



POINT PELEE NATIONAL PARK EVENT UPDATE: CANCELLATION OF THE 2021 FESTIVAL OF BIRDS

LEAMINGTON, ONTARIO, March 11, 2021 – The 2021 Festival of Birds at Point Pelee National Park has been cancelled as part of an ongoing effort to limit the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health and safety of Canadians, visitors, festival partners and staff.

During spring migration, Parks Canada encourages Canadians to bird locally, and Point Pelee National Park remains committed to connecting with Canadians through virtual programming. Throughout the month of May, the national park will share general migration information and work with partners to deliver virtual presentations that encourage visitors to participate in birding activities from their homes. Follow Point Pelee National Park on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/PointPeleeNP</u> or on Twitter <u>@PointPeleeNP</u> for information about virtual activities.

Although the park remains open, visitors should not expect the same kind of experience they've had in the past as vehicle access, parking and visitor services are significantly reduced. Parks Canada strongly advises all visitors to act in accordance with the provincial restrictions to help limit the spread of COVID-19 by travelling no farther than necessary to access outdoor spaces.

Point Pelee National Park's website provides detailed information on what is open, what visitors can expect, how to prepare for a visit and what services may be available. Visitors should plan ahead by checking the website before they travel. Please visit our website at <u>parkscanada.gc.ca/pelee/covid19</u> and follow our Facebook page at <u>facebook.com/PointPeleeNP</u>

Detailed information on Parks Canada places and the measures the Agency is taking to limit the spread of COVID-19 can be found at <u>parkscanada.gc.ca</u>. Please check regularly for updates.

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