

From Rail....

The Napanee, Tamworth and Quebec Railway was launched in 1879 to connect the Bay of Quinte to the Ottawa Valley. Developed in stages by several railway companies, the line reached Ottawa in 1913. The last Canadian National train ran in 1979. In 1997 CN donated most of the rail bed to the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority. On sections which are privately-owned, the CRCA has an agreement with the landowners to use the former rail line as a trail.

The Conservation Authority formed a management board representing landowners, municipalities and trail users to develop, maintain and promote the trail. The board's responsibilities include finding funds and volunteers to help maintain and improve the trail.

The thriving railway was a lifeline connecting mining, farming and logging communities between Napanee and Smiths Falls a century ago. Today the railway-turned-trail links history and nature.

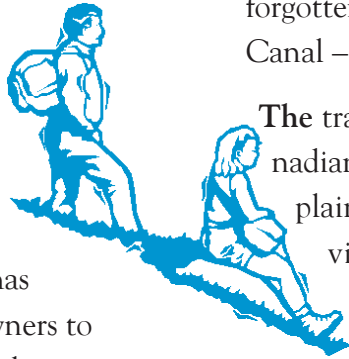


.... To Trail

The 104 kilometre recreational trail is lined with history: hamlets and villages, active and abandoned farms, old mills, regenerating forests, historic bridges, forgotten mines and the Rideau Canal – a World Heritage Site.



The trail cuts through the granite of the Canadian Shield, crosses pastoral limestone plains, fields, forest and wetlands. It offers views of lakes, rivers and streams.



The Cataraqui Trail is a year-round, shared-use recreational trail

for hikers, joggers, cross-country skiers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, bird watchers, naturalists and snowmobilers with a current Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs trail permit.



The Cataraqui Trail is ideal for experiencing nature, for photography and offers mixed habitats that are home to abundant wildlife.

It links parks, historic sites, museums, art galleries and commercial areas.

The Cataraqui Trail is part of the Trans Canada Trail, a nationwide network of trails that cross Canada.

Your Help is Needed

We urge you to help maintain the Cataraqui Trail by investing in an annual membership for \$25 or by making a donation. All of your money goes directly into trail maintenance and development. Contributions of more than \$10 are tax-deductible. We also urge you to volunteer your time.

Yes, I would like to become a Cataraqui Trail member. My \$25 membership is enclosed.

Yes, I would like to volunteer to help maintain the Cataraqui Trail.

Yes, I would like to make a charitable donation. Enclosed is my cheque for

\$50 \$100 \$200

Other \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Please mail this form to:

