

## What Does NLT do?

The NLT's goal is to hold title or conservation easement to lands and to obtain donations to secure significant lands for the preservation of their natural, cultural or historical values. As a non-profit charity, the NLT is involved in local partnerships which share common goals and values in land securement and protection. The NLT also partakes in community outreach by engaging the public in volunteer stewardship programs, nature hikes, educational presentations and other outreach activities.

Operational activities include promoting the role of the land trust and the opportunities we can provide through marketing materials and providing a presence at community events. NLT works with landowners to achieve conservation objectives and works in partnership with other agencies in land securement and conservation. NLT also organizes speakers at educational presentations and workshops, and publishes a quarterly newsletter informing the community about projects and events. In cooperation with community groups such as the WBFN, the Rice Lake Plains Joint Initiative (RLPJI), trail groups and others, conservation, preservation, outreach and educational objectives are achieved by NLT.

## Some Successes to Date:

- Ownership of 52 acres adjacent to Peter's Woods, an old growth forest and wetland north of Centreton (the Pelton Nature Reserve).
- Acquisition of the Laurie Lawson Outdoor Education Centre through a donation by Dr. Mary Bedford-Jones. The site is managed by the NLT and leased by the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board with over 6,000 students coming to the reserve annually for outdoor education classes in a natural setting.



- The McEwen Nature Reserve acquisition (100 acres) in partnership with the Nature Conservancy of Canada and the Ontario Land Trust Alliance.
- The establishment of a conservation easement (the Leckey Nature Reserve)
- Ownership of the Chubb Point Nature Reserve. In 2015 NLT acquired a 17 acre forested wetland on the Iroquois Plain.

## Partnerships:

The NLT joined the Rice Lake Plains Joint Initiative in 2006. It is a collective of partners all of whom recognize that the eastern end of the Oak Ridges Moraine, is an environmentally significant part of Ontario and that a landscape approach to preservation is required to protect its resources. The Rice Lake Plains area is particularly important as a major groundwater recharge zone containing headwater habitats for several cold water creeks in Northumberland County. It is also home to Canada's eastern-most prairies and Black Oak Savannas. The partners to date are Alderville First Nation, Northumberland County, Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority, Lower Trent Conservation Authority, the Nature Conservancy of Canada, Northumberland Land Trust,

Tallgrass Ontario, Lone Pine Marsh, Willow Beach Field Naturalists and Ontario Parks.

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**Membership:**

If you would like to join the NLT and help with the preservation and conservation work, please fill out the form below and send it with your cheque to “Northumberland Land Trust, P.O. Box 1153, Cobourg, ON, K9A 5A4.” You will receive an income tax receipt. To pay with a credit card go to **www.northumberlandlandtrust.ca**, select “Donate Now” then “Please Choose a Fund”.

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**What is NLT?**

The NLT is a not-for-profit charity incorporated in 2004 and operated by a volunteer Board of Directors. It was established to preserve the natural, historical and cultural heritage of Northumberland County. Since inception the NLT has acquired three reserves: the Laurie Lawson Outdoor Education Centre, 100 acres on Telephone Road in Cobourg; the McEwen Nature Reserve, 100 acres in the northern rural area of Port Hope on the Oak Ridges Moraine; and the Pelton Nature Reserve, 52 acres in the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand, also on the Oak Ridges Moraine and abutting Peter’s Woods. The NLT also holds a conservation easement known as the Leckey Nature Reserve, 177 acres in Cramahe Township, for a total of 429 acres of protected lands in Northumberland County.

**Note: The NLT recognizes its supporters in print and online. If you wish your membership or donation to remain anonymous, please indicate this at the time of your contribution.**



**Why a Land Trust?**

Areas of wilderness are disappearing quickly throughout southern Ontario because of pressure to expand urban areas. The Willow Beach Field Naturalists (WBFN) identified the need to have a land trust established in Northumberland County in order to preserve natural spaces for future generations and to provide habitat for wildlife and species at risk. The WBFN initiated the incorporation of the Northumberland Land Trust (NLT) and have provided seed monies and support since its formation in 2004.



View looking west across the Leckey Nature Reserve