

Annual Report 2010



The Kensington Conservancy



OUR VISION

The Kensington Conservancy will work to inspire all members of the community to embrace positive conservation values that will promote the protection and preservation of natural ecosystems for all generations.

OUR CORE VALUES

Relationship between land and people

Healthy Ecosystems

Stewardship

Healthy Habitat for People

Community Building

Economic Vitality

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Working with property owners, local communities, and partners, The Kensington Conservancy is striving to fulfill our mission of protecting the “Lands and Waters That Define the Desbarats Shore for all Generations”. While we didn't complete any significant land projects in the 2010 fiscal year, we did make significant strides towards preserving important lands and water resources and educating and advocating for the preservation of our unique environmental systems and natural heritage.

For our area's natural resources to endure, the Kensington Conservancy recognizes we must invest in the future of conservation even as we are protecting lands and waters today. In the future, if there's no culture of conservation, insufficient funding or laws to encourage land and water protection, and if there is not sufficient capacity and expertise to deliver conservation—years of great conservation work will be lost. To that end, we've strengthened our educational partnerships and received significant grants to employ interns which will help train the conservation leaders of tomorrow.

Under the leadership of Adam Jones, we greatly expanded our outreach and field trip programs in 2010 enabling hundreds of students and members of the local community to experience the wonders of nature in our preserves. Our field program also included doing extensive biological inventories for property owners on a number of significant tracts being considered for long-term protection.



2010 wasn't without its challenges as well. The Kensington Conservancy is two legal organizations: a Charitable Corporation in Canada and one in the United States. As such, we have two different sets of laws to follow, different reporting systems and dates, and two different sets of books required. These challenges are compounded by having legal counsel, accountants, bank accounts, P.O. Boxes and book-keepers on both sides of the border. We are committed to streamlining our systems, and improving our internal “cross border” reporting and communications with our members and supporters.

The Kensington Conservancy will continue to seek out strategic partnerships for delivery of its Mission, including more effective working relationships with government agencies, local communities, other conservation organizations, and key funding partners. And perhaps most importantly, we will continue to nurture and grow our “family”. With our dedicated staff and board, volunteers, our conservation-minded landowners and our growing and generous group of financial contributors, the Kensington Conservancy has an unbeatable network of members like you who can help us deliver on our efforts to preserve the best of the North Channel.

Thank you for your continued support!

Peter Welles



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Activity within TKC seems to ramp up further each year. The year started with the completion of the Foster donation, our first gift **through Environment Canada's Ecological Gift program. Although** the donation was completed December 24th, 2009, it was put through the application process (EcoGifts) in January 2010. Confirmation of the properties acceptance was received in March.

Property acquisition processes were much easier with Adam Jones on staff in 2010. He brings the technical expertise to our organization. His personal enthusiasm and knowledge was received overwhelmingly well by our members. He brought the properties off the map and into the hearts of our members, supporters, **staff and board. Although on a paid internship for twelve months, I feel his expertise is something that TKC can't lose.** As we become more and more successful, his land management/protection services are indispensable. He has completed baseline documentation reports on most of our properties in the past twelve months, assisted with our Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program and been a great advocate with post secondary education institutions and other NGOs. Together we have made presentations to both post secondary and secondary students encouraging passion and enthusiasm for our natural environment. The response has been tremendous!

The Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition and TKC partnered under another Northern Ontario Heritage Fund grant to hire Lindsey Verdone on a twelve month contract position as an Outreach Coordinator. In this position, Lindsey worked from our office during the summer months and under my supervision throughout her contract. Partnership with Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition remains strong, even though I resigned as Chair in December 2010. I felt that with my new position as Vice-Chair on the Board of Governors for Ontario Land Trust Alliance it was necessary to reduce my obligations to other organizations.

With my presence on the Ontario Land Trust Alliance Board of Governors (OLTA), it has become evident that OLTA needs to reach further north to support the issues here in Northern Ontario. They started this year with a seminar invitation to all organizations to meet to discuss issues around Lake Superior. While not on Lake Superior we did have opportunity to talk about concerns on Lake Huron. One issue became very evident that we needed both more information and discussion on, changes to the Mining/ Prospectors Act. So OLTA organized and hosted a second meeting with the Ministry of Northern Development Mines and Forestry. Marc Leroux, Senior Manager, Information and Marketing Services, Ontario Geological Survey, met with us to discuss the new changes and hear our concerns. This is proving to be an important conduit for information sharing.

