

Nature Nova Scotia – Activity and AGM2009 Schedule*

	What's happening?	What's it about?	Who's the leader?	Where do we meet?
Saturday, June 13				
All day	Nova Scotia Nature Trust "Wild for Wolfville" event	Celebrate land conservation in the Wolfville area with the Nature Trust: the Wolfville Watershed Nature Preserve and Wolfville Ridge Conservation Lands. [Note: There will be a lunch charge to non-members of NSNT of \$10, \$20 family.]	Nova Scotia Nature Trust – Partner organization of Nature Nova Scotia	For details on time and place, see the NSNT website: www.nstn.ca . Please RSVP Karen McKendry: karen@nsnt.ca .
3–4:30 pm	Dike life – a walk with Sherman Boates	Learn about the fascinating rare and common life found around the mud flats of the Minas Basin.	Sherman Boates – Manager of Wildlife for NSDNR and mudflat enthusiast	Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre
8:45–10 pm	Chimney Swifts of Wolfville	Watch the spectacular aerial display of endangered Chimney Swifts as they return to their traditional roosting site, and learn about their life history.	Jim Wolford – Biologist, naturalist, and passionate steward of Chimney Swift roosting sites in Nova Scotia	Robie Tufts Nature Centre in downtown Wolfville
10 pm–midnight	Tour of the night sky	Place yourself in the visible universe – with the constellations, bright stars, and planets. Check out astronomical phenomena such as nebulae and far galaxies. There will be telescopes.	Minas Astronomy Group – Local astronomers and enthusiasts	Grand Pré National Historic Site – across the road from the Interpretation Centre
Sunday, June 14**				
7–8 am	Early birding	Enjoy the morning chorus of songbirds and watch for nesting activities with local birders.	Local naturalists	Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre – outside
8–9 am	Breakfast**	Light fare: coffee, tea, juices, fruit, muffins, and other goodies from Al's Fireside Cafe.		Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre – inside
9–10 am	Talk	Stephen will share his insight on species at risk and the importance of active stewardship.	Stephen Flemming – Species at Risk Manager, Parks Canada Agency	Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre – inside
10 am – noon	Annual General Meeting of Nature Nova Scotia	Everyone is invited to participate and learn more about our organization.	NNS board	Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre – inside
noon – 1 pm	Lunch	You're on your own – brown-bag it for a picnic lunch with the rest of us at the Grand Pré National Historic Site, or check out local eateries such as Just Us!, Le Caveau at Domaine Grand Pré, and the Evangeline Cafe.		
1 pm	Avon River fossils	See the largest 350-million-years-old fossilized amphibian footprints in the world at Horton Bluff, just minutes from Grand Pré. Later, visit the nearby Blue Beach fossil museum.	Sandra Barr – Professor of geology, Acadia University	Grand Pré National Historic Site Interpretation Centre – parking lot
2 pm	Wild orchids of Gypsum Mines	Discover some gypsum-loving plants, including two <i>Cypripedium</i> orchids, and explore the fascinating and unique karst topography. Bring field guides, water, hats, and sunscreen.	Heather Drope – Nova Scotia Wild Flora Society member and NNS board member	North foot of Exit 5, Highway 101 (heading toward Brooklyn and Truro)

* Details & updates: naturens.ca **If you are attending Nature Nova Scotia events on Sunday, please RSVP Doug Linzey: doug@fundymud.com