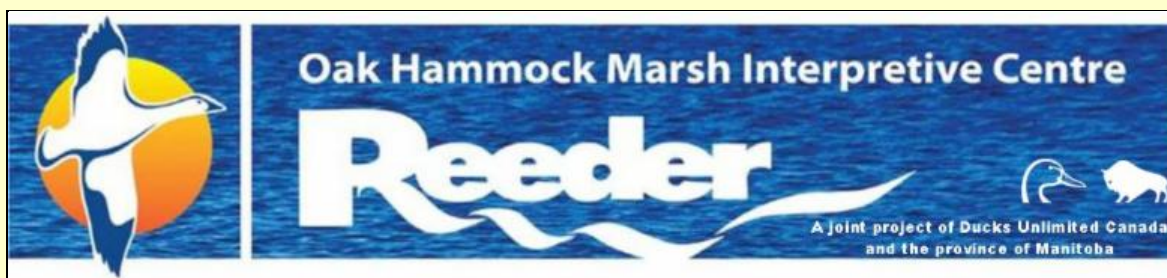


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Greetings!

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

Groundhog Day / World Wetlands Day

Manitoba Merv didn't see his shadow, spring is on its way!

Manitoba Merv, the official weather forecasting groundhog of Manitoba, came out from behind the cattails this morning at sunrise. He looked around for a little while and seeing no shadow, he made his prediction:



An early spring is on the way for Manitoba!

Come and visit **Manitoba Merv** today at **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre** and help us celebrate **World Wetlands Day!** Play ShuffleDuck or go snowshoeing, get outside and enjoy wetlands in winter.

Participate in the **#WinterWakeUp Contest** Get out and share your winter wetland fun before **February 17th** for a chance to win a **Ducks Unlimited Canada** winter outdoors prize pack!

Snap a picture, take a video or share a story with us on social media using the hashtag **#WinterWakeUp**

[For more information about this event](#)

Birding Hour Workshop - Bird Love

February 14 - 1 p.m.

Understanding bird courtship behavior can help you recognize how birds act in your backyard, and with practice it is possible to identify birds based on their mating behavior.



There are several different types of courtship rituals that birds can use including singing, dancing, colourful displays and feeding.

Let our **Resident Naturalist, Paula Grief**, guide you through the sometimes complex courtship behavior of birds!

Workshop fee is **\$5 plus admission**. Pre-registration required.

[For more information or to sign up](#)

Decoy Carving Workshop - Ring-necked Duck

February 8, 15 and 22 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Learn to carve your very own Ring-necked Duck decoy from award winning carvers. This three-day course will teach you the classic North American art of decoy carving.



Pre-registration is required.

Workshop fee is **\$80 for Oak Hammock members, \$95 for non-members**.

[For more information or to sign up](#)

Astronomy Night - The Planets

February 19 - 7 p.m.

Learn about our astronomical neighbours: the other planets of the solar system. Find out when will be the best time of the year to see them in the sky.



Special theatre presentation and stargazing session from the rooftop observation deck will help you gain an appreciation for this heavenly hobby.

[For more information on this event](#)

Candlelight Dinner

February 14 - 6:00 p.m.

Treat that special person in your life to a fantastic candlelight dinner at the Marsh this year.



Our Café, overlooking the frozen wetland, is the perfect setting for this 4-course dinner prepared by chef Kelley Hyatt and her team.

[For menu information or to register](#)

Voyageur Day

February 16

Visit us during Louis Riel Day and celebrate the lives of Voyageurs.



Try gigging, dress up like a voyageur and play some voyageur games such as Bannock Toss.

This is a great way to spend some time outside and enjoy wetlands in winter.

[For more information about this event](#)

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