



Celebrating  
**60**  
Years

## News Release

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**Celebrate 60**  
**Family Day**  
**Conservation Areas are Free**  
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Join us for some fun as Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA) Celebrates 60 years of conservation with FREE admission to all of our Conservation Areas on Family Day, Monday February 19<sup>th</sup>. As your local community-based environmental organization and one of 36 Conservation Authorities across the province, we think we have something to celebrate. One of our legacy programs began in 1958 when we had the mandate to acquire natural area properties in our watershed communities. Today we own close to 2,700 hectares of public land, which in turn offers our residents environmental experiences and recreational activities in some very unique places. In our Conservation Areas we celebrate the Oak Ridges Moraine, the Greenbelt, Lake Iroquois Shoreline, Lake Ontario Waterfront and a number of valley lands, environmentally sensitive areas and Provincially Significant Wetlands.

Not sure where to go? Check out some of our Conservation Area highlights below to help you decide on your destination. At Lynde Shores Conservation Area, all you need to bring along with you is a hand full of bird seed and walk the Chickadee Trail to get up close and personal with local songbirds. At Stephen's Gulch Conservation Area, you can plan for a good run or walk with lots of ups and downs for a good cardio workout. Heber Down CA is a popular spot, especially if you have some four-legged friends that you want to bring along. There is even an OFF-leash dog park for your use before or after an ON-leash dog hike. Bowmanville Westside Marsh CA provides views into unique coastal wetlands that host a number of unique winter waterfowl. If you are feeling a little more adventurous, check out one of our two north-east locations. Long Sault Conservation Area offers some great cross country ski trails if conditions are right. Enniskillen Conservation Area is not far from the Enniskillen General Store where you could end up with ice cream for the whole family after a short walk along the turtle trail.

Whatever your pleasure, we offer something for everyone and hope you take advantage of our first annual free Family Day at these Conservation Areas, literally in your backyard. Not sure where all these Conservation Areas are? Check out our website at [www.cloca.com](http://www.cloca.com). Still not sure which one to visit? Why not visit all of them, or throw the names in a hat and let someone in your family pull one to decide. **Happy Trails!**

***Healthy watersheds for today and tomorrow.***