

## Winter Bird Feeding Workshop Follow-Up

The Winter Bird Feeding Workshop took place on Tuesday this week, and naturalist leader Sarah Dixon captivated and engaged her audience. The children enjoyed a talk about migratory birds, got to see and touch different feathers and learned why birds “fluff” up in the cold. Then, parents and children dug in to make their own feeders using pinecones, string, fat and birdseed.

The walk to Blossom Corner was an exciting one: almost immediately upon arrival, the group heard the calls of a Red-bellied Woodpecker, and a few lucky parents and kids got a glimpse of the bird! Then to the delight of the group, a male cardinal flew overhead. Chickadees were in abundance and flying close, interested in the children with their outstretched hands full of seed.

We look forward to the next workshop,  
Everyone loved this one, especially the birds!



*The feeders made of pinecones filled with fat and birdseed.  
Photo: Hannah Legault*



*Caressing sunshine Photo: Peter Stuble*

## Reminder: Fur and Feathers Workshop This Saturday, March 9, 10 am-12 pm

The Fur & Feathers workshop is coming up this Saturday, and there are still a few spaces left for families who would like to participate. Sarah Dixon will be leading the group through the Arboretum explaining how to identify signs of wildlife during winter. We will be on the lookout for our local barred owls, as well as other forest inhabitants that have been spotted recently. Do reserve: 514-398-7811

[More Details](#)  
[Facebook Event](#)



*Dashing through the snow Photo: Frans Lecluse*

## Ski and Snowshoe Orienteering Challenge Sunday, March 17, 2019

Join the Ramblers Orienteering Club's end of winter challenge. Come and find your way through the forest using map and compass. Register at the Conservation Centre on the morning of the event.

## Call for Volunteers

It is thanks to the support of volunteers that we pursue our activities.  
Could you lend a hand with any of these tasks?

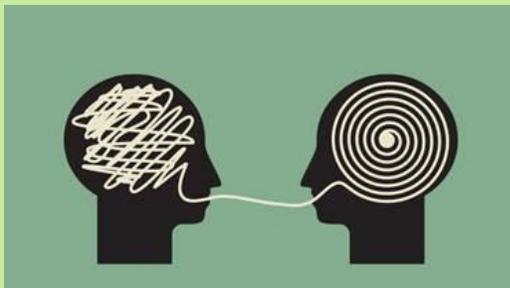
### Maple sap collecting and boiling

Are you generally available during the coming few weeks to work in the outdoors?

Write to Scott Pemberton  
[scott.pemberton@mail.mcgill.ca](mailto:scott.pemberton@mail.mcgill.ca) to offer your services or request additional details.



*Une goutte à la fois Photo: Paul Scheiwiller*



*Illustration: Microsoft Image Bank*

### English revision and/or translation from French

To help correct texts from our collaborators for our communications, contact Anne Godbout  
[anne.godbout@mcgill.ca](mailto:anne.godbout@mcgill.ca).

## Sugaring Off Events Support Sundays, March 24 and March 31

Tasks include:

- cooking or serving food or taffy
- taking tickets
- baking goodies
- leading tours
- helping organize parking

Contact Scott Pemberton

[scott.pemberton@mail.mcgill.ca](mailto:scott.pemberton@mail.mcgill.ca) for more info.



*Sarah Dixon explains sap boiling Photo: Frans Lecluse*

## Membership Envelope Packing



Another one-off volunteer opportunity is to help prepare the membership packages that will be sent to renewing members. This is scheduled for early April and the task can take place in the comfort of your own home.

To make arrangements, please contact Anne Godbout [anne.godbout@mcgill.ca](mailto:anne.godbout@mcgill.ca).



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