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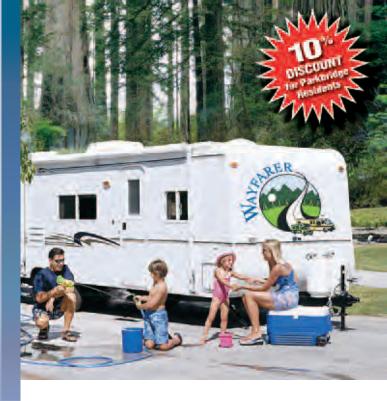
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Our three family campgrounds feature over 500 serviced sites available for both seasonal and overnight camping. We are committed to making your visit with us enjoyable. This guide will be an invaluable tool to help you make the most of your stay with us. It has been designed to answer the common questions and to let you know a bit about your host. I hope you enjoy your visit with us at the St. Clair.



Yours truly, Brian McDougall General Manager



It is a pleasure for me, as the Member of Provincial Parliament, to welcome you to Sarnia-Lambton.



Welcome to Sarnia-Lambton!

On behalf of the residents of Sarnia-Lambton, I am very pleased to welcome you to our beautiful area.

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Pat Davidson Member of Parliament Sarnia-Lambton

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Emergency Numbers

(519 Area Code)

O.P.P	9-1-1
Fire Department	9-1-1
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Reservations

- all campsite reservations are site specific
- all campsite reservations to be paid in full at the time of booking
- a \$6.00 fee is applied to each reservation
- a \$15.00 fee will be charged for each cancellation or change
- for a full refund (excluding reservation and cancellation fee) cancellations must be made prior to noon on the day of arrival. Reservations cancelled after this time will be charged the reservation fee plus one night's camping fee.
- a 3 night minimum stay is required on the Victoria Day (May) and Labour Day (August/September) long weekend. No refunds will be issued during this time for a shortened stay
- campsite reservations are held until 8 am the day following your scheduled arrival date
- payment can be made by Visa, MasterCard, cheque or money order. Cheques and money orders must be received within 14 days of making your reservation to confirm your campsite

Campground Rules:

Please have respect for your fellow visitors and for the conservation area environment.

Loud Noise - Disturbing other Persons: Be considerate. Please keep the volume of your music and your voices to a reasonable level. Interfering with anyone's use or enjoyment of the park, day or night, is contrary to conservation area regulations.

Alcoholic Beverages: Alcohol consumption is permitted in the conservation area provided the camper is of age of majority and on a registered campsite. Please note that our campgrounds have an alcohol ban for the Victoria Day weekend.

Check Out Time: Noon on the day of your departure.

Pets: All pets must be kept under control and on a leash. They are not permitted in the swimming area or on the beach and they must not make excessive noise or disturb other campers.

Day Use Hours of Closing: 11:00 pm to 7 am.

Number of People per Site: A maximum of four persons or one family unit is permitted on each campsite.





A Few Campfire Do's and Don'ts

Do:

- use only the existing fire pit on your site
- in order to help stop the spread of the emerald ash borer, please purchase your firewood from the Conservation Area
- keep campfires small; they are easier to control
- let your fire burn down to ashes before putting it out. This reduces the amount of charred wood left in the fire pit
- make sure your fire is totally out before you leave your campsite or turn in for the night
 fires left to burn out on their own may appear out, but often get stirred up by the wind

Do Not:

- take decaying deadwood from conservation area wood lots
- bring in fire wood from outside the Conservation Area
- leave your campfire unattended this is extremely hazardous; it's also a waste of wood if you're not there to enjoy it
- make additional fire pits on your campsite
- burn anything other than wood do not burn food scraps, plastics or diapers in your fire
- build a fire if it is extremely windy

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Remember:

- drown your campfire thoroughly with water, stirring with a stick until it is cold to the touch
- decaying deadwood plays an important role in replenishing nutrients to forest soils

Camper Activities and Events:

Our campgrounds are fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who work with staff to

deliver many events and activities throughout the camping season. Some of our events include Canada Day celebrations, "Hallowe'en in the Park", live entertainment, and wagon rides. To see what events are offered in your campground, please checkout our bulletin boards or talk with our staff.





Cycling

Cycling is a great activity for the whole family. But remember, sharing the road with cars requires some thought and consideration on behalf of you the biker, as well as the driver of the vehicle.