Cataraqui Trail
c/o Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority
P.O. Box 160
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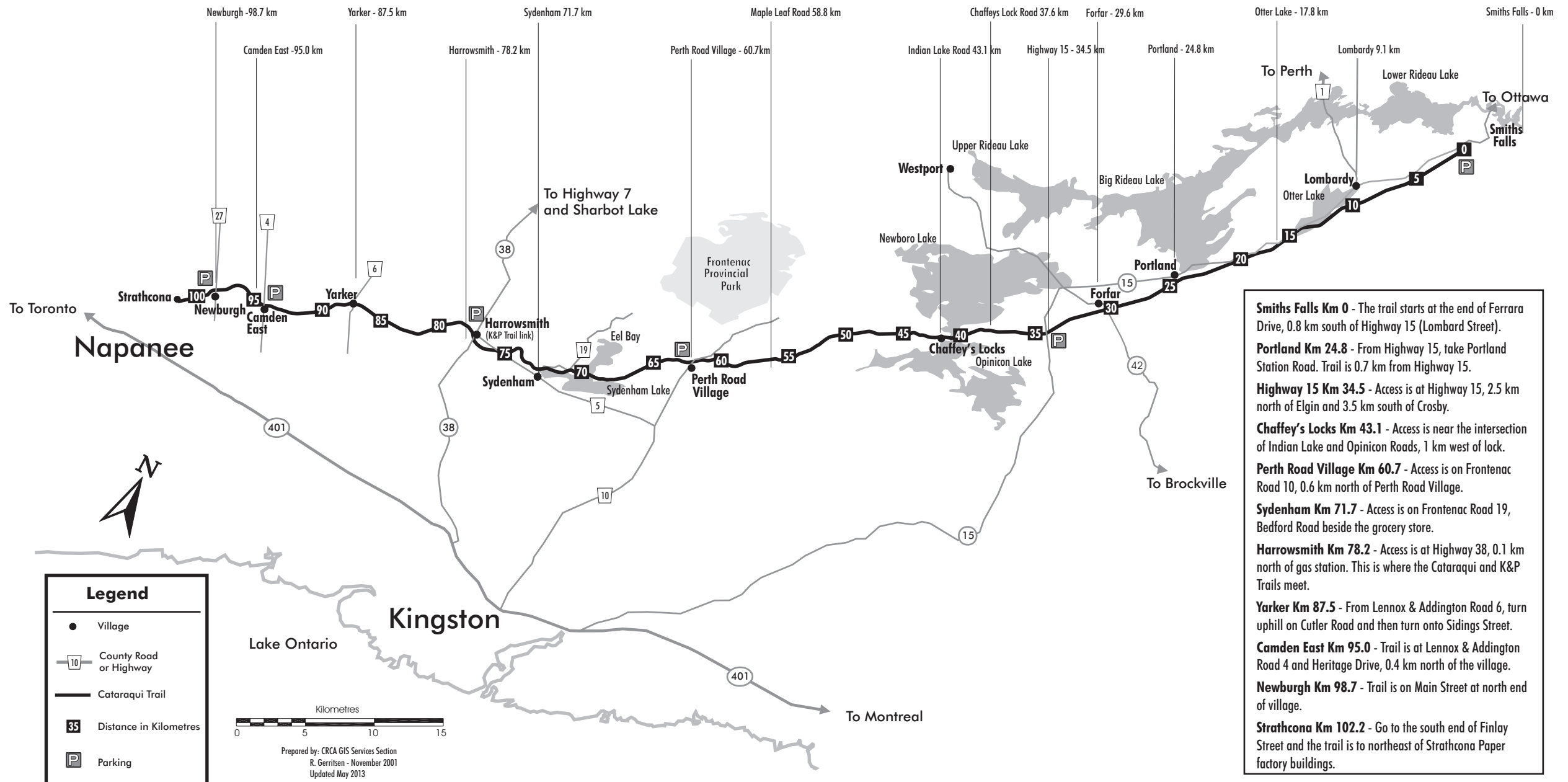
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A trail for walkers, cyclists, horseback riders, snowmobilers and cross-country skiers

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Cataraqui Trail Access Points



Smiths Falls Km 0 - The trail starts at the end of Ferrara Drive, 0.8 km south of Highway 15 (Lombard Street).

Portland Km 24.8 - From Highway 15, take Portland Station Road. Trail is 0.7 km from Highway 15.

Highway 15 Km 34.5 - Access is at Highway 15, 2.5 km north of Elgin and 3.5 km south of Crosby.

Chaffey's Locks Km 43.1 - Access is near the intersection of Indian Lake and Opinicon Roads, 1 km west of lock.

Perth Road Village Km 60.7 - Access is on Frontenac Road 10, 0.6 km north of Perth Road Village.

Sydenham Km 71.7 - Access is on Frontenac Road 19, Bedford Road beside the grocery store.

Harrowsmith Km 78.2 - Access is at Highway 38, 0.1 km north of gas station. This is where the Cataraqui and K&P Trails meet.

Yarker Km 87.5 - From Lennox & Addington Road 6, turn uphill on Cutler Road and then turn onto Sidings Street.

Camden East Km 95.0 - Trail is at Lennox & Addington Road 4 and Heritage Drive, 0.4 km north of the village.

Newburgh Km 98.7 - Trail is on Main Street at north end of village.

Strathcona Km 102.2 - Go to the south end of Finlay Street and the trail is to northeast of Strathcona Paper factory buildings.