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through Ecosystem Recovery

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diverse network of groups and individuals that are
greening the future of southwestern Ontario*

Focus on Ecosystem Recovery

**Forum 2010 A Success!
Carolinian Canada's Forum & AGM in
partnership with Ontario Nature
May 28th - 30th, 2010, Sarnia, Ontario**

New connections were made and partnerships renewed during Forum 2010. Through interactive workshops and inspiring field trips, forum participants explored the watersheds and natural beauty of Lambton County. A special presentation by the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario, updates on the Greenway Initiative and the Big Picture, and several local examples of caring for species at risk in aquatic areas provided insight and inspiration for all. Conference photos and highlights will soon be online at www.carolinian.org.

**A Coastal Stewardship Trail: A Strategy to
Address Barriers and Benefits?
Workshop, May 28th, 2010**

The Coastal Trail workshop at Forum 2010 focused on simple stewardship actions, and how a coastal trail might link these actions in a regional stewardship network. Workshop groups came up with great lists of barriers and benefits to using the trail as a tool to steward the coast. What are your own benefits and barriers to adopting a stewardship trail as a tool in your own area? Email coast@carolinian.org to **contribute to this important discussion!**

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Visit our online Notice Board [here](#) for more current and past Carolinian Canada events.

Why is Carolinian Canada Coalition Unique? Click [here](#) to find out. The Carolinian Canada Coalition connects people who care about nature in southwestern Ontario. Together our members give strong voice to a green future and a healthy landscape. Visit this [link](#) to support our work.

Carolinian Canada Coalition News Network: Connecting Our Community
Reach people across southwestern Ontario. If your event or announcement promotes the protection and restoration of our natural heritage in Carolinian Canada,

2010: International Year of Biodiversity "Biodiversity is life. Biodiversity is our life"

The [Convention of Biological Diversity](#) uses this tagline to promote 2010 as the International Year of Biodiversity. Around the globe, people are planning ways to raise awareness about the importance of the great array of species on our planet. These range from international conferences to low-key interpretive tours. How will you celebrate? Let us know and we will post your events or related articles on the website for all to see. E-mail info@carolinian.org with your submissions.

Make Conservation Happen for Habitats at Risk

Get involved in Carolinian Canada's Ecosystem Recovery Network, join us for upcoming events, and make links for your community. By greening the future together, we will benefit local environments that affect us all. A Carolinian Canada Coalition membership shows that you make conservation happen. Forms and links can be found [here](#).

Coalition News

Join Us Today!

Your membership maintains projects and programs vital to conserving the species and habitats at risk in the Carolinian Life Zone. Together we are a strong community. Click [here](#) to join, or renew your membership with the Coalition.

Feature Stories and Events

Big Creek Marsh Tour and Paddle Outing
June 19th, Big Creek

The Norfolk Field Naturalists' are hosting an exciting event in the Big Creek Marsh during the month of June...([read more](#))

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25th Anniversary of the Niagara Escarpment Plan
June 15th, Toronto

The Friends of the Greenbelt Foundation and The Niagara Escarpment Commission invite you to

we'd love to hear about it.

Carolinian Canada Coalition Board of Directors. *Read more about the Coalition and our board [here](#).*

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celebrate the 25 Anniversary of the Niagara Escarpment Plan Canada's First Green Plan...([read more](#))

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Mcllwraith Field Naturalists' Summer Events

June 2nd, 9th and July 4th, London

The season's walks include Trees of Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Gibbons Park and a butterfly count at Skunk's Misery...([read more](#))

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Bioblitz Naturalists' Challenge and Other Summer Events

June 2nd, 5th, 9th, 13th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 23rd and 30th, Hamilton

Join the Hamilton Naturalists' Club members for various summer events including wednesday night walks and the June Bioblitz...([read more](#))

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Open Garden at AM Cuddy Gardens

June 5th and 6th, Strathroy

Owned and managed by Fanshawe College, the garden will be host to several engaging events this weekend including gardening demonstrations, tours and a perennial plant sale...([read more](#))

South Peel Naturalists' Club Summer Events

June 5th, 12th and August 14th, Peel

Summer events include birding at Carden Alvar, and field trips to Currie Tract and Rock Point Provincial Park....([read more](#))

Causes and Consequences of Japanese stiltgrass Invasion: Webcast

June 9th, Online

This month's webcast hosted by the Michigan-based Stewardship network will take place at 11:45 am on a Wednesday. Luke Flurry is the guest expert speaker on this month's program...([read more](#))

Help Us Grow Carolinian Canada

Feel free to forward this Eco-News to help 'grow' our community of people who care about the unique nature of Carolinian Canada. To receive Carolinian Canada Eco-News, click [here](#). There is no obligation and we will not share your e-mail with anyone else. We are a registered charity.

Thank you to our generous partners, sponsors and contributors who support Carolinian Canada Eco-News and other vital programs to green the future of southwestern Ontario.

Our Vision is to protect and restore the unique nature of southwestern Ontario's Carolinian Life Zone through effective collaboration and researched understanding for healthy, balanced and sustainable landscapes.

Yours in Conservation,

Michelle Kanter

ReForest London Summer Plantings

June 12th, London

Join ReForest London for a volunteer planting at Gibbons Park. Over 600 trees will be planted..[\(read more\)](#)

Sydenham Field Naturalists' Summer Events

June 13th and July 24th, Chatham Kent

Two field trips are being hosted in the summer...[\(read more\)](#)

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High Park Spring and Early Summer Walking Tours

May 23rd, June 13th and 27th, Toronto

Themes of this season's walks, hosted by the Walking Tours Committee of High Park, include migratory birds, myths and legends of high park, spring babies and june wildflowers...[\(read more\)](#)

Planet in Focus Environmental Film & Video Festival: Call for Submissions 2010

June 12th, London

The 2010 festival runs from Wednesday, October 13th to Sunday, October 17th. They are currently accepting film submissions...[\(read more\)](#)

Inaugural Canadian Water Summit

June 17th, Toronto

Join leaders from business, government, and civil society to help shape Canada's sustainable water future...[\(read more\)](#)

Conservation Pioneer Awards 2010

Nomination Deadline: June 25th,

Presentations November 17th-19th

Conservation Ontario will honour Conservation Pioneers at the A.D. Latornell Conservation Symposium in Alliston...[\(read more\)](#)

4th International Conference on Natural Channel Systems

September 27th and 28th, Mississauga

The theme of this conference is Stream Corridor Management: Restoring our Natural Infrastructure...([read more](#))

Call for Native Plant Growers: Native Plant Resource Guide

The Society for Ecological Restoration of Ontario (SERO)'s 2010 version of the popular Native Plant Resource Guide is well under way. This guide is a listing of native plant growers in Ontario...([read more](#))

Gardening With Native Plants Handbook

Published April 2010

In celebration of Earth Week and International Biodiversity Year, the Long Point Basin Land Trust has launched a new publication tailored specifically to southern Ontario's Carolinian Region. Gardening with Native Plants: A Biodiversity Handbook is a 24-page, full colour booklet...([read more](#))

Southwestern Ontario is Canada's most ecologically diverse landscape. Visit this [link](#) to find out more about the unique nature of Carolinian Canada including significant areas, habitats, wildlife, plants and species at risk.

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