

# Speaker Series



## Why Bears Do What They Do

**ANDY McMULLEN**

*Owner of BEARWISE & Experienced Wildlife Safety Trainer*

**Thursday, July 20 7pm Humphrey Arena**

Bearwise was previously based in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories but now operates out of McDougall, Ontario. Andy offers consulting, auditing and information/education services in wildlife safety and deterrence. Customized practical solutions to safety concerns with bears are his specialty. Andy applies extensive scientific and traditional knowledge of bear ecology and behaviour.



## The Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary

**HOWARD SMITH**

*Managing Director*

**Thursday, July 27 7pm Wellness Room Rosseau**

Howard has been the Managing Director at Sanctuary for the last six years after retiring from the MNR as the Provincial Large Mammal biologist in 2008. He was with the MNR for forty years working in wildlife research and in District offices. He graduated from the University of Guelph with a Masters in Zoology on white tailed deer behavior. He lives on a restored farm homestead near Rosseau and has raised llamas for use as pack animals for hiking.



## Birds of a Feather: Birds at Risk Living in Seguin

**TIANNA BURKE**

*Biologist at Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve*

**Thursday, Aug 3 7pm Orrville Community Centre**

Tianna is a bird nerd and naturalist from Chatham, Ontario. She obtained her undergraduate degree at the University of Waterloo in environmental studies and her MSc at Trent University working on Bank Swallows. Working with so many passionate people is what fuelled her love for the environmental field, especially for love of birds. Currently, Tianna works as a biologist and educational assistant at the GBBR.



## Fish Habitat Assessments in Eastern Georgian Bay

**JULIA SUTTON**

*Coordinator: Eastern Georgian Bay Stewardship Council*

**Thursday, Aug 10 7pm Foley Community Centre**

Julia has been the Coordinator for the EGBSC since 2014. Her work includes fish habitat assessments and restoration, forming and building community partnerships, seeking funding grants to carry out stewardship projects and organizing EGBSC's annual native plant sale. Julia also operates her own environmental consulting firm, specializing in native plant design and shoreline naturalization. Before moving to Burk's Falls in 2012, she worked for Conservation Authorities in the Ottawa area for six years doing stream monitoring, fisheries surveys and forest inventories.



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