

MFNC September 2017 Bulletin

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Welcome, <<First Name>>

Getting to know Charles Macnamara at the 2017 Banquet

The poster is dark blue with white and yellow text. It features three photos: Laurie Dougherty (Archivist), a black and white photo of Charles Macnamara in a snowy forest, and Michael Runtz (Photographer, author, naturalist) with a red "Save" button over his photo. The text includes the event title, date, location, and ticket information.

Laurie Dougherty
Archivist

Michael Runtz
Photographer,
author, naturalist

THE NATURE OF CHARLES MACNAMARA
Arnprior's field naturalist extraordinaire

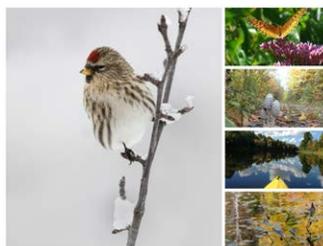
MFNC Banquet
November 4, 2017 6 p.m.
Sand Point Golf Club
38 Golf Club Road, Braeside, Ont.

TICKETS:
ARNPRIOR LIBRARY, ARNPRIOR & MCNAB/BRAESIDE ARCHIVES
ONLINE AT MFNC.CA

CUT-OFF OCT. 27 NO TICKETS AT DOOR
\$35 each \$15 for 11 & under
Doors open 5 :30 p.m.

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L. Dougherty photo courtesy of Arnprior Chronicle Guide



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Back when the first Macnamara Club banquet was held in the fall of 1997, the most popular song was Elton John's *Candle in the Wind*, with its wistful refrain, "I would have liked to have known you."

While the songwriter was speaking about Marilyn Monroe, his words apply equally well to

what Macnamara members then and now would say about our club's namesake, field naturalist extraordinaire Charles Macnamara.

But those who buy tickets to our 2017 banquet will in effect get to know this incredible naturalist, scientist and photographer and his life, work and legacy more intimately as the evening presentation will be "The nature of Charles Macnamara," a joint presentation by Arnprior & McNab/Braeside archivist Laurie Dougherty (on the historical side) and club president, acclaimed photographer, author and naturalist Michael Runtz (on the natural history side). As it happens, Michael was also the presenter 20 years ago with photos and anecdotes in a slide show called "Paradise at your doorstep." Wonder if he was thinking about Meat Loaf and *Paradise by the dashboard light!*

We are changing things up a bit with a **new venue this year — the Sand Point Golf Club, 38 Golf Club Road, Braeside, Ontario.**

The date is November 4 and doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. [Read more.](#)

Did you renew your membership for 2017-18?



Most members have not yet renewed their membership for the 2017-2018 membership year. Remember that you don't have to go to a meeting to renew. Just go online and [renew electronically](#) or by sending us a cheque. **Not sure if your membership is current?** Check with

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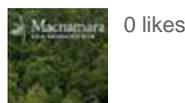
First Tuesday of the month
at 7:30 p.m.
Arnprior Curling Club
15 Galvin Street

Annual Memberships:

Family \$30, Individual \$25

Guests welcome:

\$5 per meeting
Students Free!



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Latest Posts

- Celebrating The Royal Oak planted as a sapling in 1860 at Arnprior's Galilee Retreat Centre and recognized in 2016 as a heritage tree under Trees Ontario's Ontario Heritage Tree Program. #NationalTreeDay The story behind it: <http://www.insideottawavalley.com/news-story/6510032-arnprior-s-royal-oak-receives-provincial-recognition/> 9/27/17 11:23AM
- Two lynx kittens in the wild. 9/27/17 10:57AM
- Next Tuesday, October 3, Dr. Steven Cooke will talk to our club about "Fish on the move." Article by Karen Runtz. <https://www.insideottawavalley.com/news-story/7570971-fish-on-the-move-not-just-any-fishing-story/> 9/26/17 4:46PM
- Have you been to the Shaw Woods? This coming weekend would be a great time to visit. 9/25/17 9:31AM
- On #WorldRiversDay , a great map of

Monique Boivin at boivin_m@hotmail.com Please and thank you!

