

**Oliver-Osoyoos Naturalists Club**  
**Scheduled Events March to July 2019**



**Sat. March 9: Okanagan River North - *Easy flat walk*** along the river, to McAlpine Bridge back to Oliver. Meet at the Oliver Visitor Centre (CPR Stn) at 9.30 AM  
**For more info call Marianne 250-498-2743 or Donna Heard 778-439-2066**

**Mon. March 18 AGM Speaker Norm Gaumont from the Vaseux Lake Stewardship Society.** He will present their concerns on a variety of problems of the lake. Books donated by Mel Thorne will be for sale by contribution. A drawing for a special book, authored by Dick Cannings "Birds of the Okanagan Valley" will be available at \$2 per ticket. In addition, memberships are due for most people.  
**The meeting will start at 7 pm, St Christopher Anglican church, 7200 87 St. Osoyoos. Call Marianne 250-498-2743.**

**Sun. March 31 KVR- Vaseaux Lake - *Easy walk on the old KVR*** rail bed along the west side of Vaseaux Lake, possibly to the lagoons. Typically good duck viewing on the lake.  
**Meet at Oliver visitor center at 9.00 AM .Leader Skip King 250-485-0263**

**Wed. April 3 Work party, Solana -** Some work needs to be done at our project on Solana Key. Much tall grass and weeds need to be removed. A few trees need to be replaced Bring gloves, shovels, etc. for typical garden clean up. Wear good footwear and clothing since we will be on a muddy bank near water. To get to the project travel east on HWY 3 to the signal on Cottonwood, turn right one block then left. One block ahead is the project.  
**Meet 9:30 AM at the project. Call Skip 250-485-0263.**

**Sun. April 14 Ellis Creek Moderate *walk*.** - From Oliver we will car pool to Penticton and take Carmi Avenue to the parking lot at Ellis Creek (9 km from Main Street). The hike is approximately six (6) km and will take us through an area that is known as Garnet forest fire (1994). **There is very little elevation gain**, stunning views overlooking Penticton. **9:00 AM Greg Byron 250-485-2232**



**Sat. April 27 Kruger Mountain - A *moderate walk with some steep sections* above the West bench of Osoyoos. The route may possibly go up from Blue Lake road.**

***Meet Lakeview Plaza, Osoyoos 9:00 AM. Leader Dwayne Flexhaug 250-495-7645***

**Sat. May 11 Nature Trust, Skaha Bluffs - Park along Eastside Road near Bighorn Sheep sign then hike toward Skaha Bluffs with super views and some pictographs along the way. *About 400 m elevation gain overall, most uphill is at the beginning.* Round trip about three (3) hours.**

***Meet at Oliver CPR 9:00 or at the kiosk at 9:30 AM. Barry Berto 250-485-4700***

**Sun. May 26 Mt Keogan - Hike up Mt. Keogan on a less travelled *moderately strenuous* trail to the north of the usual route and return via normal route.**

***Meet at Oliver Visitor Centre 9:00 AM and carpool from there. Paul Doyle, leader, 250-498-6636***

**Sat. June 8 Midway trails - A *popular moderate walk* on trails above Midway. Hopefully, we will see some rare plants. Excellent views of valley.**

***Meet Osoyoos Lakeview Plaza 9:00 AM. Leader Doug Brown for info call Skip 250-485-0263***

**Sun. June 23 Mt Kobau - *Nice moderate circle route near top of Kobau to Testalinden Lake.* Probable continuation to summit, site of old fire lookout.**

***Meet 9:00 AM Lakeview Plaza, Osoyoos. Leader Phil Harfman 250-495-8071***



Please, be on time, as we like to start promptly!

Bring lunch and water and wear suitable footwear and clothing!

Be prepared for chilly Spring and hot summer weather!

ease leave dogs at home, as they disturb wildlife.

We would like to increase our membership, so please bring a friend

**Non-members and Visitors are invited to join us on our outings but after three trips, we ask that you become a member**

**Current annual membership dues are now: Single: \$30, Family: \$35.**

Membership includes a subscription to “**BC Nature**”, mailed to members four times annually.

Please pay your dues at the next meeting or outing you attend.

Volunteers are always welcome!

If you would like to lead a hike or have suggestions for hikes or meeting-speakers, please contact any of the leaders listed in this schedule

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