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### **In the Company of Banders**

The 2014 Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Bird Banding Association (OBBA) and Eastern Bird Banding Association (EBBA) will be held on March 28-29, 2014 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites Oakville, Ontario. Friday evening will comprise a dinner and guest speaker Dr. Chris Guglielmo speaking about 'The physiological ecology of migration in bats and birds'. Saturday will feature a number of interesting speakers covering a diverse range research projects related to bird banding in Ontario and beyond, the AGMs of both associations, a banquet dinner, and guest speaker Dr. Chip Weseloh speaking about 'Where do Ontario-banded Great Egrets spend the winter and who else is there?'. See the Agenda on Page 2.

### COMING EVENTS:

- **Ontario Bird Banding and Eastern Bird Banding Association Meetings**, March 28-29, 2014. Holiday Inn, Oakville, Ontario. [www.ontbanding.org](http://www.ontbanding.org)
  - **Niagara Peninsula Hawkwatch Open House**, April 18, 2014. Beamer Conservation Area, Grimsby, Ontario. [www.niagarapeninsulahawkwatch.org](http://www.niagarapeninsulahawkwatch.org)
- **Baillie Birdathon**: May 2014. Support your local bird observatory or the OBBA by sponsoring the OBBA's Birdathoner! For more information visit: [www.birdscanada.org/support/birdathon](http://www.birdscanada.org/support/birdathon).

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## **OBBA—EBBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

### **FRIDAY MARCH 28, 2014**

**11:00 – 18:00**      Registration—Lobby of the Inn

**12:00 – 17:00**      EBBA Council Meeting

**18:30 –**              Dinner and Guest Speaker

**Dr. Chris Guglielmo — Western University—Advanced Facility for Avian Research**  
**“The physiological ecology of migration in birds and bats”**

### **SATURDAY MARCH 29, 2014**

**08:00 – 11:00**      Registration—Lobby of the Inn

**All Day— Bucket Raffle and Silent Auction Viewing**

**08:45 – 09:00**      Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

**09:00 – 09:15**      Photo Quiz—David Brewer

**09:15 – 09:45**      **“Birds Eye View: A look at how elementary students analyze bird banding data.”**  
Amanda Koss, Harford Glen Environmental Center

**09:45 – 10:15**      **“Migration of the American Golden Plover—a proxy for the Eskimo Curlew”**  
Eve Iverson, Iowa State University

**10:15 – 10:45**      **“Ontario’s 2013 Duck Banding Project”**  
Chris Davies, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

**10:45 – 11:15**      Coffee Break

**11:15 – 11:45**      **“Trumpeter Swan’s in Ontario”**  
Kyna Intini, Ontario Trumpeter Swan Restoration Group

**11:45 – 12:15**      **“Project SNOWstorm—How big can a snowball grow?”**  
Dave Brinker—Maryland Department of Natural Resources

**12:15 – 12:45**      **“Ontario’s Snow Bunting Project”**  
Rick Ludkin—Canadian Snow Bunting Network



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## **OBBA—EBBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

### **SATURDAY MARCH 29, 2014, Continued**

- 12:45 – 14:15      LUNCH (90 mins)
- 14:15 – 14:45      OBBA Annual General Meeting  
14:45 – 15:15      EBBA Annual General Meeting
- 15:15 – 15:30      OBBA & EBBA Awards
- 15:30 – 16:15      Bird Banding Office and Bird Banding Lab updates
- 16:15 – 16:45      **“Tree Swallow Research at Long Point”**  
Dr. David Bradley, Long Point Bird Observatory—Bird Studies Canada
- 16:45 – 17:00      David Brewer—Photo Quiz Results
- 17:00 – 18:30      Happy Hour
- 18:30                Banquet and Speaker

**Dr. Chip Weseloh — Canadian Wildlife Service**

**“Where do Ontario Great Egrets spend the winter and who else is there?”**

**Conclusion: David Hauber — Close of the bucket raffle and silent auction.**

### **SUNDAY MARCH 30, 2014**

**Field Trip to the Niagara Peninsula Hawk Watch**

**[www.niagarapeninsulahawkwatch.org](http://www.niagarapeninsulahawkwatch.org)**

**Details available at meeting.**



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## **OBBA AND EBBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Meeting Details available at :**

**<http://www.keh-ee.com/EBBA/Meeting.htm>**

### **LOCATION AND DETAILS:**

**EARLY BIRD DEALS at Oakville Holiday Inn !**

— CALL to register at the Holiday Inn by February 10 to receive the group discount rate.

The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Oakville @ Bronte,

2525 Wycroft Road, Oakville, Ontario L6L 6P8, Phone: 905-847-1000, Toll-Free: 800-880-3188

### **REGISTRATION:**

**Please consider registering before the meeting.**

**Registrations received before March 1 will receive a \$10 discount!**

**Registration details and forms can be found on the EBBA website @**

**<http://www.keh-ee.com/EBBA/registration.htm>**

**SHOW AND TELL:** Bring anything you think may be of interest to the OBBA membership—special traps, interesting pictures, articles or tools.

