

3rd annual workshop

friday, march 16, 2018 from 1-4pm



schedule of events

- 1:00pm** **Welcome and PEIISC Update** – Andrew McKenzie-Gopsill, Chair of PEI Invasive Species Council
- 1:05pm** **Presentation Series**
- 1:10pm** *Spotter's Network Update* —Beth Hoar, on behalf of PEIISC Council
- 1:30pm** *"Japanese Knotweed Control – Attacking our most Unwanted"* – Beth Hoar, Parkland Conservationist, City of Charlottetown
- 1:50pm** *"Glossy Buckthorn: What is it good for?"*—Norman Dewar, Watershed Coordinator, Ellen's Creek Watershed Group
- 2:10pm** *"The biology, ecology and management of invasive bittersweet, *Celastrus orbiculatus*"* — Andrew McKenzie-Gopsill, Research Scientist, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- 2:30pm** **Networking Break**
- 3:00pm** **Presentation Series (*continued*)**
- 3:05pm** *"Invasive Horticultural Trees, Shrubs and Vines"*— David Carmichael, Horticultural Technician, PEI Department of Forests, Fish and Wildlife
- 3:25pm** *"Our Approach to Invasive Species in PEI's National Park"* – Linda Thomas, Parks Canada
- 3:45pm** **Final Questions and Discussion**
- 4:00pm** **Closing Remarks**

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| PEI Invasive Species Council | MacPhail Woods Ecological Forestry Project |
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| Nature Tracker Mobile Application | Government of PEI: Forests, Fish and Wildlife |
| City of Charlottetown | Aquaculture Alliance |

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PEI Invasive Species Council Hosts Third Annual Workshop

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Charlottetown, PEI

PEI Invasive Species Council

The PEI Invasive Species Council (PEIISC) is holding its third annual workshop on Friday, March 16th, from 1pm to 4pm at the Prince Edward Island Farm Centre in Charlottetown.

The meeting will include an educational expo and presentation series, featuring a variety of Island groups and individuals who work on invasive species projects. A wide range of topics are on the agenda, including education and management of Glossy Buckthorn and Japanese Knotweed, managing invasives in PEI's national park, a Spotter's Network update, and a sneak peek at a pilot project on oriental bittersweet. Horticultural Technician, David Carmichael, will also be on-hand to discuss invasives in landscaping and gardening. The workshop will be a chance for islanders to learn more about invasive species as an important environmental issue, and discover ways to help.

"Invasive plants, animals, insects and diseases have significant negative impacts on our environment" says Andrew McKenzie-Gopsill, Chair of the PEIISC. "We all can contribute to preventing the spread of invasive species". This annual invasive species workshop provides information to a greater audience, allowing us to all work together on this very important issue.

There is no admission fee for the event, and refreshments will be provided. All islanders are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Notes to Editors:

- An invasive species is an organism (plant, animal, insect, disease etc.) that has become established outside of its native range, has a tendency to spread, and causes economic, ecological or social harm
- For a full schedule of events, please visit the PEIISC website: www.peiinvasives.ca

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