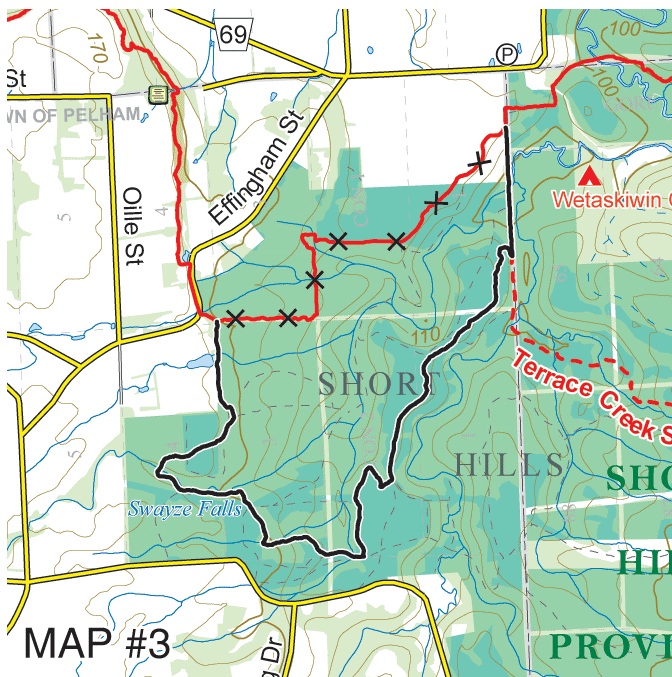
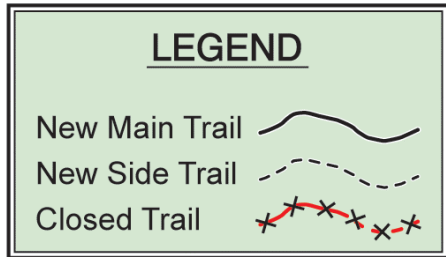


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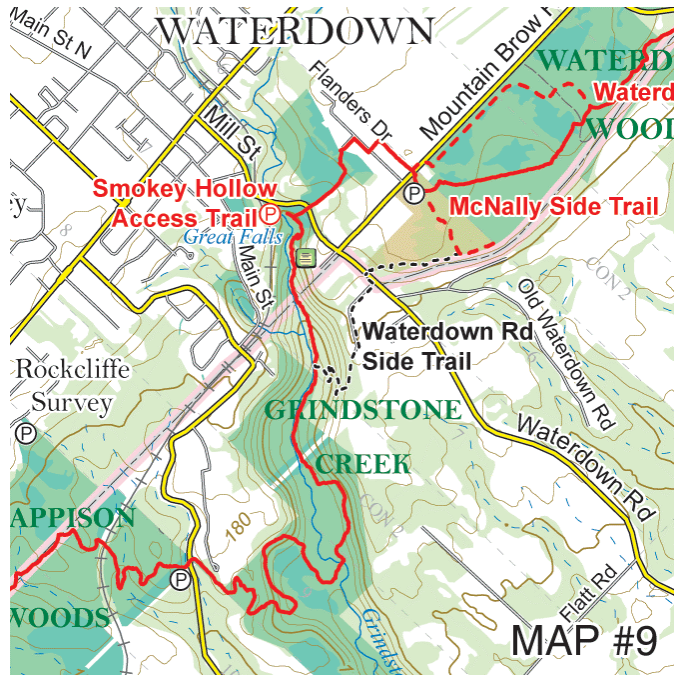


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Map #3, Short Hills Provincial Park

The original Trail which followed Park trail #1 (Swayze Falls Trail) has been posted NO TRESPASSING. Several hundred meters of the Trail was located on private property and is now closed to hikers.

The new main Trail shown is 4.4 km and will give hikers an opportunity to see Swayze Falls. The route that has been abandoned was 2 km.



Iroquoia

Map #9, Waterdown Rd Side Trail – 1.4 km

This new side trail starts at km 74.9 (Ed. 25) at the Grindstone Creek and climbs the Valley slope through a number of switchbacks until it reaches Horning Rd via a road allowance. Following Horning Rd it reaches the intersection with Waterdown Rd. The trail turns left at this point for 72 m, then crosses Waterdown Rd to follow what was the Waterdown Rd Access trail. It terminates at the intersection with the McNally Side Trail.

Together with the McNally Side Trail and the main trail it forms a 3.4 km loop.

