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## BTSP Events & Activities Calendar 2017

During its first year of operation, the Bluff Trail Stewardship Program hosted a range of events and activities. This calendar features some of the most notable events and activities of 2017:

<u>Jan. 2017</u>	<u>Feb. 2017</u>	<u>Mar. 2017</u>	<u>Apr. 2017</u>	<u>May 2017</u>	<u>June 2017</u>
28 Jan: <b>Trail Remediation Day</b>	25 Feb: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	3, 11, 17 March: <b>SMU ENVS 4499 – Student Volunteer</b>	23 April: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	19, 23, 25 May: <b>NSCC NRET On-Job-Training (OJT) Intern (Alyssa Ottway)</b>	18 June: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>
28 & 29 Jan: <b>Investigation of Illegal Camp</b> near Middle Five Bridge Lake off of the Hay Marsh Loop		18 March: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b> <b>Investigation of Illegal Structure &amp; Tree Cutting</b> east of Pot Lake Loop	28 April: <b>NSE Co-op Student (Michael Plumber)</b>	19 May: <b>NSE Co-op Student (Michael Plumber)</b>	
<u>July 2017</u>	<u>Aug. 2017</u>	<u>Sept. 2017</u>	<u>Oct. 2017</u>	<u>Nov. 2017</u>	<u>Dec. 2017</u>
11-14, 19, 22, 24, 26-28, & 31 July: <b>Summer Stewardship Assistants (Alyssa Poulin and Ryan McKay).</b>	1, 2, & 9 Aug: <b>Summer Stewardship Assistants (Alyssa Poulin and Ryan McKay)</b>	9 Sept: <b>Paradise Cove Clean-up Day</b>	10 Oct: <b>BTSP Presentation</b> at College of Sustainability, Dalhousie University	3, 10, 17, 24 Nov: <b>SJA Co-op Student (Thomas MacLeod)</b>	8, 15, 18 Dec: <b>SJA Co-op Student (Thomas MacLeod)</b>
4 July: <b>Investigation &amp; Inventory of Boat Graveyard</b> near Upper Five Bridge Lake	5 Aug: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	11 Sept: <b>Guided Hike for HRTA</b>	13 Oct: <b>NRET Field Day</b>	3 Nov: <b>Investigation of old ATV trail</b> west of Cranberry Lake	10 Dec: <b>NSCC Environmental Engineering Technology – BTSP Training Day</b>
8 July: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	11 Aug: <b>RCMP, EHS &amp; SAR Media Event</b>	16 Sept: <b>LNT Display Table</b> at EAC BioBlitz - Point Pleasant Park	14 Oct: <b>Investigation of old ATV trail</b> near Hubley Big Lake portage	26 Nov: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	
17-19 July: <b>Forest Sampling Expedition</b>		16 Sept: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>	24 Oct: <b>SJA Co-op Student (Thomas MacLeod)</b>		
28 July: <b>BTSP Volunteer Day</b> with Timberlea Baptist Youth Group		22 Sept: <b>Investigation of Illegal Structure</b> near Paradise Cove	29 Oct: <b>Advertised Steward Training &amp; Work Day</b>		
29 July: <b>Guided Hike for EAC Hike, Bike, Swim HRM</b>		26 Sept: <b>NRET Field Day</b>			

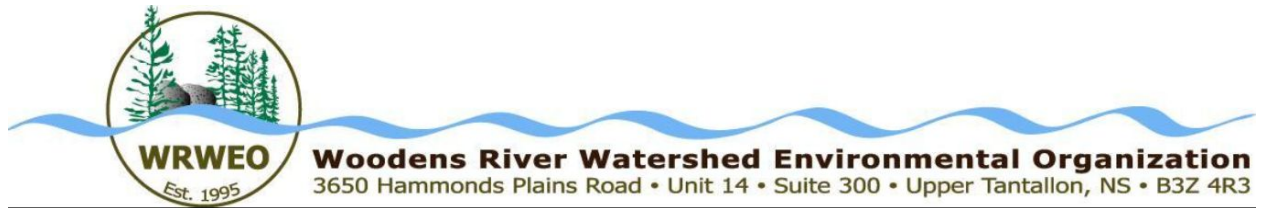
**Legend:**

Partnership Initiatives

Organized Work Events

Advertised Stewardship Training Events

BTSP in Five Bridge Lakes Wilderness Area



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## BTSP by the Numbers

During its first year of operation, the Bluff Trail Stewardship Program:

### Trained

**40** BTSP Stewards trained – an average of 3 per month

### Collected

**180** Reports from BTSP Stewards and other trail users – an average of 15 per month  
These reports documented approximately:

**130** Days of BTSP Stewardship Presence on the trail – an average of 11 days per month

**1757** Hours of BTSP Stewardship Presence on the trail – an average of 146 hours per month  
575.65 hours or 33% were paid and 1181.31 hours (67%) volunteer hours

### Observed

**3045** People Observed

**1181** People Engaged – or 39% of visitors observed on the trail  
The reports also documented

**562** Dogs Observed on the trail – approximately 63% of the dogs observed were off leash

### Monitored

The four LNT Educational Camping Sites were regularly checked on:

Coyote/U'lukwej was checked on **38** times – on average, approximately three times per month

Crow/Ka'qaquj was checked on **36** times – on average, approximately three times per month

Squirrel/Atutu'wej was checked on **14** times – on average, approximately once per month

Moose/Tia'm was checked on **11** times – on average, approximately once per month

(Because LNT Moose/Tia'm was only designated in July 2017, the 11 check-ins more accurately represent on average two check-ins per month)



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### Generated

BTSP received more than **\$38,000.00** in donated volunteer labour<sup>1\*</sup>, materials, & equipment:

\$23,744.33 of on-trail labour + \$13,452.93 Off-trail Labour + \$1,170.25 of M&E = \$38,367.51

On average, the program generated \$1978.69 per month of on-trail labour, \$1121.08 per month of off-trail labour and \$97.52 per month of donated materials and equipment.

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<sup>1\*</sup> WRWEO calculates the value of volunteer labour according to the 2015 study, *Working for a Living, Not Living for Work*, released by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – Nova Scotia in partnership with United Way – Halifax. The report used the Canadian Living Wage Framework to calculate the living wage for Halifax at \$20.10/hr.