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1st Wooler Scouts Build Gift for Community and Nature

While summer is a time for fun in the sun and relaxation, a trio of local youth from the 1st Wooler Scout Group chose to spend their free time creating a special gift for nature lovers. Troop members Cameron Newberry, Luke Lassardo and Flynn Goldthorpe spearheaded the build of a beautiful, wooden picnic table which they gifted to Lower Trent Conservation for public use. The table has been placed along the scenic shoreline of Cold Creek, on the Esker Trail Loop, at Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Area for all to enjoy.

The three boys researched how to build a picnic table online, and spent an entire summer weekend tackling the project with minimal adult guidance. Upon completion of the project, the boys themselves contacted Lower Trent Conservation asking if they could donate the table so *“other nature lovers could have the opportunity to enjoy it”*.

“It’s more than just a picnic table, this gift is an indication of our local youth’s appreciation for nature and dedication to community enhancement,” says Conservation Lands Manager David Beamer. “It’s efforts like these by the 1st Wooler Scouts that serve to inspire others.”

“The time, energy and enthusiasm these three young men put into this project is commendable,” says Steven Paul, co-Scouter. “The fruits of their labour will continue to serve our community by providing a comfortable, attractive and unique picnicking place for visitors at Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Area for many years to come.”

Lower Trent Conservation is a non-profit, registered charity that seeks donations and welcomes volunteers in an effort to support a variety of its programs and services including youth environmental education, stewardship, community outreach and conservation lands initiatives. Anyone interested in donating, volunteering or learning more can contact Lower Trent Conservation at 613-394-4829, or visit the website at LTC.on.ca.

PHOTO from left to right: Flynn Goldthorpe, Luke Lassardo, Cameron Newberry, Steven Paul (Co-Scouter), David Beamer (Conservation Lands Manager, LTC) and Rob McDonald (Co-Scouter).

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