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FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB

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

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Special presentation on the Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas
February 28, 2022

Don’t miss our “extra” event on February 28

Linda Sewell has a full roster of speakers lined up for 2022, including “extra” events such as a special evening presentation on the Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas. You can join this event, which will take place at 7 p.m. on Monday, February 28, via the same Zoom connection used at our monthly club meetings.

Aaron Hywarren and Christian Renault, the Regional Coordinators for the two local regions covered by the Atlas – Ottawa and Renfrew – will provide an overview of the Atlas, summarize local efforts thus far and explain how individuals can contribute to one of Ontario’s largest citizen science efforts.
Get to know our two seasoned guides here.
We’re all still hoping for a return to in-person meetings at the Arnprior Curling Club in the fall but in the interim, let’s make the most of these special opportunities via Zoom!

JOIN THE MEETING VIA ZOOM
Click this link: https://zoom.us/j/4908487254 **then follow the Zoom instructions.**

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No Zoom account? **Downloading takes less than a minute.**

AGM on March 2, 2022
If annual reports from our executive aren’t exciting enough, then perhaps a presentation by Michael Runtz makes our AGM a not-to-be-missed event! More details will follow.

We’re in the process of posting reports on our website but in the interim, need to let you know that four of the positions on our board of directors will be coming up for renewal: President, Secretary, Communications and Field Trips. The incumbents – Michael Runtz, Maureen Carrier, Karen Runtz and Janet McCullough – have all agreed to let their names go forward but club members can also apply for these positions. If you are interested, please notify our secretary, Maureen Carrier at info@mfnc.ca by February 18.

Still Time to Join the Great Backyard Bird Count

On February 18 to 21, 2022, the world comes together for the love of birds, marking the 25th year of the annual *Great Backyard Bird Count*. Whether you’re an expert or a first-time birder, Birds Canada notes that “you can help create a snapshot of bird populations around the world, helping us learn more about bird populations and their health.”

The main commitment is to count birds for at least 15 minutes on one or more days. Learn more and register for the free 2022 webinar.

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Meetings:
Due to ongoing measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, our in-person first-Wednesday-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 2022:
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