

Niagara Bruce Trail Club fonds, 1962-2018, n.d.

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- Extent:** 2.5 m. (10 boxes) textual records
340 col. slides
1,796 col. photographs, 46 b&w photographs
13 col. negatives
22 badges
2 signs
4 dvds
1 scroll-type map
1 16 mm. film
2 filmstrips
3 cassette tapes
- Abstract:** The textual materials of the Niagara Bruce Trail fonds includes minutes, clerical records, clippings, newsletters, photographs and various other materials that document the activities of this institution.
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Administrative History:

The Bruce trail is Canada's longest and oldest continuous footpath. The trail runs along the Niagara Escarpment from Niagara to Tobermory through private and public land. The main trail is 890 km long and the side trails measure 400 km.

In 1961, a "Save the Escarpment" conference was held in Hamilton. Gerry Wolfram, a writer for the St. Catharines Standard proposed that a committee be formed to develop a hiking trail. The Peninsula Field Naturalists Club formed a committee and President Bert Lowe contacted landowners along the proposed route to gain permission to cross their properties. Through Bert Lowe's effort and dedication, the trail was completed in October 1963. The trail was officially opened on May 24th, 1964 in a ceremony at Queenston. The Niagara group joined the Bruce Trail Association in 1968 at which time the Niagara Bruce Trail Club was formed.

The Bruce Trail Association is a charitable, membership-based volunteer organization. Their goal is to preserve public access to the Niagara Escarpment while restoring its natural habitat. The head office of the Bruce Trail Association is located in Hamilton, Ontario.

The Niagara Bruce Trail Club's goal is to secure and preserve a natural corridor along the Niagara Escarpment while providing education, awareness, and access for the public and the future. The club has organized many hikes including special hikes such as the one to commemorate the St. Catharines Centennial. The club has also hosted children's hikes, cross country skiing hikes, wildflower hikes, jogging hikes, snowshoe hikes and bike outings. They hold annual events such as the End to End hike which is a 3 day walk from Grimsby to Queenston and the 30 km Laura Secord hike to commemorate Laura Secord's famous walk. Charity hikes have also been held for the Heart and Stroke Foundation and the Lung Association as well as other causes.

Major changes have taken place along the trail throughout the years, some of these include: a re-route which eliminated the tunnel passage (1976) and a bridge which eliminated the need to walk to Mountain Road to cross the Queen Elizabeth Way (2008). Other major changes and clean-up projects have been undertaken by the club.

The Bruce Trail Conservancy (formerly Association) is made up of 9 clubs including: Niagara Bruce Trail Club (Queenston to Grimsby), Iroquia Bruce Trail Club (Grimsby to Kelso), Toronto Bruce Trail Club (Kelso to Cheltenham), Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club (Cheltenham to Mono Centre), Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club (Mono Centre to Lavender), Blue Mountains Bruce Trail Club (Lavender to Craigleath), Beaver Valley Bruce Trail Club (Craigleath to Blantyre), Sydenham Bruce Trail Club (Blantyre to Wiarton) and Peninsula Bruce Trail Club (Wiarton to Tobermory).

Sources: <http://www.niagarabruce-trail.org/index.html> and <http://bruce-trail.org/>

Scope and Content:

The bulk of the materials consist of administrative records, minutes, clippings and photographs for The Niagara Bruce Trail Club. The original order has been maintained where possible and where no order existed like records were brought together. Some of the series are divided into sub-series based on subject matter or record format. Most of the contents of the scrapbooks and clippings were duplicated within the collection and filed according to material type.

The fifth edition (1969) of the Bruce Trail Guide Book is water damaged and missing ½ of the front cover.

List of abbreviations:

BTA – Bruce Trail Association

NBTC – Niagara Bruce Trail Club

FSN – Fundraisers Service Network

Organization:

The records are arranged into 4 series.

Series I – Niagara Bruce Trail Club Records, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series A. Niagara Bruce Trail Club Minutes, 1963-2012 (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series B. Correspondence, 1962-2017 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series C. Niagara Bruce Trail Club documents, 1965-2012 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series D. Hiking, Maintenance and Trails, 1971-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series E. Fundraising, 1964-2007 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-series F. History, 1962-2009 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Series II – Bruce Trail Association Records, 1967-2013 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series A. Bruce Trail Association Minutes, 1967-2013 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series B. Bruce Trail Association documents, 1967-2009 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series C. Bruce Trail Association Hiking, Maintenance and Trails, 1973-2005 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series D. Bruce Trail Association Fundraising, 1991-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Series III – Niagara Bruce Trail Club and Bruce Trail Association Promotional Material, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series A. Clippings, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series B. Photographs and slides, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series C. Flyers and Posters, 1977-2008 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series D. Calendars, 1983-2008 (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series E. Newsletters, 1964-2008 (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series F. Bruce Trail Reference Books, 1969-2008 (non-inclusive)

Sub-Series H. Multimedia Items, 1975-2007 (non.inclusive), n.d.

