

Sustainable King hosting community information sessions

King's Sustainability Advisory Committee is hosting a number of community information sessions on Sunday afternoons over the next few months.

Do you live near the Humber River, the Schomberg Creek or the stream that runs through Kettleby? Is your lot near a swamp, stream, wetland, pond or marsh? Would you like to learn more about your wildlife neighbours and how to live in harmony with them? What about minimizing your mosquito population? Do you know if you are allowed to fill in wetlands, divert streams or dig a pond?

If any of this is of interest, please come to the King City Library on Sunday, Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. and meet with Toronto and Region Conservation Authority staff, other experts and your neighbours and learn how you can enhance your valuable, hard-working and sensitive wetland.

The second community information session will address the vast trail system in King. Many residents hike the Oak Ridges Moraine Trail and the other trails in each of our communities. Are you interested in where they are located, how they are operated and how you might get involved? If so, come and meet experts and fellow walkers and learn more about the opportunities available on Sunday, Feb. 23 at the King City Library.

Our third session will help us all to enjoy the foods produced locally. As you may know, a community garden/farm, on township land that cannot otherwise be developed in Schomberg, is in the very early planning stages. Would you and your family be interested in renting a plot to grow vegetables and herbs? What about donating some of the crop to the King Township Food Bank? Do you know how the Food Bank operates and how you could volunteer? Do you know about the two farmers' markets that ran this summer in King?

Come to the Schomberg Library on Sunday, March 23 and learn more from local and regional experts about eating locally. Check out the Sustainable King website, Twitter and Facebook pages, local paper and public library bulletin boards for more information regarding these community information sessions.