### **2022 OFO Convention**

Sept 23-25, 2022

Point Pelee and Surrounding Region

## Registration

Please register online at <a href="https://www.ofo.ca">www.ofo.ca</a> or, if you prefer, send this registration form with cheque attached to Brian Gibbon, 3269 Dobson Rd, Springwater, ON L9X 1T6

Registration is available from **July 1 to September 15, 2022 inclusive**. Registration is for OFO members, a guest, and young birders (to age 20) only. Young birders do not need to be OFO members. Please note that all information is required.

# The in-person convention is back after a 2-year hiatus!

Join OFO members and guests for three days of birding, celebration and enjoyment in Point Pelee National Park and surrounding birding destinations. At this time of year you can expect to see migrating songbirds, waterfowl, shorebirds, and abundant raptors. Many people consider September to be the best birding month of all!

Evening activities include Friday night's Birds and Beers -- a casual dinner followed by a short presentation of local interest, and the famous Bird Quiz hosted by Sarah Rupert.

The Saturday Banquet and AGM is the heart of the convention. A sit down meal is followed by the roundup, the OFO Annual General Meeting, presentation of the Distinguished Ornithologist Award and Certificates of Appreciation, and the Keynote Speech. This year's Keynote Speaker is Merilyn Simonds, authour of Woman, Watching, a biography of Louise de Kiriline Lawrence, an early citizen scientists who retreated in midlife to a log cabin in the bush to study songbirds.

Both evening events take place at the <u>Portuguese Club</u>, located at 217 Talbot St., West in Leamington, Ontario. The club has ample parking and is wheelchair accessible. Evening events are preceded by vendor exhibits, and a chance to vie for one of the many door prizes. A cash bar will be available at each event.

### Please note:

- **COVID Precautions:** Safety is our first concern. We will follow provincial and regional guidance regarding Covid safety and adjust the convention as required.
- **Field Trip Registration:** Registration for field trips will be opened prior to the convention. Registrants will be notified and will have priority for registration.

Questions? Email: convention@ofo.ca

## Where to Stay – Reserve Early for OFO Group Rate!

A block of rooms at group rates have been reserved for OFO at the following locations. Please mention OFO when making your reservations. Rooms will be difficult to find after group rates expire.

### **Quality Inn Leamington:**

1 King \$165; 2 Queen \$165 taxes extra Complimentary Hot Breakfast starting at 6AM Group rate registration deadline: **August 31, 2022** 279 Erie Street South, Leamington

T: 519-326-9071

### **Days Inn Leamington:**

Early Bird Registration Deadline: July 14, 2022
1 King w/pullout couch \$149; 2 Queen \$159 taxes extra
Rates After July 14, 2022 to August 31 2022
1 King w/pullout couch \$159; 2 Queen \$169 taxes extra
Complimentary Hot Breakfast starting at 6AM
201 Erie Street, NORTH, Leamington;

T: 519-325-0260

W: book@daysinnleamington.com

#### **Best Western**

1 King w/pull out couch \$170; 2 Queen \$170taxes extra

No complimentary breakfast, although breakfast is available for a price
Group rate registration deadline: August 1, 2022
566 Bevel Lind Road, Leamington

T: 519-326-8646 W: bestwestern.com

### **Trailer & Tent Camping**

Sturgeon Woods Campground 1129 Mersea Road C, Leamington

T: 519-326-1156

W: Campground Reservations | Sturgeon Woods RV | Leamington Ontario

Wheatley Provincial Park 21116 Klondyke Road, Wheatley

T: 1-888-668-7275 OR 1-519-825-4659

W: Welcome to Wheatley Provincial Park (ontarioparks.com)

## **2022 OFO Convention Registration Form**

**Registration Details** 

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Registration includes field trips and Saturday evening banquet. Registration is required for the Friday Evening Birds & Beers meal. The post-meal program is open to convention registrants.

Name:		Young Birder Y / N
Phone:	Email:	
Guest		
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Birds and Beers Meal Registra	ation	
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/ / - Other dietary requireme	nts:	

Please attach a cheque for the total amount, payable to Ontario Field Ornithologists. Send this form, with the cheque, to **Brian Gibbon**, **3269 Dobson Rd**, **Springwater**, **ON L9X 1T6**. Please be patient. You will be notified when your registration has been processed.

Please note that registration for field trips will be available later.