

A BRIEF HISTORY

In April of 1998 a small group of interested individuals formed Native Orchid Conservation Inc (NOCI), a non-profit organization whose purpose is to protect unique mini-ecosystems and their plant communities. This primarily involves native orchids, but also extends to other rare and/or endangered plants.

NOCI has six main objectives:

1. To identify areas containing rare native plant species;
2. To work alone or with other conservation bodies, governments and corporations to conserve native plant species;
3. To perform research and field studies and to preserve data on, and specimens of native plants;
4. To foster an awareness and appreciation of rare native plant species in the field, and through educational displays;
5. To provide an association and a voice for those interested in the conservation of native plants and the natural environment.
6. To provide field trips and opportunities for study for students and others interested in learning more about our native plant species.

NOCI ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- ❖ **February 2008:** Co-produced educational video *EKO* on Brokenhead Wetlands
- ❖ **June 2007:** Winner (Silver) Canadian Environment Awards, in the Conservation category for efforts to protect the Brokenhead Wetlands;
- ❖ **April 2006:** Winner, Premier Doer's Volunteer Service Award in the Community category for working to protect Manitoba's native orchid species and their habitat;
- ❖ **August 2005:** Produced educational video *Zoom in on Native Orchids*
- ❖ **July 2005:** Publication of field guide *Orchids of Manitoba*.
- ❖ **June 2005:** Declaration of Brokenhead Ecological Reserve (563 ha of wetland);
- ❖ **April 1999:** Certificate of Recognition by Premier Gary Filmon on behalf of the Manitoba Roundtable for Sustainable Development, for valuable contribution towards sustainable development.



Name								
Address								
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Optional Information								
Occupation								
Interests								
Volunteer?								
How did you learn of NOCI?								

MEMBERSHIP

Benefits of membership in NOCI include:

- ❖ Regular newsletters with articles on activities, events, and rare plants;
- ❖ Opportunity to participate in field trips to see orchids and other rare plants; to photograph and study them;
- ❖ Opportunity to volunteer in a meaningful way to help conserve orchids and their habitat;
- ❖ The satisfaction of knowing that membership dues and donations will go towards the conservation of native plant species and the environment.

Membership Dues:

Individual: \$10.00
Junior: \$0.00
Group: \$25.00
Note: Juniors are children under 18 years.

Donations:

I wish to donate to NOCI conservation projects:

\$25.00 \$50.00 Other

I wish to donate to the Brokenhead Wetland Boardwalk project (Debwendon):

\$25.00 \$50.00 Other

Donation Amount: _____

Receipts will be issued for donations of \$10 or more. Tax No. is 86816 7198 RR0001.

Mail application (on reverse) along with membership fee and donations to:

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(Make cheques out to Native Orchid Conservation Inc.)



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