



# THE NIAGARA BRUCE TRAIL CLUB

## SPRING 2011 HIKE SCHEDULE



Close to nature.  
Close to home.

Saturday Hikes: Dan Wilson (905) 262-0633 dkw1@sympatico.ca

Wednesday Morning and Sunday Hikes: Lynda Bonnar (905) 227-8220

Wednesday Evening Hikes: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010 **if uncertain of weather conditions call first.**

Please call the appropriate leader above if you are interested in leading a hike. Deadline for the Summer Schedule is April 15

**Hike at a slower pace** on any of the Wednesday 10.00 am or Sunday 2.00 pm hikes with Herb Patton or Gord Orr.

### WEEKLY HIKES

**Tuesdays 10.00 am.** Meet at the Pelham Rd. parking lot of Shorthills Provincial Park, weather permitting. (Map 3 km 37)  
Hike with Peter Stephani or Mike Featherstone. 1.5 to 2 hours.

#### NEW START LOCATION FOR THURSDAY MORNINGS

**Thursday 10.00 am.** Meet in parking lot across from Butterball's Restaurant (2980 King St. Jordan Hollow).

**Thursday 7:00 pm.** Evening hikes in Grimsby. Meet at the Lions Pool parking lot (off Main St. just West of Mountain St. lights) (Map 5 km 76.9) and hike for 1.5 hrs with an optional pub stop afterwards.

Leaders: Carol and Randy 289-235-9480 Please note the hike will be cancelled in poor weather.

**Wednesday 7:00 pm.** Evening hikes in St. Catharines resume March 23.

**Please Note** Call the leader if you are unsure of the location of the hike. Warm up first. Hike at your own risk. Wear proper clothing and footwear. Hiking boots are recommended. Evening hikers are advised to wear easily visible clothing and/or reflective strips and to carry a flashlight. Carry a snack and a sufficient supply of water. Bring plastic bags to cover your boots for all hikes that involve carpooling. Hikes could change or not be exactly as listed.

**Hike Pacing:** Slow 3km/hr or less, Medium 3 - 4.5 km/hr, Fast over 4.5 km/hr **Terrain:** Easy, Moderate, Strenuous

ALL MAP REFERENCES ARE FROM THE 25<sup>TH</sup> EDITION

**Wednesday March 2** **10:00 am**  
**Fonthill Hike** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Pelham Arena parking lot Haist St. Fonthill  
(Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Saturday March 5** **9:00 am**  
**Thorold Loop** **3 hr**

Meet at the parking lot at Club Capri Ormond St. Thorold.  
(Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Lynda Bonner (905) 227-8220

**Saturday March 5** **10:00 am**  
**DeCew / Short Hills Loop** **2hr**

Meet at DeCew House on DeCew Rd. St. Catharines.  
(Map 3 km 30.7) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Pat Paolone (905) 892-6734

**Sunday March 6** **2:00 pm**  
**Niagara-on-the-Lake Town Tour** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Memorial Park parking lot, King & Centre Sts. by  
baseball diamond. (Medium-Easy)

Leader: Ann Judd (905) 468-8273

**Wednesday March 9** **10:00 am**  
**Kinsmen Park** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Kinsmen Park just off Mountain Rd. in Lincoln.  
(Map 4 km 64.1) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Jim Rainforth (905) 563-7687

**Saturday March 12** **9:00 am**  
**Greater Niagara Circle Route (6 of 8)** **15 km**

Meet at the parking lot at Boyers Creek on the Upper  
Niagara Parkway north of Black Creek. Carpool.  
(Medium-Easy)

Leader: Dan Wilson (905) 262-0633

**Saturday March 12** **10:00 am**  
**Port Weller East** **2 hr**

Hike along the spit trail. Meet at the end of Broadway  
Avenue. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Dean Douglas (905) 934-2722

**Sunday March 13** **2:00 pm**  
**St. John's Outdoor Centre** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the St. John's Outdoor Education Centre,  
Holland Rd (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Sylvia Wheeler (905) 735-2069

