

## **Bert Miller Nature Club 2022 Speakers**

Monday January 10, 2022

Topic - Waterfowl Identification: Tips and Tricks

Speaker – Fred Jazvac

Fred Jazvac is a veteran member of the Huron Fringe Birding Festival planning committee, a member and a past-president of the Owen Sound Field Naturalists and the organizer of the Bruce Birding Club. He has given workshops on a variety of topics both at the festival and for other naturalist groups.

Monday February 14, 2022

Topic: Niagara Coastal - Using Community/Citizen Science to Address Data Gaps on the Great Lakes

Greg will introduce the Niagara Coastal Community Collaborative as an organization, and provide an overview of its four main initiatives; water quality monitoring, shoreline restoration, the Visual Assessment Survey Tool, and Great Lakes knowledge brokering; all of which are supported with community/citizen science.

Speaker - Gregory Ford, Executive Director, Niagara Coastal Community Collaborative  
As a Great Lakes advocate, Greg works towards the goal of improving community access to the waters of the Great Lakes.

Monday March 14, 2022

Topic: Harnessing the power of communities, farmers and technology for Lake Erie

Speaker: Katherine Balpataky

Katherine Balpataky is the Senior Director of Corporate Partnerships with ALUS, where she works with business leaders to achieve environmental, social and governance goals and address climate risk with nature-based solutions delivered by farmers and ranchers.

Monday April 11, 2022

Topic: Easy Method for Warbler Identification

Speaker: Sarah Rupert – Point Pelee Promotions Officer

Monday May 9, 2022

Topic: From Anomalocaris to Zaccanthoides, An Amateur's Fossil Adventures in the High Rockies.

Our speaker will take members on a visual exploration of her adventures in Yoho and Kootenay, showing the finds at historic and recent fossil sites and giving us a glimpse of busy Burgess Shale life a half a billion years ago.

Speaker: Beth Gilhespy, Executive Director. Toronto Zoo Wildlife Conservancy

Monday June 13, 2022

Topic: The Hobbitstee Wildlife Refuge.

Learn about the work that this Haldimand County organization does to save wildlife and promote conservation

Speaker: Chantal Theijn, Founder and Authorized Wildlife Custodian