 9 pm

Are you afraid of the dark? Join us for this evening program to learn all about the fascinating, but often misunderstood world of bats. This program includes an up-close and personal visit with live bats. Pre-registration is required. Call or e-mail for tickets. Adults \$12, children 14 and under \$8.

### September 4 to November 14 Autumn Wonders Season Weekends and holidays 10 am – 4 pm

Find the hidden secrets in the 5-acre corn maze or sunflower maze, build a scarecrow, take a horse-drawn wagon ride, see a working apple cider press, visit the farmyard animals, play in the PlayBarn or the strawbale play area, enjoy a fresh harvest barbecue lunch, and bird of prey presentations – a full day of fun and activity for the whole family!

### Saturday Nights in October Moonlight Maze Craze Admissions from 6 pm – 9 pm

Get your thrills and chills in the 5-acre maze at dusk or after dark! We warm up for Halloween with moonlight maze tours every Saturday night through October, weather permitting. Adults \$4.50, children \$3.25.

### Saturday, September 11 Insects Alive! 7 pm – 9 pm

Late summer is a great time to explore our trails to find out who is making all the noise! Crickets, grasshoppers and others, to capture and examine, plus some gourmet insect treats. Mr. Steve Marshall joins us from the University of Guelph. Call or e-mail for tickets. Adults \$12, seniors/children \$8.

### Saturday, September 18 Mountsberg Trail Run

A 2 km "waddle, dawdle and stroll," a 5 km run, or a 10 km run, through the fields and forests along our Mountsberg trails. Prizes for the top finishers, t-shirts and certificates for everyone. The 5 km and 10 km runs are professionally timed events. Call to pre-register, or download a registration form from our Web site.

### Saturday, October 9 Explore the Night Sky 7 pm – 10 pm

The heavens above have captured our imagination for thousands of years. Venture out with us and learn about the stars and planets above. Bring along your own telescope if you've got one. Rain or moonshine! Call for tickets. Adults \$12, children 14 and under \$8.

### Sunday, October 24 Pumpkin Carving Contest Noon – 2 pm

Get out your carving tools and head to Mountsberg to carve the best Halloween pumpkin ever! Judging takes place at 2 pm, prizes for the best pumpkins in different categories. Pumpkins available for purchase on site, or bring your own. General admission rates apply.

## Mount Nemo Tel: (905) 854-0262 E-mail: [mtnemo@hrca.on.ca](mailto:mtnemo@hrca.on.ca)

Great hiking and scenic viewing year round.

## Kelso/Glen Eden Tel: (905) 878-5011 E-mail: [gleneden@hrca.on.ca](mailto:gleneden@hrca.on.ca)

## Halton Region Museum (Kelso Conservation Area) 905-875-2200 [finnm@region.halton.on.ca](mailto:finnm@region.halton.on.ca)

### Sunday, May 30 "Lively Dragon" Dragon Boat Festival

### Sunday, June 6 Trisport Triathlon

### Saturday, June 12 Flamboro Antique Show

### Sunday, August 29 British Saloon Car Club Display Halton Region Museum 11 am – 5 pm

British cars from the pre-war era to the present day will be showcased on the scenic museum grounds in Kelso Conservation Area near Milton. Free with admission to the park. For more information, please visit our Web site at: [www.region.halton.on.ca/museum/newsevents](http://www.region.halton.on.ca/museum/newsevents) or call the British Saloon Car Club of Canada at (905) 632-0479.

### Sunday, September 5 Trisport Triathlon

### Saturday, September 25 Flamboro Antique Show

### Weekends and Holidays October 2 to 17 Autumn Colours Festival

Come and celebrate the changing of the seasons. Ride the Sidewinder chairlift to the top of the escarpment and enjoy fun activities and a barbecue lunch.

### October 4 to 7 Toronto Ski, Snowboard and Travel Show

Glen Eden will be one of over 175 exhibitors at Canada's largest snow show. Automotive Building, Exhibition Place.

### October 18 & 19 Glen Eden Open House & Your Last Chance for Super Early Bird Rates!

Come out and purchase a season pass and register for lesson programs or stop in to get your picture taken. Meet the Milton Heights Racing Club, take a ride on the Sidewinder chairlift and find out what's new at Glen Eden for this season.

## Hilton Falls Tel: (905) 854-0262 E-mail: [hiltonfalls@hrca.on.ca](mailto:hiltonfalls@hrca.on.ca)

Great hiking, mountain biking and scenic viewing year round.

## Rattlesnake Point Tel: (905) 878-1147 E-mail: [rattlesnakept@hrca.on.ca](mailto:rattlesnakept@hrca.on.ca)

Great hiking, rock climbing, camping and scenic viewing year round.

### Saturday, June 19 ACG Five Peaks 3rd Annual 11 km Trail Run

ACG Five Peaks, Canada's first and only National Trail Running Series will host its annual 11 km Trail Run at Rattlesnake Point. This is the most technically challenging in a series of five races in the Ontario Trail Running Series. Get out of the urban rat race and come rip it up at Rattlesnake Point for your Saturday morning oxygen rush. These races are truly unique and great fun. So bring the family out and enjoy the park after the race. For more information and to register in advance, check out: [www.5peaks.com](http://www.5peaks.com).

\*Special events are marked in red