Remember to obey the rules of the road including travelling in the proper direction on one way roads. Racing is not permitted and cyclists must yield to pedestrians. Keep your bike locked up when not in use, even on your campsite. Remember to wear your helmet.

Recycling at St. Clair

Recycling bins are located near the garbage depots and are appropriately signed for recycle materials. Please do not throw garbage into the recycling bins.

We Welcome Pets

All pets must be kept on a leash not exceeding 2 metres (6 feet) in length at all times.

As a pet owner, you are responsible for preventing your pet from making excessive noise or disturbing others.



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Public health rules prohibit domestic animals in designated swimming areas or in washrooms and shower areas.

Help keep our conservation areas clean, please clean up after your pet.

Take only pictures; leave only footprints

DO NOT pick the flowers. The opportunity to produce seeds is lost and the species' future may be threatened. Many species of butterflies, moths, insects and birds are dependent on a flower's nectar for food. Some species are so specialized that they make use of only one type of plant. If the host plant disappears, so does any wildlife species that is dependent on it. Leave the flowers for park wildlife and the enjoyment of other visitors. Please take only a picture.

Keep Your Children Safe

Always supervise your child's trip to our washrooms, beaches and trails.

If you've lost a child, inform area staff at once. They can ensure that a search is quickly organized.

Know where your children are, what they are wearing and set a time when they should be back at the campsite.

Get the last name and campsite number of any new friends your children have made.

Always leave one adult on the campsite.

Let your children know that they can get help from park staff.

Park roads are used by young children for cycling, however they should know the safety rules.

Leaves of 3 let it be

Learn to identify the poison ivy plant.

If you think you've had a brush with poison ivy, follow these simple steps:

Wash all exposed areas with cold running water as soon as you can



reach a stream, lake or garden hose. If you can do this within five minutes, the water may keep the plant's invisible oil urushiol from contacting your skin and spreading to other parts of your body. Within the first 30 minutes, soap and water are helpful.

If you know you have been exposed and have developed severe reactions in the past, consult your doctor.

Watershed Report Cards

The Conservation Authority has completed a set of Watershed Report Cards for the 14 subwatersheds in the St. Clair region.

This region has been affected by urban, industrial and agricultural development but it supports an extraordinary number of rare plant and animal species. In the St. Clair



Region over 80 endangered, threatened or special concern species are recognized under federal or provincial legislation. Likewise, although the region has very little forest cover, it contains many significant tree and bird species that do not thrive in most of Ontario.

The St. Clair Region hosts a mosaic of farmland and forests, urban areas, industrialization and natural areas with extraordinary biological diversity. Residents, agencies and municipalities must act to protect and improve this region of Canada which is "uniquely St. Clair".

For a complete set of Watershed Report Cards visit our website at www.scrca.on.ca.

Turtle Surveys

Conservation Authority staff and volunteers regularly undertake a turtle survey on the East Branch of the Sydenham River. In particular, surveyors look for three turtle Species at Risk: the eastern spiny softshell turtle, the northern snapping turtle and the northern map turtle.

Conservation For Kids

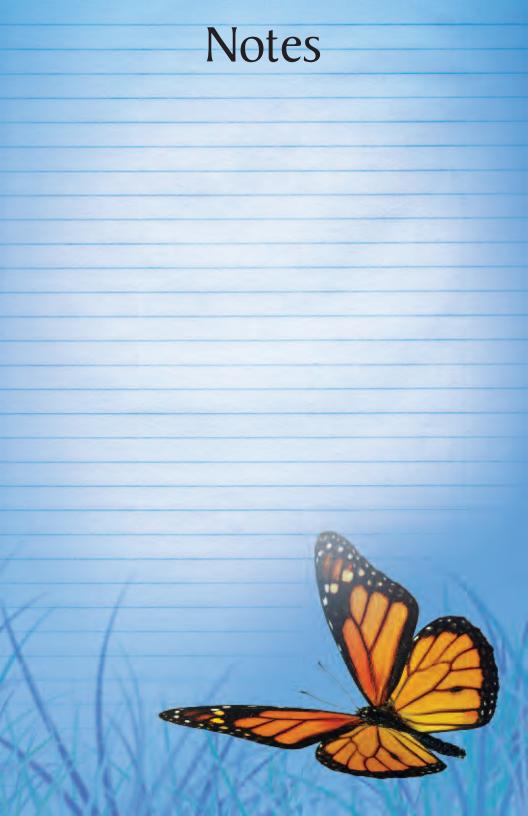
10,000 students each year get to poke through mud, hold a frog or measure the quality of water through the Conservation for Kids program. The Conservation Authority offers 28 different programs tied to the curriculum taught in the schools. The majority of the outdoor conservation education programs are operated out of the Lorne C. Henderson Conservation Area. They are also offered at the Wawanosh Wetlands, Strathroy Wetlands and the A.W. Campbell Conservation Areas. Many of the education programs are supported by donations from businesses and organizations.

