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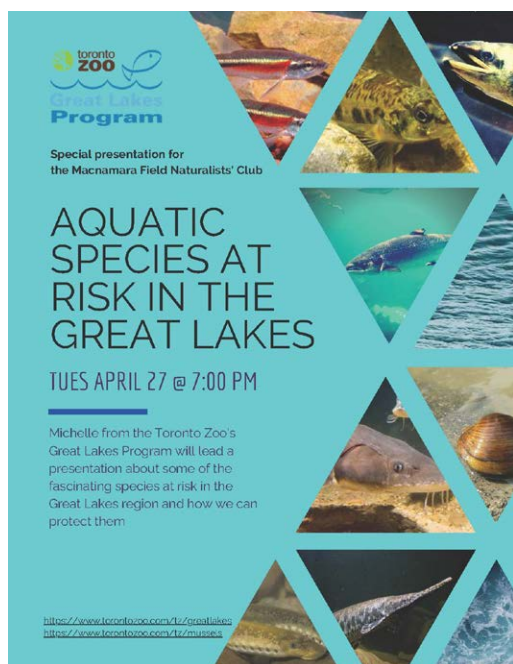
Welcome, **Karen**

SPECIAL PRESENTATION



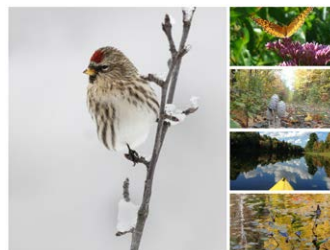
APRIL 27, 2021
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Toronto Zoo's Great Lakes Program: Local aquatic species at risk



Don't forget to sign in on April 27, at 7 p.m. for our bonus April presentation: Local aquatic species at risk, Toronto Zoo's Great Lakes Program (Zoom presentation).

Asian carps, sea lamprey, round goby and invasive mussels are invading Ontario waters and attacking aquatic ecosystems important to both animals and



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Toronto Zoo educators will be our guides to "Keep our Great Lakes Great" as we learn about aquatic species at risk (SAR). The presentation will run about 60 minutes including time for questions.

Follow the same ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS as detailed below for our May 4 meeting.



MEETING

May 4, 2021

7:30 p.m.

Not just bird food—the moths of Renfrew County



Over 10 years of collecting moths in his childhood backyard in Round Lake Centre, Jason Dombrowski collected over 1,000 species. Fast forward to the present, where he manages the Cornell University Insect Collection and co-ordinates the Insect Diagnostic Lab in Ithaca, N.Y.

Mere days from now on May 4, he will be our club's guide to the moths of Renfrew County; all you need is our Zoom connection.

Join us at 7:30 p.m. when we'll begin the meeting with local sightings. Details on how to join the meeting via Zoom are below.

JOIN THE MEETING VIA ZOOM

Click this link: <https://zoom.us/j/4908487254> then follow the Zoom instructions.

Members

Brian Voss (Membership)

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Meetings:

Due to ongoing measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, our in-person first-Tuesday-of-the-month meetings at the Arnprior Curling Club have been suspended until further notice.

Check your email for club updates on our virtual options.

Annual Memberships:

Family \$30, Individual \$25

Purchase your membership for 2021:

<https://mfnc.ca/membership>

New to Zoom? Click this link: <https://zoom.us/j/4908487254> then follow the Zoom instructions.

Members who don't yet have a Zoom account: to download Zoom takes less than a minute. Zoom will work on your computer, phone or iPad. You can also join the audio by calling either number below, and, when asked, enter the meeting number – 4908487254. +1 647 558 0588 Canada +1 778 907 2071 Canada

Find your local number:
<https://zoom.us/u/amb5Gx5X8>

SIGHTINGS?

Do you have special sightings to share? Send them to <mailto:john.lawrence@gartner.com> **in advance of the meeting. Include your name, the date and location of your sighting and any questions you may have; photos aren't required but are helpful if you have one.**

Our April meeting brought an abundance of sightings.

Ann Lambert photographed a Snowy Owl catching and dining on some food before the river opened up.



[SEE MORE SIGHTINGS HERE:](#)

Macnamara Nature Trail



While the forest canopy is starting to awaken, it has not yet blocked the sunlight from reaching the forest floor where spring ephemerals such as bloodroot bask in its warmth, notes Michael Runtz.

You'll see lots of Pussy willows near stop #7. On a related note, [Hummingbirds Canada](#) has a suggestion they shared on Facebook **how cattail fibres and the like collected in the spring can be used to benefit hummingbirds.**

Trail maintenance is never ending! We've now got a mountain of woodchips for the trail. At the time of writing, there is a large tree down alongside the trail near stop #10. [READ MORE.](#)

ARE YOU ON INSTAGRAM? SO ARE WE!

MFNC member Karine Scott is posting on our behalf. Follow us and use our hashtag on all your future Macnamara Nature Trail adventures.



We are also on Facebook, where we have two accounts: one for the [Macnamara Field Naturalists' Club](#) and the other a group page for [Friends of the Macnamara Trail](#). Our Twitter account is @MacFNC

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to the following new members:

Anne Winters and Ed Andrews, Sara Supple and Jonathan Kuzub, Josie Scott and John Scott, Eugene Jankowski and Judith Pelley.

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