

## **BRANTFORD HIKE--S.C. Johnson Trail and Grand Valley Trail.**

Home of Alexander Graham Bell, Wayne Gretzky, Hazel Rook and Debbie Ford

**Hike Information:** On Sunday, Sept. 30th at 9:00am, we will hike a section of the S.C. Johnson Trail from Waterworks Park to the SC Johnson parking lot at Powerline Road with an option to cover part of the Grand Valley Trail(extra 1 km). This 12 km hike will be on a combination of stonedust and dirt with spectacular views of the Grand River and some Historic sites along the way. The route is classified as an easy walk with a moderate section on the Grand Valley Trail. The pace of the hike will be 3 to 4 km per hour with stops for snacks and views.

**Directions:** This hike is a car shuttle adventure. We will meet at the finish line and then share a car ride back to the start. Drive along the 403 to Brantford exit, at #33 -Paris Road. Stay right on the exit. Drive north on Paris Road to Powerline Road. Turn Left on Powerline Road to the very end. Park in the lot and wait. We will car shuttle back to Waterworks Park to start the hike.

**Instructions:** The hike will have trip leaders and sweeps. Please bring your back pack, hiking boots, poles, water, snacks, suntan lotion, bug spray, bug mesh(optional), extra clothing, hat and sun glasses. Please do not leave your valuables visible in your car. This is a linear hike from point A to point B with no places to drop out until we reach the "finish line". Look up this trail on the internet for more information.

**Post Hike Information:** We will all gather at the finish line and drive back to the start to retrieve the shuttle cars. We will reap the rewards of our hike with a social gathering in a pub/restaurant in Paris overlooking the Grand River. Need confirmed numbers for the pub/restaurant by Thursday night Sept.27th

**Certified Trip Leaders:** Frank Cooney and Hazel Rook.

**Sweeps:** Susan Cooney and Debbie Ford.

Open to all members and is a good training hike for those going to Collingwood or other hiking adventures. Please register on line, even though there is no cost, so the trip leaders know the numbers to expect.

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