

City Stream Watch and Boy Scouts Team Up to Clean Up Local Creeks

The City Stream Watch program joined forces with two Boy Scout troops this fall to clean up streams in their communities. The Fallingbrook 4th Orleans troop and 19th Nepean-Briargreen troop came out on two separate outings to help clean the local streams, leaving them healthy and natural for everyone to enjoy.

Fallingbrook 4th Orleans Scouts

On October 13, the Fallingbrook 4th Orleans Scouts came out despite the rain and cleaned up a small section of Taylor Creek from St. Joseph Boulevard to Princess Louise Falls. This stream section is heavily polluted with unnatural debris and a cleanup was long overdue. Scouts removed items such as a number of tires, four bikes, plastic bags and scrap metal. Everyone worked hard and the stream has never looked better.

After cleaning the stream the scouts were treated to hot chocolate and various prizes were given out for their hard work, which were donated by Bushtukah Great Outdoor Gear in Westboro.



19th Nepean-Briargreen Scouts



On October 20, the 19th Nepean-Briargreen Scouts waded through Graham Creek in the west end to help clean approximately a one-kilometre stretch from Richmond Road to Baseline Road in the Nanaimo Park area.

Scouts removed all un-natural debris from the stream including scrap metal, garbage cans, plastic bags and countless food wrappers. After a morning of hard work the scouts were treated to a pizza lunch provided by the City Stream Watch program.

A huge thank you goes out to the scouts and leaders who participated and assisted in organizing these cleanups. The City Stream Watch program is pleased to help deliver new projects for communities to get involved with and build on its partnerships to help make Ottawa a better place.

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City Stream Watch is a community environmental partnership program sponsored by the City of Ottawa, Heron Park Community Association, National Defence Headquarters Fish and Game Club, Ottawa Flyfishers Society, Rideau Roundtable and Rideau Valley Conservation Authority.