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Conservation Authority Programs Include:

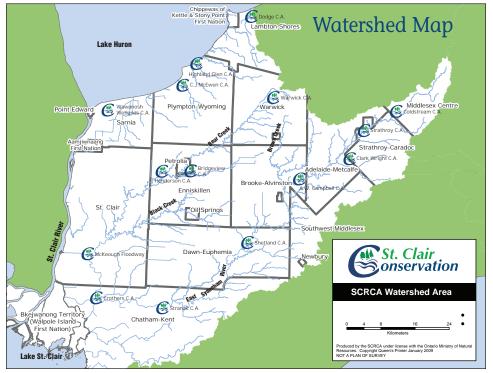
- Flood Damage Reduction
- Drinking Water Source Protection
- Wildlife Habitat Restoration
- Recreation

- Erosion Control
- Water Quality
- Woodlot Management
- Outdoor Education
- Hazard Land Planning
- Tree Planting
- Species at Risk

The St. Clair Region Conservation Foundation

The Foundation is pleased to be able to support our Conservation Areas by providing funds for recreation facilities. We sincerely hope the playground equipment, canoes, paddleboats and the wheelchair accessible washrooms have helped make your stay more enjoyable. To find out how you can help, visit our website at www.scrca.on.ca or call the office at 245-3710 and ask for Marlene. Good camping!

Duncan Skinner, President



Our Mission

"The St. Clair Region Conservation Authority has as its mission, to provide leadership through coordination of watershed planning, implementation of resource management programs and promotion of conservation awareness, in cooperation with others."



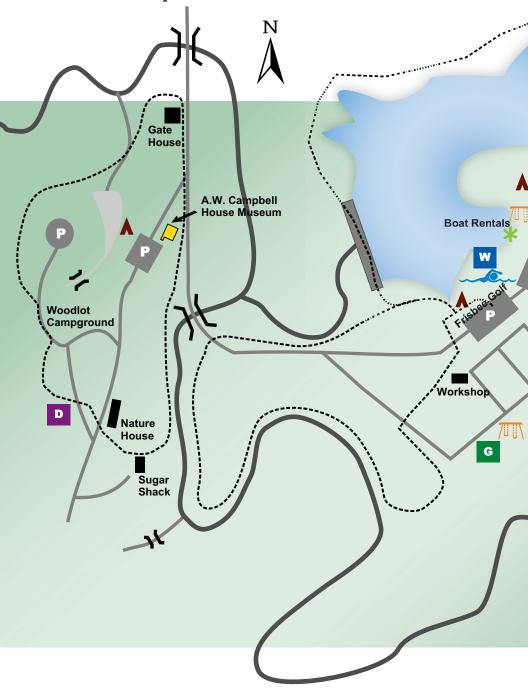
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Management Areas	Serviced Lots	Seasonal and overnight	Group	Swimming Pool Beach	Beach Picnic Shelter	Play Ground	Trails	Phone	
A.W. Campbell	х	х	х	х		х	х	х	847-5357
Warwick	х	х	х	х		x	x	х	849-6770
L.C. Henderson	х	х	х	х		x	х	х	882-2280
Coldstream	х		х			x	x	х	666-0190
Shetland	х	х	х			х	х		692-5148
Wawanosh Wetlands						х		х	245-3710
Highland Glen					х	х			245-3710
C.J. McEwen					х	х			245-3710
Clark Wright								х	245-3710
Bridgeview						х	x	х	882-2350
Strathroy								х	245-3710
Esli G. Dodge						х	х	х	786-2335
Crothers						х	х	х	360-1998
Tony Stranak						х	х	х	360-1998
McKeough Floodway								х	892-3824

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Fishing	х	х	х
Canoes/Kayaks (\$)*	х	х	х
Paddleboats (\$)*		х	
Ice (\$)*	х	х	х
Laundry (\$)	x	х	
Dump Station	х	х	х
Trailer Pump Out Service (\$)*	х	х	х
Fisbee Golf	x	х	х
Mini Golf	х	х	х

