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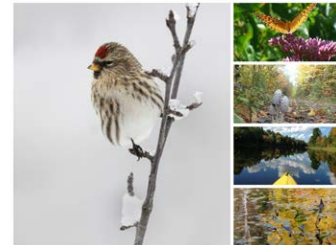
Welcome, <<First Name>>

UPCOMING MEETING

Tuesday, April 5: A look at the dragonflies and damselflies of Ontario



Dragonflies and damselflies belong to odonata, an ancient order of insects that appeared on Earth over 300 million years ago—even before the dinosaurs. We are fortunate to live in an area that boasts some 100 species of dragonflies and damselflies! And if you come to our [next meeting](#) on April 5, you'll learn more about these beautiful and fascinating creatures from our guest



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Photo: Lance-tipped Darner

Macnamara Trail Expansion

Phase 1 – West Link & Island Chain



We're making progress! Get the details at the April 5 meeting.



Karen Runtz and Janet Mason (along with Betty Michalowski, not in photo) staffed an information table representing the MFNC earlier this month at the Rotary Club Franklin Expedition fundraiser.

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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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FIELD TRIPS

- **Sunday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.:** [Owl Prowl](#)
Leader: Michael Runtz. Michael will lead us to several locations where we can expect to find owls. Target species are: Barred Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl and Eastern Screech-Owl. Warm clothes are a must as is registration at events@mfnc.ca .
- **Saturday, April 16, time and location to be confirmed: YOUNG MACS: SALAMANDERS UP CLOSE** with Salamander Conservationist - Matt Ellerbeck (A.K.A *the Salamander Man.*) Details to follow.

Registration at events@mfnc.ca is required for all field trips. Please check details for all events (meetings and field trips) at mfnc.ca. FIELD TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION DUE TO POOR WEATHER. BE SURE TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES.

YOUNG MACS AT THE SUGAR BUSH



Latest Posts

- 📅 Thank goodness the snow is forecast for Wednesday not tomorrow, April 5, when our guest speaker, lifelong naturalist Colin James will be speaking on DRAGONFLIES AND DAMSELFIES -- the "glittering jewels of the bug world." JOIN US at 7:30 p.m. [[see more](#)] 4/4/16 3:38PM
- 📅 Time to prepare your nesting boxes! [[see more](#)] 4/4/16 3:13PM
- 📅 Bold and curious animals like raccoons make good learners. [[see more](#)] 4/2/16 8:38AM
- 📅 Outdoors preschool a growing trend in the U.S. [[see more](#)] 4/1/16 9:03AM
- 📅 On April 6, the Nature Conservancy of Canada is holding an information session on the updated 5-year management plan for Gillies Grove. Arnprior Library 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. [[see more](#)] 3/30/16 10:37AM

Some 20 Young Macs, along with parents and a couple of adult club members found out how maple trees make sap, how we turn that into syrup, and had a nature scavenger hunt, among other things.

[Read more.](#)



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WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU — RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW *Please*

Did you forget to renew your membership? We're now half-way into the new membership year (2015-16) and many 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 April 5 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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