Series IV – Ecological Projects and Studies, 1974-2008 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Inventory:

Series I – Niagara Bruce Trail Club Records, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-series A. Niagara Bruce Trail Club Minutes, includes board of director meetings, executive committee meetings, business meetings, volunteer management committees, trail maintenance, club communication committee meetings, and landowner committee meetings, 1963-2012 (non-inclusive)

1.1 Handwritten minutes, 1963-1967

1.2 Handwritten and typed minutes, 1972-1974, 1978-1980

- 1.3-1.17 Minutes, 1981 -2012
- 9.1-9.4 Minutes, 2013-2018
- 1.18-1.21 Annual meeting minutes, 1972, 1974-1976, 1978, 1980-2011
- 9.5 Annual meeting minutes, 2013-2018

Sub-Series B. Correspondence, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 1.22 Correspondence, includes letters from Bert Lowe as president of the Niagara Escarpment Trail Council, a request for the pedestrian crossing on Highway 406 at Lake Gibson and a description of the Niagara Escarpment Trail from Grimsby to Queenston, 1962-1968, 1970, 1972, 1974-1976, 1978
- 1.23 Includes: information and correspondence on “Go to Blazes” day; correspondence regarding the use of Morningstar Mill; Niagara Road 114 footpath in the town of Niagara on the Lake; objectives of the Bruce Trail Association; the closure of Gibson Street Bridge in Grimsby; the proposed Upper Canada Heritage Trail and the General Brock Trail, 1980-1985
- 1.24 Includes a press list, recommendations on awards and badges and the proposed amendment to the Regional Niagara Policy Plan (no.33) and the Town of Grimsby official plan, 1986-1989
- 1.25 Includes a checklist for the location and design of the Bruce Trail; Niagara River Remedial Action Plan; hiking and camping weekend; questionnaire; winners of the Bruce Trail Club badge contest; a request for permission to construct a pedestrian bridge over an arm of Lake Moodie, west of Merritville Highway and Ontario Heritage Foundation Niagara Escarpment Public Awareness Survey, 1990
- 2.1 Responses to the FSN report, comments of the Niagara Escarpment Plan Review, an incident report of a hiker who had to be hospitalized during a hike on the Bruce Trail and information on a workshop for landowners, 1991
- 2.2 Includes correspondence about the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Bruce Trail and corresponding hikes including the inaugural annual Laura Secord Hike, information on the Bruce Trail Association strategic plan, the rededication of the northern cairn in Tobermory, and Name the Newsletter contest entries, 1992
- 2.3 Includes: abuses and improprieties of the Niagara Escarpment Commission, application for funding assistance to rebuild the access to and from the gorge at Twenty Mile Creek and directors’ and officers’ liability coverage summary, 1993
- 2.4 Includes information on the Twelve Mile Creek marathon and encouraging responsible environmental behavior in Short Hills Park, 1994

- 2.5 Includes information on Provincial Parks and the Bruce Trail, correspondence regarding the Girl Guides of Canada – Bruce Trail Division, the announcement of the Escarpment being declared a World Biosphere Reserve by the United Nations, 1995
- 2.6 Includes information on property tax relief for owners of forested land, Heart Hike '96, 1996
- 2.7 Includes: correspondence about the bridges that have become unstable on the trail that crosses the Brock property, and a vicious dog which attacked hikers, 1997
- 2.8 Includes inquiries about a safe highway crossing at the CNR overpass at the QEW east of St. Catharines, 1998-1999
- 2.9 Enbridge Consumers Gas supports the Bruce Trail, QEW at Sand Plant Hill CNR structure replacement, multi-use trail and bikeway system master plan and changes around Zimmerman Road, 2000-2003
- 2.10 Huge clean-up job on 2 properties, Sugar Bush Blues Gala, negotiations with East dell Estates Winery for an easement through their property and the 40th anniversary of the Niagara Bruce Trail Club, 2004-2007
- 2.11 Queenston Quarry Reclamation Company proposal and the audit of side trails. There are a number of photocopied photos in this file, 2008
- 2.12 The mapping of Short Hills Park, a forum addressing the issue of safety on the Merritt Trail, and funding for trails by the Federal Government. Also included are letters of appreciation, 2009, 2014-2017 n.d.

