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December 2015

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Promoting the appreciation, understanding, and preservation of nature in the Ottawa Valley

Welcome, <<First Name>>

AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

Thanks to all who helped make our 2015 banquet a success and especially Judy Seligy for the major task of putting it all together. We sold 100 tickets and with the raffle and silent auction made a profit of just over \$2,000 towards the Macnamara Trail expansion.



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2015
banquet

organizer Judy Seligy with the framed owl photograph taken and donated by

Garry Lackner.

Cathy Stewart was the lucky ticket holder who got to take the prize home.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **December 1, 2015: Dr. Stacey Robinson**, a Research Scientist at Environment Canada's National Wildlife Research Centre in Ottawa, will speak on **The Effects of Neonicotinoids on Amphibians.**

This is our Annual General Meeting. Club business precedes our regular agenda of sightings and our presentation.

- **January 5, 2016: Members' Night**
We look forward to learning all about your prized nature or natural history possessions or experiences!

Get more details about these and other upcoming meetings on mfnc.ca.

FIELD TRIPS

- **December 26, 2015: Pakenham-Arnrior Christmas Bird Count**
The annual Pakenham-Arnrior Christmas Bird Count is a full-day event with a potluck dinner/compilation afterwards. Participants should have some experience in identifying birds. More details to follow.
 - **Upcoming: Snowshoe Outing(s) Carp Ridge and Fitzroy Park.** Dates and details to follow.
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Meetings:

First Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.
Arnprior Curling Club
15 Galvin Street

Annual Memberships:

Family \$30, Individual \$25

Guests welcome:

\$5 per meeting
Students Free!

 Macnamara Field Naturalists' Club



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About us: Following in the footsteps of

naturalist and photographer Charles Macnamara, the Macnamara Club has explored, documented and enjoyed the rich natural history of the Lower Ottawa Valley since the club's founding in 1984. Members meet the first Tuesday of every month except July and August at the Arnprior Curling Club, 15 Galvin Street, in Arnprior. Expert speakers share their knowledge and take members in easy steps into their special worlds. Field trips throughout the year investigate everything from geology, to birds in migration, to rare orchids.

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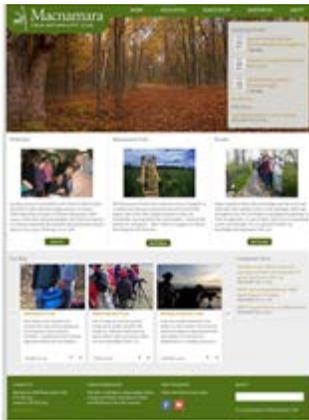
Latest Posts

-  Don't miss Neonicotinoids and Their Effects on Amphibians What are the effects of neonicotinoids on amphibians like our wood frogs, especially those living close to agriculture? Come to the next



Student Johanna Enright took a turn staffing our table at the recent Christmas Craft-Bake-Business Fair at Arnprior's Nick Smith Centre, where we sold notecards and got the word out about the Club and Trail.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!



If you've visited mfnc.ca in November, you've experienced our website changes firsthand. And if you haven't, you're missing out!

Our members celebrate natural history and that comes through loud and clear in our new website that showcases what the club is all about and gives quick access to key areas of the site. Interactive calendars show meetings, field trips, special initiatives

Macnamara Club meeting, where Dr. Stacey Robinson, a Research Scientist at Environment Canada's National Wildlife Research Centre in Ottawa, will give us the answers. . When: Tuesday, December 1, 7:30 p.m. Where: Arnprior Curling Club Cost: Meetings (and presentations) are free for Club members and \$5 for guests. Note: This is our Annual General Meeting. Club business precedes our regular agenda of sightings and our presentation. [[see more](#)] 11/30/15 1:36PM

- 📷 Thank you to student Johanna Enright, who took a turn staffing our table at Saturday's Christmas Craft-Bake-Business Fair at Arnprior's Nick Smith Centre. [[see more](#)] 11/30/15 8:40AM
- 📰 Canada will contribute an historic \$2.65 billion over the next five years to help developing countries tackle climate change. [[see more](#)] 11/27/15 5:38PM
- 📰 Encouraging news about monarchs! [[see more](#)] 11/23/15 10:11AM
- 📰 Nature's Way: Michael Runtz Currently hundreds of thousands of Snow Geese are resting in fields east of Ottawa. The geese are fattening up on corn in nearby fields and on grass in the fields in which they are resting. A rare visitor to our region, this Cattle Egret has been gleaning insects disturbed by horses near Burritts Rapids. <http://www.insideottawavalley.com/opinion-story/6110122-white-is-here-but-not-for-long/> [[see more](#)] 11/21/15 9:11AM

and community events.

The vibrant new design works across all screens and devices. It also has the flexibility we'll need when we start our Macnamara Trail fundraising in earnest.



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ON THE SUBJECT OF MEMBERSHIPS! RENEW NOW *Please*

As memberships run from September 1 through August 31, **memberships for the 2015-16 membership year are now due.** Some 40 households (representing 76 members) have not yet renewed.

You can register and pay membership fees—\$25 for individuals and \$30 for families—online via our website at mfnc.ca. It's easy and efficient. You can also renew at our Dec. 2 meeting or by mail—send your cheque (made out to Macnamara Field Naturalists' Club) to Macnamara Field Naturalists' Club, P.O. Box 391, Arnprior ON K7S 3L9.

We depend on your membership fees in order to continue offering great monthly meetings with expert speakers, year-round field trips and special projects and activities.

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