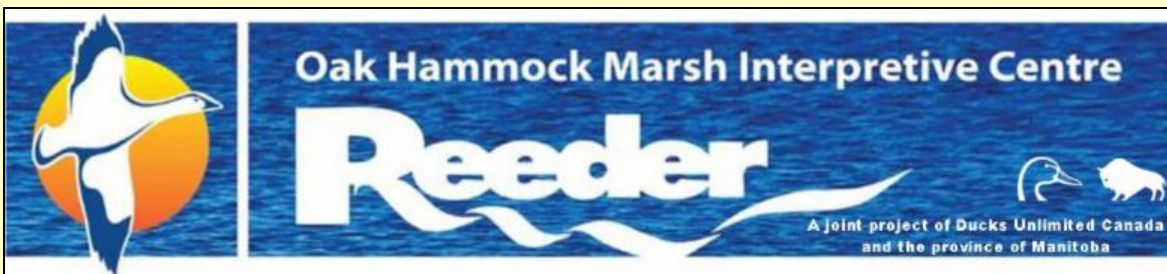


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Greetings!

Welcome to the Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre Newsletter. Here are some upcoming and noteworthy events happening this month.

Labour Day Weekend

September 3 to 5

The summer is coming to an end which means the migration season is upon us.

Enjoy the last long weekend of summer at the marsh. Participate in a **guided canoe adventure** or **rent your own canoe** to explore the marsh at your own pace.

Try your hand at orienteering, make a craft, get your face painted and more. **Horse-drawn wagon rides** will be offered on **Monday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.** Wagon rides are available for \$5 per person (\$3 for members).

[For more information about this event](#)

Geocaching Workshop and Cache the Marsh

September 11

The **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre** is hosting its tenth annual Cache the Marsh event!

An **introduction to GPS and geocaching** will be offered prior to the event from **10:30 a.m. to noon**. Pre-registration is required for the workshop. Fee is \$5 plus regular admission and includes the use of a GPS unit.



The **Cache the Marsh Challenge** will take place from **1 to 4 p.m.** As in the past, the Challenge will require some canoeing skills, basic knowledge of birds and other wildlife found at **Oak Hammock Marsh**, as well as a good sense of adventure. Prizes will be awarded at 5 p.m. during a BBQ supper.

The Marsh offers great wildlife viewing opportunities, especially during this time of the year. Make sure to bring your binoculars!

[For more information about this event and workshop](#)

Astronomy Night - Fall Constellations and Star Party

September 15 - 8 p.m.

Fall is a great time to observe the night sky. The sun goes down earlier and the nights are still relatively warm. It is also a great time of the year to observe many interesting constellations and deep space objects such as galaxies and nebulae.



Explore the fall night sky above **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre** and learn more about the stories behind some of the fall constellations.

This event is very special as you will get a chance to meet some members of the **Royal Astronomy Society of Canada!** Enjoy a great night of sky watching with fellow stargazers and share their passion for this fantastic hobby.

[For more information about this event](#)

Decoy Carving Competition

September 17 and 18

The **Oak Hammock Marsh Carving Guild** is hosting its **Annual Decoy Competition**.

This event is open to True Hunting, Traditional Style and Contemporary Style Waterfowl Decoys, all life-size floating.



This competition will feature five purchase awards.

[For more information about this event](#)

A Bird in the Hand

September 24 - 8 to 10 a.m.

Be part of an important research by participating in a real live songbird banding session at the marsh. Learn why **Oak Hammock Marsh** is such an important stop on the migration path. You may get to feel



the bird's feathers flutter in your gently closed palm a second before it is released, then unfurl your fingers and let the bird fly free!

The bird banding experience is followed by a canoe excursion or a guided birding walk on the trails. Listen to the many songs of the wildlife at the marsh.

\$25 per person. Pre-registration required.

Migration Dinners

September 29, 30 and October 5

Experience the sights and sounds of fall migration while enjoying an elegant three-course dinner prepared by **Chef Kelley**.



Dinner will be followed by a rooftop migration presentation and fly-in of the geese and ducks at sunset.

Pre-registration is required. Dinner is **\$45 for members** and **\$53 for non-members**. Price includes a glass of wine and coffee.

[For more information about the dinners](#)

Birding Hour - Migration

September 25 - 1 to 2 p.m.

Migration is well underway. When do the birds leave? Where do they go?



Learn the mysteries of migration during this workshop with our Resident Naturalist: **Paula Grief**.

This workshop is available for all ages. Workshop fee: \$5 plus admission

[For more information about this workshop](#)

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