



HIGH PARK STEWARDS

2020

WELCOME HIGH PARK STEWARDS!

We have weathered rain, heat, snow, wind and a pandemic to help manage some Environmentally Significant Areas in High Park.

We have all been pushed to adapt to the impact COVID-19 has had, and I have been impressed with this community's respect for each other's safety and the support we have given each other as we volunteered together! Your adaptation and dedication to the interim safety measures made it possible to have these field events!

So let's take a moment to celebrate some of the achievements of 2020!

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PARTICIPANTS

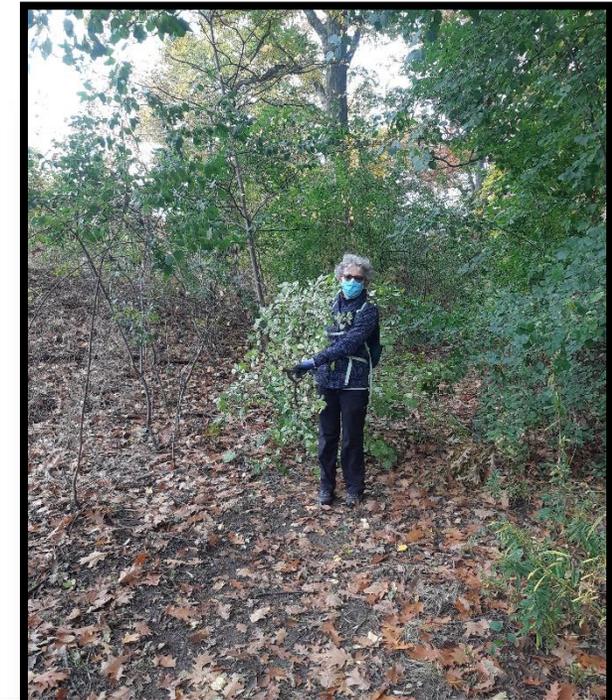
Five of the thirteen scheduled field events were able to proceed during COVID-19. 37 people registered and participated in those events.

With a maximum of 8 participants per event, over 75 hours were logged in the field this year!



INVASIVE SPECIES

Between three sessions, we removed invasive species from approximately **6700 m²** of Environmentally Significant Areas.



INVASIVE SPECIES

We removed:

Japanese Hedge Parsley

European buckthorn

Tartarian Honeysuckle

Burning Bush

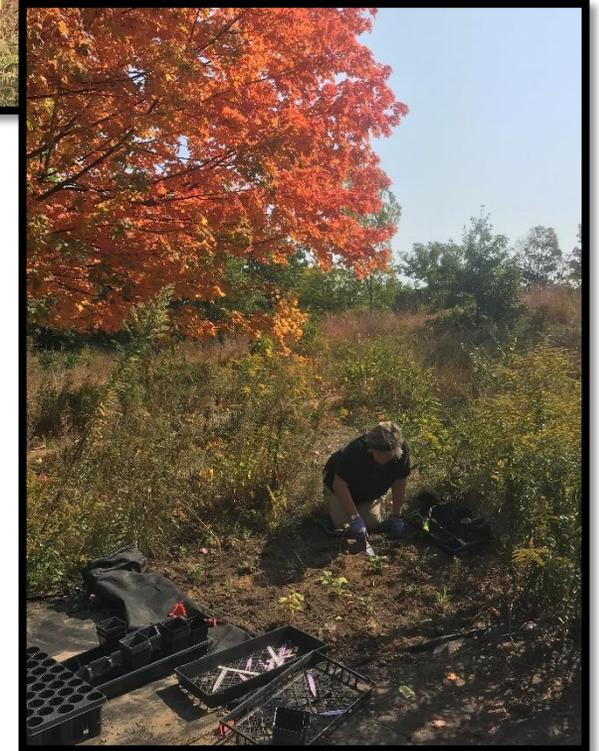
Norway Maple



PLANTINGS

Spring Planting: Was cancelled due to COVID-19

Fall Planting: We planted **687** native herbaceous and woody plants over 2 events



PLANTINGS

30 different species of plants were planted in the Tablelands.

