## The Crowning Jewel of Ottawa

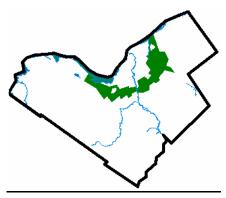
November 19, 2006

Rain or Shine

Don't miss OFGAC's last outdoor walk of the year, through one of the largest urban parks in the world!

As stewards of the more than 20,000-hectares of Ottawa's Greenbelt, the National Capital Commission is responsible for managing this rural landscape's dynamic mix of ecology and land uses. In the shape of an arc that surrounds the former City of Ottawa, the Greenbelt's native woodlands, plantations and wetlands are punctuated by such mixed uses as recreation, farming, research and limited urban development.

Join us as our experienced guest speakers, professional foresters Dan Baker and Astrid Nielsen, share their knowledge of the unique features of a distinct and ecologically important portion of the Greenbelt, the Pine Grove Forest.



**The Ottawa Greenbelt** 

## **Other Upcoming Events**

DATE	Tour
November 19 2006	Pine Grove Forest (Ottawa Greenbelt) See the beautiful and unique natural features of the Pine Grove Forest, part of one of the largest urban parks in the world. Tree identification challenges along the way!
January 21 2007	Active Forest Harvest Join us on our winter hike and snowshoe event, and see some of the latest forest management principles at work.
March 18 2007	Maple Syrup!  Learn how maple syrup is collected and produced in Ottawa's very own Vanier Sugar Bush.

## **Pine Grove Event Details:**

Date and time: November 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:50 - 2:30 pm.

<u>Rendez-vous point</u>: Meet at the P18 parking lot on the North side of Davidson Road between Conroy and Hawthorne.

<u>Bring</u>: Trail may be wet in places. Bring weather appropriate attire, comfortable walking shoes, water.

<u>Please note:</u> This tour is oriented towards adults and older children. The tour will be delivered in English. The tour will leave promptly at 1 pm.

Special thanks to our partners for this event:



All OFGAC events are free of charge. ofgac@ottawaforests.ca

## **About OFGAC**

The Ottawa Forests and Greenspace Advisory Committee (OFGAC) was established in 2001 to advise Ottawa City Council and provide a forum for citizens on issues related to forests and greenspace. The committee has 15 members, appointed by Council, from all areas of the City of Ottawa.

OFGAC advises the City of Ottawa on

- Municipal policies relating to trees and forests;
- Protection, management, acquisition and conservation of greenspaces;
- Management of community forests;
- Public-private initiatives to protect greenspace; and
- Rural reforestation.

We are working with City Council toward greening of streets, parks, and communities by developing

- an Ottawa Forest Strategy;
- a Greenspace Master Plan;
- a Biodiversity Strategy;
- a tree cover inventory and tree cover objectives; and
- a Good Forestry Practices Bylaw.

OFGAC provides a forum for citizens interested in trees and tree cover. We also create partnerships with local community groups and work closely with environmental organizations through numerous workshops, conferences, and networking opportunities. Our monthly meetings are open to the public.



Ottawa Forests and Greenspace

Advisory Committee

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