**Wednesday March 16** **10:00 am**

**Merritt Trail Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Merritt Trail parking lot on Glendale Ave. (near Sobey's) St. Catharines. (Map 3 km 22.8) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Saturday March 19** **9:00 am**

**Merritt Island / Mud Lake Loop** **3.5 hr**

Meet at the parking lot at the foot of Cross St. In Welland. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Saturday March 19** **10:00 am**

**Firemens Park** **2 hr**

Meet in the upper parking lot, corner of Dorchester and Mountain Rds. Niagara Falls. (Map 2 km 7) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Marion Roggeband (905) 643-2821

**Sunday March 20** **2:00 pm**

**Thorold Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Book Depot parking lot across from the Arena on Front Street. (Medium-Easy)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Wednesday March 23** **10:00 am**

**Rockway Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Rockway Community Center on Pelham Rd. St. Catharines. (Map 3 km 42.4) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Wednesday March 23** **7:00 pm**

**Port Dalhousie Hike** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Lakeside Park parking lot near the Carrousel in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Niagara Club's Annual Fort to Fort Hike**

**March 26 & 27** **7:00 am**

Hike from Old Fort Erie to Fort George in N-O-T-L

Meet at Kings Bridge Park in Chippawa both days.

To register send a cheque for \$20. (Payable to the

Niagara Bruce Trail Club) to: Lynda Bonner, 50

Welland St. South, Thorold, ON L2V 2B5

(905) 227-8220

**Saturday March 26** **10:00 am**

**Wetland Ridge Loop** **2 hr**

Meet at Niagara College, Taylor Rd. and Glendale Ave. near the greenhouse for a loop hike. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Sunday March 27** **2:00 pm**

**Lock 3 Canal** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Museum parking lot by the canal in St. Catharines (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Trudy Senesi (905) 935-9777

**Wednesday March 30** **10:00 am**

**Alленburg Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Alленburg Bridge Hwy 20 parking lot on the west side of the Bridge. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Keith Rae (905) 892-6633

**Wednesday March 30** **7:00 pm**

**Port Dalhousie Lighthouse - Waterfront Trail** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Lighthouse on Lighthouse Rd. off Lakeshore Rd. in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday April 2** **9:00 am**

**Niagara-on-the-Lake Loop** **3.5 hr**

Meet at Butlers Barracks parking lot on John St. Niagara On The Lake. (Fast-Easy)

Leader: Vince Zvonar (905) 563-1109

**Saturday April 2** **10:00 am**

**Blue Ghost Tunnel** **2hr**

Meet at entrance to Woodend Consevation Area on Taylor Road N.F (Map 2 km 16.2) (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Eibert Dykstra: (905) 374-8436

**Sunday April 3** **2:00pm**

**Up the Hill Hike** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the parking lot behind the Pendale Plaza on Tremont Dr. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Wednesday April 6** **10:00 am**

**Queenston Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the Cairn Queenston Park Niagara Parkway Queenston. (Map 1 km 0) (Medium-Moderate) Leader:

Ann Judd (905) 468-8273

**Wednesday April 6** **7:00 pm**

**Canal Hike** **1.5 hr**

Meet at the parking lot on Welland Canals Parkway just south of Lakeshore Rd. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday April 9** **9:00 am**

**Greater Niagara Circle Route (7 of 8)** **15 km**

Meet at the parking lot of the Spanish Aero Car Ride on the Niagara Parkway. Carpool. (Medium-Easy)

Leader: Dan Wilson (905) 262-0633

**Saturday April 9** **10:00 am**

**Jordan Valley Loop** **2 hr**

Meet at the parking lot near the Bailey bridge (Twenty First Street). (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Dean Douglas (905) 934-2722

**Sunday April 10** **2:00pm**

**College Loop** **1.5 hr**

Meet at Niagara College, Taylor Rd. and Glendale Ave. for a loop hike. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Wednesday April 13** 10:00 am

**Merritt Island** 1.5 hr

Meet at the parking lot at the foot of Cross St. in Welland (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Wednesday April 13** 7:00 pm

**Port Dalhousie Hike** 1.5 hr

Meet at Lakeside Park parking lot near the Carrousel in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Deadline for Summer Schedule hike submissions.**