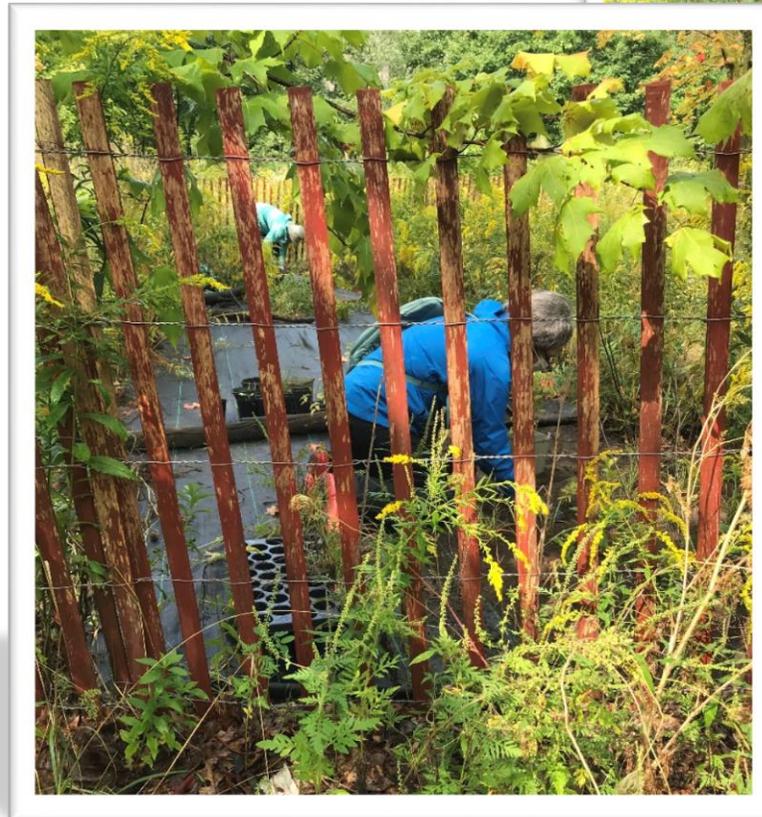
- 5 species of shrubs
- 6 species of grasses
- 19 species of forbs

Most planted:

Shrub – New Jersey Tea

Grass – Indian Grass

Forb – Wild Bergamot



PLANTINGS



SEED COLLECTION

We collected:

Big Bluestem

Little Bluestem

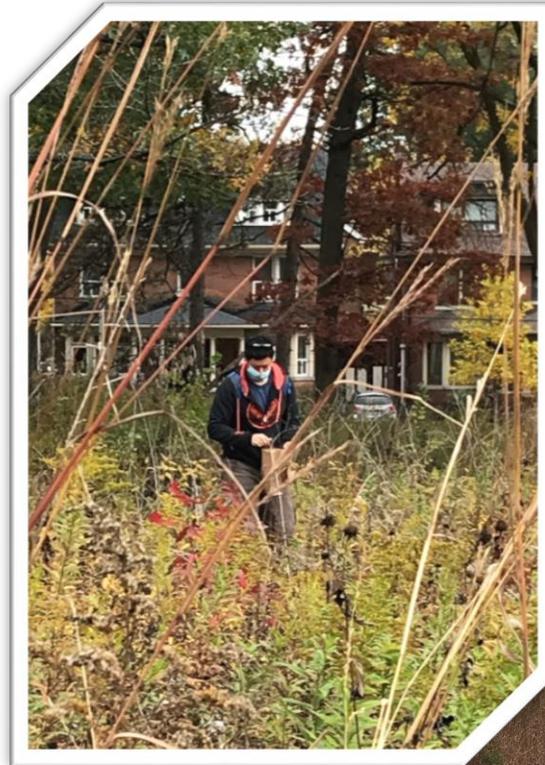
Canada Wild Rye

Indian Grass

Wild Bergamot

Black-Eyed Susan

Showy Tick Trefoil (on our clothes...)



