

May 2024 Newsletter

Bruce's Mill Planting Event

Thank you to everyone who joined us on April 27th and 28th at Bruce's Mill Conservation Park. This has been one of our most successful events yet. We sold out of tickets within 3 weeks of launching the event and we saw so many enthusiastic and happy volunteers. Over 1,900 volunteers showed up over both days to help us plant 5,000 native trees and shrubs! If you enjoyed this event, then hold the date for next spring because we will be back at Bruce's Mill again next year.

Photos of the event have now been posted on our Facebook account: <u>www.facebook.com/10000trees</u>.

How can you help 10,000 Trees?

10,000 Trees is entirely run by volunteers and we have no paid staff. We count on your help to spread the word and to make our events a success! Currently, our biggest need is for more planting coaches. If you are interested in becoming a planting coach, please let us know. Training is provided.

Our plans for the rest of 2024

In May, we will be returning to Monarch Park where we planted last fall. We will be adding 600 more trees and shrubs to increase species diversity. This event has now been sold out.

In the summer, we will be maintaining our previous planting sites by adding mulch and weeding around newly planted trees. All are welcome to join including those that need high school volunteer hours. For more details, please go to our website, <u>www.10000trees.com</u>.

In the fall, we will be hosting at least two planting events including our Rouge National Urban Park planting. We will be returning to our October 2023 site near Wixon Creek again to plant another 2,000 trees.

Planting Events hosted by Others this Week

York Region is looking for tree planters. They will be hosting a community event this weekend in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the York Region Forest. It will be held at the new Centennial Tract which was just been acquired as a new conservation forest. Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024 Location: Centennial Tract, 5028 Queensville Sideroad, East Gwillimbury Register by <u>clicking here</u>.

Sincerely, 10,000 Trees Organizing Committee



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