

ERNESTOWN Landowners Map A.8, Approx 1797

FIND OUR ANCESTORS

The map displays a grid of land parcels, each with handwritten text. The text includes names, dates, and other details. The map is annotated with five green boxes and lines pointing to specific entries:

- Box 1 (top left): Points to a parcel in the upper left quadrant.
- Box 2 (top right): Points to a parcel in the upper right quadrant.
- Box 3 (middle right): Points to a parcel in the middle right quadrant.
- Box 4 (bottom right): Points to a parcel in the bottom right quadrant.
- Box 5 (bottom left): Points to a parcel in the bottom left quadrant.

At the bottom left of the map, it is labeled "Ernest Town". At the bottom right, it is labeled "Ernest Town".

DRAFT Plan for Ernestown Ancestor and Landholder Display for Canada Day 2019:

- ✚ 1 late 1700's map of the township that shows the mostly Loyalist landholders of that time, possibly printed at 42" by 42" size. Two printing options are providing prices. A title header will also be printed, wording to be confirmed. I like to consider all the 'forbearers of a place' to be the ancestors of 'all' of us as they set the stage for things now. This implies inclusiveness, which can help create and solidify community.
- ✚ Mounted in a suitable manner on a backing that will accept push pins. (Possibly Corro-plast and Cement stability blocks from previous events, or 'tentest'. We have a qualified carpenter to do securing, mounting and who will assure safety is a key focus along with minimal impact on the area used.)
- ✚ The map will be mounted at an accessible height, so that low-viewers such as children can see some of it, and the top will be no higher than 6 feet.
- ✚ Transcription pages of the map will be available in sheet protectors so that the guests can look at the chart in a modern format.
- ✚ Alphabetical and concession lists will also be created to provide alternate ways of looking up ancestors or landholders.
- ✚ Small versions of adjacent townships will also be available, and info sheets about the online source of the maps, about the United Empire Loyalist Association, about Heritage in Bath and with information about our sponsors will be provided.
- ✚ Funding for this will be in part provided by the Kingston and District Branch of the UELAC.
- ✚ At the event Cards, pins, pens and string will be provided by the Loyalist-dressed attendants, who will facilitate the experience for the guests, helping them to find their people or land, and place a note, comment, name or voluntary contact info on the card that points to that piece of land! Their choice.
- ✚ A guest book will make a place for people to leave other comments.
- ✚ If we can use this in future years, having the past guest books available is a treat for children to look back to where they signed 'last year'.
- ✚ The map and cards would be collected, and comments sorted, and used as suitable, possibly creating a contact list for more information but only if requested. No private information will be shared publicly.
- ✚ The map and display might be able to be set up at the museum for ongoing use, or simple stored for future use by UELAC groups, or others, as well as being ready for the next Canada Day.
- ✚ Lamination or other weather protection has been discussed and is still under consideration, as has a canopy for shade and weather protection.
- ✚ A table and a couple of chairs will be needed for the volunteer attendants who will be from the group involved on the Loyalist Ancestor Float.

Additional aspects may need to be added to this DRAFT!