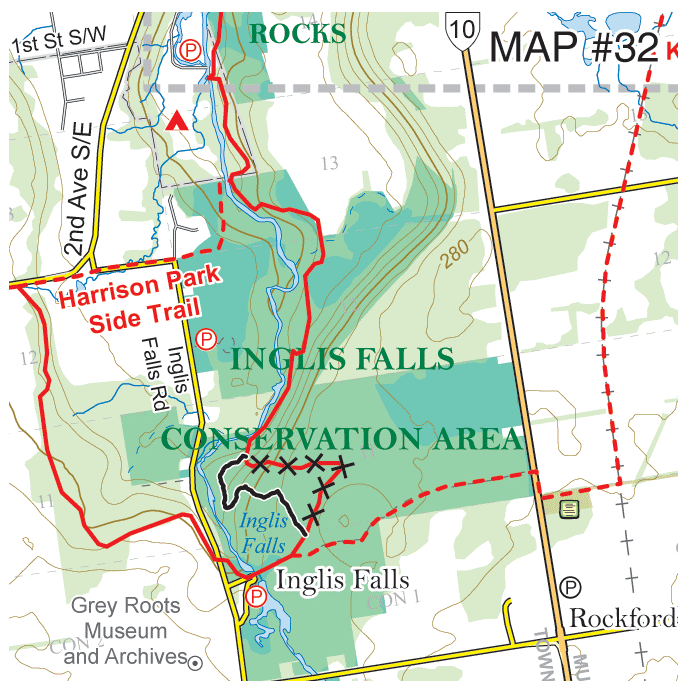
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Text Amendment on Page 11-1 found at the top of the right hand panel.

In our text we state:

“the trail turns right [2.8], past the Halton Country Inn's golf course. *Hikers are welcome at the Inn and individual hikers can arrange to camp in the field, but please show courtesy to the host and other guests.*”

Please understand that there is NO CAMPING and NO ACCOMMODATIONS at the Inn



Sydenham

Map #30, Inglis Falls Reroute

The Bruce Trail has been rerouted to take advantage of a new Conservation Authority trail called the Fern Trail. This trail was built by the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority and dedicated to the memory of well known naturalist Nels Maher. A plaque at the top of the escarpment describes Nel's contribution and his life long interest in ferns.

This new route is 855 metres whereas the old deleted route was 815 metres.

NEW TRAIL AT INGLIS FALLS

In September, the main Trail in the Inglis Falls area was rerouted for 800 m to take advantage of a new CA footpath called *The Fern Trail*. The change begins at km 91.9 (map 32: 25th edition). The white blazes now lead upstream to avoid an eroded hillside on the former route, and then ascend through an attractive notch in the scarp to link up again with the historic main Trail route.

The Trail change was suggested by Chris Hachey, the Conservation Authority's Land Manager. Chris is one of the BTC's strongest supporters in the area. He says: "It's a great partnership. I think it's the vision of the local members that helps shape the Bruce Trail. The clubs around this area are very active, not only in being good stewards of the trail but also of the land. I think it's another example of the partnership that can offer some great opportunities to the public, opportunities the conservation authority wouldn't be able to offer on its own." Chris has articulated a vision "to make Grey-Bruce the trails capital on Ontario."

The Conservation Authority has dedicated this section to the memory of well-known naturalist and Sydenham BTC member Nels Maher. A plaque at the south end of this trail addition describes Nel's contribution and his life-long interest in ferns:

Ferns are one of the oldest living organisms on the face of the earth, existing 350 million years ago. The prehistoric fern has been used by archaeologists to determine the age of the layers of the earth. Ferns are the emblem of a shady forest, a symbol of its cool solitude, and the Inglis Falls "Fern Trail" is the ideal host for a variety of ferns.

***In Memory of Nels Maher**, recognized as one of Ontario prominent experts on ferns and known as "the Fern Man". You would find Nels and his wife Jean hiking areas like Inglis Falls, identifying fern species or leading guided hikes sharing their knowledge and passion. Nels was a dedicated family man and a lifelong resident of Owen Sound. He was a passionate outdoor enthusiast - a Naturalist, Conservationist, Scouter, Expert on Ferns and Orchids, and a Wildlife Photographer. Nels worked at a local commercial print company and later was a partner/owner in the company. One of Nel's many accomplishments was co-author of *Ferns of Grey and Bruce*, a guidebook to aid in the identification of ferns in Grey and Bruce Counties. Here his legacy lives on... **The Fern Trail**.*

(Bruce Trail hikers will also remember Nel's for the side trail named after him in the Kemble Forest. It was in this area that Nels and his Boy Scout troop constructed the main Trail in this area in the 1960's.)

It is the contributions of people such as Chris Hachey and Nels Maher that have made the achievement of the Bruce Trail such a success. The legacy of all such volunteers will live on in the public access to a protected natural corridor along the Niagara Escarpment.