The announcement in August 2010 of a matching grant for \$75,000 to retire the Archibald loan triggered a flurry of capital donations, especially at the end of the fiscal year. The support of individual donors was tremendous. We had donations of \$50.00-\$100,000.00. Everyone pitched in!

As we start yet another year, we will celebrate our successes, learn our lessons, and drive forward towards the preservation and protection of that which we hold dear.

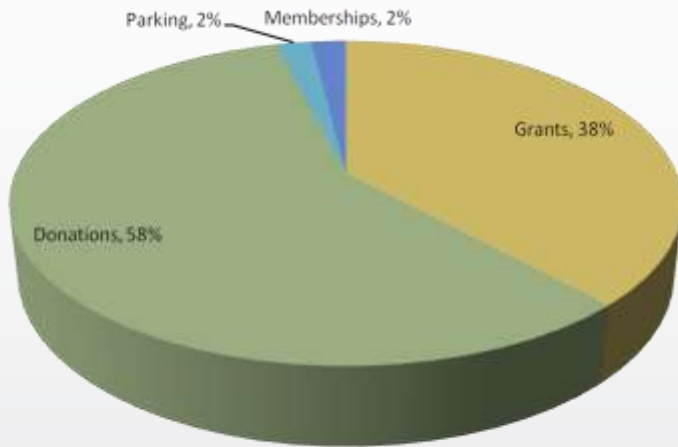
Respectfully,

Tanna Elliott



FINANCIAL REPORT 2010

REVENUE



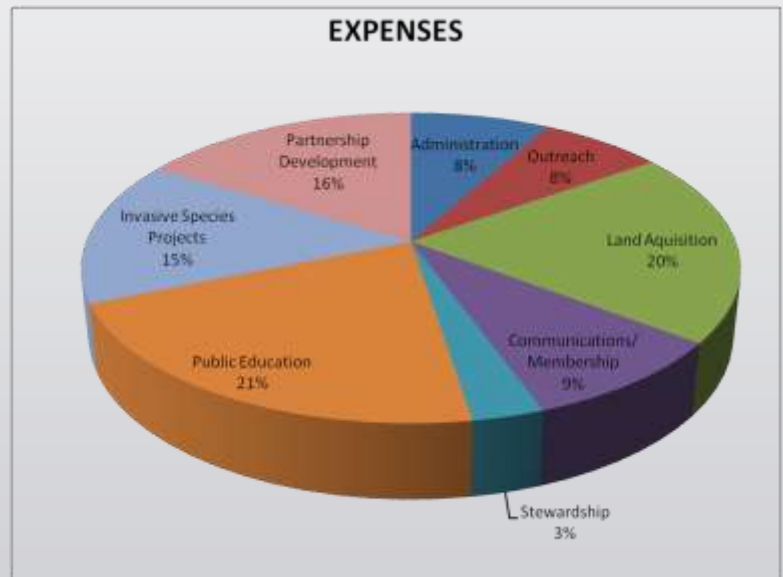
OPERATING SUPPORT

Membership Income:	\$ 4,270	2%
Donations:	\$ 99,555	58%
Parking:	\$ 3851	2%
Grants:	\$ 64,866	38%
	\$172,542	100 %

OPERATING EXPENSES

Administration:	\$ 13742	8%
Outreach:	\$ 12,301	8%
Land Acquisition:	\$ 33,060	20%
Communications/ Membership:	\$ 15,510	9%
Stewardship:	\$ 4,616	3%
Public Education:	\$ 35,022	21%
Invasive Species Projects:	\$ 24,002	15%
Partnership Development:	\$ 26,656	16%
	\$164,908	100%

EXPENSES



"This report is a consolidated report of our Canadian and USA financial picture. What is not noted in the information above is that The Kensington Conservancy has a reserve fund of \$73,516 and \$ 73,433 in our Archibald Capital Campaign account at the end of 2010.