**Saturday April 16** 9:00 am

**Steve Bauer / Welland Canal Hike** 4 hr

Meet at the Allenburg Bridge Hwy 20 parking lot on the west side of the Bridge. Carpool. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Everett Collins (905) 892-6279

**Saturday April 16** 10:00 am

**12 Mile Creek** 2 hr

Meet at the 12 Mile Creek parking lot on Glendale Ave. near Pelham Rd. St. Catharines. (Medium-Easy)

Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Saturday April 16** 8:30 am

**Annual Raptorfest Hike and Display** 1.5 - 2 hr

Meet at the Peach King Centre on Livingston Ave. In Grimsby for a loop hike to Beamers CA to see the migrating hawks soar high above Grimsby. Check on line at [www.raptorfestival.ca](http://www.raptorfestival.ca) for full program. (Medium-Strenuous) Leaders: Bruce Manion 289-235-9192 and Dan Welsh 905-659-4957

**Sunday April 17** 2:00pm

**NBTC Annual General Meeting**

**Rockway Loop** 1.5 hr

Meet at the Rockway Community Center on Pelham Rd. St. Catharines. (Map 3 km 42.4)

(Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Lynda Bonner (905) 227-8220

**Meeting at 4:00pm followed by BBQ at 5:00pm**

**Wednesday April 20** 10:00 am

**Glenridge Quarry Hike** 1.5 hr

Meet at the Glenridge parking lot on St. Davids Rd. W. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Wednesday April 20** 7:00 pm

**Port Dalhousie Lighthouse - Waterfront Trail** 1.5 hr

Meet at the Lighthouse on Lighthouse Rd. off Lakeshore Rd. in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Friday April 22** 9:00 am

**Annual Good Friday Hawkwatch Open House at Beamers Conservation** 1.5 - 2 hr

We will meet at the Grimsby Lions pool parking lot.

(Map 5 km 76.9) Hike to Lake Ontario then to Beamers CA. See the migrating hawks and the Annual Good Friday Hawkwatch Open House. (Medium-Strenuous) Leaders: Bruce Manion 289-235-9192 and Dan Welsh 905-659-4957

**Saturday April 23** 9:00 am

**Merritt Trail** 3.5 hr

Meet at Huntington Square, Martindale and Erion Rds. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Bernice Thiessen (905) 684-0085

**Saturday April 23** 10:00 am

**Tour of Merritton** 2 hr

Park at CCAC in the Food Basics plaza Hartzel Rd. (Medium-Easy)

Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Sunday April 24** 2:00pm

**Lock 3 Canal** 1.5 hr

Meet at the Museum parking lot by the canal in St. Catharines (Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Trudy Senesi (905) 935-9777

**Wednesday April 27** 10:00 am

**Port Dalhousie Lighthouse - Waterfront Trail** 1.5 hr

Meet at the Lighthouse on Lighthouse Rd. off Lakeshore Rd. in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)

Leaders: Anna & Bruce Toews (905) 935-5996

**Wednesday April 27** 7:00 pm

**Canal Hike** 1.5 hr

Meet at the parking lot on Welland Canals Parkway just south of Lakeshore Rd. St. Catharines.

(Medium-Moderate)

Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday April 30** 7:30 am

**Caledon Hills Hike** 18.4 km

Meet at the Commuter's Parking Lot at Victoria Ave. and the QEW in Vineland and carpool. (Medium-Strenuous)

Leader: Dan Wilson (905) 262-0633

**Saturday April 30** 10:00 am

**Grimsby toward Beamsville** 2 hr

One hour in, one hour out. Meet at the community pool parking lot in Grimsby. (Map 5 km 76.9) (Medium-Strenuous)

Leader: Marion Roggeband (905) 643-2821

**Sunday May 1** **2:00 pm**  
**Malcolmson Park** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at park at end of Niagara St. & Lakeshore Rd. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leaders: Bonnie & Steve Stevenson (905) 935-5857

**Wednesday May 4** **10:00 am**  
**Dufferin Islands** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at the Dufferin Islands parking lot, Niagara Falls (Medium-Easy)  
 Leaders: Shirley & Gord Orr (905) 354-8695

