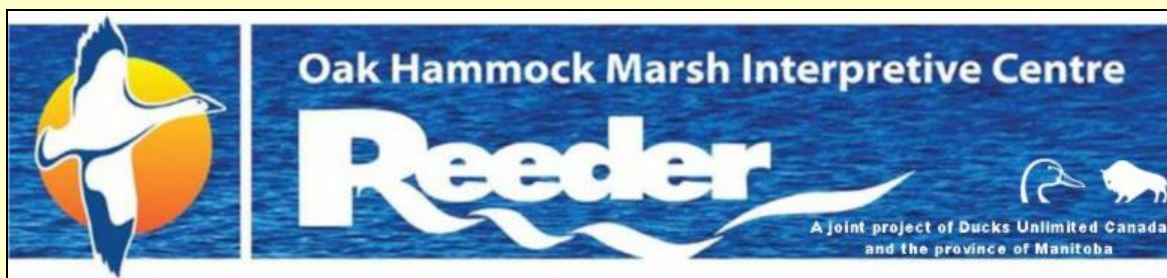


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Greetings!

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

Decoy Carving Workshop - Canvasback

January 7, 14 and 21 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Learn to carve your very own Canvasback 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 \$100 for members, \$120 for non-members.

[For more information about this workshop](#)

Birding Hour Workshop - Warblers

January 14 - 1 p.m.

Discover the fascinating world of warblers. Warblers belong to a group of small colorful birds that grace our forest with their melodic songs. During this workshop, our Resident Naturalist, **Paula Grief**, will help you identify and recognize these birds by sight and by sounds.



Pre-registration is required.

Workshop fee: \$6 for members, \$14 for non-members

[For more information about this workshop](#)

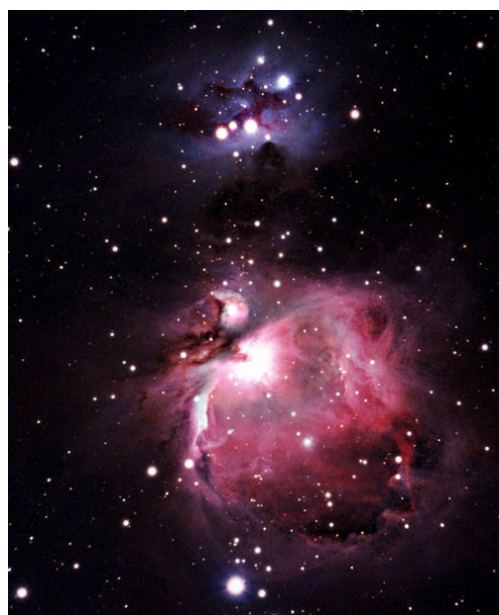
Astronomy Night - Exploring the Night Sky

January 18 - 7 p.m.

Find out what 2018 will bring us in terms of astronomical events.

Learn when to expect eclipses, meteor showers, planetary alignments and other celestial events.

The first half of this event takes place in the comfort of our 120-seat theatre and is followed by an observation session from the rooftop if we have a clear sky.



Fee: \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members

[For more information on this event](#)

Snowshoe Workshop

January 20 - 1 p.m.

It is believed that snowshoes were likely invented 6000 to 8000 years ago by mimicking some wildlife adaptations. Many animals, such as the snowshoe hare, jackrabbit, and lynx have oversized feet enabling them to move quickly through deep snow.



Snowshoes were essential for fur traders, trappers and anyone whose life or living depended on the ability to get around in areas of deep and frequent snowfall.

Join us and learn about the different styles of snowshoes and their history. A snowshoe walk in the marsh and hot chocolate will follow.

Pre-registration is required.

Workshop fee is \$12 for members, \$20 for non-members

[For more information about this workshop](#)

Under the Ice

January 25 - 2 p.m.

Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre is celebrating its **25th Anniversary** this year and special activities are planned for the 25th day of each month. These activities are different than the regular activities offered at the Marsh and they are a great way to celebrate this event with us.



Our first activity is **Critter Dipping in Winter!** Catch and observe the water bugs living under the ice in winter. Holes will be drilled to give you the opportunity to try critter dipping, winter-style. You will then have a chance to see the bugs up close in our cozy theatre.

[For more information about this event](#)

First Goose of the Year Contest Launch

January 28

Join us in celebrating the anticipated arrival of the first Canada Goose at the Marsh.



Many fun activities are planned for this day including crafts, migration presentation, goose scavenger hunt and face painting.

Make sure to enter our **First Goose of the Year** contest, which for us marks the official arrival of spring.

Guess the date and time of the arrival of the first Canada Goose at **Oak Hammock Marsh** and you could win a one-year family membership.

Traditionally, the first goose arrives between the end of February and the end of March. Last year, the first goose was seen on March 6.

To enter the contest, fill out a ballot at the **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre**.

The contest will close on February 28 or when the first goose is seen.

[For more information about this event](#)

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