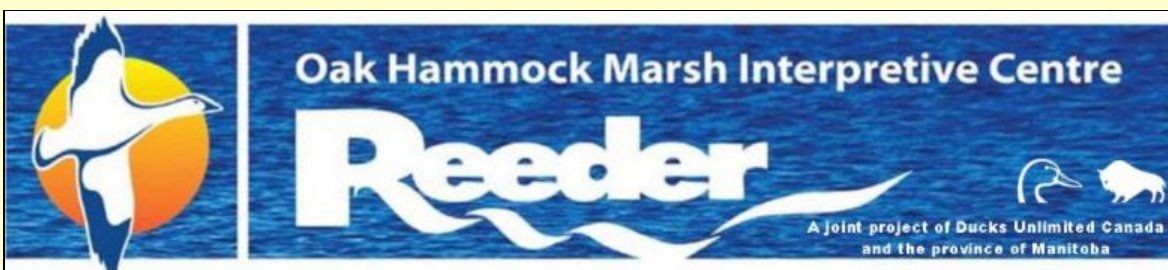


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Greetings!

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

Astronomy Night - Winter Constellations

December 15 - 7 p.m.

Get to know Orion and other famous winter constellations as we prepare for the winter solstice, the best stargazing time of the year!

An indoor presentation in the comfort of our multimedia theatre will introduce you to the many constellations that will grace our sky this winter. Learn how to locate and recognize these constellations in the night sky through entertaining stories and with the help of your very own hand-made star finder.



Following the presentation, test your skills on the Interpretive Centre rooftop observation deck while you look at those amazing constellations.

[For more information on this event](#)

Christmas Bird Count

December 17 - 7:45 a.m.

The **117th Annual Christmas Bird Count** season is rapidly approaching. This event takes place all over North America and more than 50,000 observers participate each year. You could be one of them!



This huge conservation effort monitors the status and distribution of bird populations across the continent and contributes to a clearer picture of how the bird populations have changed over time.

Come help us count our winter residents, while exploring the marsh and surrounding area during **Oak Hammock Marsh's Annual Christmas Bird Count**.

Pre-registration required by December 14.

The fee is \$5 plus admission to the Centre.

[For more information about this event](#)

Birding Hour - Songbird Banding

December 18 - 1 p.m.

Learn the ins and outs of songbird banding.

Bird banding is one of the most common and important research tools used by ornithologists in the scientific study and monitoring of wild birds. Uniquely numbered metal bands placed on the leg of the bird allow tracking of individual birds throughout their lifetime as well as tracking of their movements globally.



Join our Resident Naturalist, **Paula Grief**, as she reveals her secrets of bird banding.

Workshop fee: \$5 plus admission

[For more information about the Birding Hour](#)

Winter Camp for Kids

December 28, 29 and January 4, 5, 6

Enjoy winter by joining us for a frosty good time at winter camp!

Activities may include snowshoeing, bannock baking, winter games and more. This camp has both indoor and outdoor components and is sure to please!

For ages 6 to 9. Runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Register today!

[For more information about our winter camp](#)



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