UPCOMING MEETINGS



Tuesday, October 3

Fish on the move

Carleton U biologist Dr. Steven Cooke has been called “one of the key thinkers in fish conservation and one of the most prolific and creative conservation scientists of his generation.” In his presentation, Dr. Cooke will describe the biotelemetry toolbox that has provided a window on the elusive and cryptic underwater world. See our *Chronicle-Guide* [article for background](#).

FIELD TRIPS



Saturday, October 7, 10:30 a.m.

Mushrooming for beginners

Leader: Suzanne Monnon

Want to learn the basics about mushrooms? Yes? Then this kid-friendly outing on the Macnamara Trail is for you. Wear weather-appropriate clothing and bring a small knife, loupe lens if you have one, water and a snack. Expect to be on the trail for two to three hours. Register at events@mfn.ca



Sunday, October 15, 9:30 a.m.

Geology of the Carp Ridge - Carp/Dunrobin.

Leader: Dave Forsyth

Meet: 1308 Vance's Side Rd. (corner of Woodkilton) to organize and carpool to our first stop. This will be a half-day geotraverse of the Carp Ridge. We will travel by car and make seven stops at points of significant geological interest along the ridge. Wear comfortable shoes, although the walking should not be difficult. Registrants will get a PDF package with more information about the geology of the areas we will be visiting. Register at events@mfn.ca

For all events, remember to check the website prior to leaving in case of any changes/cancellation.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



Canada's fresh water. 9/24/17 3:25PM



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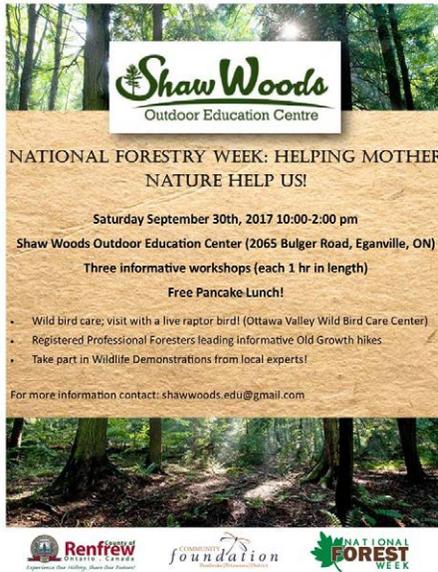
Latest Tweets

- All about trees of Ontario.
<https://t.co/PiJ6TM3JNL>
#NationalTreeDay 12:55PM
- Did you know?
<https://t.co/9XI5kgag4W> 10:44AM
- <https://t.co/PQmErth1Zq> 3:21PM
- <https://t.co/3OjZIUyOMd> 12:45PM
- Calling all Canadians!
<https://t.co/4jdyL64Y2p> 10:06AM

September 30, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shaw Woods Saturday

Have you ever been to the Shaw Woods? With the special activities their Outdoor Education Centre has lined up this Saturday, September 30, would be a good time to visit. The events include guided one-hour Old Growth hikes at 10 a.m. 12 p.m. and 1 p.m., wildlife demonstrations and three separate workshops. The fun starts at 2065 Bulger Road, Eganville.



Summer Sallies

Did you miss the summer outings? You'll find summaries and photos of all field trips including these on the website.

[Dragonflies and Damselflies at Morris Island](#)

[Ferns with Lis Allison](#)

Send Us Your Photos and Articles

A new issue of *The Lady's-Slipper* is in the works and we need your photos and articles. *The Lady's-Slipper* is the Club's digital magazine featuring articles, stories, events, and even original poems about the natural world in our part of the Ottawa Valley. So don't hold back — share your observations and experiences. Send your material to kruntz@xplornet.com by October 15, 2017.



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