**BUCKET RAFFLE:** As in previous years a bucket raffle will be held. Any member wishing to donate a prize should bring it to the meeting, or if they prefer contact any board member.



## IMPORTANT CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT

### PROPOSED CHANGE TO OBBA COSTITUTION AS OF JANUARY 2014.

At the OBBA Board Meeting on January 12, 2014 the following change to the OBBA Constitution (Revised February 2002) was proposed and passed by the board for the approval of the membership at the March 29, 2014 Annual General Meeting.

To change clause 10 from:-

10. The officers and members of the Executive Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the completion of the next Annual General Meeting or until their successors are elected. No officer or other elected member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for more than four consecutive terms in the same office or as an elected member. The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies occurring during its term of office.

to:-

10. The officers and members of the Executive Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the completion of the next Annual General Meeting or until their successors are elected. No officer or other elected member of the Executive Committee **WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY AND/OR THE TREASURER** shall be eligible for more than four consecutive terms in the same office or as an elected member. The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies occurring during its term of office.

NOTE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION ARE COVERED BY THE FOLLOWING CLAUSES IN THE CONSTITUTION:-

30. Amendments to the Constitution may be made only at a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose as provided in Clause 25; or at an Annual General Meeting, provided that introduction of the proposed amendments has been approved by the Executive Committee prior to circulation of the notice of the Annual General Meeting.

Notice of Amendments to be voted on at a Special General Meeting or an Annual General Meeting shall be sent to members along with notice of the meeting, as provided in Clause 26.

A two-thirds majority of those members voting at the meeting is required for acceptance of such amendments. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by any member of the Association

26. Notice of the Annual General Meeting or of any Special General Meeting shall be sent to each member at least two weeks before the meeting is to take place.



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## **BIRDERS AND BANDERS WANTED:**

Canadian Migration Monitoring Network (CMMN) stations across the country, many of which are in Ontario, are looking for birders and banders who are interested in gaining the experience of a lifetime volunteering or working for the birds. Visit the CMMN web-site –[www.birdscanada.org/volunteer/cmmn/](http://www.birdscanada.org/volunteer/cmmn/) for more information about stations near you and opportunities offered. Population trends, seasonal abundance graphs, and other summary statistics from the CMMN are available from Nature Counts at [www.naturecounts.ca](http://www.naturecounts.ca).

## **KEEN TEEN BIRDERS AND BANDERS WANTED:**

LPBO is looking for keen teen birders to apply for the 2014 Doug Tarry Natural History Fund - Young Ornithologist Workshop to be held from Saturday, August 2 to Sunday, August 10. Participants will receive hands-on training in field ornithology including bird banding, censusing, field identification, birding trips, preparing museum specimens, guest lectures, and more! Six of Canada's most promising ornithologists between the ages of 13-17 will be selected to attend, and will receive the Doug Tarry Bird Study Award to cover all on-site expenses. For those traveling long distances, special grants may also be available to help offset air travel costs. Applications are due April 30, 2014. For more information and an application form, contact us at [lpbo@birdscanada.org](mailto:lpbo@birdscanada.org), or visit [www.birdscanada.org/lpbo](http://www.birdscanada.org/lpbo).

## **BOARD NOMINATIONS WANTED:**

Are you or someone you know an enthusiastic bird bander in Ontario? The OBBA board of directors is interested in attracting new individuals who may be interested in contributing to bird banding in Ontario. If you're interested or have a potential nomination in mind contact David Okines: [davidokines@aol.com](mailto:davidokines@aol.com).

## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE JANETTE DEAN AWARD**

Every year the OBBA gives the Janette Dean award to individuals that have made outstanding contributions to bird banding in Ontario. If you would like to nominate a fellow bander to receive the Janette Dean Award, send a written nomination with a brief explanation of the candidate's qualifications to David Okines: [davidokines@aol.com](mailto:davidokines@aol.com).

## **NETS FOR SALE:**

As a fundraiser for Haldimand Bird Observatory, Jim Smith is selling mist nets, cheap! Contact Jim at [benavis@sympatico.ca](mailto:benavis@sympatico.ca) for more details.





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[www.ontbanding.org](http://www.ontbanding.org)

## 2014 Membership Application or Renewal

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email:

**NOTE: All correspondence with the OBBA will be electronic. If you wish to receive a hard-copy of the materials, newsletter and/or journal, you must specify below.**

- Please send me the Newsletter by regular mail
- Please send me the Journal by regular mail

**Membership Category:**

- Life Member(\$400), tax receipt issued
- Individual/Family/Household (\$20)
- Student (\$10)
- Outside of Canada and United States—\$10 mailing surcharge

**Additional Donation: \$ ,tax receipt issued if \$10or more.**

Make cheque payable to: **Ontario Bird Banding Association**

Mail to: **Barb Campbell**  
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The Ontario Bird Banding Association is a non-profit, membership-driven and inclusive organization representing the interests of all amateur and 'professional' bird banders across Ontario.  
If you band birds in Ontario, for any reason, you should be a member!