With your continued support we will be able to carry on with environmental education/projects and land protection." Respectfully submitted: Carla Bumbaco, Treasurer

The Kensington Conservancy in 2010

Adam assembling members for a field trip



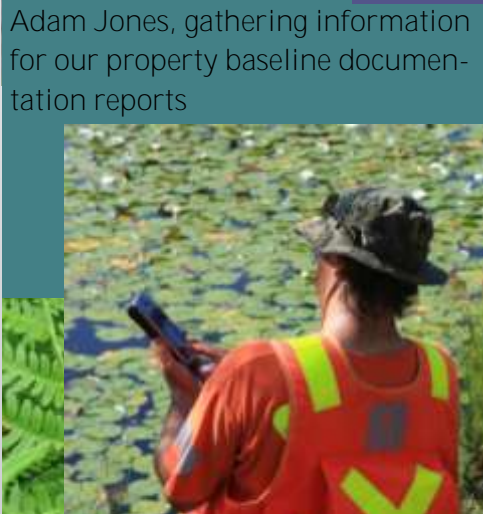
Learning from Adam Jones in the Black Hole



Adam Jones and Tanna Elliott setting up TKC's new office May 2010



Adam Jones, gathering information for our property baseline documentation reports



Annual Executive Board Meeting held at the Block House

Mason Phelps, meeting with TKC guests from the Canadian Land Trust Alliance and Ontario Land Trust Alliance, hosted by Terry and Tina Haight



MALLARD (<500)			
(>10,000)			
Bent, Pam	Anonymous (3)	Hershey, John & Harriet	Taylor, Elizabeth
Boden, Linda	Bell, Cici	Hill, Jim & Alice	Taylor, Moses
Dann Family	Bloomer, Cecilia	Hodgkins, Tom & Bondy	Tebbetts, Chartis
Hodgkins, Tom & Bondy	Bondar, Arthur	Hofmann, David	Tisdale, Bob & Gayle
Welles, Peter	Bouck, Craig & Lynn	Hoyt, Freddie & Tom	Vail, David & Anne
LOON (5,000-9,999)	Bouffard, Diane & Michel	Ingabrand, Ken	Vail, Stephen
	Bowen, Charles & Calvin	Johnson, Greg	VanHouten, Don & Carol
Clark, Kit	Caldwell, Errol	Johnson, Tom	Verburg, Brad & Jill
Gawthrop Islands	Carper, Nick & Barbara	King, Joseph & Elma	Waddell, Sophia
Haight, Terry & Tina	Chamberlin, Ann	Kirby, Eric	Warren, Anita
Sylvester, Edmond Q. III	Cherry, Steve & Kim	Kite, Peggy	Warren, Richard
Welles, Jeff & Maud	Clark, Jennifer	Kite, Tiger & Suzanne	Watson, Charles & Anne
BEAR (2,500.00-4,999)	Clark, Kit & Katie	Lagerholm, Erling	Watson, Joyce
	Clement, Larry & Sheila	Lang, Susan	Welles, Damaris
O'Connell, Libby & Matt	Cohen, Robert & Joyce	MacDonald, Hugh & Kim	Welles, Don & Bo
Welles, Deke & Hope	Cross, David	MacDougall, Charlotte	Welles, Georgia
DEER (1,000-2,499)	Dann, Jake	Maldonado, Madeleine	Welles, Gerry
	Dann, Jesse	Marquardt, Martica	Welles, Skip
Anonymous	Dann, Mike	Marsters, Courtney	Wheeler, Wells
Bullock, Bebe & Bill	Davie, Sam & Barrett	McCall, Leilani	Wood, Marie
Donnelley, Tom	Delyzer, Chris & Faye	McKay, Chuck & Jill	Wulsin, Drausin
Kauffman, Richard	Douglas, Bruce	Meyer, Jane	Wulsin, John Jr.
Kirby, Eric	Douglas, Hoby	Miller, Blair & Chris	Wulsin, Lawson
Vincenzo, Sarah	Douglas, Jamie	Miller, Joanne & Kevin	Wulsin, Reed
OTTER (500-999)	Douglass, Keith & Rita	Montgomery, Rowena	LEGACY DONORS
	Duckstein, Heidemarie	Morettins, Debbie	
Bowen, Charles & Calvin	Dunn, Doug & Calvin	Oehlenschlager, Dick & Betty	Lagerholm, Erling
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Phelps, Mason	Evans, Marshall	Phelps, Peggy	
Welles, Damaris	Faganely, Robert & Lori	Pook, Ron & Debbie	
	Fisk, Charles	Priddle, George	
	Fort, Debbie	Rilett, John	
	Foster, Maurice & Janet	Robertson, John & Linda	
	Foster, Peter	Sanders, Gary	
	Gawthrop, Al	Shewfelt, Milton & Gerry	
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	Gjos, Gary & Marie	St. John, Ray & Jane	
	Gorno, M.L.	Strothman, Carter & Leah	
	Grannis, Patti & Balky	Strothman, John & Dana	
	Hennessy, Cela	Sylvester, Elizabeth	

Land Protection in 2010

