

Bruce Falls kindly wrote up the notes for the June field day at the home of Glenn Coady in Thickson's Woods. The report follows.

Hope everybody has a good summer; See you in September.

Oliver Bertin

Brodie Club Field Day 2009

Bruce Falls

On Saturday June 13 we had a good turnout for the Brodie Club Field Day and Picnic. We met and lunched at Glenn Coady's new residence backing on Thickson's Woods and facing Lake Ontario. A few arrived early but most of us came around 10 am, after a brief get-together on Glenn's back lawn, we had a tour of the woods with Glenn, Dennis Barry and Margaret Carney. Dennis and Margaret live next door, and have been there since before the woods were acquired by the Thickson's Woods Land Trust. Indeed, Dennis's quick actions saved the woods when pines were being logged. We had a delightful walk (see bird list by Glenn) and ended up for a group photo on the platform in the field portion of the reserve. Dennis showed a few of us a variety of native ferns.

The party broke up in mid-afternoon. A few of us visited the nearby site of Camp X where spy training was carried out during World War II. A monument commemorates William Stephenson – The Man Called Intrepid. According to Glenn, the U.S. CIA got its start here.

An interesting time and a pleasant chat among long-time members were the features of the day. All thanked Glenn for his hospitality and admired his new venue.

Several members felt that next year we should try to visit a more remote site with possible overnight arrangements.

The following were in attendance:

Jim and Yvonne Bendell, Fred Bodsworth and his daughter Barbara Welch, Glenn Coady (host), Hugh Currie, Sandra Eadie, Bruce and Ann Falls, Jean Iron and Ron Pittaway, Norm and Norma Martin, Jock McAndrews, Jim and Trudy Rising, Ron Tasker, and Dennis and Margaret Carney who showed us the woods (16 members and 3 guests).