Sub-series C. Niagara Bruce Trail Club Documents including membership lists, landowner lists, financial statements, by-laws, agreements between the club and interested parties and inventory, 1965-2012 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 2.13 Membership lists, including some executive lists, 1965, 1986-1987, 1989-1992
- 2.14 Membership lists, including some executive lists, 1993, 1995, 1997-2010
- 2.15 Niagara section of Bruce Trail property owners lists, 1970, 1973, 1975-1977, n.d.
- 2.16 Niagara section of Bruce Trail property owners lists, includes correspondence, 1986-1989, n.d.
- 2.17 Niagara section of Bruce Trail property owners lists, includes correspondence and maps, 1990-1993, 1995-1996, 1998- 1999, n.d.

- 2.18 Niagara section of Bruce Trail property owners lists, 2001-2003, 2005, 2007, n.d.
- 2.19 Niagara Bruce Trail Club landowners appreciation potluck suppers flyers and lists, 1990, 1994, 1998-2002, 2005
- 3.1-3.4 Niagara Bruce Trail Club financial statements, 1974-1976, 1980-1982, 1984-2012
- 3.5 By-Laws, 1989-1990, 1996, 2000, 2006, n.d.
- 3.6 Agreements between the club and interested parties including correspondence, permits, planning policies and maps 1984, 1989
- 3.7 Inventory, 1991-1992

Sub-Series D. Hiking, Maintenance and Trails including hike schedules, trail maintenance and volunteers, hiking guidelines, trail changes and badges, 1971-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 3.8 Niagara Bruce Trail Club hike schedules (short version), 1971-1974, 1990-1992, 1995-1997, 2000-2008
- 3.9 Niagara Bruce Trail Club hike schedules (long version), 1971, 1973, 1982- 1985, 1989-1999
- 3.10 Niagara Bruce Trail Club hike schedules (long version), 2000-2010
- 3.11 Lists of trail maintenance personnel and trail captains, 1972, 1974, 1981, 1984, 1988-1994, 1996, 1998-1999, 2002-2004, 2008-2009
- 3.12 Trail maintenance workshops, guidelines and checklists from both the Niagara Bruce Trail Club and the Bruce Trail Association, 1990-1994, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2003-2004, 2008, n.d.
- 3.13 Volunteer awards and recognition, 1984-1985, 1989, 1993, 1995, 1998, 2008, 2014
- 3.14 Volunteer report prepared by Mindee I. Naismith, 59 coloured photos, 1990-1991
- 3.15 Niagara Bruce Trail Club advice for hike leaders including guidelines and maps, 1996, 2004, n.d.
- 3.16 Niagara Bruce Trail Club special outings and joint hikes with other clubs, 1987-1991, 1994, n.d.

- 3.17 Niagara Bruce Trail Club input from hikers, 1985, 1997-2000, n.d.
- 3.18 Correspondence and entries for the Niagara Bruce Trail Club badge contest and sketches of the Merritthon badge, 6 badges, 1 sign, 1990, 1997, n.d.
- 3.19 Samples of badges, 15, badges, 1997, 2013-2014, n.d.
- 3.20 Trail closures and opposition including correspondence and clippings, 1976-1978, 1980, 1986-1987, 1990, 1993
- 3.21 Trail changes and statistics including maps, information on the General Brock Hiking Trail, guidebook revisions, correspondence and contracts, 1983-1985, 1987, 1993, 1998, n.d.
- 3.22 Niagara Bruce Trail audits, 1992, 2002
- 3.23 Assorted maps for reference, n.d.
- O.4 1 map (scroll type) showing the area around Lake Ontario and outlining the Bruce Trail from Queenston to Balls Falls, n.d.

Sub series E. Niagara Bruce Trail Club fundraising, 1964-2007 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 3.24 Includes: Correspondence, application for a grant, menu of fundraising ideas, protocol for dedication of plaques, dedication of a plaque to Enbridge Gas and information on the Escarpment Legacy Campaign, 1964-1965, 1971-1974, 1993-1994, 2000, 2002-2004, 2006-2007, n.d.