**Wednesday May 4** **7:00 pm**  
**Port Dalhousie Hike** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at Lakeside Park parking lot near the Carrousel in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday May 7** **9:00 am**  
**Bert Lowe Trail Loop** **22 km**  
 Meet at Merritt Trail parking lot on Glendale Ave. (near Sobey's) St. Catharines. (Map 3 km 22.8) (Fast-Moderate)  
 Leader: Vince Zvonar (905) 563-1109

**Saturday May 7** **10:00 am**  
**Chippawa Hike** **2 hr**  
 Meet at Kingsbridge Park Niagara Parkway Niagara Falls. (Medium-Easy)  
 Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Sunday May 8** **2:00 pm**  
**Balls Falls** **1.5hr**  
 Meet at the Glen Rd. parking lot (Map 4 km 50.9) (Medium-Strenuous)  
 Leader: Jim Rainforth (905) 563-7687

**Wednesday May 11** **10:00 am**  
**Firemens Park** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet in the upper parking lot, corner of Dorchester and Mountain Rds. in N.F. (Map 2 km 7) (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Marian Patten (905) 354-4618

**Wednesday May 11** **7:00 pm**  
**Port Dalhousie Lighthouse - Waterfront Trail** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at the Lighthouse on Lighthouse Rd. off Lakeshore Rd. in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday May 14** **9:00 am**  
**Tower Bridge Hike** **19 km**  
 Meet on the west side of the Allenburg Bridge Hwy 20 parking lot. We will walk along the east side of the canal to the Glendale Bridge and back along the west side. (Fast-Moderate)  
 Leader: Eibert Dykstra: (905) 374-8436

**Saturday May 14** **10:00 am**  
**Shorthills** **2 hr**  
 Meet at the Wiley Rd. parking lot off Cataract Rd. St. Catharines (Map 3) (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Sunday May 15** **2:00 pm**  
**Bert Lowe Side Trail** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at DeCew House on DeCew Rd. St. Catharines. (Map 3 km 30.7) (Medium-Moderate). Carpool.  
 Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Wednesday May 18** **10:00 am**  
**Blue Bird Hike** **1.5 hr**  
 Leisure walk and hike. Meet at the Wiley Rd. parking lot. Those who don't want to walk for 1 1/2 hr. in the park will be able to make their way back to their vehicles after we look at the birds.  
 Leader: Margaret Kalogeropoulos (905) 934-8560

**Wednesday May 18** **7:00 pm**  
**Canal Hike** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at the parking lot on Welland Canals Parkway just south of Lakeshore Rd. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Niagara Club's Annual End to End Hike**  
**May 21, 22, & 23.** To register please send a cheque for \$30 (payable to the Niagara Bruce Trail Club) or \$10 for a single day to Dan Wilson, PO Box 449, St. David's, ON, L0S 1P0. (905) 262-0633  
 dkw1@sympatico.ca

**Wednesday May 25** **10:00 am**  
**Fonthill Loop** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at the Fonthill Plaza Municipal Building parking lot on Hwy 20. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Shah Khan (905) 892-3812

**Wednesday May 25** **7:00 pm**  
**Port Dalhousie Hike** **1.5 hr**  
 Meet at Lakeside Park parking lot near the Carrousel in St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Peter Ellison (905) 563-6010

**Saturday May 28** **9:00 am**  
**Queenston Loop** **3 hr**  
 Meet at the Cairn Queenston Park Niagara Parkway Queenston. (Map 1 km 0.0) (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Dan Wilson (905) 262-0633

**Saturday May 28** **10:00 am**  
**Glenridge Quarry Hike** **2 hr**  
 Meet at the Glenridge Quarry parking lot on St. David's Rd. W. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leader: Frank Delogu (905) 684-2090

**Sunday May 29** **2:00 pm**  
**Green Ribbon Trail** **1.5hr**  
 Meet at the Green Ribbon Trail parking lot on Martindale Rd. St. Catharines. (Medium-Moderate)  
 Leaders: Anna & Bruce Toews (905) 935-5996

