

Communitrees

A Spring 2016 Stewardship Morning on the Trail

Some tending, some native tree planting & buckthorn extracting!

All to help trees on that section of the Trail develop even more resilience and natural beauty.

Those 125 good-sized, beautiful native trees we planted are beginning to transform that section of the trail!

To add more strength to this growing and diverse community of trees, this year we plan to add more native trees, tend to the needs of trees already planted and – entirely remove the invasive shrub, buckthorn from that section of the trail.

Join us for a morning of tending, tree planting, refreshments and buckthorn removal.

Everyone is welcome! Mark your Calendar – Saturday, **May 14th**.

Stewardship: 9:30 am - 10:40 am

An opportunity to tend those 125 trees we planted on this section of the Trailway last year and plant about 15 new trees. All materials needed (water; mulch; stakes) will be there, ready for us to distribute to the trees.

Please gather at 9:30 a.m. on the Elora Cataract Trailway at 1st line east of Fergus (the extension of Anderson St.). We'll each have a chance to introduce ourselves and learn specifics about the mornings plans! There's parking at the Gartshore lot by the Trail or just on the First Line.

10:40 - 11 am Coffee & Treats

Also tea and great snacks served on the Trailway. A good chance to enjoy each other's company as well as the beauty of this emerging, native restoration project.

11 am 'till noon 'Buckthorn Identification and the Extractigator'

Kelsye Coulter, a local buckthorn expert and Serena Guenther of Baum Tree Care will show us how to correctly identify this invasive. Kelsye and Paul Hennekins are also generously lending us their personal Extractigator, so with E.C.T.A.'s 'Extractigator', we'll have the use of 2 implements!

Participants will have many opportunities to practice identifying the shrub, removing it and learning effective methods of eliminating it from our trails – and our own properties.



(A beautiful oak on the trail – not buckthorn!)

RSVP to Carolyn Crozier - email (or phone

(519) 843-3030) **Hope to see you there!**