Sub-series F. History, 1962-2009 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 3.25 Includes: handwritten notes, correspondence, clippings, flyers and maps. Also included are Hiker's High by Pattie McVetty, History of the Escarpment Trail, Niagara: Grimsby to Queenston, Points of Historical Interest along the Niagara Section of the Bruce Trail by Lloyd Oliver, Escarpment Trail Council News Letter nos. 1 and 2, the Great Bruce Trail Trivia Quiz and The History of Woodend by Paul Naray, 1 coloured photo, 1962-1964, 1971, 1982, 1989-1991, 1997, 2002, 2004-2005, 2007-2009, n.d.

Series II – Bruce Trail Association Records, 1967-2013 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-series A. Bruce Trail Association Minutes including presidents' Meetings; Board of Director meetings; Membership Committee meetings; Trail Development; Maintenance Committee meetings; Landowners Relations Committee meetings; Executive Committee meetings and Club Communication Committee meetings, 1971, 1974, 1976, 1983-2007, 2013

- 4.1 Minutes, 1983-1984, 1987-1988, 1990-1998, 2000-2001, 2003-2004
- 4.2 Executive committee and club communication committee meetings, 2005-2007
- 4.3 Board of Directors meetings, 2005
- 4.4 Board of Directors meetings including 1 Club Communication Committee meeting, 2006
- 4.5 Board of Directors meetings including 1 Club Rep. meeting, 2007
- 4.6 Bruce Trail Association annual meetings, 1971, 1974, 1976, 1983-1986, 1989
- 4.7 Bruce Trail Association annual meetings, 1990, 1993, 1995-1996, 1999-2002, 2004, 2013

Sub-series B. Bruce Trail Association documents including: Membership Reports, Landowner Regulations, Financial Statements, By-laws, Plans, Audits and Restructuring, 1967-2009 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 4.8-4.9 Membership reports including some with allocation methodology, 1987-2009, n.d.
- 4.10 Bruce Trail Association documents regarding land ownership, includes: Land Management Policy, the license agreement form, *Landowners Relations Manual*, a list of landowner relations directors, correspondence, the trail/ landowner/ property change cover sheet, the license between the BTA and Brock University, and the *Who Does What?* draft, 1995, 1997-1998, n.d.
- 4.11 Bruce Trail Association financial statements, 1975-1976, 1984-1986, 1992-1993
- 4.12 Documents including: framework policies, mission statement and objectives, duties and responsibilities of representatives on the board of directors, ownership of the Bruce Trail Association, directors' and officers' liability coverage summary, charter objectives, how to run a meeting, policy on fiscal control and management of projects, responsibilities of the board, responsibilities of officers and executive committee members, general guidelines for committees, communication and consultation strategy, criteria for the location and design of the Bruce Trail, an outline of BTA policy development, all-terrain vehicle brochure, the Bruce Trail marketing plan, mountain bike policy and conducting research on BTA land, 1976, 1988, 1992-1994, 1998, 2003-2004
- 4.13 By-laws, 1967, 1985, 2003
- 4.14 Management plan for the Bruce Trail, 1986

- 4.15 *Bruce Trail Comprehensive Plan* executive summary, communications and consultation strategy and Comprehensive Plan vol.1: *The Plan*, 1990, n.d.
- 4.16 *Bruce Trail Comprehensive Plan*, 1991
- 4.17 *Bruce Trail Association Strategic Plan*, including: strategic planning committee presentation, mission statement, preliminary strategic plan, strategic directions, strategic plan and *Towards a New Strategy* prepared by Peter Ally Associates, 1991-1993, 1999, 2003
- 4.18 *Bruce Trail Audit*, 1997
- 4.19 *Bruce Trail Enterprises: A New Beginning* presented by Federal Business Development Bank, 1992
- 4.20 Report of the nominating committee, 1992
- 4.21 *Restructuring* which includes: The Restructuring Committee Report and draft 2 of The Restructuring Committee Report, 1996, n.d.
- 4.22 *Vision 2010* is a document prepared by York University MBA students. This is a strategic study of the Bruce Trail Organization. It is an independent study and is not necessarily endorsed by the Bruce Trail Association, 1999
- 4.23 This is a draft report of the Organizational Review Committee regarding the organizational renewal of the Bruce Trail Association, 2004
- 4.24 Provincial Documents including: *This Land is Whose Land?* A legal guide to property protection rights and Ontario's Provincial Parks Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Park Management, n.d.

