



Waterlogs - December 2022

Today, the Bay of Quinte is a healthy and vibrant ecosystem.
Now, we must focus on keeping it this way!

TIS' THE SEASON



Happy Holidays

Wishing you and your family
the best of the season.

Anne, Shan, Sarah, Jason,
Mary, Robert

"And the Grinch, with his Grinch-feet ice
cold in the snow, stood puzzling and puzzling,
how could it be so? It came without ribbons.

It came without tags. It came without
packages, boxes or bags. And he puzzled
and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore. Then
the Grinch thought of something he hadn't
before. What if Christmas, he thought,
doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas,
perhaps, means a little bit more." Dr. Seuss

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CHRISTMAS GIVING

As Christmas approaches and you're racking your brain for great gift ideas, give a thought to gifts that give back. Both Lower Trent Conservation and Quinte Conservation have seasonal donation programs that help support educational programs and/or public green spaces.



Quinte Conservation's Adopt An Acre runs from November 17th - December 22th. All proceeds from the Adopt an Acre fundraiser go toward the continued protection and maintenance of Quinte Conservation's public green spaces. Over time, guests to these outdoor spaces will notice upgrades and improvements to trails and structures like bridges, boardwalks, shelters, picnic tables, and benches.

<https://www.quinteconservation.ca/en/learn-and-get-involved/adopt-an-acre.aspx>



Lower Trent Conservation invites you to Give the 'Gift of Green' this year and support their Connecting Kids with Nature youth educational program. This program educates students, about the importance of local waterways and natural areas.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/9595>

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT AND PROJECT FEEDER WATCH

If you are looking for outdoor activities over the Christmas/winter season. Here are two family friendly ideas from Birds Canada



Started in 1900, the Christmas Bird Count (CBC) is North America's longest-running Citizen Science project. People in more than 2000 locations throughout the Western Hemisphere participate in the CBC each year.

The information collected by thousands of CBC volunteer participants forms one of the world's largest sets of wildlife survey data. The results are used by conservation biologists, environmental planners, and naturalists to assess the population trends and distribution of birds.

The CBC in each Count Circle is planned on a day between December 14 and January 5. Each circle is organized by a Compiler, who is a fellow volunteer (or team of volunteers) at the local level, often supported by a birding club or naturalist organization. Details about the Christmas Bird Count – <https://www.birdscanada.org/bird-science/christmas-bird-count>



Project FeederWatch is a joint research and education project of Birds Canada and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology depends on volunteers like you to help us all learn more about bird populations.

It's easy! All you need to do is:

1. Join **Project FeederWatch** with a donation of any amount and we'll send you materials to help you identify and record the birds you see in your area
2. Count your neighborhood birds periodically throughout the season (November 1 – April 30)

3. Submit your counts online at feederwatch.org or using the new **Project FeederWatch mobile app**.