Management Areas (No Facilities)	Trails	Phone
Sinclair		245-3710
Huff Woodlot		245-3710
Perch Creek	х	245-3710
Moore	х	245-3710
Marthaville	Х	245-3710
Harrison Woodlot	Х	245-3710
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Gawne		245-3710
Maples Woodlot		245-3710
Reid Property		245-3710

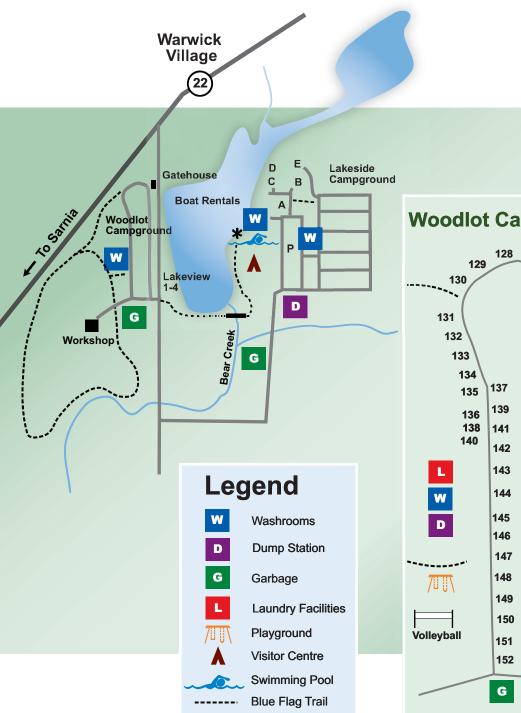
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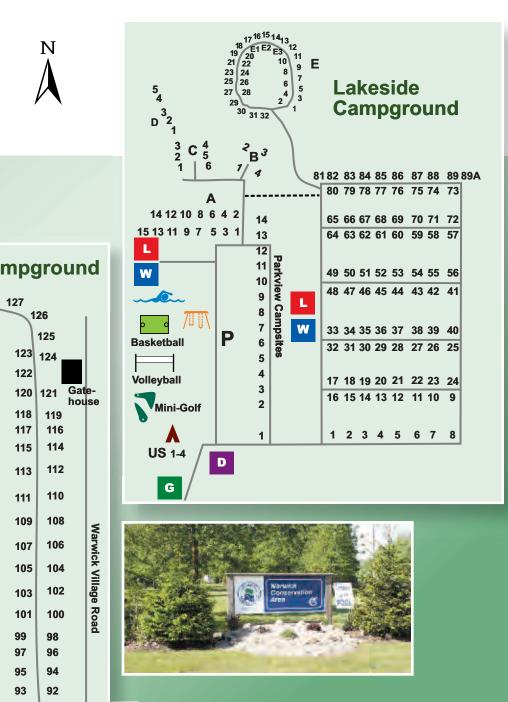
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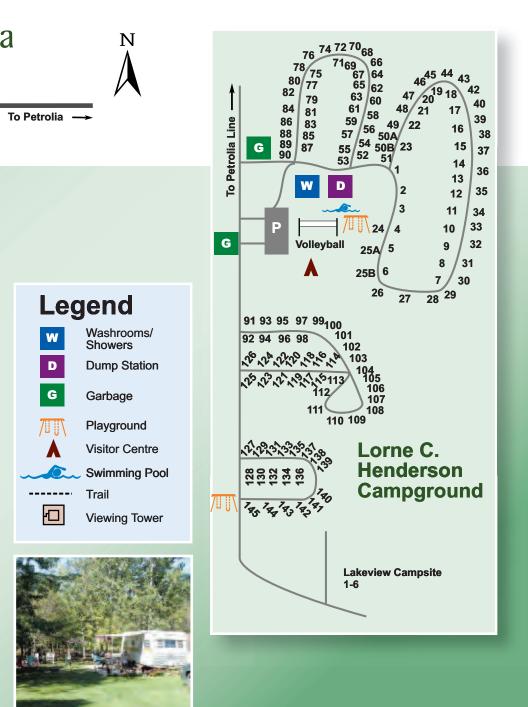
Warwick Conservation Area





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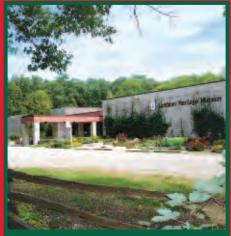
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