Sub-Series C. Bruce Trail Association Hiking, Maintenance and Trails, (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 4.25 Bruce Trail Association guidelines, hiking maps and *Environmental Hike Guidebook*, 1973, 1996, 2005, n.d.
- 4.26 Bruce Trail Association Guides for Trail Workers, 1984, 1991, 2001
- 4.27 Signs including Sign use and placement and sample drawings of signs, 1 sign, 1982, n.d.

Sub Series D. Bruce Trail Association Fundraising, 1991-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 4.28 Includes: Flyers, correspondence, copies of *Realizing the Dream: Donor Newsletter*, *Fundraising Feasibility Report* and policies on donor recognition and

acceptance of gifts, 1993-1995, 2000-2004, 2014

- 4.29 A report for the Bruce Trail Association from Fundraisers Service Network Inc. entitled *The Ribbon of Wonder Campaign*. Included in this file are responses to the report from B.T.A. board members and Bruce Trail Clubs, 1991

Series III – Niagara Bruce Trail Club and Bruce Trail Association Promotional Material, 1962-2017 (non-inclusive), n.d.

Sub-Series A. Clippings, 1962-2017 (non-inclusive), n.d. Some of the clippings are sorted by topic.

- 5.1 **Beginnings** – Bruce Trail clippings includes: the opening of the first section of the Bruce Trail and the establishment of the Escarpment Trail Council, 1962-1965, 1971, 1973-1975, 1978, n.d.
- 5.2 Includes articles on the General Brock Trail, the Bruce Trail Cairn, Morningstar Mill, the Laura Secord trek, the 25th anniversary of the trail, the carvings of Dr. Ken Johnston and the 30th anniversary of the trail, 1980, 1983-1985, 1987-1999, n.d.
- 5.3 Includes: the clean-up of the Ball Avenue property in Merritton, honours for Bert Lowe, controversy over the escarpment fence, the opening of the bridge over the Queen Elizabeth Way and Bruce Trail celebrates its 50th birthday in Niagara. Bruce Trail Club promotes conservancy, 2000-2017, n.d.
- 5.4 **Members** – File includes clippings about Bruce Trail Club and Bruce Association members and includes: awards, obituaries and articles about members' lives. Articles featuring people such as Esther Summers (historian), Don Robson (custodian of the Morningstar Mill), Ray Lowes (father of the Bruce Trail), Sister Kym Burt (environmentalist), Andy Panko (environmental consultant), Clyde Carruthers (cancer survivor who completed the end to end hike), J. Lloyd Oliver (book collector and winner of the first City of St. Catharines Human Rights Award), Paul Naray (avid hiker), Bert Lowe (instrumental in the establishment of the Niagara Bruce Trail), Bill Lidkea (volunteer with the Heart and Stroke Foundation) and Jim Rainforth (agrologist as well as avid Bruce Trail hiker and volunteer), 1991-2011, n.d. (non-inclusive)
- 5.5 **Cave Springs** – Clippings include Margaret Reed and Cave Springs. Margaret Reed was dubbed the “Good Witch of Cave Springs”. She received the Calypso Orchid Environmental Award in 2002 for her contribution to the restoration and preservation of the Bruce Trail and/or Niagara Escarpment Biosphere Reserve. Included are: articles, *The History of Cave Springs* by Margaret Reed, *Margaret Reed* by Carla Carlson, 2 b&w photos, 1 coloured photo, 1975, 1981, 1993-1994, 1999, 2002, 2005, n.d.

O.10 Scrapbook of clippings, 1993-1996

O.11 Scrapbook of clippings, 1997-2000

Sub-Series B. Photographs, 1962-2014 (non-inclusive), n.d.

5.6 Photos of the Niagara Bruce Trail Club at various hikes and functions includes: The first blaze, Bert Lowe placing stile at blazed trees, sheets of photocopied pictures, dedication of the Cairn at Queenston, Carol Disher's Lost Cruise, NBTC executive, Griffis Park Tower, Go to Blazes Day and a Blossom Trails Hike, 21 b&w photos, 9 coloured photos, 1962, 1970, 1985, 1990, 1996 -1997, n.d.

5.7 Scenes along the trail [from the early 1990s], Photos from the Outreach Program, photos taken by Janina Vanderpost of Hamilton end to end along the trail, 18 b&w photos, 59 col. photos and 6 negatives, 1995-1996, 1998, 2005-2006, 2014 n.d.

