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2009 Spring Specialty Trip Schedule

APRIL

In addition to the Specialty Trips listed below, an overnight tour to "Algonquin Provincial Park" is also being offered in April. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.dilabiobirding.ca/tours.html>

Presqu'ile Provincial Park: Ducks and Spring Migrants

Sharpen your waterfowl birding skills! Numerous species of waterfowl should be seen including Mute Swan, Gadwall, American Wigeon, Northern Pintail, Canvasback, Redhead, Greater Scaup and Lesser Scaup.

Date	Sunday, April 5
Meeting Time	9:00 a.m.
Meeting Point	Presqu'ile Provincial Park Entrance
Return Time	6:00 p.m.
What to Bring	Lunch and snacks Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost	\$65.00, Park entry fees are not included.

Birding Lake Deschenes & Hawks and Bluebirds at Dunrobin

Spring migrants along the Ottawa River from Shirley's Bay to Constance Bay. We will also search for hawks migrating along the Dunrobin Ridge, and Bluebirds which nest in the area.

Date	Sunday, April 19
Meeting Time	7:00 a.m.
Meeting Point	Tim Hortons, March Road at Carling Avenue (Kanata)
Return Time	11:30 a.m.
What to Bring	Snacks and drinks. Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost	\$35.00

Birding the Ottawa River from Masson to Black Bay

Highlights of previous trips include Glossy Ibis, Pink-footed Goose and Greater White-fronted Goose! Anything is possible!

Date	Wednesday, April 22
Meeting Time	6:30 a.m.
Meeting Point	Tim Hortons, Richmond Road just west of Woodroffe Avenue
Return Time	11:30 a.m.
What to Bring	Snacks and drinks. Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost	\$35.00

Chaffeys Lock and Canoe Lake Road: Early Spring Migration

On this trip we will be looking for Red-shouldered Hawk, Eastern Towhee, Field Sparrow and early warblers including the rare, but regular, Louisiana Waterthrush.

Date Wednesday, April 29
Meeting Time 6:00 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, March Road at Carling Avenue (Kanata)
Return Time 2:00 p.m.
What to Bring Lunch, snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$50.00

MAY

In addition to the Specialty Trips listed below, overnight tours to "Presqu'ile Provincial Park" and "Eastern Ontario" are also being offered in May. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.dilabiobirding.ca/tours.html>

Warbler Watching I

Warblers will be the focus of this trip. We will cover a variety of habitat in the Ottawa area in search of these little jewels during the peak of their migration.

Date Wednesday, May 20
Meeting Time 6:30 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, Carling Avenue near Britannia Coliseum (just east of Bayshore Dr.)
Return Time 11:30 a.m.
What to Bring Snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$35.00

Warbler Watching II

Because things can change so quickly during migration a second trip focusing on warblers is being offered.

Date Wednesday, May 27
Meeting Time 6:30 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, Carling Avenue near Britannia Coliseum (just east of Bayshore Dr.)
Return Time 11:30 a.m.
What to Bring Snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$35.00

Amherst Island

Amherst Island, off Kingston, offers a range of habitat from wetlands to grasslands. Wilson's Phalarope, Black Tern, Upland Sandpiper, Bobolink and Willow Flycatcher are some specialties of the area. We will also check the island for shorebirds, and the marsh area for Least Bittern and Virginia Rail.

Date Sunday, May 31
Meeting Time 6:00 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, March Road at Carling Avenue (Kanata)
Return Time 6:00 p.m.
What to Bring Lunch, snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$65.00

JUNE

Little Brown Jobs: Sparrow Identification

Eastern Ontario plays host to 10 different species of breeding sparrows. We will spend the day visiting the different habitats, learning to identify them by both sight and sound. Species such as Chipping, Clay-coloured, Field, Vesper, Savannah, Grasshopper, Song, Lincoln's, Swamp and White-throated will be the focus of this trip. Despite their nickname -- "little brown jobs" -- these birds are in fact distinctively marked and not as hard to identify as you may think.

Date Sunday, June 21
Meeting Time 6:00 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, March Road at Carling Avenue (Kanata)
Return Time 3:00 p.m.
What to Bring Lunch, snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$60.00

Breeding Birds of the Eastern Lagoons

Highlights may include Pied-billed Grebe, Ruddy Duck, American Coot, Common Moorhen, Virginia & Sora Rail, Wilson's Phalarope, and Marsh Wren to name a few. We may encounter some shorebirds, either still migrating north or heading south. Anything is possible!

Date Sunday, June 28
Meeting Time 6:00 a.m.
Meeting Point Tim Hortons, St. Laurent Boulevard near Smythe Road
Return Time This is a full day trip.
What to Bring Lunch, snacks and drinks.
Remember to dress for the weather.
Cost \$65.00