

2025 OFO Convention Field Trips and Guidelines

GUIDELINES FOR FIELD TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Please arrive 15 minutes before departure and bring a packed lunch for the full day trips.

For those signing up for these trips, please note there will be a maximum of 20 participants per field trip.

Trip leaders are knowledgeable and mostly local birders. Carpooling from the meeting place is encouraged. Note that the field trip scheduled may be adjusted. Please confirm the field trip agenda at <http://www.ofo.ca/convention/index> prior to the convention.

Please note: we have attempted to put in GPS Coordinates; addresses etc. where possible. Most GPS coordinates have been pulled from ebird, please feel free to use ebird for other locations where possible

OFO CONVENTION 2025 - SARNIA

Friday, September 19, 2025 - AM Fieldtrips

Pinery Provincial Park: Meet 9AM-2:30PM at Park Entrance. Bring lunch.
9526 Lakeshore Rd., Grand Bend, ON N0M 1T0

Leader: Jeremy Bensette

St Clair NWA: 9AM-2PM, meet at St. Clair NWA Headquarters at #5633 Balmoral Line parking area, off Town Line Rd. Bring hiking boots/lunch.
RR 1 Pain Court, Dover, N0P 1Z0

Leader: Pete Read

Sombra Lagoons: 9AM-12PM, meet leader at entrance. Scope useful.

42°42'12.6"N 82°28'27.7"W

Check e-bird

Leader: Jeremy Hatt

Strathroy Sewage Lagoons: 9AM-1:30PM. Meet at main parking area to access the lagoons. Bring good footwear/snacks/lunch. Scope useful.

42°56'48.7"N 81°38'55.8"W

Leader: Mark Peck

West Perth/Mitchell Wetlands: 9AM-1:30PM-Meet leader at entrance/parking area. Bring good footwear/snacks/lunch. Scope useful.

43°27'11.9"N 81°11'52.4"W

3890 Wellington St, Mitchell ON

Leader=Gis Segler

Lambton Forest, Port Franks: 9AM-12:00PM, Meet leader at parking lot to enter the woods

9997 Port Franks Rd, Port Franks On N0M 2I0

Leader=Allanah Vokes

Thedford, Grand Bend Sewage Lagoons: 9.00AM- 1.30PM. Meet leader at entrance to Thedford Lagoons. Afterwards, drive to visit Grand Bend lagoons. Scope useful.

43°17'19.8"N 81°45'19.6"W

L=TBA

Walpole Island: 9AM-12PM: Meet leader at bridge crossing onto the island.

42°32'47.9"N 82°29'27.7"W

L=Indigenous Guide

Friday, September 19, 2025 = PM Fieldtrips

Forest Lagoons: 1.30 - 3.00 PM. Meet leader at Lagoon entrance. Scope useful.

L=Dave Milsom/Brian Wales

Sarnia Point Edward Waterfront Hike: 1.30-3.00 PM. Meet leader at Western end of Michigan Avenue. Scope useful.

L=Marcie Jacklin

Sombra Lagoons: 1.00-3.00 PM. Meet leader at entrance. Scope useful.

42°42'12.6"N 82°28'27.7"W

L=Jeremy Hatt

****** Young Birders Fieldtrip: Kettle Point:*** 9 AM - 3 PM. Meet at public parking area at Ipperwash Beach.

43°12'59.4"N 82°00'59.6"W

L: Mike Burrell

Saturday, September 20, 2025 - AM Fieldtrips

Hullett Marsh: 8.30AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at Burns Line parking area for marsh visits.

43°37'28.7"N 81°27'16.9"W (general)

L=Dana Latour

Forest Lagoons: 8AM-11.30PM. Meet leader at lagoon entrance. Scope useful.

L=Dave Milsom/Brian Wales

Lambton Forest, Port Franks: 8AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at entrance to forest trails.

[9997 Port Franks Rd, Port Franks On N0M 2I0](#)

L=Jeremy Hatt

Kettle Point, Ipperwash Beach: 8 AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at public parking area at Ipperwash Beach. Scope useful.

43°12'59.4"N 82°00'59.6"W

L=Jeremy Bensette

Sarnia Point Edward Hike: 8AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at western end of Michigan Avenue. Scope useful.

L=Gis Segler

Wawanoosh Wetland Loop: 8AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at wetlands conservation area entrance in Sarnia. Scope useful.

[6013 Blackwell Sideroad, Sarnia Ontario N7T 7H2](#)

L=Mark Peck

Sarnia Canatara Park Loop: 8AM-12.00PM. Meet leader at parking area to access the park. Wear good footwear.

[1200 Lake Chipican Dr, Sarnia ON N7V](#)

L=Mike Kent

***** Young Birders Fieldtrip: Forest Lagoons:** 8 AM - 1 PM. Parkhill Lagoons: 1:30PM to 2:30 PM

L: Mike Burrell

Saturday, September 20, 2025 - PM Fieldtrips

Exeter Lagoons :1.00-3.00PM: Meet leader at parking lot for visits to lagoons. Scope useful.

43°21'17.2"N 81°29'57.6"W

L=D Latour

Grand Bend & Thedford Sewage Lagoons: 1:00PM-3:00. Meet leader at entry gate of Thedford lagoons. Later drive to Grand Bend lagoons. Wear good footwear. Bring snacks/lunch/Scope useful.

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L=Dave Milsom/Brian Wales

Perch Creek Short Loop: 1.30-3.00PM. Meet leader at gate entrance at north side of Churchill Line, east of Blackwell Sideroad.

[1838-1902 Churchill Line, Sarnia Ontario N7t 7h3](#)

L=Allanah Vokes

Sarnia Point Edward (Hike): 1.00-3.00PM. Meet leader at western end of Michigan Avenue. Scope useful.

L=Pete Read

Kettle Point, Ipperwash Beach: 1.00-3.00PM. Meet leader at public parking area at Ipperwash Beach. Scope useful.

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L=Gis Segler

Saturday, September 20, 2025 - All Day Fieldtrips

Pinery Provincial Park: Meet 8AM-2:30PM at Park Entrance. Day fee required. Explore Park searching for local rarities and migrants. Bring good hiking shoes, snacks, lunch.

9526 Lakeshore Rd., Grand Bend, ON N0M 1T0

Leader: Jeff Skevington

Sunday, September 21, 2025 - AM Fieldtrips

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******Young Birders' Fieldtrip: Location:** Join Jeff for a **Mystery Trip**, meet at 8.00AM location to be published at a later date. Hike ends at 1.00 PM.
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L=TBA