7.1 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Lungs for life, Credit Valley footpath and the bike hike, 4 b&w photos, 19 col. photos, 1983-1984, 1988, 1990

7.2 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including the 1st annual dinner dance, speakers' seminar, Margaret Reed speaks to the group, annual golf tournament, Griffis Park and Jordan Lions' Winter Carnival, 48 col. photos, 1991

7.3 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Queenston Loop hike, Goat Island hike and Sunset Cruise, 1 b&w photo, 48 col. photos, 1992

7.4 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Beaverdams – Lake Gibson, Woodend hike, Queenston Heights, Sleigh ride at Uncle Porky's, Ball's Falls to Rockway, Skylon – Goat Island and Dufferin Island, 70 col. photos, 1993

7.5 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Kinsman – Ball's Falls hike, pot luck dinner, Woodend hike, Steve Bauer trails, Cave Springs hike, Action Day and Fort to Fort hike, 103 col. photos, 1994

7.6 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Tree Cycle Day, 1st annual Heart Hike, Short Hills, Niagara Parks hike, Lake Gibson hike, 4th annual Laura Secord hike, Rockway hike, Ball's Falls, 95 col. photos, 1995

7.7 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including special hike for Paul Naray (85th birthday), Queenston hike and Heart Hike 96, 84 col. photos, 1996

7.8 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Fireman's Park special 30 year hike, Heart Hike 97, Cave Springs – Margaret Reed, Passing the baton by

- presidents and hike leader training and first aid, 83 col. photos, 1997
- 7.9 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Heart Hike 98 and Fireman's Park hike, 66 col. photos, 1998
- 7.10 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Short Hills hike, Louth Conservation hike and Iron Bridge Golf Course press meeting, 69 col. photos, 1999
- 7.11 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including dedication to honour Enbridge Gas for donation, Feed the Birds hike, presentation of walking sticks to retiring executive members and St. John's Pond hike, 75 col. photos, 2000
- 7.12 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including leisure hiking group and Ball's Falls Thanksgiving Festival, 47 col. photos, 2001
- 7.13 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including the Environmental Award and the Lloyd Oliver plaque, 10 col. photos, 2002
- 7.14 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including the leisure group, Agape Valley hike, St. John's outdoor school and Fireman's Park hike, 52 col. photos, 2003
- 7.15 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including remembering Del Hildebrande, newsletter stuffing, Lipa Park and presentation of plaque to Bert Lowe, 56 col. photos, 2004
- 8.1 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including newsletter stuffing and Frank Delogu's 75th birthday, 42 col. photos, 2005
- 8.2 Niagara Bruce Trail Club assorted photos including Paul Naray's 95th birthday and marking the 1st blaze, 10 col. photos, 2006, 2009
- 8.3 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Beaver Valley, 12 col. photos, 1994, 1999
- 8.4 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Peninsula (completion of end to end), 23 col. photos, 1994
- 8.5 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Sydenham, 9 col. photos, 1994, 1996, 1999
- 8.6 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Dufferin Highlands, 8 col. photos, 1995, 1998
- 8.7 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Caledon, 17 col. photos, 1992, 1995-1996
- 8.8 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Toronto, 9 col. photos, 1994, 1996

- 8.9 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Iroquoia, 17 col. photos, 1995-1996, 1999
- 8.10 Hiking the Bruce Trail – Niagara, 5 col. photos, 1995-1997, 1999
- 8.11 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes new trail at Ball's Falls and bridge project, 16 col. photos, 1990-1992
- 8.12 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes steps at the Bert Miller Arboretum and Ball's Falls project, 124 col. photos, 1993
- 8.13 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes Bruce Trail end of Campden, bridge repairs – DeCew Brock, path at Mountainview Road in Beamsville, 45 col. photos, 1995-1996
- 8.14 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes DeCew Bridge and second bridge at Brock, 5 negatives, 71 col. photos, 1997
- 8.15 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes Woodend work project, Queenston switch back property, new bridge at Moyer Road, new switch back – Grimsby and work project at Glendale by General Motors, 91 col. photos, 1998
- 8.16 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes installation of Plaque on Bruce Trail Association property, 53 col. photos, 1999
- 8.17 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes installing signs, new handrail on Vineland Bridge, bridge in Grimsby and Culp re-route, 63 col. photos, 2000-2001
- 8.18 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes re-route at Park Road and Ridge Road in Grimsby, Cleanup at Eastman property, 42 col. photos, 2002-2003
- 8.19 Niagara Bruce Trail Club Builders and Trail Maintenance includes Arbuthot/Fox cleanup project, 49 col. photos, 2004
- 8.20 Bruce Trail training, workshops and award (2002), 21 col. photos, 1996, 2000-2002, 2008
- 8.21 QEW crossing, 25 col. photos, 2000-2001, 2008
- O.7 340 colour slides including: various sites such as the rapids above Webster Falls, at Hilton Falls, Jones Falls, Raspberry House and Bruce's Caves. There are also slides taken at hikes. Most of the slides are not labeled, 1978, n.d.