SEED COLLECTION

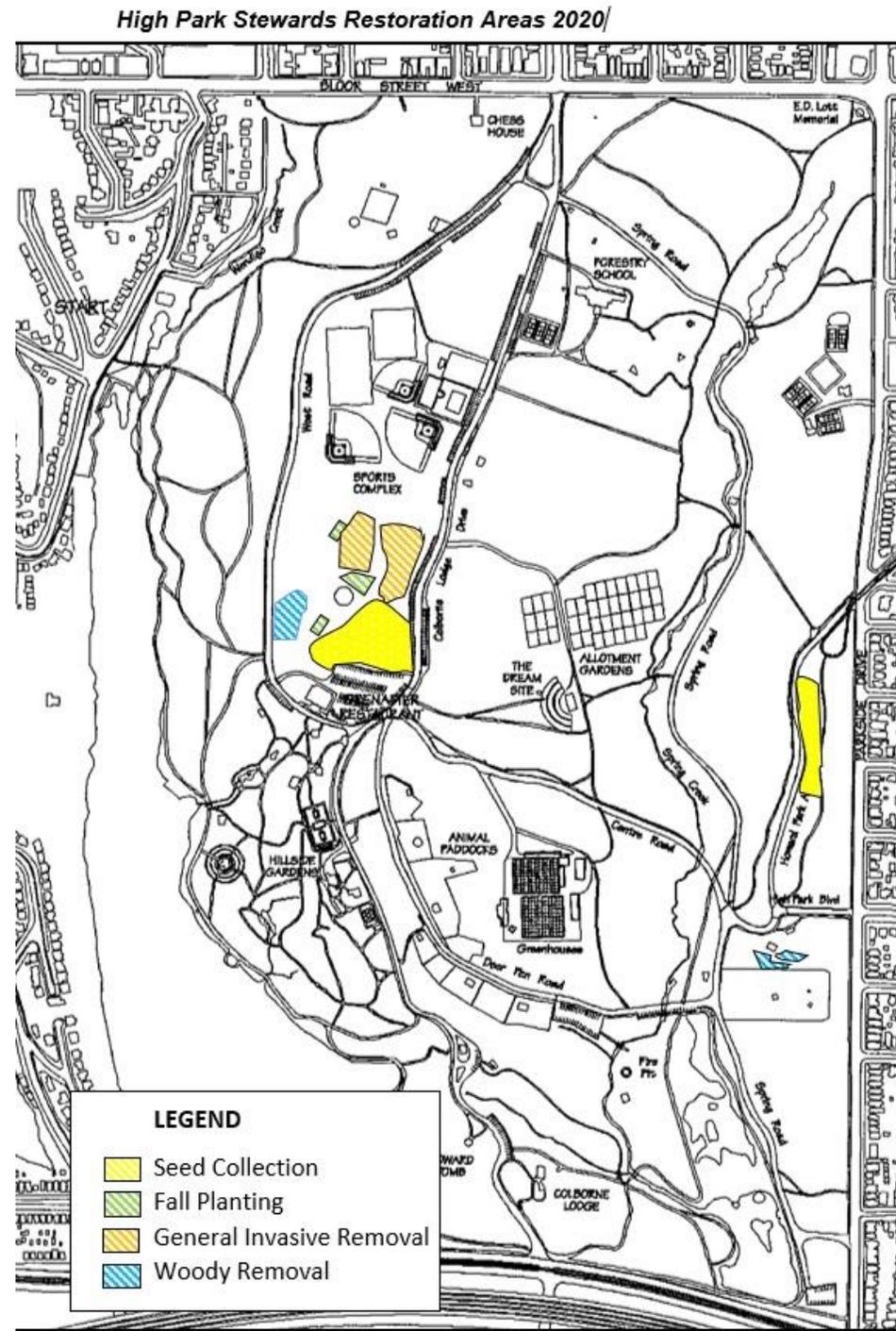


SEED COLLECTION

Collected seed is stored and propagated at the High Park Greenhouse/Nursery. Greenhouse staff often run seed cleaning and seed planting events with High Park Stewards. Once the seeds have grown into seedlings, they are planted back into High Park's Environmentally Significant Areas at High Park Stewards planting events.



RESTORATION AREAS



THANK YOU!

Another year of great accomplishment especially in the face of adversity.

Until we meet again next year...



IT IS OUR
COLLECTIVE AND
INDIVIDUAL
RESPONSIBILITY...TO
PRESERVE AND TEND
TO THE WORLD IN
WHICH WE ALL LIVE.

- DALAI LAMA

