



KoshSmart BINGO

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Power Down	Garbage Pickup	Plant Native Species	Wildlife Trees	Clean Boats
Drive Less	Safe Distance to Wildlife	Use Natural Cleaners	Leave Logs in the Water	Reusable Water Bottle
Put up a Bat House	Remove an Invasive Species		Make Brush Piles	Wildlife Proof your Pets
Shop Local	Put up a Birdhouse	Birdwatch	Reusable Shopping Bags	Reduce Chemicals Outside
Nature Walk	Weather Chart	Star Gaze	Build a Bee House	Keep a Natural Shoreline

How It Works:

- Simply print off this Bingo Card and mark an X as items are completed
- Once you have a BINGO (full row of 5 items: horizontal; vertical; diagonal) email your completed card to Environment@Kasshabog.ca to be entered in the prize draw.

Can you play more than one card? Certainly, but you must submit a different horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line than previously claimed. And, if a space is overlapped, you must redo that activity.

The game will run until the end of August 2023 and is open to all paid up LKRA Members. Deadline for entry submissions is September 5, 2023 (draw will be September 7, 2023)

KoshSmart Bingo Contest Activities

Birdwatch Spend an afternoon birdwatching and learn about your local water birds and shore birds and why they are important for the environment.

Plant Native Species Plant a native tree, plant, or bush to help reduce erosion, especially at your water's edge. Have a small garden? Plant native flower species to benefit pollinators in your area.

Put up a Bat House A single bat can capture 500-1,000 mosquitoes in an hour. A bat house will keep bats from nesting in the eaves or attic of your cottage and garage.

Reusable Shopping Bags Reuse shopping bags. Keep them in your car so you will never need the plastic bags provided by stores. This will reduce litter and the negative impact on the environment.

Drive Less Instead of driving, try walking where you need to go for an entire day. Carbon emissions are one of the leading causes of global warming, and they pollute the environment.

Reusable Water Bottle Ditch the plastic water bottles this summer and purchase a good reusable one. This will reduce the amount of waste in the environment as well as save you money! Large recyclable water jugs are readily available.

Use Natural Cleaners Purchase and use phosphate free soaps and natural cleaners when you are at Kosh. They protect the environment and are good for your pets and wildlife.

Power Down In the evening, try to turn off all unnecessary lights. Your neighbours will appreciate it too! Bright lights disorient animals such as birds and can cause them to collide with objects. Lights also attract moths, mosquitoes, and other insects.

Garbage Pickup Remove litter from the road, beach, and lake). Litter can contain toxic materials or chemicals that can be blown or washed into the water and forests, potentially harming our habitat and any animals who end up ingesting the litter.

Put up a Birdhouse Build a birdhouse (you may already have the material), or put up a nesting box that provides a safe, protected place for birds to nest. Birds eat pests such as mosquitoes. They are also fun to watch while relaxing at the lake!

Shop Local Whenever possible, buy local produce. You will be supporting small farmers and reducing the emissions put into the environment by transporting trucks.

Safe Distance to Wildlife Only observe wildlife from a distance. Many mothers leave their young to find food. They are not in danger and the best thing to do is not touch them and watch from a distance.

Remove an Invasive Species Invasive species take over different ecosystems that native wildlife need. Research different techniques to remove invasive species to keep wildlife and your area healthy and happy.

Keep Wildlife Trees Around Wildlife trees have holes and cavities for wildlife to nest in. If you have a dead tree on your property and it is safe to leave it standing, watch for different wildlife to take advantage of it and make it their home.

Leave Logs in the Water Logs in the water provide both areas for fish to hide and for turtles to bask on. If it is safe, leave logs close to the shore away from people and boats. You might be able to spot some turtles!

Make Brush Piles Brush piles provide a resting spot, escape cover and den sites for wildlife. Songbirds use them as perch sites, especially when they are located near feeding or nesting sites. They can also help to keep critters away from your buildings.

Clean your Boats Wash your boat when going lake to lake. This will prevent the spread of invasive species which in turn keeps our water protected for many unwanted species.

Wildlife-Proof your Pets Pets can harm wildlife. If possible, keep your cats indoors to help the birds. Or, attach a bell to their collar to give the birds a heads up that a predator is coming. Do your best to prevent your dogs from chasing and harassing the wildlife.

Reduce Chemicals Outside This summer reduce your use of pesticides and insecticides on your lawn and garden, especially when you're near the lake. These chemicals can runoff and end up harming the lake ecosystem, as well as animals.

Go on a Nature Walk Get outside and enjoy nature. Observe the plants and animals you see, and try to identify a new species every walk. Take time to listen and smell the different things around you. Nature walks are very beneficial to your health!

Keep a Weather Chart Keep a journal of how the weather changes day to day while you are enjoying your relaxing morning at the lake. Make note of the different species you observe according to the weather.

Go Stargaze Get out and enjoy the stars. Learn to find a new constellation: the Big Dipper or Orion's Belt are great starting points! And, there are so many different animals you can hear at night, too!

Build a Bee House Building a bee house will help them survive over winter. Bees are a very beneficial species to have around. Not only do they keep your flowers looking beautiful but they also help to pollinate the food we eat.

Keep a Natural Shoreline Refrain from cutting away all the natural vegetation around your shoreline. It will discourage geese and the root systems of these plants will keep your shoreline intact and help prevent erosion. It will also benefit other creatures, such as providing different water temperatures for fish!