Sub-Series C. Flyers and Posters, 1977-2008 (non-inclusive), n.d.

5.8 Niagara Bruce Trail Club flyers including: Niagara Escarpment trail folder and information on various charity events and hikes. Includes a program for the Bruce Trail Association 30th anniversary and a booklet about the Bruce Trail Conservancy 50th anniversary Niagara Baton Hikes. A badge is included in the booklet. 1977-2017, n.d. (non-inclusive)

5.9 Bruce Trail Association pamphlets including information on hiking and volunteering. This includes: *Trees, shrubs, vines and wild flowers along the Bruce Trail*; restoration of Raspberry House; the Escarpment Legacy Campaign and other special events, 1992-1993, 1997, 2005, n.d.

Sub-Series D. Calendars, 1983-2008 (non-inclusive)

5.10 – 5.12 Bruce Trail Calendars, 1983, 1985, 1989-1991, 1993-1997, 2000, 2002, 2005-2008

Sub-Series E. Newsletters, 1964-2008 (non-inclusive)

5.13 *The Rattler* (Peninsula Club, Wiarton to Tobermory of the BTA), 1993-1994, 1997, 1999-2003, 2005

5.14 *Beaver Valley Bruce Trail Club*, Meaford, Ontario, 1985, 1987, 1990-1995, 1997, 1999-2003

5.15 *Blue Mountains Bruce Trail Club*, Collingwood, Ontario, (newsletter name changed to the *Blue Print in* 1995), 1990-1992, 1994-1995, 1997, 2000-2002

5.16 *Caledon Comment*, Caledon, Ontario, 1990, 1994-1995, 1997, 1999-2003

5.17 *Footnotes* (Toronto Bruce Trail Club), 1985-1987, 1990-1997

5.18 *Footnotes* (Toronto Bruce Trail Club), 1999-2003

5.19 *Hi-Land Views* (Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club, 1985, 1988, 1990-1992, 1994-1995, 1999-2002, 2008

5.20 *The Iroquoian* (Iroquoia Bruce Trail Club, Hamilton Ontario), 1985-1986, 1988-1995, 1997

5.21 *The Iroquoian*, 1999-2003

5.22 *The Sydenham Hiker* (Sydenham Bruce Trail Club, Owen Sound, Ontario), 1971, 1990-1994, 2000-2003, 2008

5.23 *Treadway* (Trail development newsletter of the Bruce Trail Association), 1989-

1994, 1997, 2000, 2002

- 5.24 Assorted newsletters, 1986, 1990-1995, 1997, 2000-2002
- 5.25 *Bruce Trail News* (published by the Bruce Trail Association), 1964, 1971-1975, 1983, 1986-1987 *only issues which were missing from the journal collection at Brock were kept within this collection.*
- 5.26 *Niagara Escarpment Views*, Autumn 2013

Sub-Series G. Bruce Trail Reference Booklets, 1969-2008 (non-inclusive)

- O.8 *Bruce Trail Guide Books*: fifth edition, eleventh edition, fourteenth edition, sixteenth edition, eighteenth edition, 1969, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1992
- O.9 *Bruce Trail Reference* maps and guides: edition 19.1, edition 23, edition 25, 1995, 2004, 2008

