

30TH ANNUAL WOODLOT TOUR AND CONFERENCE

POWER OF ACTIVE MANAGEMENT

April 25 and 26, 2023 | Niagara-on-the-Lake
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TUESDAY APRIL 25, 2023

Concurrent Tours

Carolinan Forest Woodlot Tours: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

"Legal Vices" Tour: 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Niagara College, Courtyard Entrance

Bird Seminar: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Niagara College, Room W111

Spring Celebration Dinner

5:30 p.m. Queenston Heights Restaurant
Indigenous Acknowledgment, historical demonstration and hot cider station. Tour the grounds before dinner.
7:00 p.m. Four course-dinner and presentation by Niagara Parks Commission Manager Jim Hill

WEDNESDAY APRIL 26, 2023

8:30 a.m. - Welcome

OWA President Paul Robertson, Richard LaLande, and Ric Breesee - MPP - Hastings-Lennox and Addington

9:30 a.m. - Keynote Address

Malcolm Cockwell, Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve will begin the day by taking listeners through the many different businesses that comprise Haliburton Forest and paint a picture of how active management can take many forms and have many facets.

9:35 a.m. - Business Side of Woodlot Management

Rick Wismer, CPA, CA, CAFA, PAg, LPA and Regional Agricultural, Food and Beverage Leader for MNP will discuss how to manage your woodlots as a business and how together, we can improve Ontario's private land forest sector

10:10 a.m. - Health Break

10:30 a.m. - OWA Power Talks

Glen Prevost, Ben Gwilliam and Erica Dixon will provide 10-minute talks on specific programs and projects. The talks will provide concise updates that create interest and catalyze questions and interaction during breaks and at lunch, when OWA staff will be available for follow-up discussion.

11:00 a.m. - Managing Hemlock Woolly Adelgid

Allison Winmill, Lallemand Plant Care will discuss managing hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA) using TreeAzin as part of an integrated pest management program. HWA is an aphid-like invasive insect specific to hemlock trees with populations recently present in Ontario.

11:35 a.m. - Lunch

12:35 p.m. - Annual Business Meeting and Awards

OWA Executive Director John Pineau will present the Annual Report. The recipients of the Harry Barr Award and Ken Armson Professional Award will also be announced.

2:00 p.m. - Health Break

2:15 p.m. - Trees to the Rescue

Dolf Wynia will share how he uses best management practices on his well managed and unique woodlot. Dolf's experience of active woodlot management has been shaped by a lifetime of volunteering and working in the forestry and horticulture industries.

2:50 p.m. - Adoption of Environmental Best Practices

Dr. Michael Drescher of the School of Planning at the University of Waterloo will share his interdisciplinary research about the adoption of farm forests, windbreaks and riparian buffers on Ontario farms. OWA Agroforestry Coordinator Erica Dixon will lead a discussion on how practitioners envision a path forward with environmental best management practices.

3:30 p.m. - Closing Remarks and Announcements

OWA Executive Director John Pineau to offer closing remarks and final announcements



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