# Delta Marsh Bird Observatory presents: A Year of Learning Birds 2022

#### March 20 - Learn to Band Birds Workshop (Working with Pyle)

**9 a.m.** – **Wetland Discovery Centre** (may be virtual depending on Covid restrictions) This full day workshop will teach you how to read Pyle's Identification Guide to North American Birds and how to use in when banding. It will be an in depth look at Pyle. In the afternoon we will practice identification, ageing and sexing on pictures. Workshop is \$40. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to register.

#### May 15 - Learn to Band Birds Workshop (Banding Birds) 8 a.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

This workshop will introduce you to the banding process, how to scribe, how to extract birds and practice ageing and sexing live birds. Workshop is \$25. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to register.

## May 15 to June 5 – Volunteer at Delta Marsh Bird Observatory 7:00 a.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Spring banding starts up and it is a great way to practice what you have learned over the winter and to gain even more experience. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.

#### May 19 – Bird extraction

#### 7:00 a.m. - Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Join our Bander-in-Charge and get in depth practice removing birds from the mist nets. Workshop is free. Previous volunteering is a prerequisite. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.

#### May 28 – Delta Marsh Bird Observatory Great Canadian Bird-a-thon

#### 9 a.m. – English Garden Entrance at Assiniboine Park (460 Assiniboine Park Dr)

Join us for a spring walk at the English Garden. This time of year is always exciting as many migrants are back and the trees are full of colours. This is the Observatory's only fundraiser of the year so help us help the birds. Workshop is free but donations are greatly appreciated. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to register.

#### June 4 – Beginning Birder Walk at Bunn's Creek

#### 9 a.m. – Bunn's Creek Centennial Park (365 McIvor Ave)

Join us for a spring walk at Bunn's Creek and see who might be back. This time of year is a great time to start learning birds in the field as most species are back and colourful. Workshop is free. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to register.

## July 11 to October 3 – Volunteer at Delta Marsh Bird Observatory 6:30 a.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Fall banding starts up and it is a great way to practice what you have learned and to gain even more experience. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.

#### **July 23 - Learn to Band Birds Workshop (Banding Birds)**

#### 8 a.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

This workshop will introduce you to the banding process, how to scribe, how to extract birds and practice ageing and sexing live birds. Workshop is \$25. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to register.

#### July 24 – Delta Marsh Bird Observatory Open House

#### 8 a.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Come and check out songbird banding. Learn the ins and outs of this type of migration monitoring. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.

#### **August 6 – Bird Extraction**

#### 7:00 a.m. - Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Join our Bander-in-Charge and get in depth practice removing birds from the mist nets. Workshop is free. Previous volunteering is a prerequisite. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.

#### August 28 – Intermediate Birder Walk at the English Gardens

**9 a.m.** – English Garden Entrance at Assiniboine Park (460 Assiniboine Park Dr) Join us for a fall walk at the English Garden. This time of year is always exciting as many migrants are moving south again. Please email info@dmbo.ca to register.

### September 13 – Migration Patterns (what shows up when) 7 p.m. – Virtual

You often hear that birds have shown up late or early. Migration is fairly predictable. Learn about what species show up when. Workshop is free. Please email info@dmbo.ca to register.

#### October 2 – Volunteer Appreciation

#### 1 p.m. – Oak Hammock Marsh Wildlife Management Area

Thank you to all the volunteer who help make the banding possible. Please join us for a late lunch and a few surprises. Please email <u>info@dmbo.ca</u> to register.

#### November 3 – Movie Night

#### 7 p.m. – Wetland Discovery Centre

Join us for a movie night as we watch The Big Year, a comedy starring Jack Black, Owen Wilson and Steve Martin. Please email <a href="mailto:info@dmbo.ca">info@dmbo.ca</a> to sign up.