Sub-Series H. Multimedia Items, 1975-2007 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- O.1 4 videotapes including: *Ontario Niagara Escarpment: Tomorrows Land*; *Ontario Heritage Foundation: Ontario's Niagara Escarpment*; *Woodend Hike: March 17, 1996*; and *Without a Trace* from the Elliot Lake Secondary School Outdoors Club, 1992, 1996, n.d.
- O.2 4 dvds including: A photo of Debbie Bucknall and a sign saying "first section of the 240 mile long escarpment trail opened here March 23, 1962 on land owned by Clinton Township Reeve Debbie Bucknall"; *The Bruce Trail Conservancy: Close to Nature Close to Home*; *Bert Lowe and Working Together II Conference Material*, 2007, n.d.
- O.3 1 - 16mm / 27 minute film encased in a plastic container. This film is labeled *Among Other Things* and it presents interviews with hikers and others who use the Bruce Trail along the Niagara Escarpment. The film is presented by the Bruce Trail Association and made by the Media Arts Program, Sheridan College, 1975
- O.5 1 cassette tape which is labeled: E.B. – Jan.3, B.G. – Jan. 7, B.G. – Jan. 28, R.B. – Jan. 31, F. Carter at start and Dean Douglas on CKTB, n.d.
- O.6 2 filmstrips: These are both from the National Film Board of Canada on Canadian environments. The first one is called *The Bruce Peninsula* (215C 0183 001) and the second one is *The Bruce Trail* (215C 0183 002). Each of these films is accompanied by a cassette which provides manual and automatic advance for the film, 1983

Series IV – Ecological Projects and Studies, 1974-2008 (non-inclusive), n.d.

- 6.1 From Rails to Trails: A workshop was held at the University of Waterloo to explore the possibilities of using abandoned railway lines for conservation and recreation purposes. Included in this folder are: the background, maps and the Bruce Trail Association policy regarding abandoned railway corridors, 1989-1990, 1995
- 6.2 The Niagara Escarpment: includes folders, clippings, flyers, *The Niagara Escarpment: Are We Over the Edge?* (notes for a speech by Ruth Grier, M.P.P.), correspondence, *Coalition on the Niagara Escarpment* newsletter, *On the Edge* newsletters and *Exploring the Escarpment* 1972, 1976, 1978, 1985, 1990, 1992-1994, 1998, 2001, 2005, n.d.
- 6.3 The Niagara Escarpment Plan (volumes 1-3), 1984
- 6.4 Proposed revisions to the Niagara Escarpment Plan, 1991
- 6.5 Proposed Niagara Escarpment Plan amendment, 1997
- 6.6 Final proposed plan for the Niagara Escarpment, n.d.
- 6.7 Includes: Clippings, pamphlets, correspondence, the Short Hills Provincial Park Preliminary Management Plan and the Management Plan Review, 1974, 1989 – 1991, 1993, 2003
- 6.8 Information and financial statements from the Balls Falls Project for the building of steps at the Bert Miller Arboretum area, 1993
- 6.9 Glenridge Quarry Landfill Site: includes: End Use Evaluation and End Use Master Plan, 1995, 1997-1998
- 6.10 Natural Environment Assessment for the New World Culinary Centre: This is a preliminary Natural Environment Assessment of property owned by the Niagara Land Company near Vineland, Ontario. The purpose of this report is to provide technical input into a submission to obtain a permit for the proposed New World Culinary Centre, 1997
- 6.11 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority: Includes: Pamphlets, clippings, information and booklets entitled: *Choices for Agricultural Areas*, and *A Living Legacy* as well as an annual report, 1990-1991, 1994, 2000
- 6.12 Jordan Harbour Resort Area Trail Rural Job Strategy Application and Niagara College Draft Proposal to Niagara Bruce Trail Club, 1999
- 6.13 Iron Bridge Golf Club, 1999

- 6.14 Brock University plan, 2002
- 6.15 Greater Niagara Circle Route Committee, 2003
- 6.16 Quarry Road Landfill, 2004-2005
- 6.17 Twenty Mile Creek Watershed Plan, 2005
- 6.18 Comments on Walker Bros. Environmental Assessment, 2006
- 6.19 Morningstar Mill End Use Feasibility Study, 2007
- 6.20 Queenston Quarry Reclamation Project, 2008
- 6.21 QEW crossing at Sand Plant Hill includes: correspondence, information, draft, and opening, 1999-2003, 2008
- 6.22 Information on local trails and projects includes: Pamphlets, flyers and clippings on various trails including Burgoyne Woods Trail, Terry Fox trail, Merritt Trail, Green Ribbon Trail, Waterfront Trail and the Trans Canada Trail. This folder also contains information on the Welland Canals Preservation Association, 1989-1990, 1994-1997, 1999, 2001, 2005

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651 Cave Springs Farm, -
651 Short Hills (Ont.)|

Material Held at other Repositories:

The Bruce Trail Conservancy, PO Box 857, Hamilton, ON. L8N 3N9

Related Material:

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