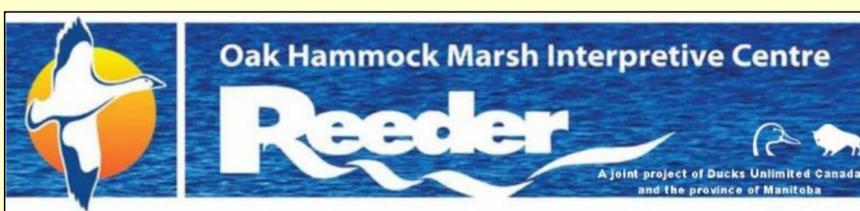


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## Greetings!

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

**HIke the Dyke**

June 13 - 10 a.m. to noon

Adventure awaits as you trek the trails with a naturalist.

**Oak Hammock Marsh** has over 30 kilometers of trails. Join an interpreter for a guided hike to the lesser seen parts of the marsh. The hike will start with a meeting at the Interpretive Centre to determine the hike location based on weather, trail conditions and other factors.

This hike will be through rough terrain. Expect tall plants, insects and other obstacles. Proper walking footwear, clothing and water are a must, along with the ability to walk a far distance. Note that there are no facilities (benches, washrooms, shade) along the outer trails.

Hike may be shortened or cancelled due to weather.

Workshop fee: \$10 plus admission

[For more information about this event](#)

**Father's Day Waterbug Derby**

June 21

Join us for a fun-filled day for Dad and the entire family.

Participate in our **Annual Waterbug Derby** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Equipped with a net and bucket, try to catch some invertebrates in the waters of the marsh and win prizes for the highest score and most unique bugs caught.

Bring dad to the Café for a special lunch from noon to 2 p.m.

Explore the marsh with local nature-lover **Allan Webb** and his horse-drawn wagon from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Extra fee of **\$5 for non-members** of the Interpretive Centre and **\$3 for members** apply for this half-hour to forty-five minute ride.

[For more information about this event](#)

**National Aboriginal Day**

June 21

Celebrate **National Aboriginal Day** with us and learn more about Aboriginal culture.

Participate in Aboriginal games, learn the importance of many marsh plants and taste some of during a special plant walk through the marsh.

[For more information about this event](#)

**A Bird in the Hand**

June 27 - 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 might 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. Smell the blooming wildflowers of the wetland and listen to the many songs of the wildlife at the marsh.

\$20 per person. Please register ahead to secure your place.

[For more information about this workshop](#)

**Summer Bird Census**

June 28 - 7 a.m. to noon

Each year, the **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre** conducts a series of surveys to count some of the animals found at the Marsh. Some surveys are done daily, some weekly and others annually.

Surveys are a great way to explore the Marsh, learn more about wetlands and animals, and get involved in conservation efforts.

The annual **Summer Bird Census** helps determine which species of birds nest at the marsh and is a great way to improve bird observation skills.

Teams of volunteers, consisting of one expert and some novices, walk a section of the dike system, recording everything seen and heard. After the morning walk, a lunch will be served and prizes awarded.

The Summer Bird Census will take place Sunday, June 28, from 7 a.m. until noon. Participants are asked to be at the Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre no later than 6:45 a.m.

Call us at 467-3300 to register before June 25. Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

[For more information about this event](#)

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The Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre is located 30 minutes North of Winnipeg on highway 67 between highways #7 and #8. For more information call (204) 467-3300.

Sincerely,

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